



# Holiday Harbor Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2018

## “Marina Jargon”

### Pre-launch Checklist

Before launching a boat for the first time each season, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Watercraft urges boaters to complete the following checklist to reduce the chances of being unprepared while out on Ohio's waterways.

- Check the boat registration. Boat registrations are good for three years and expire on March 1. You need to display a valid tag before you put your boat on the water. The registration card or form needs to be carried onboard your boat. Check your safety equipment. Look at the [required equipment chart](#) to make sure you have all the equipment needed on your boat after it has been stored. The chart also is printed in the [Ohio Boat Operator's Guide](#). Free [vessel safety checks](#) usually are offered in the spring, so you can have a trained opinion.
- Inspect your life jackets. In addition to making sure you have a properly sized wearable life jacket for each passenger, check each life jacket for mildew, rot and tears in the material, seams and straps. Discard and replace any damaged life jackets.
- Check flares and fire extinguishers Buy new flares if their expiration dates have passed, and make sure the fire extinguisher is properly charged (**don't forget about the Kidde Recall**).
- Check the first-aid kit. Replace any supplies that were used last season or have passed the expiration date.
- Check fittings. Thru-hull fittings below the waterline should be tight; sea valves should operate freely. Make sure the boat plug is on board and in good condition.
- Check for winter damage. Inspect non-metallic thru-hulls; they get brittle with age and winter ice can crack or loosen them. Look for hoses that have been forced off or split from freezing. Every spring, boats sink at the dock when these problems go undetected until the first heavy rain.
- Check the fuel system. Inspect fuel fittings and hoses; replace if cracked or showing other signs of stress.
- Check electronic gear. Get fresh batteries for portable electronic gear, radios, handheld GPS and flashlights. Inspect connections on lights and the horn and other equipment wired in to the boat.
- Inspect dock and anchor lines for chafing. Replace lines if signs of wear are present.

- Check the boat trailer. Inspect trailer tires for wear and inflate properly. Check the trailer frame for rust spots; inspect the wheel bearings and re-pack if necessary. Test the trailer's lights before towing. Trailer tags renew annually on your birthday, just like your car's license tags. [Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles](#)
- Check the oil. Creamy brown or gray engine or drive oil has water in it and a mechanic should find the source of the leak before you start the engine.
- Check charts and maps. Are navigational charts and waterway guides current? Channel markers and buoys change frequently so it is a good idea to update guides every few years.

We have a lot of new items for 2018 in the Ship's Store. We have an assortment of new sunglasses and floating retainers thru **Yachter's Choice**.

**SeaChoice** has a variety of new items available including life jackets and vests, 10 BC fire extinguisher, 1 and 2 person towables, 3" and 4" blowers, 1 and 2 trumpet horns, LED waterproof spotlight, and Yeti-style coolers (half the price of Yeti).

**Starbrite** introduced its Ultimate line of Cleaners and Extend-A-Brush brushes and handles last year. They have added a new foaming formula mildew remover that stays in place and Tee Tree Oil air purifiers (similar to Canberra but less expensive).

**Orion** now has an electronic flare that is Coast Guard approved. No more replacing flares every other year, just batteries.

We are introducing a floating MP3 speaker thru **WOW** you have to hear to believe.

**Furrion** has come out with a heavy duty 50' extension cord.

We have added from **Sea Dog** heavy duty canvas scissors that cut thru just about anything.

**Land N Sea** has created a special combination of a **Cobra** VHF radio with the antenna and mount at a great price.

And **Interlux** has 2 new items, Interprotect HS, which is a high build water barrier requiring less coats, and Micron WA, a water-based bottom paint with 30% more copper than regular Micron, without the fumes.

Come to the Open House hosted at HLM on Saturday April 14th and save even more on these items as well as everything else the Ship's Store has to offer.

Open House pricing will be available on all items March 1st through April 15th. Visit the HLM store for all your boating care items.

**Remember, even if you don't see it, ask, we can get it!**

## “Laguna Yacht Club”



As a member of LYC, benefits include:

1. Affiliation to I-LYA and YCA which entitles members to visit other clubs around the great lakes and country.
2. 24 hour access to HLM Pool Complex.

**HHM annual membership dues \$100.00**

No initiation fee if you join your first year docking at HHM.

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Event photos

<http://jcaunter.smugmug.com/Events/>

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March 2 – 4, 2018  
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[AkronBoatShow.com](http://AkronBoatShow.com)

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ENJOYED  
BOATS  
TO SELL**  
Contact  
Ron  
or  
Matt



## “Attention Boaters”

**Be advised, it only takes a \$100 deposit to reserve your dock space for the 2018 boating season, with balance due by March 15th. Your boat will not be launched if account balance is not current. If you would like to do a payment plan contact the office.**

**WI-FI** at the marina.

User: **HLM & HHM**

Password: **luv2boathuron**

If you are looking for a place to store your Kayaks for the summer we have outside Rack Storage. Storage is limited so check with the marina store for the packages that are available.

### Customer Referral Program

**September thru March Customer referral program:** For every NEW customer you refer to HHM for winter storage or summer dockage you will receive a 10% credit of the summer dockage or winter storage fee (not including labor, material or tax) that they pay when they have paid in full.

