

Blue Water Fishing Classic Tournament is Looking for Sponsors

Want to be part of a winning team? Easy!! All you have to do is become a sponsor of the 5th Annual Miami-Dade County Park & Recreation Blue Water Fishing Classic, to be held Saturday, June 7, 2008. As an average of 17,000 boats are launched annually from Miami-Dade County marinas, sponsorship will enable you to reach a highly targeted and respected fishing enthusiast market.

We look forward to your support and participation in this exciting event. For a sponsorship package or more information, contact the Haulover Beach Park Marina at 305-947-3525.



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"It is the policy of Miami-Dade County to comply with all of the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act."

Call 305-755-7848, or 305-755-7980(TDD) to request materials in accessible format, a sign language interpreter (seven days advance notice required) and for information on access for persons with disabilities.

Miami-Dade County Marinas



Crandon Park Marina
4000 Crandon Boulevard
Key Biscayne, FL 33149
305-361-1281



Pelican Harbor Marina
1275 NE 79 Street
Miami, Florida 33138
305-754-9330



Haulover Beach Park Marina
10800 Collins Avenue
Miami Beach, FL 33154
305-947-3525



Black Point Marina
24775 SW 87 Avenue
Princeton, Florida 33032
305-258-4092



Homestead Bayfront Marina
9698 SW 328 Street
Homestead, FL 33033
305-230-3033



Matheson Hammock Marina
9610 Old Cutler Road
Miami, Florida 33156
305-665-5475

docklines

SPRING 2008

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MARINAS

CALENDAR

April 25-27, 2008

WAVE Super Show

Haulover Marina
10800 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach
305-947-3525

May 11, 2008, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Mother's Day Brunch

Deering Estate at Cutler
16701 S.W. 72 Avenue, Miami
305-235-1668

May 15-18, 2008

Miami International Agriculture and Cattle Show

Ronald Reagan Equestrian Center
at Tropical Park
7900 S.W. 40 Street, Miami
305-755-5454

May 16-18, 2008, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Redland International Orchid Show

Fruit & Spice Park
24801 S.W. 187 Avenue, Homestead
305-247-5727

May 18, 2008, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Love-In with The Spencer Davis Group

Greynolds Park
17530 W. Dixie Highway, North Miami Beach
305-945-3425

June 7, 2008

Annual Blue Water Fishing Classic Tournament

Miami-Dade County Marinas
For information, call 305-755-7910

June 15, 2008, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Father's Day Picnic and Fishing

Pelican Harbor Marina
1275 NE 79 Street, Miami
305-754-9330

June 21-22, 2008, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Redland Summer Fruit Festival

Fruit & Spice Park
24801 S.W. 187 Avenue, Homestead
305-247-5727

Miami-Dade County
Park and Recreation Department
www.miamidade.gov/parks

Let's Come Together and Have Fun While Cleaning Our Bays

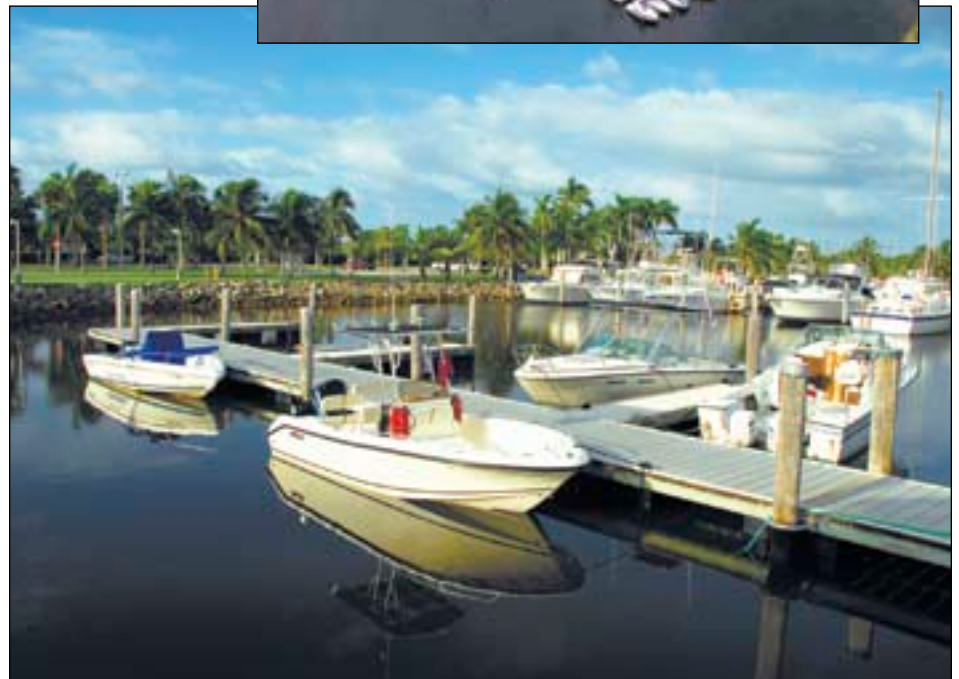
On April 19, 2008, the Miami-Dade Park and Recreation Department will again sponsor the annual Bayanza Biscayne Bay Cleanup Day. This event will afford volunteers fresh air, beautiful surroundings, and a new awareness and respect for the breathtaking wildlife in and around the bays and marinas, but most especially, it will establish a new appreciation in young and old alike for keeping the park water clean of debris, including plastics and monofilaments, which wildlife becomes entangled in, leading to injuries and even death. This is especially true of Black Point Marina Basin, a refuge for a large number of Florida's wildlife and a nursery area for manatees that can be easily seen during this exciting event.

