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A MESSAGE FROM THE HELM



Dane McCoy
Commodore

Hello EBC Members,
family and friend,

I pray that this newsletter finds you and your family in the best of health during these uncharted times as the nation continues to deal with the ramifications of the COVID-19 pandemic. As many states prepare for the possible reopening of schools, lets all continue to

pray for the safety of our kids as they return to the many campuses nation wide.

As California goes through another semi-shut down of in-doors dining, bars, gyms and movie theaters, I ask all members to continue with the social distancing and wearing your mask to protect you and your family, stay safe.

In addition to dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic, we now must also deal with the evacuations of residences due to the unusual hot weather and fires caused by lightning strikes. The air quality in Northern California is at an all time low, if you have asthma or breathing issues please stay inside and take care of yourself.

As the boating season continues on, I hope many EBC members are still enjoying themselves out on the waterways. Several yacht clubs are still open but operating with many restrictions. Some cruise in are still taking place with everyone remaining on their boats and service being conducted to the individual guest boats.

The Ebony Boat Club remains shut down per the recommendation from members present during the July 25th General membership meeting. Our next General

Membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 29, 2020 via ZOOM teleconference at 12:00pm. The ZOOM meeting login and code will be emailed to everyone prior to the meeting.



The club's 2021 Calendar of events is currently being worked on by a team of EBC members and will be available for review next month. Frank Whitehead is working on another "Cabin Fever Fishing Derby" so stay tuned for additional information on this fun event.

In closing, I would like to ask each EBC member to reach out to a fellow club member to see how they're doing. We're in trying times and checking in on one another to show you care and to show a sign of hope for the future. We will make it through this!

Stay well EBC family.

Dane McCoy, Commodore
Ebony Boat Club



What's Happening In The Delta



SUBMERSED AQUATIC VEGETATION CONTROL PROGRAM

- Brazilian Waterweed** (*Egeria densa*)
- Curly-leaf Pondweed** (*Potamogeton crispus*)
- Eurasian Watermilfoil** (*Myriophyllum spicatum*)
- Fanwort** (*Cabomba caroliniana*)
- Coontail** (*Ceratophyllum demersum*)

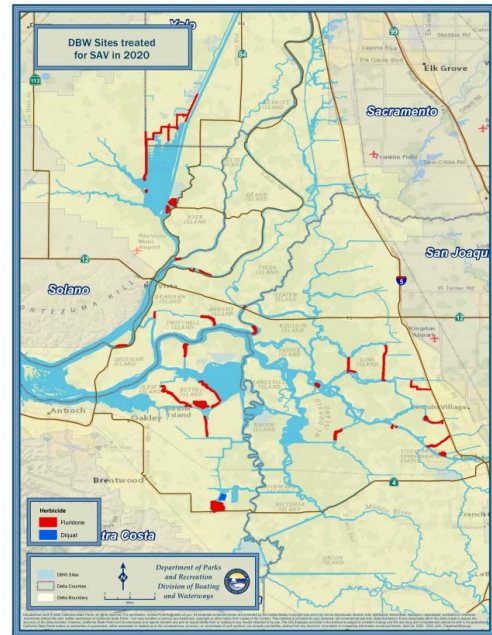
California Department of Parks and Recreation
Division of Boating and Waterways
Aquatic Invasive Plant Control Program (AIPCP)

Treatments for July 27 through July 31, 2020



Herbicide treatment of invasive submersed aquatic vegetation will begin on April 20, 2020 in various areas of the Sacramento -San Joaquin Delta.

Treatments may not occur in some or all sites due to weather conditions, and growth stage of the aquatic invasive plants.



Diquat treatment will occur in Discovery Bay (site 93)

Fluridone Treatment Sites				
CC	SAC	SJ	SOL	YOLO
93, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 171	18, 20, 22, 209a, 240b, 241	8, 10, 12, 15, 26, 30, 34, 38	176, 251, 262, 272, 277	269, 276

"Treatment sites and schedules are subject to change based on regulatory requirements, weather conditions, plant growth and movement, waterway traffic, listed fish presence surveys, and other conditions."

- Edward J. Hard,
Environmental Program Manager I

What's Happening In The Delta

- Spraying will be conducted weekly, Monday through Friday between the hours of 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Herbicide applications during the treatment period will utilize Fluridone (Sonar) and Diquat (Reward).

