



The Pilot



Monthly Newsletter of the

Lake Hartwell Boating Club

From the Bridge - Billy Owens



We had our first wet event, a “Float, Sip, and Cruise, with some Lunch”, and it turned out rather well. We had 5 member boats, and even a couple of guests that followed us down to Big Water Marina. Food was good, along with the beverages, we even had live music to enjoy while eating.

Our social distancing is still in effect so, we held our second virtual bridge meeting last month. While it is not as good as seeing everyone in person it is very efficient.

Due to the pandemic, this year’s District Change of Watch will be held virtually and it

will include several workshops too! This event was originally set up to be hosted by Dreher Shoals, but District 26 pushed their hosting out for a year, so this in turn will push the Lake Hartwell hosting out 2 years to 2022.

Our Independence Day Raft Out is again going to be on our dock. Check out the details in this issue. Be sure and keep an eye out for some more of “Float, Bob and Sip” raft outs as well.

Have fun and stay safe !!

Calendar of Events

LHS&PS Calendar of Events

June

5-7 Cooper River Cruise to Charleston
12 Executive Committee Meeting

July

4 Raft out at the Owens
14 Executive Committee Meeting
25 Poker Run

August

1 Wine & Cheese
11 Executive Committee Meeting



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Amy Baxter	06/06
Daniel Black	06/10
Moore Lockman	06/21
Craig McQueen	06/28
Nolan Stevenson	06/28
Bill Bender	06/29

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Nominating Committee

Charles Guderian, S 1 Yr

Chris Rose, SN 2 Yrs

Lynn Solesbee, AP 3 Yrs

June Happy Hour

I don't know about you but I'm happy that we can get together again. The next LHS&PS Happy Hour will be at Hoppin' at 6 pm on Thursday June 18th. Hoppin' is located

at 118 North Markley Street Suite 102 in Greenville. Here is website for more, <https://www.hoppingvl.com/>. They are similar to Pour with a huge selections of beers you can sample on a per ounce basis. They also have a good selection of wines on tap. Todaro Pizza is next door as well

Parking is generally pretty easy to find in the area but you may have to pay. Please email (lynn@bluewatercivil.com) or call me (864-735-5453) if you have any questions. I look forward to seeing you on the 18th for a great time together!

Lynn A. Solesbee, AP



HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

Come out and join us on Saturday, July 4th for our Independence Day raft out.

We will be celebrating at the Owens dock again this year. So, come by and spend the day floating and playing in Lake Hartwell!

We are planning to grill up some hot dogs for everyone around 3:00. Just bring a side or appetizer to share. Later, those that want to can cruise to Big Water Marina to watch the fireworks show.

We are located at S-40, all the way back in the cove (starboard), the address is 909 Snug Harbor, Anderson, SC.



Some Good Information on Snakes in Our Area

By *Thurmond Lake's Safety Officer...*

As spring gives way to summer, it is now time for snakes to slither back into view.

“Snakes sort of have a couple of peaks in their activity and this time is one of them,” said Will Dillman, assistant chief of wildlife and a longtime herpetologist for the S.C. Department of Natural Resources.

Unlike their human counterparts, reptiles are unable to regulate their body temperatures as they cross hot roadways and slink into cool garden beds. After hibernating during the winter, the limbless creatures are now on the move in search of prey and mates.

Dillman said the number of snake sightings is no greater than usual for this time of season but he admits that a snake encounter can still be a jarring one.

But fear not, dear humans. Dillman said snakes tend to limit their activities to the early morning and late evening hours when they aren't as likely to encounter people.

Should you come across a snake, though, Dillman advises to let it be and give it a wide berth.

“Most of the time, when a person finds a snake, it works out really badly for the snake,” Dillman said, noting snakes are an integral part of ecosystems.

“In South Carolina, we have 38 species of snakes, but only six are venomous,” he added. “None are particularly aggressive toward people, but they do react defensively since to a snake, a human is just another predator.”

All six of South Carolina's venomous snakes call the South Carolina shorelines home, but Dillman said three are more likely to appear than others: copperheads, timber rattlesnakes and the cottonmouth, which is also known as a water moccasin.

“If you see a snake and you don't know what it is, just leave it alone,” Dillman said.

Knowing how to identify them can help. With expertise from the DNR, here's how to identify the state's six venomous snakes.

Photos and descriptions on following pages

Copperhead

The copperhead varies in color from pink to tan, with dark brown spots down its body. These snakes can reach a length of 4 feet, but adults are more likely to be between 2 and 3 feet long. It is the most common venomous snake in the state and, in a nod to its name, the head is typically a uniform copper color. However, juvenile rat snakes, which are harmless, are often mistaken for being a copperhead. Rat snakes tend to have small narrow heads, while the copperhead has a large triangular head. The eyes are also a clue: Copperheads have vertical, cat-like pupils while the rat snake has round pupils, like humans.



