

Treasure Island Yacht Club, "JIBE"

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Your Getaway in the Central San Francisco Bay

Commodore's Update

Steve Lane



Folks – The club has been given notice that we will need to vacate our current location by the end of November of this year. We have also been offered a new temporary location on the Island during the development phase. At

the writing of this Jibe we have not seen or entered into any negotiations on any new location.

This obviously leads to many questions and many challenges. Because we are at the very beginning of these changes and new information will be coming regularly, we plan on sending out important information via the *JIBE*. You may also attend our monthly board meetings to stay up with the move to the new site. And lastly, for any items or requests needing quick action, we will send out an e-mail.

We have had a great start to the year, a fantastic sail around the Island on January 1, with Bill Goswick's clam chowder, a crab feed that was also fantastic with great folks having great crab – and a special thanks to the past commodores for serving dinner (and for Jim and Sandy getting up at 6 am to pick up the crab in the City).

And finally the Super Bowl Party – and Will Smith's world famous brats.

With all this going on it is important to keep our club going and to really enjoy our social events. TIYC has some great events planned this year. Please refer to this year's calendar and the Web Site for a list of these events.

As we start to prepare for the development of Treasure Island and a new club facility, let's enjoy and celebrate our quaint facility and its history. What started as a ramshackle building, has been built and improved by our members over the years, and is now a place of comradery, fun, joy and service.

Your planning team is working with TIDA to secure our new facility, and ensure our yacht club heritage is maintained on the Island. Our club will celebrate 50 years on Treasure Island in 2016.

Respectfully submitted from Your Commodore, Steve

Commodore:

Steve Lane

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Russ Breed

PICYA Delegates:

Reg & Debrenia Smith

Atta Pilram



Vice Commodore's Message Will Smith



Future Activities In House:

2/21 – Saturday – 6pm New Members Welcome Dinner. **(Rescheduled to March 7)**

3/7 – Saturday – 9am – 3pm TIYC Work Party.

3/14 – Saturday – 10am & 5pm Shenanigan's Cruise/Race Class & Dinner.

3/28 – Saturday – 6pm – Encinal YC Cruise In – Pirate Burgers.

4/18 – Saturday – 6pm – Coyote Pt YC Cruise In Dinner

4/10 – Spring Tea **(Postponed)**

5/3 – Sunday – (time TBA) Membership Drive Dinner

5/24 – Sunday – Angel Island Memorial Day Picnic

See you around the club,
Will





Rear Commodore's Report MeeSun Boice



Amazing how quickly time flies! Can't believe it's February and Valentine's Day has already passed.

February 27th – March 1st : Lynette Breed has kindly coordinated the Reno Fun Train. There are still a few spots left open – so it's not too late to join in the FUN. Please reach out to Lynette if you would like to go.

For now, here are some exciting events coming in the next few weeks/months that we hope you will mark it on your calendars. Confirmation and updates and more events will be posted on our website: www.tiyc.org

February 27th-March 1st – Reno Fun Train –Theme: Rock'n Roll, Chocolate & Wine Tasting
Cruise Leaders: Russ & Lynette Breed

March 1st – Safety At Sea Seminar (EYC) – see page 5 for details

March 14th – Annual Shamrock Shenanigans

April 11th – InterClub Race #1

April 26th – PICYA Opening Day – Theme: "YOUTH-IN-BOATING"

May 9th – InterClub Race #2

May 17th – Safety At Sea Seminar (EYC) – see page 5 for details

June 20th – Tentative planned: Cruise-Out and Blacktop to Epic Roasthouse's annual **High-On-The-Hog Charity** event, benefitting Guide Dogs for the Blind. The plan is to Cruise-Out to SouthBeach Yacht Club, have a drink there, and walk to Epic Roasthouse.

As you know, TIYC is co-sponsoring the **Westpoint Regatta** with Sequoia YC on **Saturday, July 18th**. TIYC may be hosting a pre-race dinner on July 17th. As he did last year, Malcolm Johnston has generously offered the use of his boat, La Boheme, as the committee boat for the race. We welcome volunteers for the race committee, please let Russ Breed know.

The race is to Redwood City with a Party on Saturday night at Sequoia YC. Blacktoppers are welcome. Although still in the planning stages, there may be a pursuit race for the return trip making this a two day event. Are any of our members planning to enter the race?

