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THE GRADY-WHITE OWNERS' NEWSLETTER

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Now in Its 27th Year, "One Tide Challenge" Is Niantic, CT, Grady-White Dealer's Celebration of Customers, Families, and the Boating Life

Since 1988, Grady-White dealer Boats Incorporated has delighted customers with an annual tournament known as the One Tide Challenge. The focus is on fishing, food, and family fun. Anglers are out at 8 A.M. and weigh in by 4 P.M., with winners based on points in the bluefish and striped bass categories. Men, women, and children vie for prizes on tournament day, with a casting competition the prior evening, and Saturday afternoon dinner features a favorite family recipe covered dish buffet that's judged by "phantom diners," all followed by the award ceremony and musical entertainment.



MASON BAEZ, front, is the 2015 One Tide Challenge junior champion. Mason, mom Katherine, dad John and brother John, Jr., are a Marlin 300 family.

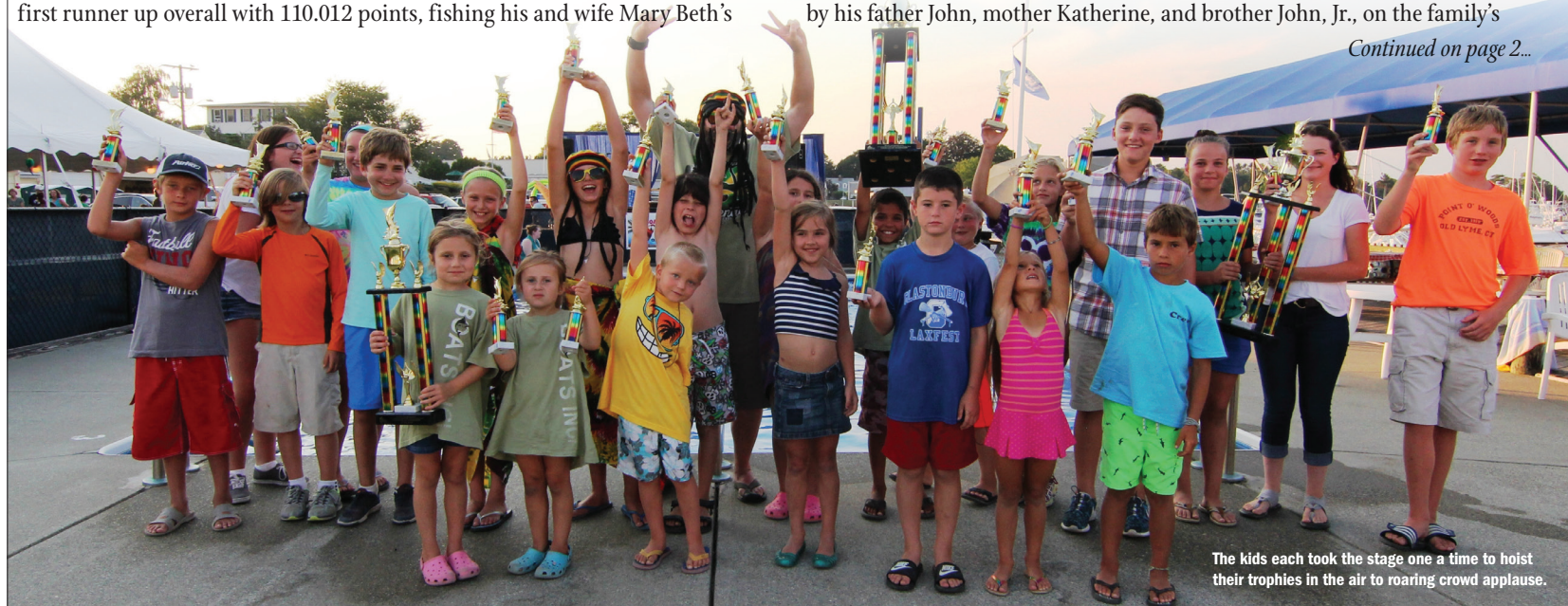
Four hundred people attended Boats Incorporated's 2015 One Tide Challenge held August 15 in Niantic, CT; 60 boats fished the tournament, and over \$40,000 in prizes were handed out, from the top points earners in the angler categories to the theme costume winners. This year's theme was a Jamaican one: *Rasta, Reggae and Reels*.