**April thru August Customer referral program is a credit to your account of:**  
\$25.00 for dock rented under \$1,000  
\$50.00 for dock rented from \$1,000-\$1,999  
\$100.00 for dock rented over \$2,000

**Keep informed on Boating Legislation**

<http://www.huronlagoons.com/links/legislation/>

## “Notes from the Service Desk”

The Berea Power Squadron will be performing courtesy boat inspections on Saturday May 19th and Huron Police Department will do a follow up for anyone if you missed that one on Saturday June 2nd.

Every year we get a rush of work orders following the inspection from customers saying my **navigation lights** are not working, my **horn** is not working or my **blower** is not functioning correctly. These are things you should check at least the beginning of every boating season. Some additional items to check are making sure your **bilge pump** is functional, the **fuel lines** fill & feed are not dry and cracked, the same with **engine belts and hoses**.

If you would like us to perform these inspections just add, **Do a 6 Point Inspection** to the spring work order under additional work. We will inspect and advise. The cost will be time & material. Other than replacing burned out light bulbs or fixing a loose wire you will be quoted the repair costs to replace blowers, pumps, hoses, fuel lines or belts before the work is performed.

Another item that is often skipped on the pre-launch list is checking the sacrificial anodes to see if they should be replaced. If they do need replaced make sure magnesium anodes are used. It is the only alloy to provide proper protection in fresh water.

**For service questions and quotes contact: [service@holidayharbor.com](mailto:service@holidayharbor.com)**

# “Marina Forecast”

## 2018 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

### January

18-21 [Mid-America Boat Show I-X Center](#)

### March

2-4 [Akron Boat Show](#)

### April

14 Open house at HLM 10 am to 5 pm.

### May

13 [ODNR SAFE BOATING CLASS at HLM](#)  
Mothers Day

19 Berea Power Squadron Courtesy Boat Inspection. Sign up sheet in office

26 [Blessing of the fleet 11:00 am](#)

28 Memorial Day

### June

2 Huron Police Courtesy Boat Inspection. Sign up sheet in office

2-10 [National Fishing & Boating Week](#)

16 Huron River Rides

17 Fathers Day

### July

13-15 Huron River Fest

### August

TBA Annual Dock Holders Party

23-26 [Cedar Point Boat Show](#)

### September

3 Labor Day

NOTE: LYC SUMMER EVENTS WILL BE ADDED TO CALENDAR AS DATES AND EVENTS ARE DECIDED

## ODNR Warns of Dangers of Cold Water

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**COLUMBUS, OH** – As cabin fever gives way to long-awaited sunshine and warm temperatures, water temperatures are still very cold. Lake Erie’s water temperature is around 40 degrees and water temperatures in Ohio’s inland lakes and rivers are also cold. In 40 degree water, even the best swimmers experience complete exhaustion in 15 minutes. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Watercraft reminds everyone to wear your life jacket when you boat. It can buy you precious time and save your life!

“People can have as little as 15 minutes before they lose control of the muscles in their arms and legs in response to cold water,” said Gary Obermiller, chief ODNR Division of Watercraft. “It can be very difficult to locate, put on and buckle a life jacket in the water. If your life jacket is already on you can conserve your energy.”

### Survival Time

Water Temperature	Exhaustion	Death
32.5	Under 15 min.	15 min. or less
32.5-40	15-30 min.	30-90 min.
40-50	30-60 min.	1-3 hrs.
50-60	1-2 hrs.	1-6 hrs.
60-70	2-7 hrs.	2-40 hrs.
70-80	3-12 hrs.	3 hrs.-indefinite

If the water temperature is less than 50 degrees, the window of opportunity for rescue is only a few minutes if the involved person is not dressed for the water conditions. Information on how to dress for the water temperature is available at <http://watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/education-safety/safety-tips-for-every-boater/know-before-you-go/dress-for-cold-weather-boating>

Filing a float plan and making sure friends and family know where you are boating and when you are expected back is also very important. A sample float plan boaters can use is available at

<http://watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/education-safety/safety-tips-for-every-boater/know-before-you-go/file-a-float-plan>

Nearly 90% of boating fatalities are due to drowning and nearly half of those are attributed to the effects of immersion in cold water. Water cooler than the normal body temperature of 98.6 degrees causes heat loss. Cold water will cool a body 25 times faster than cold air of the same temperature. Total immersion in cold water is very painful and the disoriented victim can quickly panic. With these combined reactions, the victim may drown quickly. The best prevention for this danger is to wear a lifejacket.

Falling into cold water triggers the body's cold water immersion responses, beginning with an uncontrollable gasping reflex. A well-fitted lifejacket will keep a person’s airway out of the water - which is most important when the gasping reflex begins. Heart rate and blood pressure increase dramatically, increasing the risk for cardiac arrest. The victim may hyperventilate and find it difficult to get air into the lungs. Given the person’s ability to keep their head above water and stay afloat, the following chart provides a general idea of survival times in water of varying temperatures. Factors that may alter these estimates include clothing or protective gear, the individual's health condition, and water conditions.

## HHM Store Hours

### February-March

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Starting April Open 7 days a week

**Holiday Harbor Marina**  
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Huron, Ohio 44839  
419-433-2140

**Huron Lagoons Marina**  
100 Laguna Dr. PO Box 231  
Huron, Ohio 44839  
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