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Uniting Lost Treasure to Their Owners by Donating

By Lyndsey Pirro

There are many ways to help the community, but Abbeville County sheriff's deputy and dive team member Jeremy David Robinson has chosen a unique and rewarding way to do so. To combat the serious and sometimes morose duty of work dives, Robinson heads the Lake Hartwell Divers group; dedicated to helping people recover items lost in Lake Hartwell and other nearby lakes. Starting out with a love of diving as a child and participating in item recovery for fifteen years, he now runs the group along with his two sons, Joey and Cody, and fellow diver Kellie Smith. Robinson is PADI and SSI certified up to 130 feet and utilizes an underwater metal detector to find all kinds of lost



items, day or night. So, for example, if you were to drop your keys off a dock at 11:30 at night, the Lake Hartwell Divers will come and help you get them back. Robinson is also working with the Phase 5 of the Green Pond Landing, pouring rocks on the pilings. The last load of rock was brought in by barge yesterday and the last pole was set, with video of this to be seen on their Facebook.

Giving back to the community is important to the group; they take donations only for helping recover things like wedding rings, iPhones, computers, keys, and more – even if they've been lost for years. In August, Robinson found a woman's earring that was lost over two years ago! It is surprising how often the phones still work or can be repaired through a repair service. One of the largest



Above: Jeremy David Robinson, Dive Team Member

and most unexpected rescues was a truck and boat trailer from Green Pond Landing. Robinson has a fuzzy partner in crime as well; six-week-old Meeko. Rambunctious Meeko is a baby racoon that Robinson rescued and sometimes brings with on calls!

When the group isn't searching for lost goods, they are giving back to the community by giving lifejackets to kids. Robinson maintains an Amazon Wishlist as well so that people can purchase life jackets to go to children without these lifesaving devices and

helps arrange open water scuba classes to those interested through Upstate Scuba. The link to the Wishlist and information on classes, as well as video from some amazing dives, can be found on the Divers' Facebook page, Lake Hartwell Divers. Their phone number is 864-622-9938. ■



Above: Kellie Smith, Dive Team Member, found a diamond that fell out of a ring.

Update on Green Pond Landing

By Lyndsey Pirro

Phase Five has begun at the Green Pond Landing and Event Center. This is part two of two for the amphitheater and dock itself, with the focus of this phase being on the weigh-in dock. According to Glen Brill, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Tourism Division, "when complete, it'll stretch 240 feet into Lake Hartwell and will have a 40' x 12' T-Head at its' end." This follows on the heels of the competed amphitheater, the focus of part one, that seats 1,300 people. The dock will service the amphitheater



Above: Image Provided by Anderson County Parks, Recreation & Tourism Division

and launch the fishing tournament take-offs. The amphitheater will be used for fishing tournament weigh-ins primarily

but will also be able to be rented for events like concerts, weddings, and plays when available. The fifth phase will cost \$2 million when finished and will be the only amphitheater on Lake Hartwell.

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A Bear Called Berries Bueller

By Lyndsey Pirro

Locals are increasingly getting the thrill of having nature come to them as black bear sightings are popping up more often this year. In Fair Play, SC the "Fair Play Bear" has been seen by quite a few families. Chad Latham first spotted the fuzzy wanderer on July 16th on his trail cam. He has been seen consistently since, most recently on September 14th crossing a yard near the intersection on W. Pine Grove and Hall St. Fair Play Bear, also called Berries Bueller by another Fair Play resident, has now been spotted



Above: Image Provided by Chad Latham, Berries Bueller, aka the Fair Play Bear

in at least eight different instances. Another bear was spotted in the gated community of Chickasaw Point in early September.

