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Adventures Begin Here! Anacortes is premier “Spring Destination” point for all things boating and much more at region’s newest show

ANACORTES – Come check out an impressive list of “Boats of Notes” at the Anacortes Boat & Yacht Show May 17-20 at the Port of Anacortes’ Cap Sante Marina hosted by the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA) and Anacortes Chamber of Commerce.

The show is projected to have nearly 250 boats on display that include a super-yacht, but also features must-have affordable boats for fishing, cruising and sailing at the marina, and at nearby boatyards with free bus shuttle service. In the marina parking area there will be a huge tent filled with accessories and electronics.

OCEAN ALEXANDER 112 TRI-LEVEL YACHT

View the luxurious 112-foot Ocean Alexander Tri-Level Yacht that elevates boating to the next level. The yacht allows light to pour into an open spaced salon, and a cleverly crafted formal dining and kitchen area has generous floor space to wow guests on your next adventure.

SUNDANCE YACHTS PRESTIGE

Sundance Yachts will also have a 68-foot Prestige that sleeps 10 in five staterooms. This yacht has a sleek interior made with high-quality materials, and their hulls are infusion-molded fiberglass. The structure

and deck are created to cut down significantly on unnecessary weight while maintaining durability and strength.

HEWESCRAFT SEA RUNNER 210

Anglers will have plenty of boats to view at the show, including the sleek 2018 Hewescraft Sea Runner 210 HT ET from Tom-n-Jerry's Boat Center, Inc. in Mount Vernon. This easy-to-tow, hard-topped cabin, mid-sized boat with a widened hull to help get you out of the water faster, improve planing and decrease side-to-side tipping. Plus, there is plenty of storage area for gear, and more deck space for your catch.

KINGFISHER 2825

Another "catchy" fishing machine is the 2018 Kingfisher 2825 Offshore Destination whose exclusive Pre-Flex® hull delivers unparalleled strength and impact resistance with better fuel economy allowing you to catch more fish while spending less on fuel.

LIFE PROOF 31FT GT COUPE AND 33FT FULL CABIN SPORT

Life Proof Boats based in Bremerton will be exhibiting two newly designed boats for 2018 – the 31FT GT Coupe and 33FT Full Cabin Sport – that press the "wow factor" button to a whole new level. Each has Life Proof's hallmark – a bright foam collar, arrow-like performance design, and aluminum build. The open cockpit is laid out around a round dining table with bench-style seating. Dual outboard engines are rated to a maximum of 700hp. Another nice feature is signature drop bow door to unload with ease directly to shore without getting wet.

C-DORY 25 CRUISER

Master Marine in Mount Vernon will have a C-Dory 25 Cruiser on display at the show. This cruiser is longer, wider and taller than the 22-foot counterpart. Additional features include ample headroom (6 feet-10 inches) in the cabin, an enclosed head and shower, self-bailing cockpit, larger dinette/galley and forward viewing companion seating.

WELDCRAFT 210 REVOLUTION

The sporty Weldcraft 210 Revolution is a hybrid sport fishing vessel and family runabout. Unusually roomy for a 21-footer, it features comfortable seating for six, bow and floor storage, plus plenty of rod holders, fish boxes, a tackle rigging station and more. Swimming and watersports is as easy as can be in this versatile boat.

NW SALMON DERBY KINGFISHER 2025

Be sure to check out the Northwest Salmon Derby Series grand prize KingFisher 2025 Falcon Series boat powered with a Honda 150hp and 9.9hp trolling motors on an EZ-loader trailer. The sleek fishing machine – valued at \$65,000 – is fully-rigged with Scotty downriggers; Raymarine Electronics; custom WhoDat Tower; and Dual Electronic stereo. Drawing for the boat will take place at conclusion of derby series. For details, go to <http://www.nwsalmonderbyseries.com/>.

ASPEN CATAMARAN CRUISERS

Careful attention to details and longevity are what Aspen's 40-foot C120 had in mind for every boating enthusiast. The award-winning hull design of this boat built in the Pacific Northwest offers smooth riding and stability in heavy seas. The 600-foot roomy salon, staterooms, heads and cockpit offer complete comfort for extended trips.

The new 32' C100 Escape offers complete versatility for fishing or simply entertaining on your next on-water adventure. Nice features include a built-in 96 quart Igloo Cooler with a large seat, huge port and starboard lazarette storage, as well as a second refrigerator and sink. The hull's extra four-feet adds more than 2,200 pounds of buoyancy.

SIGNATURE YACHTS

The 2018 Beneteau Sense 57 delivers exceptionally good sailing comfort and offers a whole new meaning to setting sail at sea. Below

deck, you'll find many comforts of home with a large salon and galley plus three roomy forward cabins, including a master suite. Also on display are a 2018 Beneteau 37 and 41; and a 2017 First 20.

MARINE SERVICE CENTER

The 2017 Jeanneau 479 elongated hull lines and moderate freeboard make this an attractive aesthetic and delivers an exceptional performance at sea. The interior has large double berths and a galley full of amenities to get you through a long voyage in total comfort.

Anacortes is conveniently located between Seattle and Vancouver B.C. The Anacortes area has more than 40 marine-related businesses to cover every boater's wants and needs. For details, go to <https://anacortesboatandyachtshow.com/>.

Tickets

Cost is \$10 for adults; \$15 for unlimited pass; youth 17-and-under are free; 50-percent off for Veterans every day of show; and Yacht Club Members get in free on Thursday and Friday. E-tickets include a 12-month subscription to Sea Magazine and/or Boating World.

Hotel, Shopping and Dining

Attendees who stay at participating hotels, motels, and bed and breakfast locales will receive two free tickets to the show for each nights' stay. Accommodations are available for all price ranges with several offering pristine views of the surrounding waters. There are many sights to see, places to shop and restaurants from casual to fine dining. For details, go to <https://anacortes.org/>.

Things to do

The Anacortes Farmers Market happens on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vendors offer farmers produce, yummy food and vibrant art plus

live music. After the show, head over to Swinomish Casino & Lodge or take a hike and soak in sunset views at Mount Erie Park, the highest point on Fidalgo Island. Other activities include exploring nearby Washington Park and Deception Pass State Park; whale watching with local charter-boat businesses; having a picnic or strolling at Storvik Park or Seafarers Memorial Park; or viewing the Anacortes Mural Project on Commercial Avenue.

About the Northwest Marine Trade Association

The NMTA is the nation's largest regional marine association. It represents more than 700 companies in the recreational boating industry, including boat dealers, boat brokers, marinas, boatyards, manufacturers, retailers and suppliers of boating accessories and services. The NMTA's mission is to promote the growth of recreational boating and members' businesses. The NMTA produces the Seattle Boat Show, the West Coast's largest boat show and the Northwest Paddling Festival. Details: <http://www.nmta.net/>

About the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce

The Anacortes Chamber of Commerce is a member-based organization representing 500 businesses, community organizations and interested individuals. Its mission is to promote economic prosperity through innovative leadership, advocacy and collaborative community engagement. The Anacortes Chamber of Commerce also acts as the Destination Marketing Organization promoting to the travelling public and greeting guests to encourage them to Experience Anacortes...your island getaway. Details: <https://anacortes.org/>