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TAKE THE WHEEL!

Are you considering getting into boating but don't know where to start?

...Take the Wheel at the U.S. Powerboat Show



For the first time ever, the United States Powerboat Show is teaming up with Annapolis School of Seamanship to offer all-day workshops that combine educational seminars with an interactive onboard experience. The new “Take the Wheel” workshop will take place at the 38th Annual U.S. Powerboat Show in Annapolis Maryland on October 16th and 17th.

Participants will enter the show grounds at 9:00 a.m., before the show opens, for a light breakfast of coffee and bagels. Seminars will follow and lunch is provided in a VIP lounge area set aside for workshop participants. In the afternoon each you get to take an introductory ride aboard one of four major styles of powerboats: trawler, express cruiser, center console, and downeast cruiser. Tiara Yachts, Kadey-Krogen Yachts, Boston Whaler, and MJM Yachts will provide boats for the onboard session. A wine tasting and social will wrap things up at 5:00 p.m.

Registration for this program includes a two-day show pass, so attendees will get to put this new information to use while perusing hundreds of different powerboats of various sizes, styles and makes at one of the largest in-water powerboat shows in the world. The combination of educational seminars, demonstration boat rides, and such a wide variety and number of boats on display at the show make this a truly rare and unique opportunity for anyone who is seriously considering getting into boating.

The workshop cost of \$149 per person or \$200 per couple includes:

- A 2-day boat show pass (valid for one workshop day and one other regular admission day)

- Morning seminars
- Afternoon on-the-water boat demo ride
- Printed materials
- Light Breakfast and Lunch
- Wine tasting social hour

THE SEMINARS

1. What Boat is Right for Me?

This seminar focuses on the different types of boats available and how you can use them from fishing to day tripping, to extended cruising. Participants will learn about different design considerations and propulsion systems including inboard, outboard, jet drive and pod drive systems.

2. Getting Out There: Boat Buying and Chartering

This seminar will address the options available to new boaters including chartering, boat clubs, and buying a new or used boat. You will also learn about the buying process from dealing with a broker or dealer, to surveying and sea trialing your future boat.

3. What Do I Need to Know?

This short seminar will cover what you need to know before you leave the dock. From required safety equipment, to registration and licensing, you will learn how to prepare yourself and your boat for safe boating.

THE BOATS:

The demonstration boats were selected to represent not only different design types but different propulsion systems as well, ranging from single-screw inboard diesel propulsion to twin outboards to a state-of-the-art pod drive system.

Kadey Krogen:



The Kadey Krogen represents displacement trawlers. This very popular boat type has emerged in recent years as an ideal platform for comfortable extended cruising. Single screw inboard diesel power combined with a displacement hull provide very efficient cruising, but is limited to slower speeds. Displacement trawlers such as

the Kadey Krogen are considered to be seaworthy and can be capable of crossing oceans. Onboard accommodations are spacious and comfortable.

Tiara:



The Tiara Sovran is an Express cruiser. This type of boat is ideal for day trips and short excursions. It offers a lot of exterior space for conversation, sun bathing and water sports as well as comfortable overnight accommodations for a family or two couples. Express cruisers are built on planing hulls so they are significantly faster than trawlers but have less range and burn more fuel. The Tiara Sovran incorporates the Volvo-Penta IPS system with twin Diesel engines to make driving simple and more efficient. A joystick for close-quarters maneuvering means that docking in the tightest of spaces is a twist of the wrist.

MJM:



The MJM represents a Downeast-style cruiser. These boats have been very popular in recent years. Although they offer some overnight accommodations, they are designed primarily for day excursions. If you like to cruise for a little while, drop anchor, have a picnic and be home in time for an evening barbecue, then perhaps a Downeaster is right for you. Performance, speed and style are emphasized over accommodation space.

Boston Whaler:



The Boston Whaler is a center-console boat. These boats have been around for a long time and were originally designed explicitly for fishing. Modern center-console boats strike a balance between fishing and cruising. Most are capable of venturing offshore, offer a very fast ride but have limited range. Center-console boats offer little to no accommodation space although more recent models may have an enclosed head (bathroom). The Boston Whaler, a quintessential center-console, is powered by twin outboard engines.

THE FOOD & WINE:

You can't learn on an empty stomach! A light breakfast of coffee and bagels will prime the pump so we can get started. Lunch will follow the seminar sessions and a wine tasting social hour will wrap things up at the end.

INFORMATION & REGISTRATION:

The workshop is limited to 50 participants; choice of boat for your demo ride depends on availability, although every effort will be made to accommodate individual interest. While everyone is guaranteed a ride, early registrants will have first choice of which boat they choose to ride.

For more information, please call Annapolis School of Seamanship at 410-263-8848 or (866) 369-2248.

To register please call the U.S. Powerboat Show office at (410) 268-8828 or fill out and fax back the registration form found [HERE](#) on the [U.S. Powerboat Show website](#).