Regarding the Westpoint Regatta: Russ Breed, Parke Ulrich and I attended the first planning meeting at Sequoia Yacht Club. It was a productive meeting and we meet again February 18th. Our goal is to raise the profile of TIYC's participation of the high-profile event to more than providing the Friday night dinner and the Committee Boat.

With that in mind, THANKS to Parke Ulrich was able to secure Remy Cointreau (maker of Mt.Gay Rum) to sponsor all the hats, which will have the well known Mt.Gay Rum logo and possibly t-shirts, which we hope will have the newly designed Regatta logo which will have BOTH SeqYC and TIYC Burgees.

Also, Parke Ulrich (as Executive Chef and Chef partner of Waterbar and Epic Roasthouse) confirmed that he and Waterbar restaurant have generously donated \$1000 for sponsorship for the Westpoint Regatta. His donation was on behalf of TIYC, to raise our profile and promotion of TIYC in the racing community. Again, sincerest Thanks Parke!

Volunteers Needed: We will need volunteers to help with the Committee Boat (see Russ Breed).

August 30th – Tentative planned: Cruise-Out and Blacktop to Waterbar's annual Oysterfest Charity event, benefitting Surfrider Foundation. The plan is to Cruise-Out to South Beach Yacht Club, have a drink there, and walk to Waterbar's event.

More to come...

MeeSun Boice
2015 Rear Commodore



From the Membership Committee:

MeeSun Boice



Our club is growing! After the Annual Crab Fest, we were happy to receive applications for membership from 3 new candidates and one returning member. Applications were posted for 30 days, and the applicants were voted and approved by the Bridge and Board on February 10th.

- 1) Captain Greg Stump – USCG Sector SF Commander /Captain of the Port and his wife Leigh-Anne
 - a. Type of Membership: Active Duty – Military Membership
 - b. Sponsored by: Connie and Pete Van Putten
 - c. 2nd Sponsor: MeeSun Boice
- 2) Steven and Edie-Marie Flynn –
 - a. Type of Membership: Regular
 - b. Sponsored by: Parke Ulrich
 - c. 2nd Sponsor: MeeSun Boice
 - d. Boat Name: Edie-Marie
 - e. Power Boaters - Have had passion for boats and sailing for over 40 years
- 3) Kenneth Coker and Ron Gilmore-Coker
 - a. Type of Membership: Regular
 - b. Sponsored by: MeeSun Boice
 - c. 2nd Sponsor: Eduardo Park
 - d. Over 20years of boating/sailing with family and friends
- 4) Dave and Sara Chenette
 - a. Type of Membership: Regular

- b. Former members: Re-Instatement of membership
- c. Sponsored by: Pete Van Putten
- d. 2nd Sponsor: Russ Breed
- e. Returning from Washington DC – moved back to CA

We will be having an opportunity to meet them at the: **NEW MEMBER WELCOME DINNER:** (Rescheduled to **March 7th, 2015**. Flyer with details will be circulated Monday. Any Volunteers will be much appreciated.

I would like to ask if we could all reach out to the new members and extend the usual warm TIYC Welcome!

MAY 3rd: MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Parke Ulrich, Joe Wrye and I will sponsor the 2nd Annual Membership Drive Dinner. Last year we had a great turn-out, with delicious menu by Chef Parke Ulrich and Joe Wrye. Flyers with details of the event and meals will be created soon.

MeeSun Boice,
2014/2015 Membership Chair

Safety At Sea Seminars
Safety at Sea Seminar Sponsored by the Singlehanded Sailing Society

Sunday, March 1, 2015, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Encinal Yacht Club

Satisfies NCORC, OYRA, SSS, and Long Pac Safety at Sea Seminar Requirements

Speakers: Jim Quanci refers to himself as "a repeat offender", having raced to Hawaii too many times to keep count. Strangely, he loves the sail home too. He has served as Commodore of the Pacific Cup Yacht Club as well as the Singlehanded Sailing Society; Michael Moradzadeh is a seven-time Pac Cup veteran, board member, and PCYC Commodore 2010; Chuck Hawley is a nationally known speaker on marine safety, and Chair of the US Sailing Safety at Sea Committee.