Treatment Period:
April 20, 2020 - November 30, 2020

County References:
ALA - Alameda; CC - Contra Costa;
MER - Merced; SAC - Sacramento; SJ - San Joaquin;
STAN - Stanislaus; SOL - Solano;
YOLO - Yolo

 **Aquatic Invasive Plant Control Program**
California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW)

Submersed Aquatic Vegetation Approved for Control (2020 Season)

Brazilian waterweed *Egeria densa* **Submersed**



Description

- Completely submersed with roots anchored in the soil
- 3-4 leaves in a whorled arrangement
- Middle and upper leaves are between 15-40 mm (~0.50-1.50 in) long and 2-5 mm (~0.10-0.25 in) wide
- Small white flowers that extend up to 3 cm (~1.25 in) above the water surface
- Native to South America


Growth Period: spring - late fall; flowers June - October

Habitat: slow-flowing or still water in sloughs, canals, river, ponds, lakes, reservoirs; often in nutrient-rich substrates

Control Methods Currently Used By DBW:

- Herbicide

Curlyleaf pondweed *Potamogeton crispus* **Submersed**



Description

- Leaves are floating and/or submersed, have rounded tips, and have minutely toothed margins
- Wavy, stiff, crinkled leaves between 50-76 mm (~2-3 in)
- Develop turions, or specialized stem buds that survive unfavorable conditions. Turions resemble brown pinecones between 7-25 mm (~0.25-1 in) long
- Can be confused with Richardson's pondweed
- Native to Eurasia

Growth Period: early spring - late summer; flowers May - September

Habitat: ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, reservoirs, irrigation ditches, marsh areas

Control Methods Currently Used By DBW:

- Herbicide

Eurasian watermilfoil *Myriophyllum spicatum* **Submersed**



Description

- Perennial with creeping underground stems; typically submersed, sometimes emergent leaves while flowering
- Finely divided, whorled leaves with more than 12 leaflet pairs
- Uniform, parallel, acutely-angled leaf segments
- Stems and growing tips often red-tinged
- Does not develop turions
- Small, pinkish, whorled emergent flowers
- Can be confused with coontail/hornwort and fanwort
- Native to Eurasia and northern Africa

Growth Period: spring - fall; flowers June - September; plants can die back in winter or remain green

Habitat: ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, canals, ditches

Control Methods Currently Used By DBW:

- Herbicide

 **Aquatic Invasive Plant Control Program**
California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW)

Aquatic Vegetation Not Approved for Control (2020 Season)

Floating pennywort *Hydrocotyle ranunculoides* **Floating**



Description

- Floating to terrestrial perennial with branched, creeping stems
- Bare, fleshy, round to kidney-shaped leaves with 3-7 lobes
- Stalk attaches to the base of the leaf at the margin, unlike other native pennywort species with stalks that attach to the center of the leaf's underside
- Shorter flower clusters of 5-10 flowers with greenish- to yellowish-white to purplish petals
- Native to North America

Growth Period: rapid growth early spring to early summer, slow growth through winter; flowers March - August

Habitat: pond and lake margins, marshes, low swamps, slow streams, irrigation and drainage ditches

Smartweed *Persicaria* spp. **Floating**




Description

- Floating to terrestrial annuals and perennials
- Reddish to pink to white to somewhat green flowers that stand erect or droop
- Stems are generally coarse and swollen at the nodes
- Leaves are lance-like to oval-like
- Both native and non-native species of smartweed
- When non-flowering, can be confused with water primrose, bur marigold, and alligatorweed

Growth Period: spring through fall; flowers June - November

Habitat: edges of ponds, shallow lakes, marshes, streams, wet fields, areas subject to seasonal flooding, irrigation ditches, pastures, orchards, rice fields, grain fields, and irrigated crops

Mosquitofern, Duckweed, Watermeal *Azolla, Lemna, Spirodela, and Wolffia* spp. **Floating**



Description

- Native, small free-floating annuals and perennials
- **Mosquitofern (left):** aquatic fern that often occurs in colonies. Individual plants are fan-shaped to deltid-shaped. Young plants are grayish to green, but turn red to brown with age and season
- **Duckweed, duckmeat, and watermeal (right):** very small plants that often grow in clusters or colonies. The plant bodies are stems (fronds) that are typically in pairs or trios. Zero to one to two roots depending on the species. Duckmeats and watermeals can develop turions (survival structures) during the winter season
- These species often grow together and are easily confused with one another

Growth Period: spring to or through fall

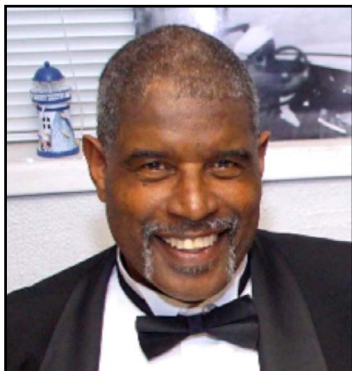
Habitat: on still water or mud in ponds, small lakes, slow-moving streams and channels, ditches, rice fields, sloughs



Our waterways are for everyone's enjoyment. So please, keep it clean when you boat.
CA Dept. Boating & Waterways BoatSmarter.com

A Message From :

THE STAFF COMMODORE



STAFF COMMODORE
Frank Whitehead

Hello EBC Family & Friends,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health. As we deal with the challenges placed before us, let us not forget those whose daily struggles are more than we can imagine.

