



**Happy New Year fellow Yachtsmen!**

We wish you all enjoyable boating adventures this rapidly approaching Summer Season. We are also enjoying bringing you new ways to improve your boating experience at Midway Marina.

**New big dock configuration:**

In an attempt to eliminate build up of trees and debris piling up against the walkway to the outer Main Dock we will change the 45 degree angle to a straight out walkway 90 degrees to the river flow. Floats will be attached parallel to the current to allow debris to pass through the larger spaces between floats. Pilings will not be used so whole trees can pass under the dock without obstruction. "The Bridge" as we call it will be a shorter walk than the old 45 degree angle bridge. It will also allow a longer outer dock for increased alongside docking. Another benefit of the change will be easier removal of the bridge during serious flooding conditions. All in all we expect the change will be a benefit for everyone.

**More changes at Midway:**

After negotiations with the State of CT, the DEEP has exchanged easements with us in order to improve our common interests of the landscape adjacent to the Rail Line at the south end of our yard. Midway has gained a row 50' wide and 600' long on each side of the Railroad tracks. On the River side of the tracks the embankment will be cut back 30' and reshaped to look more natural and increase views of the River. On the storage yard side of the tracks the plan is to level the 20' high hill to create more organized storage space.

**Cabin Rental:**

We have a nice one room waterfront cabin on the property for rent. There is gas heat and range, with fridge/freezer and kitchen sink. The head consists of shower and toilet. Let us know of anyone that could be interested.

**Employment:**

There are openings here for detailing boats and general yard work as well as weekend dock attendant. For the right person, this could be a great opportunity!

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**Spring commissioning:**

Your complimentary Spring Commissioning Checklist is enclosed. Note the two low labor rates. Please use it to order work or as a personal reminder. A lot of this work can be accomplished well before launch time thus avoiding delays in the Spring. Please let us know ASAP for smooth sailing.

**Summer Slips:**

We are offering a 5% discount, (\$68.40 to \$76.95 per foot) for early payment by March 31st. Contracts are enclosed. If you want to reserve the same slip as last year, be sure to get at least a deposit and signed slip agreement to us by **March 31st**. We look forward to another warm, beautiful season with all.

**Earn 10% referral for new slip & winter storage customers:**

We appreciate our great customers! Bring a friend or fellow boater and get 10% of their 1<sup>st</sup> season at Midway credited to your account. There is no limit so the more you refer the more we appreciate it!

**Spring Customer Appreciation:**

We look forward to seeing you all here Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> 12:00 Noon – Rain date Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for good food and good conversation as our way of saying **Thank You!**

**The Jonesport Skiff progress:**

The JP 17.5 is getting a slow start due to other pressing work and Marina projects. We are however about to lay up the 1<sup>st</sup> hull. Hopes are to have a finished boat at some point this Spring. Be sure to check it out on your next trip to Midway.

**Speaking of Jonesport (Maine that is):**

Scott has a waterfront vacation rental with BIG mooring in front. Only 8 hrs from here by car or around 50 hrs by sail. It's just beyond Bar Harbor and Acadia National Park. Check it out on VRBO.com listing #743548. If interested book with Scott for discount or reserve short term mooring for free.

Always mindful of our slogan! "Keeping the pleasure in pleasure boating!"