

Spring Has Sprung

It's time to get out on the water and enjoy it.

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Sunday, April 18, the Boat Camp in Newburyport, Massachusetts, will hold their first beach cleanup of 2010. The event will start at 9:30AM and last until noon, kicking off at the playground on Plum Island Point. And when they clean the beach, they *clean* the beach—during two, two-hour cleanups in the fall of 2009, Boat Camp and their band of volunteers collected 2,531 items of trash. For more information, and a full schedule of this year's beach cleanups, check out www.boatcamp.org.

If you summer in the New York/Long Island area, Island Global Yachting will be offering deals at two major Northeastern marinas, the Montauk Yacht Club in the Hamptons, and the Newport Yacht Club in New York Harbor. The deal? If you book a summer berth at either marina, you get five free nights at the other (so a summer booked at Montauk Yacht Club will give you a free five-day stay at the Newport Yacht Club). For more information on the Montauk Yacht Club call (631) 668-3100 or send an email to dockmaster@montaukyachtclub.com. For information on berthing at the Newport Yacht Club, call (201) 626-5550 or send an email to npycmarina@igymarina.com.

The 14th Annual Jacksonville International Boat Show is coming to Jacksonville's Metropolitan Park and Marina this weekend (April 16-18). Tickets run \$10 for adults and free for children and teens under 16. The show's location at Metropolitan Park offers plenty of open space on land to escape the crowds, is a quick walk from dining, shopping, and entertainment, and don't worry about not finding a parking space—the venue has parking for 80,000. www.jaxboatshow.com