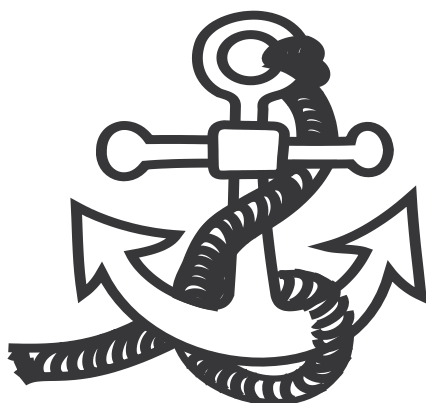
I am looking forward to next year and our 'New Normal.' Let us work together to come up with ideas for activities to get us out and interacting with other groups and clubs as safety would allow.

I understand that some of our members would like another Cabin Fever Fishing Derby, please let the Executive Board know and we can make it happen!

Stay Safe.

Thank you for allowing me to be of service,

Frank Whitehead
Staff Commodore



A Message From :

THE TREASURER



Otis Brock
Treasurer

Hello fellow Ebony Boat Club Members:

Thanks to all of you that sent in your new mailing information. Our members Birth and Anniversary dates are incomplete.

This month we are reviewing our members Birth Date and Anniversary Date. To insure that we have our dates correct, We are requesting Every Member to take a few minutes and send your Birth day date, leave off the year. Also send in your anniversary date and leave off the year. Please send this information directly to me by E-mail, Text, Phone, U S Mail, Pony Express, Or Homing Pigeons. When I complete the list, I will turn it over to the Beacon Editor. This will aid the Editor in acknowledging your important Dates.

Also, I would like to remind you that we have initiated an exciting way of raising funds for the Ebony Youth Foundation. The Ebony Youth Foundation is a 501(C) (3) charitable organization registered with the Internal Revenue Service. This means that you can deduct contributions to the Foundation under Internal Revenue Code Section 170.

If you are interested in assisting the foundation, you can make a donation directly to the Ebony Youth Foundation @ 1253 Yuba Avenue San Pablo Calif. 94806. Or on line @ Network For Goods. Click on Ebony Youth Foundation and follow their instructions. We are listed on the Eligible Organization List at 814228897.

Another way that you can help is to forward this to your E-Mail friends and your Facebook Page. Download Organizations Eligible to Receive Tax-Deductible Charitable Contributions (ZIP ASCII) <https://www.networkforgood.org/donate/>

Thanks and Safe Boating
Treasurer, Otis Brock

A Message From :
THE REAR COMMODORE



Sheila George
Rear Commodore

Hello Ebony Boat Club

It is my prayer that every one of my club members are in good health and in good spirits, given that we are still under Covid 19.

Just a note from the club house:

It's still in good shape but minor repairs are needed, such as cleaning and bird's nests on the outside of our club. We still need

to watch the water level.

Notes from the Rear Commodore:

Reggie, Jennifer and myself are working on the next year calendar. Please contact me with your dates for next year. Everything is contingent on reopening up the club.

Just my thoughts:

"Your Destiny is the power of your thoughts"

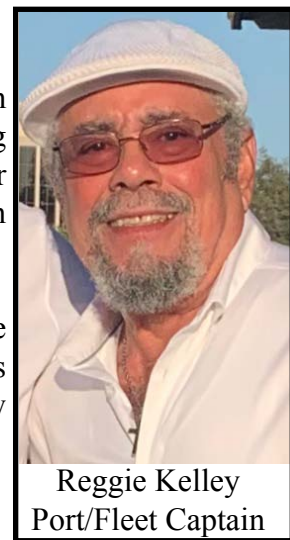
A persons most useful assets is not a head full of knowledge, but a Heart full of Love, an Ear ready to listen, and a Hand willing to help others.

This is what E B C means to me. Let's keep pushing to be that five star club!

I miss you all,
Sheila George
Rear Commodore



A Message From :
THE PORT/FLEET CAPTAIN



Reggie Kelley
Port/Fleet Captain

Ahoy Club Mates,

It may seem insignificant when docking your boat but knowing how to handle and tie off your lines is a very important step in the process.