For more information, contact your nearest marina or log on to www.miamidade.gov/parks.

We look forward to everyone's support!!



The Black Point
Marina Basin



Haulover Marina Upgrades and News

Okay, we all make new year's resolutions. Some we stick to, but most last a week at best, right? Well, we have kept our resolution of finalizing phase II of the marina remodeling project at Haulover Marina and moving the charter fleet back to the south end. Visitors will be very pleased with the redesigned parking lot, along with the new lighting and drainage system.

Upon completion of the marina's north end renovation, it will consist of 155 slips, security gates, and a new dock master and park office.

Asphalt was laid on the boat ramp and the newly applied curbing and thermoplastic lines for parking spaces should last longer.

And during those long hot summer days toll attendants will greet visitors with fresh smiles and crisp shirts as the new toll booth will be equipped with air conditioning!



Haulover Marina

South Florida Student Shark Program Bites!

University of Miami Shark Program students work with the Pelican Harbor Marina skipper in one of the most exciting and educational endeavors imaginable. The crew meets at Biscayne National Park's Convoy Point and travels to Elliot Key, where a 600-foot gill net is dropped into the water, divers go underwater, and caught fish are placed in the net. The highly trained crew determines fish species, gender, weight, and length. Stomach contents are examined to learn what foods are most common in the area, and the fish are tagged in case further information is needed on a particular one. All this must, of course, be done very quickly and efficiently, or the fish run the risk of dying. The fish are then placed back in the water where they are revived.

One of the program's main objectives is to conduct studies and analyze results in areas such as biology, genetics, chemistry,

navigation, engineering, and information technology, which will prove beneficial in monitoring biological and environmental conditions in Florida's marine ecosystem.

Another objective is to eliminate the public's general misconception about sharks and generate public awareness of the perils faced by them and our ecosystem.

High school students and children are encouraged to attend these exciting explorations, providing them with unique learning experiences.



Safety Tips

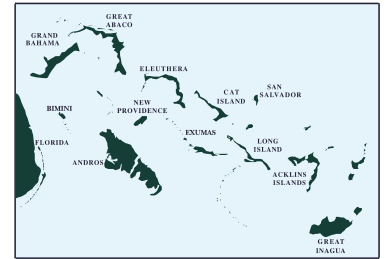
It hardly seems possible. However, hurricane season is fast approaching (let's hope we'll be as lucky as last year!), so now is the perfect time to do preventive maintenance on your boat, trailer, and miscellaneous equipment (rods/reels, electronics, etc.). It will be one less thing to worry about come June.

Remember – **SAFE BOATING IS NO ACCIDENT!**



New Bahamian Fishing Regulations Go Into Effect

New fishing regulations went into effect for the Bahamas effective October 19, 2007. Adherence to these rules will ensure your fishing experience is safe and enjoyable. To view a complete list of these changes, log on to www.bahamas.gov.bs.



A Santa Sighting at Cinco de Mayo After-School Care

The Miami-Dade Park & Recreation Department in conjunction with its Pelican Harbor Marina staff and the ASPA brought smiles and tears of joys to children who attend the Cinco de Mayo After-School Care, a program funded by the Children's Trust.

Sherrri Compton and Steve Yeomanson, along with Maria Eugenia Breto from MDPR's communications and marketing division, assisted program staff in selecting toys, which were donated to each child.

The day became even more special for the kids as they, awe-struck, played with Steve, who had joyfully assumed the role of Santa. After all, who can resist a visit from Old Saint Nick?

The children also took home toys and clothing for their siblings so no one was left empty-handed this holiday.

Staff involved is commended for their hard work and dedication in making this season extra special for kids who may have woken up Christmas morning to few or no gifts.

Pelican Harbor Marina