Sign-up via SSS website: sfbaysss.org/main/sas

Click [HERE](#) for .pdf poster version of this announcement

US Sailing Certified Safety at Sea Seminar Sponsored by the Pacific Cup

Sunday, May 17, 2015, 8:00 am

Encinal Yacht Club

This meets your Pac Cup and most US ocean race requirements.

The course covers all the items required for USSailing certification, plus you get to see a buncha folks get tossed into the pool.

PICYA Spring Leadership Conference

The PICYA Spring Leadership Conference this year will be held on Saturday March 21, 2015 at the Aeolian Yacht Club. Sign in (Registration) begins at 0800. Conference materials will be provided for all pre-registered participants (see attached form). A continental breakfast will be served in the morning and lunch will be served at 1200. Cost is \$25 per person.

Registration Deadline is March 16, 2015.



Pacific INTER CLUB Yacht Association

SPRING LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Saturday, March 21, 2015

Aeolian Yacht Club

980 Fernside Blvd.

Alameda, CA 94501

Registration begins at 0800 hours. Conference materials will be provided for all pre-registered participants. A continental breakfast will be served in the morning and lunch will be served at 1200 hours. The cost is \$25 per person.

ALL CLUB OFFICERS (ELECTED AND APPOINTED), BAR MANAGERS, AND MEMBERS INTERESTED IN THE WORLD OF YACHTING SHOULD ATTEND THE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Blue, Rear Commodore P.I.C.Y.A.

linda.a.blue@gmail.com (510) 851-4387

Yes, please accept my registration for the 2015 Leadership Conference and my check made out to P.I.C.Y.A.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Yacht Club or Association: _____

Club Office/Committee: _____

Send To: Linda Blue, 4 Ricci Ct., Petaluma, CA 94952

Registration Deadline: March 16, 2015

On The Water

Around the Islands (YBI & TI) on New Year's Day, 1/1/2015



Women's Sailing Convention, 2/7/2015



Please identify conflicts and forward any exchanges with other members to your Watch Captain

WATCH LIST 2015

Duty Hours: 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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Date	Watch Captain	Officer Of The Day	Activity
03-Jan-15	Atta Pilram	Vacant	
10-Jan-15	415-748-0374	Vacant	
17-Jan-15	"	Pilram, Atta & Alice	Crab Feed
24-Jan-15	"	Vacant	
07-Feb-15	Will Smith	Smith, Will & Cynthia	
14-Feb-15	510-589-7410	Roberts, Pete & Faye	
21-Feb-15	"	Smith, Reg & Debrenia	
28-Feb-15	"	Reis, William & Lynne	
07-Mar-15	Parke Ulrich	Strom, Gordon & Diane	Work Party & New Members Welcome Dinner
14-Mar-15	415-385-2398	Thorsson, Desmond & Laura	St Pat's Dinner
21-Mar-15	"	Ulrich, Parke	
28-Mar-15	"	Van Putten, Pete & Connie	Encinal YC Cruise In
04-Apr-15	Jim Aberer	Wills, Cior & Ciaran	
11-Apr-15	925-997-1630	Wyre, Joe & Tilde	
18-Apr-15	"	Zebzda, Martin & Holly	Coyote Pt YC Cruise In
25-Apr-15	"	Aberer, Jim & Sandra	
02-May-15	MeeSun Boice	Ahlf, Rich & Ismini	Floato de Mayo
09-May-15	714-350-3889	Alden, Don & Mary	
16-May-15	"	Boice, MeeSun	
23-May-15	"	Breed, Russell & Lynette	Memorial Day Weekend
30-May-15	"	Brewer, Kent & Nancy	
06-Jun-15	Steve Lane	Busby, David	
13-Jun-15	925-984-0341	Cole, Bill & Sue	OYC TI Anchor out Cruise-In
20-Jun-15	"	D'Aura, Joe & Connie	Club Dinner - Sailstice
27-Jun-15	"	Gibson, Fred C.	
04-Jul-15	Fred W. Gibson	Gibson, Fred W.	Chili Cook-off
11-Jul-15	408-836-6519	Goswick, Bill & Karen	
18-Jul-15	"	Graham, Mary	Westpoint Marina Regatta
25-Jul-15	"	Harper, Sharron	
01-Aug-15	Mary Holden	Harrison, John & Robynn	
08-Aug-15	925-376-7497	Harte, Christy	
15-Aug-15	"	Holden, Rich & Mary	
22-Aug-15	"	Johnston, Mal & Jan	
29-Aug-15	"	Lane, Steve & Carol	Castaway Weekend
05-Sep-15	Malcolm Johnston	McBride, John & Erica	
12-Sep-15	650-576-6047	Mibach, Don & Cathy	
19-Sep-15	"	Mohn, Jon & Julia	Dragon Boat Festival