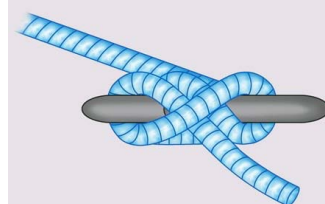
Below is an excerpt from a article at discoverboating.com. It covers the five basic knots to use and how to tie them.

To see the full article and videos go to discoverboating.com.

Remember, practice makes perfect!

Happy and safe boating,
Reggie Kelley
Port/Fleet Captain

Cleat Hitch

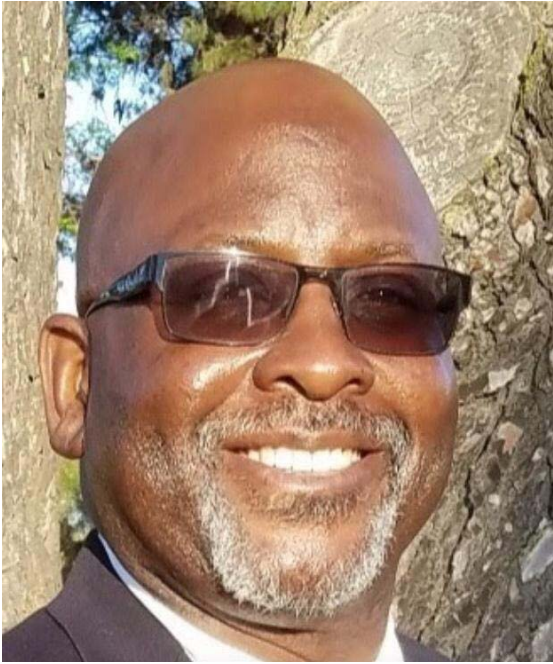


Every boat owner needs to know how to perform some important tasks, like docking a boat, tying up a boat, and anchoring a boat. All of these endeavors and many other common boating procedures share one thing in common: they involve handling lines. And just about any time line-handling is involved, knot tying may be, too. Here are the five most commonly used boating knots.

5 Basic Boating Knots:

- Bowline
- Cleat Hitch
- Clove Hitch
- Half-Hitch (also call the Overhand Knot)
- Figure Eight

A message from:
The Safety Officer



Hello EBC Members,

The article below is from BoatUS concerning dangerous gases aboard our boats. Please take the time to read through the article. There's also a link at the end of this article to BoatUS for additional information. We will cover this very important topic during our next EBC General Membership Meeting scheduled on August 29th at 12pm.

Safe Boating,
Kerry Davis, Safety & Training Officer



Dangerous Gases Aboard

Here are four of the most common dangerous gases and fumes that most of us encounter on our boats. It's important to know how to handle them and when to sound the alarm.

Gasoline Fumes

Highly volatile and a leading cause of marine related explosions and fires, gasoline fumes, which are heavier than air, can easily accumulate in a vessel's bilge due to improper refueling or fuel system leaks. There, it's only a spark away from causing a fire or explosion.

Sources: While fuel system leaks due to damaged, degraded, or improperly installed components are an obvious source, gasoline vapor explosions can also be traced to things such as improper fueling techniques and lack of adequate ventilation. Mistakes during routine maintenance or repair of engines, generators, or fuel systems can also lead to an explosion.

Detection: Your nose is a marvel of nature, so put it to good use. Always sniff your engine compartment and bilge areas (particularly around fuel tanks) after refueling or any time prior to starting your engine. As good as your nose is, it can't be everywhere all of the time, so consider installing a gasoline vapor or fume detector. Fumes are heavier than air and will settle in the lowest areas of the bilge or compartment. As such, fume detector sensors (which are not waterproof) should be mounted as low as possible, but above the normal slosh range of bilge water.

<https://www.boatus.com/expert-advice/expert-advice-archive/2020/june/dangerous-gases-aboard>

Please click on the link above for additional information on the four gas fumes.



Messages from the Members

Hello Family,

Blessing to all of you. I am glad that we are all doing well during this time of testing. I don't watch much of the news as it is so biased. It is difficult to tell the truth from agendas. We just have to use common sense and do what we know is right. Please continue to wash your hands including the back your hand and wrist area. Wear your mask and if it is cloth don't forget to launder it every week. We will get through this with faith.

For my birthday I had a fundraiser on Facebook. I met my goal already but I reminded all that it goes until August 31, 2020. As Commodore and others have said it was really easy to do and I was surprised at some of my donors. I reconnected with several old coworkers who had heard me talk about Ebony and the work we do. Two of them had been to one of our Jazz & Wine Festival event. I was asked about that and other EBC events next year. HAPPY BIRTH MONTH TO ME. Yes I am happy and blessed.