Grady-White owners took home awards in several arenas: Dave Warwick was first runner up overall with 110.012 points, fishing his and wife Mary Beth's

new Canyon 336. Captain Dave Miko fished his Express 330 with daughters Alex and Melissa, coming in third totaling 103.81 points, and Alex was the ladies' striped bass champion with a 30.75 lb. fish.

Mason Baez was junior champion with an 11.25 lb. bluefish, accompanied by his father John, mother Katherine, and brother John, Jr., on the family's

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The kids each took the stage one at a time to hoist their trophies in the air to roaring crowd applause.

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Marlin 300. The families of Steve Mauro and Mike Silverberg, *Voyager 248* folks, were awarded best costumes.

Grady-White factory representatives in attendance, Joey Weller and Todd Leggett, served as phantom diners, judging the best dishes brought by boat owners. It was a tough competition, but they awarded first place to a jerk chicken entry.

The evening closed out jamming under the stars with one of the best reggae bands in Connecticut, "U.H.F.", and everybody was feeling just right! We can't wait until next year!



THEIR NEW CANYON 336 brought great luck to first runners-up Dave and Mary Beth Warwick (r), and crew member Erin Camp (l).



EXPRESS 330 CAPTAIN DAVE MIKO and daughters Melissa and Alex took third in overall points, and Alex won the ladies' striped bass category.



THE STEVE MAURO AND MIKE SILVERBERG CREW were top costume winners. The Rasta awards presenter was Boats Incorporated's Mark Davies.

Grady-White Dealers Awarded for Excellence at the 2016 Annual International Dealer Conference and Boat Show

Grady-White Boats welcomed its worldwide dealer network at its annual conference in Greenville, NC, in October. The event kicks off the boat show season with product information sessions, sales training, and a factory tour for first-hand looks at the latest features and performance options. This year, all 26 of the 2016 Grady-White models were on display at the Greenville Convention Center—the most complete show lineup ever.



This is the venue where top dealers in sales and customer service satisfaction are recognized for exceptional performance in delivering the best boating experiences for Grady-White boat owners. The best of the best receive Admiral's Circle awards.

For the 2015 model year, in addition to Admiral's Circle recognition, the Gold Sales Award went to **Cataumet Boats**, Cataumet, MA; the Gold Service Award to **Bayside Marine**, Duxbury, MA; the Silver Sales Award to **Cannons Marina**, Longboat Key, FL; Bronze Sales Award to **Naples Boat Mart**, Naples, FL; and the Bronze Service Award to **Hilton Head Boathouse**, Hilton Head, SC. **Radio Island Marina**, Beaufort, NC, was presented the Silver Service Award.

Also receiving Admiral's Circle recognition were **Atlantic Marine**, Wrightsville Beach, NC; **Boats Incorporated**, Niantic, CT; **Fish-Tale Sales & Service**, Fort Myers Beach, FL; **Ingman Marine**, Placida and Port Charlotte, FL; **Jacobsen's Marine**, Edmonds, WA; **Mariner Marine**, Riviera Beach, FL; **MarineMax East**, Pensacola, FL; **Pompano Beach Marine**, Pompano Beach, FL; **Port of Egypt Marine**, Southold, NY; **Quality Boats**, Clearwater, FL; **Spellmans Marine**, Hampton Bays, NY; **Taylor Marine Center**, Milford, DE; and **Tri-State Marine**, Deale, MD.



A Taste of Things to Come

New *Canyon 271 FS* Center Console Accents Forward Seating

Grady-White's 27-foot *Canyon 271* center console has enjoyed popularity since its introduction in 2011 as a showcase of sportfishing boat design. The wide gunwales, recessed low profile bow rails, lockable horizontal rod storage, deluxe lean bar with four rod holders plus rigging station, tackle drawers and 42-gallon insulated raw water livewell, and the benefits of a ventilated stand-up enclosed console with head and even more rod and tackle storage, created a terrific choice for the fishermen who love to make long runs offshore.



