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The 9th Connecticut Spring Boat Show was held April 25-27 at Safe Harbor Essex Island in Essex, CT. The in-water boat show raises funds for Sails Up 4 Cancer, a non-profit organization supporting cancer care, education, prevention and research.

Thank You! NMRA 2025 Scholarship Fund Drive Supporters

Since 2008, NMRA has actively contributed to the future of our industry by offering scholarships to students pursuing education in the marine trades. In 2024, students attending Northwood Technical College, Great Lakes Boat Building School, Lake Careers & Technical Center and IYRS School of Technology & Trades received \$1,000 NMRA Marine Trades Scholarships. This year's recipients will be announced in June. The following NMRA members have pledged to support the 2025 NMRA scholarship program. **ComMar Sales, Forespar, Great Lakes Marine Marketing, GSW & Associates, Gulf Atlantic Marketing, Schmitt & Ongaro, S.M. Osgood, The Merifield Company, Waters & David, West Coast Sales, William F. Miller.**

Welcome New NMRA Affiliate Member Dock Blocks of North America



Dock Blocks of North America, LLC is a leading manufacturer of the only patented and most durable drive-on lifts, floating docks and walkways, serving a diverse clientele across the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean. Company President Matt West reports that Dock Blocks is transitioning to a factory representative-based business model and seeks partnerships with reps across all North American markets. Contact Matt, westmatt81@gmail.com or (843) 509.4829. www.dock-blocks.com

Member News & Notes

Thundercat Marketing and Coast Marine Marketing Merge To Form TCM Sales

NMRA Rep Group Member Thundercat Marketing has merged with Coast Marine Marketing to form TCM Sales. The combined operations now cover Washington, Oregon and California. TCM Managing Member (and NMRA Board Member) Jim Cermak is a former U.S. Coast Guard SAR coxswain and boarding officer, and has held a variety of industry executive roles at manufacturers including ICOM, Survitec Group and Stearns. Contact info: TCM Sales, Jim Cermak, (541) 480-1139, jim@trustTCM.com.

William F. Miller Rep Barrett Manning Recognized By *Boating Industry*

A shout out to William F. Miller central and west coast Florida rep Barrett Manning, named one of Boating Industry's 40 Under 40 award recipients. The honor recognizes leaders who are making a significant impact through their dedication, achievements and passion for the recreational boating industry. bmannings@williamfmiller.com