I attended the PICYA delegates zoom meeting on my birthday. It was a good meeting. Plans for Coastal cleanup were presented. There is information on the PICYA web site. We are not the only club in limbo, all the others are in the same boat. Some of the larger clubs are still trying to have stay in cruise ins. You cruise into a club, stay on your boat and docks. The clubs are not open even the bathrooms. Some are trying to have the bars open. The bar order is called in and they prepare and bring it out to you. That is way too much for us to try.

WITH LOVE AND PRAYER,

Ann Dukes,
Past Commodore
PICYA Delegate

Such a nice pretty day. Let's cook:



ROASTED VEGGIES

- 1 LB BUTTER NUT SQUASH CUT IN BITE SIZES
- 1 LB ACORN SQUASH CUT IN BITE SIZES
- 1 LB SWEET POTATOES CUT IN BITE SIZES
- 1 BAG OF MIXED VEGGIES (CAULIFLOWER PIECES, BROCCI PIECES, PEA PODS, SMALL WHOLE CARROTS)
- 1 LB RED POTATOES (ANY POTATOES EXCEPT BAKING) CUT IN BITE SIZE
- ½ LB BABY CORN
- 2 SWEET ONIONS CUT LARGE PIECES
- 1 RED ONION CUT ON LARGE PIECES
- 1 CUP WHOLE GARLIC CLOVES
- 1 TABLESPOON SEASONING SALT OR OLD BAY SALT
- PEPPER
- 1 TABLESPOON OLIVE OIL

On a baking sheet mix all the veggies. Add oil mix well. Mix salt, pepper, old bay and sprinkle over veggies. Mix well covering all the veggies. Sprinkle 1-2 tablespoon water over the veggies and cover with foil. Roast in a 350 degree oven until tender about 30 min. Great warm cold or room temp.

This can be made with any of your favorite root vegetables and can be done in a pan or on the grill. I sometimes add beets as well. Spinach, fresh beet tops can also be added. ENJOY!



Messages from the Members

Hello Boatmates

Summer is winding down and I really miss spending time with all of you!

Last month I was talking to club mate, Rear Commodore Sheila George. After chit chatting about our health and family, I asked if she had been out in her boat, the *Sophisticated Lady*. She told me she had and that it ended being a traumatic experience. Sheila told me she had been out on her boat with friends and relatives and decided to go out for spin. I don't remember the exact details but once she got her boat out things did not go well. Sheila decided to cut the trip short and return to her slip. It was windy that afternoon and with distractions from her audience, Sheila forgot the mechanics of her boat and was finding it difficult to park. It was when someone onboard yelled "We're gonna crash!" that her mind went blank and she panicked! Sheila did finally park her boat but she did tap the boat next to her and cause some minor damage.

Sheila's story reminded me of my own personal experience. I am new to boating. The *Kickin' Back II* is my first boat. I love piloting her but have avoided backing out or docking. I get nervous even when I am not the one at the controls.

Last year after a fun time attending the Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta, Reg and I continued the Down Bay Cruise with Otis and Marilyn Brock and Jim Mack. over to South Beach Marina Pier 40. The difference in the weather and the water between the Oakland Estuary and the SF Bay side was like night and day! To my perception the wind was gale force. We had to wait quite a while to be able to enter the marina. All the while there was lots of traffic from sail boats, other power boats and paddle boats.

After we were finally able to enter and located our slip, we found out we were next to a boat our size and it was going to be a struggle getting in. We decided to tie up to a side tie and get the office to reassign us. Easy peasy, right? Well at the first side tie there was a bunch of "lazy louts" aka sea lions hanging out. We moved to

the next dock where there was only one lazy lout and he wasn't moving. As we approached he just looked at us with his one open eye and said AARRG!

As Reg maneuvered next to the dock, I stepped off to tie the stern. I then headed quickly to the bow to catch the bow ropes, but that was not happening. The wind took the bow the opposite way. The lazy lout this time opened both eyes but still didn't move.

After a second failed attempt (I am now panicking with missed lines hanging in the water), Lazy Lout rolled over into the water with a final AARRG!. Just as I was panicking, Reg figured it out, turned the boat around and glided next to the dock. He stepped off and casually tied the stern and the bow.

The similarities in my story and Sheila's is, we panicked. We forgot our training. Sheila couldn't operate her boat and I was less than useless helping Reg dock the boat. So, what's the lessons learned? For Sheila, it's taking an online training class and more hands on practice with someone she trusts. She said she was not permanently traumatized. She loves her boat and didn't buy it to just sit at the dock. As Sheila said, "This is the beginning of my lifetime to enjoy my boat...one precious incredible life!" As for me, I will take the online course on how to dock a boat so that I can be more helpful. Maybe, just maybe I will get the courage to dock our boat myself! Sheila and I have are both determined to not panic.