Black Bears have a sustained population in the upstate and a bear's range can be between 18 and 160 square miles. Food sources play a major role in where black bears go so while this area is temporarily the stomping ground to Berries, he will likely not stay in the area if he is not enticed to do so. Bears are known to scavenge trash cans and raid bird feeders, beehives, and crops. The DNR would

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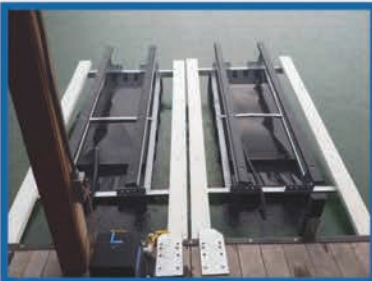
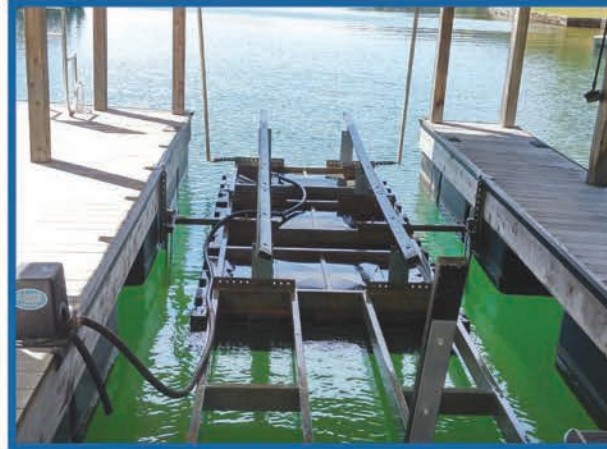
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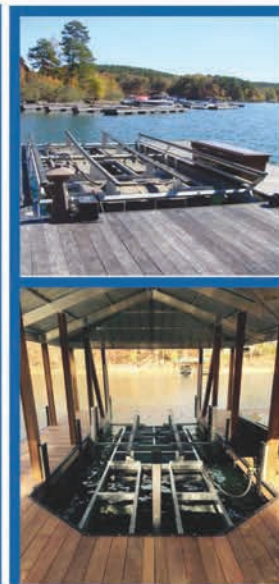


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Update on Green Pond Landing – continued from pg. 1

The weigh-in dock is being built by Marine Specialties Inc., one of the largest marine contractors in GA and SC for over 30 years. They specialize in HydroHoist boat lifts, Wahoo Aluminum boat docks, dock repair and service, dock moving, Rip Rap erosion control, and shoreline Steps. They also sell a variety of dock accessories. For more information, their website is: <https://marinespecialties.net/>.

Part two should be complete by the end of October 2021, with phases six and seven for the Landing set for the future. Phase six for the Landing is expected to begin around five years from now and will include an expo center at the top of the hill near the entrance to the Landing itself. Phase seven will create three more launch lanes in addition to the three existing ones. In addition to part two being completed, Brill says that there are several security measures being installed to assist with patron safety. They are installing a license plate reading camera at the entrance to the Landing as well as security cameras all around the Landing and Event Center on the heels of several break-ins. The additional security will be welcome since the Landing is open day and night to accommodate fishing at all times, so those night fishing can be protected.

There are several events scheduled for fall 2021, including two scheduled fishing events; Crappie USA will be October 14-16 and the Carolina Bass Challenge November 5-6. There will also be the Palmetto Boat Camp and High school trail December 10th and 11th. ■

A Bear called Berries Bueller – continued from pg. 1

also like to give a reminder that it is illegal in South Carolina to entice bears in any way. If bears are coming to your yard, the attractant must be removed.

SCDNR offers these suggestions to better coexist with bears:

Birdfeed and feeders: If a bear starts getting into your bird feeders, take the feeders down and put them away for a while; the bear will



Above: Image Provided by Chad Latham, Berris Bueller, aka the Fair Play Bear

move on quickly.

No garbage: Keep garbage in tightly shut or bear-proof trash cans. Garbage left in the open, in an open dumpster, or in the back of a truck is an open invitation for a bear.

Pet food storage: Store pet food properly if kept outside. Put pet food in airtight storage containers, and don't leave leftover food out in the open.

Clean grills: Keep charcoal and gas grills covered and clean to keep food odors from

attracting bears.

Beehives: If you're going to have beehives in bear territory, protect your investment with an electric, bear-proof fence.

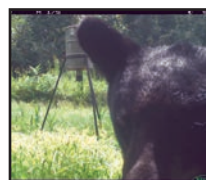
No feeding: A bear that becomes accustomed to having food provided is an accident waiting to happen. Feeding bears promote nuisance behavior.

Keep wildlife wild. NEVER approach a bear for any reason, especially for a photo. Bears can defend themselves. Give bears their space and they will move on.