26-Sep-15	"	Navarro, Mia	
Date	Watch Captain	Officer Of The Day	Activity
03-Oct-15	Connie Van Putten	Nevesny, Neil & Joanna	
10-Oct-15	510-932-3274	Park, Eduardo & Sung Hae	Fleet Week – Pig Roast
17-Oct-15	"	Pilram, Atta & Alice	
24-Oct-15	"	Plichta, Vincent & Cindy	
31-Oct-15	"	Reis, William & Lynne	
07-Nov-15	John Harrison	Roberts, Pete & Faye	Work Party
14-Nov-15	650-483-7106	Smith, Reg & Debrenia	Annual Meeting
21-Nov-15	"	Smith, Will & Cynthia	
28-Nov-15	"	Strom, Gordon & Diane	
05-Dec-15	Pete Van Putten	Thorsson, Desmond & Laura	Holiday Club Decoration
12-Dec-15	510-932-3274	Ulrich, Parke	
19-Dec-15	"	Van Putten, Pete & Connie	
26-Dec-15	"	Wills, Cior & Ciaran	

Coming Events

Date	Event
February 2015	
15	<i>JIBE Deadline (March – April)</i>
21	TIYC Fun Sail (10:00 AM)
27 – Mar 1	Reno Fun Train – Theme: Rock’n Roll, Chocolate & Wine Tasting (Cruise Leaders: Russ & Lynette Breed)
March 2015	
1	Safety At Sea Seminar #1 (Encinal YC)
7	TIYC Spring Work Party 9:00 – 3:00pm
7	New Member’s Welcome Dinner (6:00 PM) (Rescheduled)
10	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
14	Shamrock Shenanigans (TBA) St Pat’s Dinner 6:00 PM (Host: TBA)
21	PICYA Spring Leadership Conference (Aeolian YC)
28-29	Encinal YC Cruise-In & Dinner
April 2015	
9-12	Strictly Sail Pacific & Power Boat Expo (Jack London Square, Oakland)
11	InterClub Series #1 Black top to Pacific Sail Expo
14	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
15	<i>JIBE Deadline (May – June)</i>
18	Coyote Pt YC Cruise-In & Dinner
19	Spring Tea & Speaker (POSTPONED)
26	PICYA Opening Day – Theme: “YOUTH-IN-BOATING”

May 2015	
3	Membership Drive Dinner (Time TBA)
9	InterClub Series #2
12	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
17	Safety At Sea Seminar #2 (Encinal YC)
21 – 25	Angel Island Cruise-Out (Cruise Leader TBA)
24	Memorial Day Angel Island Picnic
June 2015	
9	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
13 – 14	Oakland YC Treasure Island Anchor Out Cruise-In
13	InterClub Series #3
15	<i>JIBE Deadline (July – August)</i>
20 – 21	Sailstice Weekend Fun Day in Clipper Cove
20	Cruise-out to SoBYC & blacktop to Epic Roadhouse (tentative)
July 2015	
4	Race Committee Training (Instructor: Russ Breed) Chili Cook-off (Host: Atta & Alice Pilram)
11 – 12	Avon Cancer Walk (Leader: Connie Van Putten)
11	InterClub Series #4
14	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
17	Friday Night Dinner (before Westpoint Regatta)
18	Westpoint Regatta (TIYC is Race Committee) Race / Cruise to Redwood City (Sequoia YC)
August 2015	
8-9	Cruise-out to Benicia YC (tentative)
8	InterClub Series #4
11	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
15	<i>JIBE Deadline (September – October)</i>
30	Cruise-Out Waterbar's Oysterfest Charity event (tentative)
September 2015	
5 – 6	Castaway Weekend
12	InterClub Series #4
8	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
19 – 20	Women's Sailing Seminar (IYC) SF Dragon Boat Festival
19	Men's Poker Night
October 2015	
10	Fleet Week Pig Roast
13	Bridge & Board Mtg (2 nd Tuesday, 7:00pm)
15	<i>JIBE Deadline (November – December)</i>
18	2016 Calendar Meeting
November 2015	
14	Annual Meeting & COW

A Word About Safety

Russ Breed

(From BoatUS with Permission)



Cold water immersion is almost always the result of capsizing, swamping, or falling overboard from a boat under 26 feet. Here's six tips to help prevent disaster.