Below is informative online courses for new boaters and experienced boaters:

Until we meet again, stay safe

Jennifer Duhon

Beacon Assistant Editor

Here are some helpful online courses for new and experienced boaters:

Boat Docking-Boatsafe.com

Docking along side in a head wind-Boatsafe.com

FREE WORKSHOP FOR MARINAS AND YACHT CLUBS



Free 2020 Virtual Oil Spill Response Communication Workshops For Marinas and Yacht Clubs

and yacht clubs are invited to two workshops in Northern and Southern California that present oil spill response resource information. The workshops will cover information on:

- California's oil spill response structure
- Office of Spill Prevention and Response Equipment Grants
- Third party claim process
- General information on oil spill kits for boating

facilities

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You MUST REGISTER to attend

Register now by emailing:

Vivian Matuk at vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov

Max workshop capacity 30 people

We will be offering the following virtual workshops :

Northern CA:

Thursday, September 10th from 9:30 am to approx. 12:30 pm

Southern CA:

Wednesday, September 23rd from 9:30 am to approx. 12:30 pm

- You will only need a computer with internet access and either a phone to call in or the computer's speaker and microphone.
- You do not have to have a Zoom account to attend a Zoom video conference meeting. You will be prompted to download the software, once you received the link from us.

• What we need from you:

1. Based on where your boating facility is located at, please register to one of the virtual two workshops mentioned above by emailing Vivian Matuk at vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov.

When registering, please let us know to which workshop you want to register, your name, boating facility name and county, your email and phone number.

2. Once we receive your registration, we will be sending you the Zoom invite information link and easy to follow instructions and some additional files. We are looking forward to hearing from you!Marinas and yacht clubs are invited to two workshops in

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SPORT FISH RESTORATION & RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY ACT OF 2020

U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, & Transportation

Wicker, Cantwell Introduce Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act

July 1, 2020

U.S. Sens. Roger Wicker, R-Miss., and Maria Cantwell, D-Wash., chairman and ranking member of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, today introduced the Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act of 2020. The legislation would reauthorize the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, which supports about \$650 million annually in fishery restoration and conservation programs, boating access and infrastructure, as well as fish stocking programs important to recreational anglers. The legislation would also authorize studies on the impacts of non-motorized vessel use on vessel waterway access as well as the impact of abandoned vessels.

“Since 1950, the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund has been a key component in increasing access for marine and freshwater anglers by protecting vital habitats,” said **Wicker**. “Our legislation would reauthorize this important fund while implementing studies aimed to improve the program. I thank Ranking Member Cantwell for working with me to advance this measure.”

“Washingtonians love recreational fishing,” said **Cantwell**. “That means boating, charter fishing, fly fishing, or even fishing just off the dock. Give us any means possible and we will fish.

That’s why I’m introducing legislation to reauthorize the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, which helps keep our lines in the water – and fish on the road to recovery by supporting \$600 million per year in fisheries restoration, conservation, and improving access for outdoor recreation.”

The Sport Fish Restoration and Recreational Boating Safety Act of 2020 would:

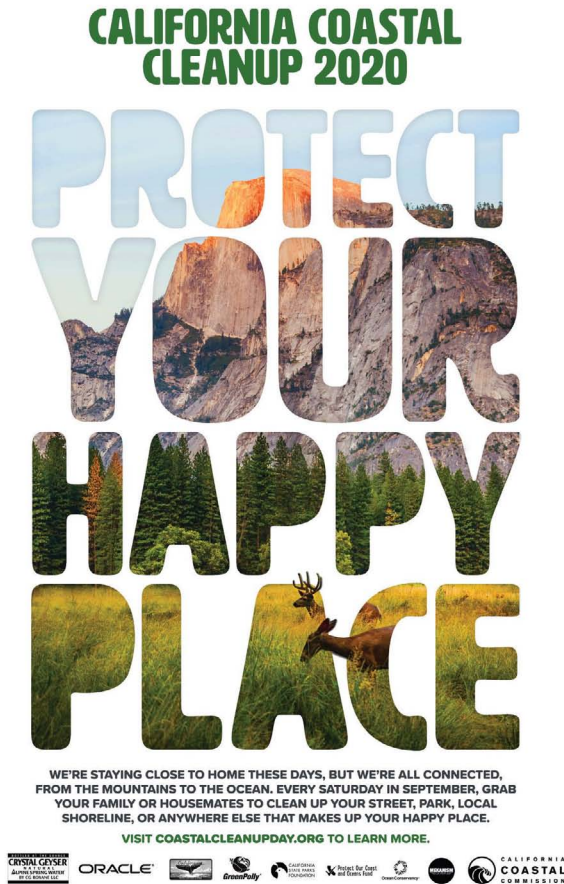
- Reauthorize the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund through fiscal year 2025;
- Authorize a report on the use of the Trust Fund toward improved non-motorized vessel access;
- Authorize a study on the impacts and potential solutions for abandoned vessels.