Coral Snake



An old rhyme will help with this one: “Red next to yellow kills a fellow. Red next to black is a friend to Jack.” Coral snakes can reach a length of two feet and can be identified quickly by their bright red, yellow and black bands along their bodies. The good news? These snakes aren’t likely to be seen at all, since they tend to be very secretive.

Cottonmouth or water moccasin

Commonly found in wetlands and swamps, adult cottonmouths tend to reach between 3 to 4 feet in length. However, the largest ones can exceed 5 feet. Their colors range from dark brown and black to olive and tan, with dark irregular bands down the body. Nonvenomous water snakes often get confused with cottonmouths or water moccasins. Unlike other venomous snakes, cottonmouths will stand their ground if they perceive something as a threat. These snakes will coil tightly and open their mouths to show a white “cotton” lining. If you see this, take this display as a warning and avoid the snake.



Pigmy rattlesnake

Pigmy or pygmy rattlesnakes may be small, but they should not be overlooked. Adults are rarely more than a foot long, and their tiny set of rattlers can be difficult to see (and hear). Their coloration ranges from a light gray and pink to a dark charcoal gray. Dark spots run down the back of the body, with a faint red stripe running down the spine. They tend to be near fresh water, such as marshes, swamps and ponds.



Eastern diamondback rattlesnake



Like the coral snake, the eastern diamondback rattlesnake is considered rare here. It is the state's largest venomous snake: Adults range from 3 feet to 6 feet. The name offers a visual clue about its defining trait: a series of dark-brown to black diamonds running down its back. Each diamond is outlined in yellow or creamy white. Both the eastern diamondback rattlesnake and its relative, the timber rattlesnake, mate and give birth during late summer and early fall.

Timber rattlesnake

The timber rattlesnake is another large one, ranging in length from 3 to 5 feet. Depending on where you live, the snake species takes two different forms. In the mountains, the snake is known as the timber rattlesnake. In the Piedmont and coastal regions, it is known as the canebrake rattlesnake. For identification purposes, the difference comes down to color. The mountain form, or timber rattlesnake, tends to range in color from yellow to black. By contrast, the coastal form, or canebrake rattlesnake, tends to be a light tan, but can be pink to light orange. Both feature dark bands across the back with a rattle on the tail.



Snakebite Treatment

CALL 911 IF:

There is any chance that the snake is venomous
The person has difficulty breathing
There is loss of consciousness

If you know the snake is not venomous, treat as a puncture wound.

1. Note the Snake's Appearance - Be ready to describe the snake to emergency staff.
2. Protect the Person

While waiting for medical help:

Move the person beyond striking distance of the snake.
Have the person lie down with wound below the heart.
Keep the person calm and at rest, remaining as still as possible to keep venom from spreading.
Cover the wound with loose, sterile bandage.
Remove any jewelry from the area that was bitten.
Remove shoes if the leg or foot was bitten

Do not:

Cut a bite wound
Attempt to suck out venom
Apply tourniquet, ice, or water
Give the person alcohol or caffeinated drinks or any other medications

3. Follow Up

If you treat the bite at home: Contact a healthcare provider. The person may need a tetanus shot. Tetanus boosters should be given every 10 years.

At the hospital, treatment will depend on the type of snake.

Learn about DAN Boater Safety and Travel Benefits

America's Boating Club has partnered with DAN Boater to offer safety and travel benefits to our members. Your new benefits include an emergency hotline, a nonemergency medical information line, worldwide medical evacuation, medical repatriation, search and rescue expenses, and much more.

Visit www.danboater.org/abc to get complete details on this valuable benefit program and print your DAN Boater benefits card.



Have your certificate number and PIN handy when logging in.

You can find details about all DAN Boater benefits, including coverage amounts, in the DAN Boater Benefits Handbook. If you have questions not answered in the handbook, call the DAN Boater Member Support Team at 919-490-2011.

Keep in mind that DAN Boater cannot answer questions related to your America's Boating Club membership. For membership info, call 888-367-8777 for America's Boating Club Customer Service.

2020 Schedule of Vessel Safety Checks

The planning schedule for vessel safety checks is as follows. Please be aware that Big Water date, the Jocassee dates and the Poker Run date are tentative and will be confirmed when we hear from the Ranger and the people at Meals on Wheels in Anderson.