Cold Water Boating Tips

1. Always wear a life jacket when in an open boat or on deck, **ESPECIALLY** if operating solo.
2. At least the operator, and **ESPECIALLY** solo operators, should carry emergency communication devices (e.g. hand held VHF radio, cell phone in waterproof bag) and signaling devices (emergency locator beacon and visual distress signals) **ON THEIR PERSON**.
3. Make sure the boat has a re-boarding device (such as a swim step, ladder or foot sling) that can be used by a person overboard.
4. Solo operators should **ALWAYS** attach an engine cut — off device when underway.
5. Cold water boaters should consider carrying a small inflatable dingy or life raft, and immersion (survival) suits.
6. File (and stick to) a float plan. 🚩

Stages Of Cold Water Immersion

Without a life jacket, each phase means a much higher risk of drowning.

Cold Shock Response: Gaspings, hyperventilation

Cold Incapacitation: Swim failure, loss of function

Immersion Hypothermia: Eventually resulting in loss of useful consciousness

THE “BUCKET LIST”



Sailing in the Society Islands of Tahiti has been, to date, our ultimate “bucket list” experience – dramatic, beautiful, remote, and exotic! This group of Islands in the South Pacific, formed by explosive volcanic eruptions and old lava flows, are covered in tropical vegetation (see photos), and encircled by coral reefs that break up the prevailing ocean swells and rough seas rolling across the great expanse of the Pacific. Consequently each island is surrounded by gentle, brilliant aqua and white, tempered lagoons that are delightful for swimming and reef fishing (watch for sharks) but sadly devoid of live coral. There are several well-chartered breaks in the circle protecting each island that allow passage from one to the other.

Our Boat and Crew. We flew to Papeete on the Island of Tahiti in French Polynesia on July 12th a few years ago for a two-week bare boat sailing adventure – with two families sharing a Leopard Catamaran 42 (see photo). (Yes, this is where we were introduced to and “fell in love” with the type of cat that we now own). A small plane then delivered us to the Island of Raiatea - a farming, fishing, and commercial coastal village - where we gathered basic supplies for our charter, met up with our remaining family-crew and picked up our catamaran from the Moorings fleet. Provisioning was not expensive when we confined ourselves to the abundant local supply of fresh seafood, fruits and produce that were transformed into delectable cuisine by competitive, creative teams of two crew for each evening meal (see photo of sushi), - - far more upscale than the La Baron “vintage” (boxed wine) we drank.

Highlights of Our Route. The first passage was a short hop, sailing north to the Island of Ta Ha Ha (an unspoiled tropical paradise with a large, empty yacht club whose manager welcomed our use of the facilities.) From there we made excursions by land to visit with the hospitable locals (see photo of Polynesian child), inspected the vanilla bean plantations and fed the blue-eyed eels in a nearby stream. We found our way to a cache of black pearls harvested from the waters beneath an old shack on the end of a pier (see photo of proud recipient and generous husband).

From Ta Ha Ha we had a magical run to Bora Bora, (see photo of our ultimate mystical destination) the enchanting volcanic remnant of a caldera that we sailed around, hiked up, and photographed from every angle in the changing light from dawn until sunset. On one evening we treated ourselves to dinner at the Bora Bora Yacht Club (see photo), the renowned stopover for sailors making their long voyage across the “Big Puddle”. Otherwise we avoided the up-scale and expensive resorts, kept our distance from cruise ships and eschewed modern facilities preferring to shower and do our laundry in the torrential afternoon thunder storms when the rain poured right through the Bimini. After several days it was time to move on. Our skipper chose a tight tack around the northern end of the Bora Bora reef in order to enjoy a fast and turbulent beam reach on mounting seas as we made our way south to Huahine via the same Islands.