The Department of Natural Resources urges the public to exercise caution with these shy but potentially dangerous creatures. They may look cute but can attack if they feel threatened, so keep a safe distance and absolutely do not feed them. Male bears average between 150-350 lbs and have inch

long claws that are better suited for digging up roots than launching attacks. In the event that this bear becomes a nuisance, the DNR requests to be contacted on their website at: <https://www.dnr.sc.gov/wildlife/>

bear/sightingform.html or in an emergency via telephone at: 1-800-922-5431. ■



Above: Image Provided by Chad Latham, Berris Bueller, aka the Fair Play Bear



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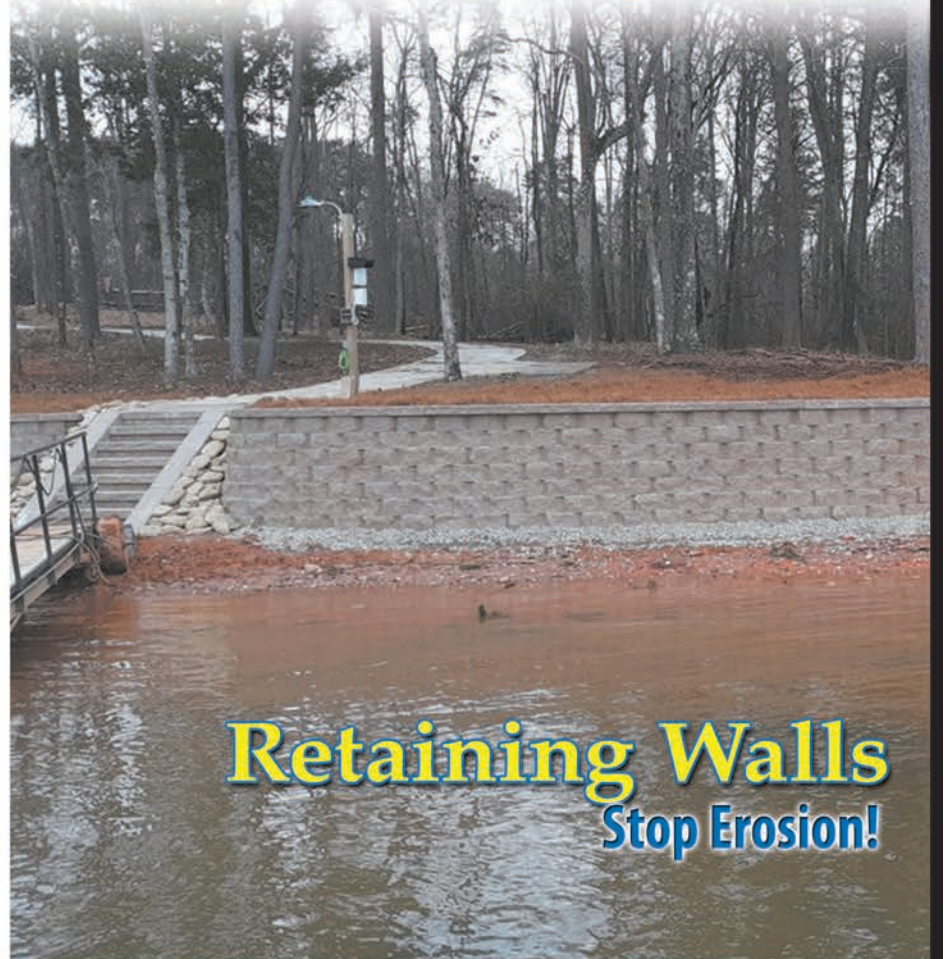
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Enjoying Your Surroundings All Year

By Lyndsey Pirro

Being hailed as the best Certified Arborist and tree care company in Hart County and the surrounding areas is no easy task, but the Browns have worked their way into this position and are a cut above their competitors. They have branched out beyond Hart County, and now are the highest consumer rated tree service in Northeast Georgia with over 175 5-star reviews. Their secret? Being completely dedicated to customers and community. Ben says “while we are working on job sites there are a few things we always strive for, first and foremost is 100% safety. Our second focus is client satisfaction and third is something we’ll never charge for, going the extra mile” after cleaning a client’s gutters without charging, simply because it needed to be done. The Browns are quick to spring into action to help those in the community.