Cooper River	June 5- 7
July 4th Raft Out	July 4
Poker Run	July 25

Pete Stevenson



Lake Hartwell Boating Club

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2020

MD 360 Powdersville, SC

Virtual meeting via Free Conference Call App

1. Call to Order

A quorum was established with nine members attending virtually as follows: Billy Owens, Pete Stevenson, Charles Guderian, Craig McQueen, Bert Baxter, Chris & Nioka Rose, Bert Baxter and Don Woodard.

2. Commander's comments

Billy brought up several items related to delays and cancellations caused by the covid 19 virus pandemic. The cruise and rendezvous which had been scheduled for early May was cancelled and has not been rescheduled. The fall conference dates have been changed to October 30 through November 1st. The poker run date has changed from June 12 & 13 to July 24 & 25. There was an impromptu cruise to Big Water Marina discussed for Saturday May 16th where members could meet for a meal. The blessing of the fleet which was canceled had been scheduled for that same day.

3. Financial issues

Craig mentioned that he has not been provided with the necessary credentials to access the squadron accounts. Either Billy or Nioka will send those to him.

4. Administration

Nioka sent out the details for a teleconference to be held to discuss the fall conference changes.

5. Education

Bert & Charles discussed the Boat Handling Course which is essentially the rebranding of the Seamanship Course.

6. Pilot Article Assignments

Billy - From the Bridge to include details from the Informal Cruise and Rendezvous and tentative plans for July 4th.

Nioka will submit a safety article about snakes.

Pete will dredge up a Flash from the Past story and Bert will include links for available online courses.

The next virtual meeting will be on June 9th.

Submitted by Charles Guderian, Secretary

Ship's Store



Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo.

Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo. Soft and breathable, this baby pique polo has our exclusive Rapid Dry moisture-wicking technology. This unique knit has a soft inner layer which wicks moisture away from your skin to the shirt's surface where it quickly disperses and evaporates. 5.6-ounce, 60/40 cotton/poly Double-needle stitching throughout 3-button placket Pearlized buttons Open hem sleeves Side vents

Price \$26.00

Colors: White; Classic Navy; Dark Green; Royal; Jet Black; Red; Charcoal; Seafoam; Stone; Riviera Blue; Boysenberry Pink;

Moroccan Blue; Dusty Purple

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL; 5XL; 6XL



Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat.

Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat. Trail-ready, this high-performance essential features No Fly Zone insect repellent technology, UPF 30+ sun protection, a concealable sun flap and a moisture wicking sweatband. The foam brim keeps it afloat in water. Fabric: 75/25 poly/nylon rip stop Structure:

Unstructured Features: Adjustable cord at crown, clip-on and adjustable drawcord

Price \$20.00

Colors: Coffee Cream; Olive Leaf; Stone

Sizes: S/M; L/XL



Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt.

Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt. These durable, colorfast quarter-zips feature a better fit with minimal shrinkage, as well as 2x2 rib knit cuffs and waistband. 9-ounce, 65/35 ring spun combed cotton/poly fleece Twill-taped neck 2x2 rib knit cuffs and hem with spandex *Please note: This product is transitioning from woven labels to tag-free labels. Your order may contain a combination of both labels

Price \$31.00

Colors: Athletic Heather; Black; Forest Green; Graphite Heather; Maroon; True Navy; True Red; True Royal; Vintage Heather; White

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4X

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Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt.

Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt. Designed with the needs of fishermen in mind--but equally comfortable anywhere--this shirt has all the bells and whistles: a built-in rod holder, two large fly box pockets, utility loop and more. 3.5-ounce, 100% cotton poplin 100% polyester mesh upper back lining Built-in rod holder Two large fly box pockets with hook and loop closures Zippered chest pocket Utility loop and tool holder Cape back with mesh ...

Price \$47.00



Eddie Bauer - Short Sleeve Fishing Shirt.

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Price \$41.00

Colors: Blue Gill; Driftwood; Goldenrod Yellow; Seagrass Green; White
Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL



Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover

Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover. Contrast sleeve stripes and texture give this moisture-wicking pullover an unrivaled look. 100% polyester Gently contoured silhouette Cadet collar Tag-free label Taped neck Front and back princess seams Contrast Vislon zipper Angled chin guard for additional comfort Set-in sleeves Thumbholes to keep hands warm Open cuffs and hem Slight drop tail hem

Colors: Black/ Iron Grey; Iron Grey/ Black; Pink Raspberry/ Iron Grey; True Royal/ Black; White/ Iron Grey

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 3XL; 4XL; XXL

Price \$33.00

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12" by 18" Burgee
Price 26.00



4" Burgee Decal
1.00



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