



Belhaven's ICW Mile Marker (mm) 136 Celebration

Sponsorship Opportunity
October 2-3, 2026

Belhaven, North Carolina is proud to host **Belhaven's ICW mm136 Celebration** commemorating the 98th anniversary of the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW). On August 31, 1928, the final link of the Atlantic ICW was completed in Belhaven, earning our community the distinction of being recognized as the "Birthplace of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway".

The celebration is presented by Belhaven 136, Inc. a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Our vision is to grow this event each year as we build toward the 100th Anniversary (Centennial) in 2028 of **Belhaven's ICW mm136 Celebration**, to highlight Belhaven's unique maritime heritage while attracting visitors, boaters, businesses, and history enthusiasts from across the country. The mission is to preserve and promote Belhaven's rich maritime community through tourism, education and economic development.

We are seeking sponsors whose support will help fund the many activities we have planned for this year's celebration and establish the foundation for an even larger 100th year in 2028. Your sponsorship will directly contribute to creating a memorable event that honors one of the most significant milestones in our nation's inland waterway history.

Together we can make **Belhaven's ICW mm136 Celebration** a lasting tradition for generations to come.

Why Sponsor?

- **Exposure to thousands of local attendees and visiting ICW boaters**
- **Recognition in print, digital, and social media promotions**
- **Logo placement on event signage and sponsor displays**
- **Association with Belhaven's nationally significant maritime history**
- **Support of a nonprofit organization dedicated to community and economic development**
- **Tax-deductible contribution through a 501(c)(3) organization**

Thank you,

Belhaven ICW Mile Marker 136 Celebration Committee

Website: www.belhaven136icw.com

Email: icwmm136@gmail.com



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Sponsorship Form

Name of Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Web Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____

Special Instructions: _____

Please send your organization's artwork/LOGO – DIGITALLY - to: icwmm136@gmail.com

Make Checks Payable to: Belhaven 136
P.O. Box 144
Belhaven, NC 27810

Amount of sponsorship / pledge: _____

Thank you,
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<u>Sponsor Level</u>	<u>\$ Level</u>	<u>Perks</u>
Admiral	\$ 5,000.00	Company Logo on Prominent Sponsor signage and on all event social media / Special Recognition at live event
Captain	\$ 2,500.00	Company Logo on Prominent Sponsor signage and on all event social media / Special Recognition at live event
Commander	\$ 1,000.00	Company Logo on Prominent Sponsor signage and on all event social media / Special Recognition at live event
Lieutenant	\$ 500.00	Name on Prominent Sponsor signage and on Social Media
Ensign	\$ 250.00	Name on Social Media
Sailor	\$ 100.00	Name on Social Media
Crew	\$ 50.00	Name on Social Media

Please contact the ICW Celebration committee at **icwmm136@gmail.com**

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HISTORY OF THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY AND BELHAVEN

The Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) is a 3,000-mile protected inland waterway along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, divided into two main, non-contiguous sections: the Atlantic ICW (Norfolk, VA to Key West, FL) and the Gulf ICW (Carrabelle, FL to Brownsville, TX), with additional unconnected segments in Florida. It consists of natural bays, rivers, and sounds connected by manmade "cuts" or canals.

The Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW) is a 1,100-mile protected marine highway running from Norfolk, Virginia (Mile 0) to Key West, Florida. Along this route, Belhaven occupies a significant location at Mile Markers 135/136, where Pantego Creek meets the Pungo River. Since the completion of the final link in 1928, Belhaven has become a favorite harbor and stopover for thousands of cruising boaters traveling the East Coast each year.