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*May - June 2024*



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## *Commander Message*

*By George K. Williams, AP*

It's finally time to begin the boating season and most people will be launching soon (if not already). Some people will have their vessels professionally launched by their marinas while weekenders and trailer-boaters will be getting things ready themselves. Here is another moment where I would like to bring up the value of our boating courses, which teach safe and efficient prepping of your boat as well as safe operation on the water. A new regulation, the next phase of a 2019 law known as Brianna's Law, took effect at the first of this year. Under this new phase, those born on or after January 1, 1978, who want to operate a power boat will need a safety certificate. That law now applies to anyone 46 years or younger. In 2025, all operators regardless of age will need the certificate. If you know someone who has yet to complete the boater certification course, please ask that they contact our Squadron Education Officer, P/C Donna Canestraro, S at (518) 372-7220. Donna will be happy to provide all the information needed to complete the course and exam.

As we each begin the new boating season let's not forget all the things that make boating fun and safe for everyone on the water. Be sure to get your vessel safety check by contacting Armand (see note below).

We also should be thinking about what you can do to help the Squadron through your service - how about helping teach a course or serving on a committee (or even the Bridge)? and we should always be seeking out new members - talk it up, invite a friend to join us. P/C Canestraro while this past weekend performing Vessel Safety Checks landed a potential new member for the Squadron. It's that easy, you too can bring in new members!

Just about twelve years ago I ended my Commanders Message with the following statement "In closing, how about it... Let's ALL pull together, we can make this work if we ALL try." I suggest our motto for this 2024 season be "Let's Do It" - with your help, I know we can. Please consider volunteering to ensure we continue with the tradition of boating fun and education. Please call me if there is any interest – the life of our Squadron depends upon each of us!

Have fun and boat safely this season!

## **Vessel Safety Check Decals Have Arrived for 2024**

It's never too early to begin thinking about having your vessel examination completed for 2024. For details on the requirements please contact VSE P/C Armand Canestraro at (518) 372-7220. Now is the perfect time to schedule your 2024 VSE.



**Now Hear This...**

## **Lake George 2024 Boat Inspection Sites**

It's that time of year again - boat inspectors will be present at the following locations beginning April 15th, 2024 at the following launch sites.

### **Million Dollar Beach Launch**

Open 5:30am - 8pm

139 Beach Road - Lake George, NY 12845

518-832-8631

### **Dunham's Bay Dock & Launch**

Open 8am - 6pm

2036 Bay Road - Queensbury, NY 12804

518-793-2162

### **Hulett's Landing Marina Inspection**

Call for hours

6068 Lakeside Way - Hulett's Landing, NY 12841

518-499-0801

### **Mossy Point Public Boat Launch**

Open 5:30am - 8pm

158 Black Point - Ticonderoga, NY 12883

518-585-6724

### **Roger's Rock Public Campground & Boat Launch**

Open 5:30am - 8pm

9894 Lakeshore Drive - Hague, NY 12836

518-585-6168

### **Norowal Marina**

Open 8am - 6pm

21 Sagamore Road Bolton Landing, NY 12814

518-223-3095

### **Adirondacks Welcome Center**

Interstate 87 (Northway) just south of Northbound Exit 18

## **Register Your Boat For 2024 Season on Lake George**

You can buy your lake Goerge Park Commission boat registration online through their new CitizenServe online portal. Please allow 7-10 business days for web orders to be processed. Note that the registration decal must be displayed on the vessel and a receipt is not a valid substitution. If you need your registration immediately, you should buy it in person at our office, or one of the many local vendors around the lake.

Visit <https://www4.citizenserve.com/Portal/PortalController> for more details.