Click [here](#) to read the full bill.



“It appears he’s adapting to this social distancing thing pretty well.”

CALIFORNIA COASTAL CLEANUP 2020



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, **this year the annual [Coastal Cleanup Day](#) (CCD) event is going to have a different approach:** Instead of a one-day statewide event, we will be encouraging volunteers to clean their neighborhoods, local parks, local creeks, or other natural area, either alone or with only the people with whom they have been sheltering-in-place. Instead of just one day, we will be asking people **to volunteer each Saturday of September, between 9 AM - Noon. Let's help clean the beaches and waterways by cleaning up in our own [neighborhoods and local natural areas](#).** Attached please find the amazing 2020 CCD posters both in English and Spanish!

This is how it will work:

- Contact your [County Coordinator](#) for the most UpToDate information on cleanup activities in your area like you did in the past.
- Report to the County Coordinator (and Vivian Matuk vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov) **when and where** in September you will be conducting your local cleanup (waterways, beach, park neighborhood).
- Please provide the name of your boating facility (marina, yacht club, organization, association, aquatic center, etc)
- Have ready your cleanup items. Check our website [here](#) for ideas on bringing your own (BYO) clean up items.

To protect your health and slow the spread of the coronavirus, please follow the most recent guidance from the Centers for Disease Control, available here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>.

In addition to the CDC guidelines, the Coastal Commission recommends the following practices for cleaning up litter and other debris:

Preparation

- If you are sick in any way, DO NOT go out for a cleanup.
- Assemble your own Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): face mask, gloves, and make sure to wear close-toed shoes to protect against sharp objects.
- Download the [Clean Swell app](#) (available for free on all platforms) to keep track of what you pick up and how many people participated with you.
- **Use the name of your yacht club, marina, aquatic center or boating group when entering the data into the [Clean Swell app](#) in the Group name function in the app**
- You can access the 2020 CCD art by clicking [here](#) so you can include the date, location and

EBC'S THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

FROM DAILY WORD

I AM TRAINING YOU to be an overcomer - to find Joy in the midst of circumstances that previously would have defeated you. Your ability to transcend trouble is based on this rock-solid fact: ***I have over-come the world***; I have already won the ultimate victory! Nonetheless, as I taught, ***you will have trouble in this world***. So expect encounter many difficulties as you journey through life. You inhabit a planet that is always at war, and the enemy of your soul never rests. But don't be afraid, because ***He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world***. This is good reason to rejoice!

When you are in the midst of challenging circumstances, it is crucial to keep trusting Me. Whisper "I trust You, Jesus" as often as you need - remembering I am always near. Ask Me to help you learn all that I have for you in this trail. Look for flowers of Joy growing in rich soil of adversity. The sunlight of ***My Face is shining upon you***, beloved

John 16:33; 1 John 4:4 NKJV; Psalm 145:18; Numbers 6:25

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Member Vera Labat and Elroy Booker's brother "Junior" in need of prayer

EBC Member James Mack for the loss of his brother Pastor Ray E. Mack

Member Kimberly Romes recovering from heart issues

EBC Member Jennifer Duhon recovering from illness

EBC Member Frank Whitehead recovering from hip issues

EBC Member Ann Dukes suffering from allergy issues

Please pray for the tremendous loss of lives and the many families affected by the Covid-19 crisis.

If you know of someone you would like to add to the prayer list please contact the Newsletter Editorial Staff.