FORWARD SEATING backrest open



FORWARD SEATING backrest closed

To be introduced at the New York Boat Show in January, an optional *Canyon 271 FS* model will increase the versatility of days out with the family with the addition of port and starboard forward seating, each with an 85-quart insulated self-draining box beneath to serve as cooler/fish box or dry storage. This seating features all new integrated seatbacks that fold seamlessly into the bolster area to open the bow for fishing action, and these seatbacks are adjustable for more comfort. Forward console seating is retained, with a built-in 67-quart cooler beneath. This enhanced layout increases bow seating capacity from the simple two-person seat to now seating five or more people. The *271 FS* anchor locker is redesigned with a horizontal windlass, increasing forward deck space.

The raised helm of the *271 FS* has increased ergonomic excellence with a side-accessed footrest and dedicated electronics area placement. Also new, the *271 FS* features a windshield that extends up to the T-top for a more protective enclosure that extends the boating season as well. It's very stylish, too!

The boat abounds with these on-board improvements and more that fans will notice including a new shaped console side window, and a new headliner in the console. The *FS* option for the *Canyon 271* model has lots of details that add up to big smiles of satisfaction for the boating family who wants to do it all! See it on display at the upcoming winter boat shows including New York, Atlantic City, Miami and New England and more!

Boat Shows Are Coming at You... FULL THROTTLE

Wintertime is dreamtime for boat lovers, and the place to go for visions of your new Grady-White is your local boat show. Grady dealers are ready to do what it takes for you to Get the Grady! Visit them at a show or in their showroom to view model specifications, compare your choices, and make the greatest deal. By all means, visit gradywhite.com for a list of seasonal boat shows and to take a look at any of the 26 models in our 2016 lineup. We're eager to meet you!



The Grady Life: Owners' Clubs

Here are highlights from recent Grady Owners' Clubs events and outings. If you have Grady club information to share or are interested in information about Grady clubs in your area, email anchorline@gradywhite.com. Go to www.gradywhite.com for links to club websites.



GRADY PALOOZA PARTICIPANTS cruised the Choptank River to their Friday night dinner destination. Sailfish Captain Jack Devine and helm companion Gary Reedy were accompanied by (l - r) Tim Reedy, Amy Barnhouse, Jeff Drury, Robin Drury, Margie Reedy and Anne Slabinski.

The **Chesapeake Bay Grady-White Club** hosted their annual Grady Palooza at Knapps Narrows Marina, August 14-16. Twenty-one boats—from a 1988 *Offshore 24* to an *Express 360*—and 68 folks attended (counting two babies!), including members from the Tidewater and South Jersey Grady-White clubs. Thursday the dock was filled with attendees sharing camaraderie and beverages, and the clear evening sky was filled with stars for

gazing. Daytime on Friday and Saturday was spent in and around the pool or on leisurely strolls. Friday evening, five boats cruised up the Choptank River to the Suicide Bridge restaurant, joined by more participants by land. Saturday evening's highlight was a super docktail party, and there was an impromptu cornhole tournament. Calm seas on Sunday morning allowed an easy cruise for all heading out north, south or west to their



THE BANNERS WERE FLYING on a beautiful July day at Huron Boat Basin for the Lake Erie Grady-White Club Extravaganza.

homeports. Plans are already underway for next year! Tri-State Marine, Deale, MD, sponsors the CBGWC.

The **Lake Erie Grady-White Club** Extravaganza took place on a beautiful summer day, July 26, at Huron Boat Basin. Sixty-two people came “by land and by sea,” to enjoy good company and celebrate The Grady Life. The club's September 26 Perch Tournament saw unusual fish behavior: The western

and central basins of the lake were short on fish (or the fish were short!), and the eastern end of the central basin had the large schools. Jason Brooks took first place with 59.5 in., followed by Mike Manion, 57.75 in., Mike Pasadyn, 54 in., Donny DePasquale, 50.25 in., George Kussai, 50 in., and Rick Raup, 10.75 in. A big thanks goes to club sponsor South Shore Marine, Huron, OH, and to George and Carol Kussai for supporting the event.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! The Tarpon Coast Grady-White Club celebrated its tenth anniversary last April in Sarasota, FL. Ingman Marine, Port Charlotte, sponsors this active crowd.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LOW COUNTRY GRADY-WHITE CLUB that celebrated their tenth anniversary at the Hilton Head Yacht Club.

