

BOWLINES ALERT, September 8, 2010

IYC Board Approves Limited Winter Marina Use

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Based upon the successful experiment with winter occupancy and boat use conducted by IYC member and avid fisherman, Matt Cooney, in 2009-2010, the Board of Directors has decided that The Ithaca Yacht Club will initiate a program for the Winter Season rental of slips to Club Members and non-members during the winter months of 2010-2011. The intent of this new program is that the applicants will use their boats during the winter season, as Matt Cooney did. The program is not a winter storage alternative. This program will be available **to a limited number of participants (8)**, for the winter period from November 1, 2010 through April 15, 2011.

The IYC Board will evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of continuing the program for succeeding years based upon a report from the Harbors & Docks Committee no later than the Board's May 2011 meeting.

The winter rental regulations and fees are stated below.

REGULATIONS AND FEES

1. Regular season IYC Members will be charged a slip rental fee of \$300 for the 2010/2011 winter season. Non-members will be charged a slip rental fee of \$600.
2. For the first season, the maximum number of slips to be rented is eight (8). Priority will be given to regular Club members. Once members have applied, any slip openings will be made available to non-members.
3. If a winter use applicant chooses to join the IYC as a regular-season member, the winter usage fee will be reduced to \$300. However, payment for the regular-season membership would need to be made prior to November 1st of the participant's winter season. For example, the 2011 membership fee and winter dock fees would be due and payable by November 1, 2010.
4. All winter dock applicants must provide the IYC with a certificate of insurance for \$300,000 liability coverage, and copy of the current boat registration.
5. Applicants must sign a statement that holds IYC "harmless" for any personal injury on IYC property. User acknowledges that winter ice and snow can cause injury and user explicitly accepts full and sole responsibility for any personal injury that user might sustain on IYC property during winter months. This statement is a

waiver of IYC liability and full indemnity of the yacht club if there is personal injury, or property damage to the club, or to boats docked at club docks.

6. All other IYC boating policies apply. **These policies will be attached to the winter membership application.**

7. Interested boaters must submit an application for winter usage by November 1 with a check for the appropriate amount (see above for details) written to IYC. No application will be considered without this check. The charge for electricity for bubblers and trickle charges is included in this amount. Should the winter boater use electricity to heat the boat, there would be an additional charge for the winter season to be determined by the Harbors and Docks Committee.

Applications will be available on the Ithaca Yacht Club website after September 25th. As noted above, the complete application, with full payment of fees, must be made to IYC, C/O LAP INC., by November 1st. The Harbors and Docks Committee will review applications, make slip assignments, and notify applicants as soon as possible after November 1st.