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2020 Activity Schedule

Date	Description of Event	Contact	Location
Jan 18	PICYA Commodore's Ball/Installation of Officers	PICYA	Encinal YC
January 25	Monthly Club Meeting	EBC Membership	EBC Club House
February 2	Super Bowl Party & Chili Cook-Off	Otis Brock & Jim Mack	EBC Club House
February 8	George Spencer – Church Retreat	George Spencer	EBC Club House
February 22	Drive In to Sportsmen YC - Crab Feed	Reggie K. & Carol W.	Antioch
February 29	Monthly Club Meeting	EBC Membership	EBC Club House
February 29	EBC Black History Month Program		EBC Club House
March 7	Otis & Marilyn Brock – Birthday Celebration	Otis & Marilyn Brock	EBC Club House
March 13-15			
March 20-22	Mardi Gras Cruise In-Diablo YC/Delta YC	CANCELED	EBC Club House
March 21	PICYA Leadership Conference	CANCELED	Martinez YC
March 28	Monthly Club Meeting	CANCELED	EBC Club House
April 4	Opening Day on the Delta – Antioch/Stockton	CANCELED	EBC Clubhouse
April 18	Spring Youth Day	CANCELED	EBC Club House
April 25	Monthly Club Meeting – Membership Picture Day	CANCELED	EBC Club House
April 26	Opening Day Virtual Boat Parade - Online	PICYA	San Francisco
May 2	Family Carnival	CANCELED	EBC Club House
May 15-17	Western Night Cruise In - Diablo Yacht Club	CANCELED	EBC Club House
May 22-25	Memorial Day Weekend	CANCELED	
May 30	Monthly Club Meeting	TELECONFERENCE	
June 5-7	Jazz & Wine Festival & Cruise In	CANCELED	EBC Club House
June 12-14	George Spencer – Church Retreat	CANCELED	EBC Club House
June 27	Monthly Club Meeting	TELECONFERENCE	PENDING
July 10-12	Cruise Out to Discovery Bay Yacht Club	** SUFN**	Discovery Bay
July 25	Monthly Club Meeting	** SUFN**	EBC Club House
Jul 31-Aug 2	Discovery Bay Cruise In	** SUFN**	EBC Club House
August 14-16	Annual White Party Cruise In-Delta Outlanders	** SUFN**	EBC Club House
August 21-23		** SUFN**	
August 29	Monthly Club Meeting	** SUFN**	EBC Club House
September 4-7	Cruise Out Martinez YC Club-Labor Day	** SUFN**	Martinez YC
September 19	Monthly Club Meeting & Election Nomination	** SUFN**	EBC Club House
September 19	Coastal Clean Up	** SUFN**	Stockton Marina
Sept 23 - Oct 2	Cruise Out - Down Bay Cruise	Otis / Reggie	Bay Area Cruise
September 26	Margot Brown Wheelchair Regatta	CANCELED	Encinal YC
October 3	PICYA Leadership & Management Conference	PICYA Leadership	Loch Lomond YC
October 3	Ann Dukes – Church Retreat	Ann Dukes	EBC Clubhouse
October 16 - 18			
October 24	4th Annual Day at the Races-Golden Gate Fields	Tony Petit	Albany-GGF
October 31	Club Meeting – EBC Election	LC Fuller	EBC Club House
November 7-9			
November 13-15			
November 21	Monthly Club Meeting	EBC Membership	EBC Club House
December 5	Lighted Boat Parade Antioch & Stockton		
December 12	EBC Change of Watch Dinner	Dane McCoy	EBC Club House
December 19	EBC Community Service Day - Toy Distribution	Carol Whitehead	EBC Club House

**** SUFN** Suspended Until Further Notice**

Update 6/20/2020

August Birthdays

Ann Dukes

Gloria Petit

Roxanne Washington



Happy Birthday to All!

PICYA 2020 CALENDAR



Please visit the PICYA website to find out the Teleconferences schedule for the various Delegates and Officers meeting as well as updates on coming PICYA events



2020 EBC CLUB MEETING DATES

All Club House meetings have been suspended. Monthly meetings will be conducted via ZOOM. The monthly agenda and reports along with the ZOOM meeting connection information will be emailed to all EBC members prior to the meeting.

STAY TUNED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Commodore Dane McCoy

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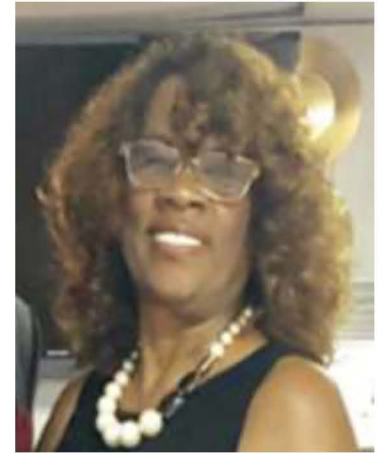
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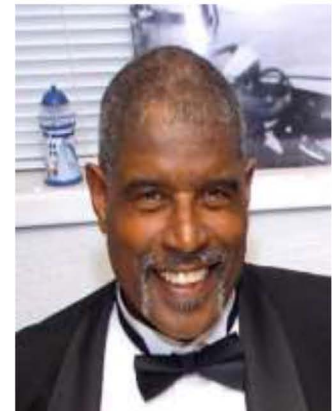
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