The **Low Country Grady-White Club** celebrated its tenth anniversary with a catered dinner on October 3 at the Hilton Head Yacht Club. A slide show of more than 800 club photographs ran

on a big screen during the party, and following the meal there was a trivia game of questions relating to water safety, knots, and of course Grady-White boats! Prizes were given for the

table that got the most correct answers. All members received nifty coasters as anniversary gifts from Grady-White. Hilton Head Boathouse, Hilton Head, SC, sponsors this club.

Tidewater Grady-White Club members thoroughly enjoyed a brunch buffet cruise July 19. Thirty-one folks participated, seven boats docking at the Old Point Comfort Marina within walking distance of the Chamberlin Hotel in Hampton, VA. The group then toured the Casemate Museum that chronicles Fort Monroe's colonial roots and its military role. In September, 24 folks celebrated fall with a party at Chick's Oyster Bar in Virginia Beach. Small craft advisories on October 17 challenged the planned Yorktown Day Cruise, but ten land-yachters met for lunch and good times on the historic waterfront. Members enjoyed Yorktown's Fall Festival and Farmers Market. Norfolk Marine sponsors the Tidewater crew.



TIDEWATER GRADY-WHITE CLUB members enjoyed an October outing in Yorktown, VA, for lunch and the town's fall festival. (l-r) Club President-Elect Paul and Cecilia Landin, Libby Tsitouris, Janet Paulk, Vince and Cindy Wisniewski, David Woolen, Sherry Potts, Ellen Raffetto, and Tom Raffetto, the event coordinator.

Letters & Photos

What's happening? Have an interesting story or photo? Email us at anchorline@gradywhite.com or write to *Anchorline*, P.O. Box 1527, Greenville, NC 27835.



Back to the Gradys

Dear *Anchorline*:

When I graduated college in 1994, my dad Frank purchased a 1989 *Sailfish 25* in celebration (he didn't believe I would ever graduate). We began fishing Southern Kingfish Association tournaments with limited success (second and third place finishes over four years), but always enjoyed getting offshore for dolphin, wahoo and tuna. In 1997, my father purchased a slightly used 1996 *Sailfish*. We enjoyed taking both boats to the Bahamas for the opening of lobster season every year. Those were some of the fondest memories I have with my dad. In 2000 he made the jump to sportfishers and

after eight years of dismal experiences, when I showed him a picture of the new *Express 360* that Grady had come out with, he immediately fell in love with this boat and our affair with Grady was back! Last year I came across a 1993 *Dolphin 25* that needed cosmetic work, but knowing the quality of Grady boats, a little gel coat repair did not deter me. Today my dad and I keep our *360* and *Dolphin* side by side at Bohicket Marina in Johns Island, SC. We are truly a Grady family!

Mark Feltham
Trenton, SC

DAVE NUTTALL HAS CAUGHT MANY COASTER BROOK TROUT on Lake Superior in northern Ontario aboard his 2010 *Tournament 192*, and this one caught near St. Ignace Island taped out at 22.5 in. and weighed six lb. The fish was tagged and released as part of a program that tracks the lake's coaster brookies rehabilitation. The photo is by Lois Nuttall.



You Meet the Nicest People

Dear *Anchorline*:

We wanted to send a note to let you know that we are HAPPY new Grady-White owners. We took delivery of our new 2016 *Freedom 307* on June 25 from Ingman Marine in Placida, FL.

We are completely happy with both our decision to purchase a Grady-White boat and the specific model we chose. The quality of a Grady-White has been apparent to us from our first look when we began shopping for a new boat. The quality has been even more noticeable since we took delivery, and guests have commented about it as well. The *307* is so stable and solid on the water. We feel secure, and we're proud to take guests out for a ride.

Everyone at the dealership has been very helpful and cooperative during our negotiations, while we were waiting for the boat to arrive, while the boat was being rigged and electronics were being installed, and after we took delivery.

We look forward to enjoying our Grady-White for many years to come, and we're comfortable knowing that we have Grady-White and Ingman Marine to stand behind it. We contacted their Tarpon Coast Grady-White Club and signed up for their October Captiva trip. We have said many times that the nicest people we've ever met have been boaters.