After nestling into a protected harbor in Huahine, we discovered their famous vanilla bean ice cream, and biked to the site of an archaeological excavation that had uncovered an ancient village of a warring tribal society. However our stay on this unique island was cut short by a large tropical storm rapidly bearing down on us from the west so we high-tailed it back to the protection of Raiatea. The most memorable image of our Tahitian sailing adventure has to be making the fast (12 knot) entry back through the narrow slot in the coral reef into the lagoon beyond. It was spitting rain on a foaming ocean and a rainbow graced the black thunderclouds to the northwest, when suddenly we were flanked by a school of dolphin cavorting within the mountainous swells crashing on the reefs on both sides of the boat. Like playful guardian angels, they escorted us through the treacherous passage to the safety of our home-port, then disappeared as fast as they came.

Jan Johnston

Help Wanted:

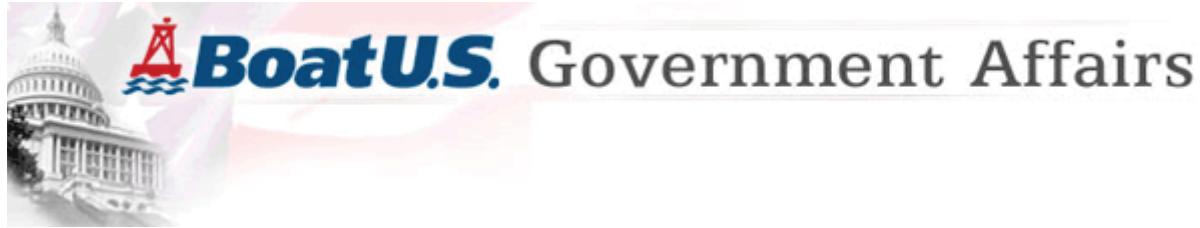
TIYC is looking for people to help out with the following positions:

- **JIBE Editor / Publisher** – Involves assembling, editing and publishing the TIYC bimonthly newsletter. Input is typically received by email and/or attached files. Should have experience with MS Word or Publisher, Adobe Acrobat.

If you can help contact either the Commodore or the Office Manager.

- **Treasurer** – Fred W Gibson has indicated that he will be stepping down at the end of the year. He is looking for someone to work with him to learn the club’s accounting system.
- **Office Manager** – Russell Breed is looking for someone to learn what is needed behind the scenes to support the Bridge & Board.

RBOC Corner (info forwarded from BoatUS)



February 4, 2015

For years, BoatU.S. has been battling in Washington to make sure you can buy gasoline that works in your boat engines. On Wednesday, February 4, 2015, U.S. Congressman [Bob Goodlatte](#) (R-VA) introduced **The Renewable Fuel Standard Reform Act of 2015**. This bill, which has both Democrat and Republican support, will effectively remove mandates for higher blend ethanol fuels (more than 10%) and allow for investment in other more compatible biofuels. We believe it is a critical step and we are writing you to ask your Congressman to become a co-sponsor and support it.

[CLICK HERE to TAKE ACTION](#)

<http://www.capwiz.com/boatus/issues/alert/?alertid=64052836&PROCESS=Take+Action>

Background:

The Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) is the 2005 law that requires the blending of biofuels such as corn-ethanol into our gasoline. When written, it assumed that America's use of gasoline would continue to rise and mandated escalating amounts of biofuels to be blended with our fuel. Since 2005, gasoline usage has actually dropped steadily and now the law forces more ethanol into less gasoline.

To keep up with this mandate, in 2010 the EPA permitted E15 (fuel containing up to 15% ethanol) into the marketplace. Even though E15 is prohibited from being used in marine engines, snowmobiles, motorcycles, small engines like lawnmowers and leaf blowers, as well as any vehicle made before 2001, this fuel can now be found at over 100 stations in 16 states at the very same pumps as E10 and ethanol-free gasoline. (In fact, there is not a single marine engine warrantied to run on any fuel with over 10% ethanol.)

Over 60% of BoatU.S. Members fill their boat's fuel tanks at roadside gas stations where the higher blend ethanol fuels are often the cheapest fuel at the pump. This creates a huge potential for misfueling and puts boaters at risk.

Please contact your Congressman by clicking [HERE](#). Ask them to co-sponsor the **Renewable Fuel Standard Reform Act of 2015**. In the last Congress, this bill had 82 co-sponsors.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information on E15 and the Renewable Fuel Standard.
<http://www.boatus.com/gov/rfs.asp>

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