

Shangri-La Marina Newsletter September 1, 2023

September has arrived, marking the beginning of the best two months of the year for boating on Grand Lake! Weather is getting a little cooler, the lake traffic is less congested, and before long the fall colors will begin presenting themselves along the shoreline. It's hard to believe Fall is already on the horizon – the first official day of Fall is September 23.

NEW MARINA AND SHIP STORE HOURS

Following the Labor Day Weekend festivities, the marina and Ship Store operations will close a little earlier in line with earlier sunset schedules. We will remain open seven days a week in September, with daily hours of operation from 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

PARASAILING HAS ENDED BOAT RENTALS AND YACHT CHARTERS WILL BEGIN OPERATING OUT OF THE SHIP STORE

The last day of parasailing adventures on Grand Lake for the season is Labor Day, September 4. Sail Grand continues to offer an extensive rental fleet into the Fall season, but rental operations will move from the Sail Grand offices to the marina Ship Store after Labor Day. We offer pontoons, tritoons, Chaparral bowriders, and a 22-foot Lowe center console bay boat equipped with a trolling motor. Personal Watercraft are also available this month, including our all-new fleet of SeaDoos.

Yacht charters are also available from Sail Grand accommodating up to 30 passengers per charter – and Shangri-La members receive a 10% discount on all rentals and yacht charters, with the exception of Saturdays and holiday weekends. To reserve dates for rentals or charters, call 918-257-6000 or make your reservations online at <u>www.sailgrand.com</u>.

IS IT TIME TO PLAN WINTERIZATION OF YOUR BOAT?

We hate to see anyone miss the spectacular Fall boating season on Grand Lake. If you want to enjoy the great weather on the water, you are probably in good shape to wait until mid-November to winterize your boat. But no matter when you plan to winterize, right now is the time to get it scheduled. This is an issue every year, it seems like, but there are a lot more boats than there are service technicians – and they can't winterize all the boats the day before that first freeze is predicted. Get on the schedule now!

If football season, school, and kids activities put an end to your boating after Labor Day, you may want to got ahead and winterize your boat now so you don't have any worries when the chilly nights arrive. Schedule winterization by contacting Nichols Marine at 918-257-5500. They'll send you all the information you need to plan your winterization and any mechanical or cosmetic repairs you may need.

SADLY, THE EDDY'S FUN FOR 2023 IS COMING TO AN END

Yes, it's getting to be that time of year. Eddy's Lakeside Bar is one of Grand Lake's favorite on-the-water al fresco dining & drinking destinations and we have an incredible lineup of musical fun for the Labor Day holiday weekend. *Torn* will perform Saturday night, September 2, followed by *Brett N' Terri* Sunday evening, September 3. Eddy's will be open late Sunday night of Labor Day weekend and from 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. on Labor Day Monday.

The weekend following Labor Day, Eddy's will be open regular hours - 4:00-midnight Friday, 11:00 a.m.-Midnight Saturday, and 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. on Sunday. The kitchen will close at 11:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday.

We'll wrap up the summer season at Eddy's with a great band Saturday night, September 9. *Downbeat* will provide the entertainment for a last big night – and Sunday, September 10 will be the last day of operation at Eddy's for the 2023 season – and what a fabulous season it has been!

The weekly musical entertainment continues at Doc's Bar & Grill. *Kevin Price* will be on stage at Doc's to kick off the holiday weekend September 1. Other Friday night entertainers for September include *Mark Gibson, Ryan Graham, Scott Musick,* and *Rockwell.*

CHECK OUT THE SHIP STORE

The Shangri-La Marina Ship Store & Fuel Dock is a great one-stop shop for boaters. In addition to both gasoline and diesel fuel and pump-out service, the Ship store has a wide array of boating supplies, fun apparel, swimwear, sunglasses, great souvenir items including some creatively designed tee shirts, cool-weather outerwear, caps, hats, sunglasses, and footwear.

We also have a variety of snacks, beverages, ice cream treats, and ice.

BOAT SALES AT SHANGRI-LA MARINA

Our selection of Chaparral, Bennington, Robalo, and MasterCraft boats is excellent. Nichols Marine at Shangri-La offers both new and used boats for sale. Be sure to check out an incredible all-new Bennington QX Tritoon that is 28 feet long, 10 feet wide, and is powered by the awesome new Mercury 600 HP outboard! Many of the new boats are located at the Nichols showroom adjacent to the causeway onto Monkey Island, but we also have a variety of new and used boats in the sales dock at the marina. Check with Kenny Smith or Mike Williams in the boat sales office adjacent to the Ship Store. See the full inventory of new and used boats at www.nicholsmarine.com.

FOOTBALL FUN...BY BOAT!

The Anchor is also within walking distance of our courtesy docks with lots of indoor and outdoor fun seven days a week, so plan to come join the fun – by boat! Football season is already underway for college teams, and NFL regular season action gets underway Thursday, September 7 with the Kansas City Chiefs hosting the Detroit Lions for the very first game of the 2023-2024 NFL season.

As always, our marina team is here to serve you. Contact us at 918-257-4898 or email <u>marina@shangrilaok.com</u>.

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