Ralph and Jane Allen
Port Charlotte, FL



Freedom 307

You Ought to Be in Pictures. You Ought to Be an Anchorline Star!

Share your great Grady moments by sending us photos like the ones you see in these pages. Email your pictures at the highest setting your camera and email preferences allow so we get the crispest image that's needed for big, bright photos in print. Send your best shots and stories to sales@gradywhite.com. You can also visit www.gradywhite.com/the-grady-experience to view our Photo Gallery full of the best of The Grady Life, and submit your photos from the link there. We'll be on the lookout for the next *Anchorline* star!



CAPTAIN KEN GRAY'S CREW aboard *Marlin 300, Just Right V*, brought in a 44-lb. wahoo for first place daily Thursday and category second place overall in the August White Marlin Open out of Ocean City, MD. Scott Joseph was the angler earning the crew \$34,646. Says Capt. Ken, "Next year we'll get the big one for a Grady Day!"



BRIAN AND CATHERINE HODSON, founding members of the Tidewater Grady-White Club and for the past ten years members of the Chesapeake Bay Grady-White Club, won a silent auction prize at last year's Grady Fest in Fort Myers Beach: A two-night stay at a River Dunes cottage on the Neuse River near Oriental, NC, complete with a fire pit. A great way to start their October 2015 anniversary celebration!



EARLY THIS FALL, TOM AND MARY BETH MAGENAU OF TRI-STATE MARINE, DEALE, MD, went boating in Cape Cod and came upon a group of Grady-White owners and friends picnicking on the beach. Knowing that Grady owners are notoriously friendly, Tom and Mary Beth stopped to exchange a few stories. The group, including Dr. Nick Picariello, came from Wellfleet, MA, and reported that their harbor has about 200 boats, ten percent of which are Gradys. The Grady Life is alive and well in Massachusetts!

Who's Your Grady Buddy?

To share a photo of your furry Grady friends, email us at anchorline@gradywhite.com or write to *Anchorline*, P.O. Box 1527, Greenville, NC 27835.



CHAPEL AND SADIE make a doggone good crew for Chris Smith on his family's 251 CE.



HERE'S THOMAS SCHWEIZER'S BUDDY, KNOX, on a *Sportsman 180*.



THE SHIFT WORK FISHING TEAM on a 2003 *Marlin 300* placed first in kingfish and had the overall heaviest fish in a September 12 tournament in Jupiter, FL. They love a Grady! (l to r) Matt Mejuer, Dan Bleakly, Matt Fick, Jonathan De La Rionda and Chris Reynolds.



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Happy
Holidays!

Dear Grady-White Owners and Enthusiasts:



EDDIE SMITH AND KRIS CARROLL

This past year has been quite a busy one for the Grady-White network of dealers and factory associates, who have delivered many great memory-making experiences and fabulous new boats for our customers! We introduced the sporty *191 CE*, the second in our line of Coastal Explorers; we revamped the helm area of the *Express 330* with expanded seating options and hardtop choices including our exclusive AirView2®; and the *Freedom 275* dual console got an expanded helm area and reconfigured deluxe seating for enhanced cockpit spaciousness.

Every Grady-White is created with exceptional attention to detail, and every new model year brings continuous finesse of features and options across the line. Now, for 2016, we showcase the *Canyon 336* center console available with triple as well as dual engine packages. Read advance notes in this *Anchorline* on the very special and soon-to-be-unveiled *Canyon 271 FS*. All of our models can be viewed in detail on our newly designed website at www.gradywhite.com.

It's the winter holiday and the winter boat show season. We look forward to meeting our customers at the shows and at upcoming dealer and club events, and we sincerely wish each and every one of you Happy Holidays and a wonderful New Year!

Happy Boating!

Kris Carroll

Kris Carroll, PRESIDENT

Eddie Smith, Jr.

Eddie Smith, Jr., CHAIRMAN, CEO



Marlin 300 owners John and Deana Foley were greeted by Kris Carroll when they toured the Grady-White plant in July, bringing along their six-month-old son, John III. Register for your own tour either online at gradywhite.com or call us at 252-752-2111.