Ben and Janna Brown created Clean

Cut Tree Care in 2018 after Ben got out of the military, having served in the Marine Corps for four years. Ben was looking for a way to get back into the community and was intrigued by the tree care industry. He did not imagine what began as a side job would grow as quickly as it did, but grow it has! Three years in, the business has become a successful family affair for the couple. They love helping others and giving back to the community, donating dinners and financially to local first responders in their spare time. They have also donated their chipper mulch and tree removal services to local veterans.

Customer after customer writes about how professional and efficient the company is, cleaning up after themselves and doing impeccable work.

Clean Cut Tree Care provides tree removal, tree planting, stump grinding, pruning and more! Being an ISA Certified Arborist and Corps

approved, they are qualified to help with insurance claims for storm damage and risk assessment. When grinding stumps, they can also remove the grindings, back fill with topsoil, and re-seed the area. While removing trees, the company utilizes lightweight machinery and ground protection mats to keep disruption to a minimum. They have even assisted with cat and drone rescues!

The company takes pride in the quick service they provide, answering most calls immediately and swiftly returning those missed. Being a veteran, Ben believes in prompt service, great communication, clean work, and due diligence. They believe in service before self, as shown in July when they worked on a fallen tree on Saturday morning after receiving the call on Friday evening to help.

The customer describes, “They showed up almost immediately, did the job impeccably, and were respectful with my time and of my neighbors. We very much appreciate the professionalism of the team that came out, which included the owner. Honestly one of the best companies we have ever worked with.” The company is also hailed quite often for coming out on



short notice when a customer needs them and for being available this past spring day or night during the severe weather outbreak.

Clean Cut Tree Care can be reached by telephone at (706) 424-5933 and online at <https://cleancuttreecare.net/> for quotes and a photo gallery of just a few of their jobs. Their Facebook page also shows videos of some of their more difficult jobs and how they rise to the challenges, and how they protect customers’ yards. ■

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By Lyndsey Pirro

Arriving Early Next Year to the Atlanta Boat Show

The Atlanta Boat Show is gearing up to take place January 6-9, 2022 early next year and it is always a treat for boaters and lake enthusiasts everywhere. The hours will be Thursday and Friday from 11:00am - 9:00pm, Saturday from 10:00am-9:00pm, and Sunday from 10:00am-6:00pm. Tickets are \$15 for those 13+ and free for children ages 12 and under. You can save \$3 on the price of admission by purchasing tickets in advance online as well as a \$3 discount for Active Military and First Responders with valid ID. The boat show will be located at the Georgia World Congress Center, Hall C where it will host a wealth of activities. Family

day is Sunday, January 9th and allows for a discounted rate for a family of 4 (two adults and two kids up to age 17) to attend. Pets are not allowed with the exception of service dogs.

There will be a career day, Boats & Brews, discover boating, fishing simulator, nautical storytimes, and assorted seminars. Career day is a great opportunity to learn about positions in the marine industry, both on and off the water, with a wide range of speakers for various jobs. Boats & Brews is an adult only event happening after 5pm for \$5. For the kids there will be nautical storytimes, with special crafts and stories as well as a kids' zone. The kids' zone will host a bounce house, face painting, balloon animals, and coloring as well as special guests on Saturday and Sunday

afternoon. For those who love fishing, there will also be a "let's go fishing" center, where you can see professional anglers fishing in a 5,000-gallon aquarium filled with fish. You will be able to see underwater just how different fish react to various techniques and bait.

Rounding out the vast array of fun activities will be live music and the Miss Geico offshore racing boat.

Seminars will run the entire time and cover a large selection of topics. Instructors for the classes are at the top of their fields, covering such topics as: bass fishing, catching big fish in small boats, fly fishing, saltwater



fishing, introduction to sailing, and much more. There will also be a hub for boaters to learn more about the boating experience. Which boat is right for you, how to care for a boat, conservation, and panels of boating experts are just some of the features in the boating hub. For more information on the boat show, directions, and to buy tickets go to <https://www.atlantaboatshow.com/>. ■



By Eclipse Marine Group at Clemson Marina

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SOLD 116 Beaver Lane, Townville, SC. 3 Bedroom/2 Bath. Spacious open living areas - plenty of room for a large family or lots of friends - yet cozy & warm if there's only 2 of you. Nice gentle walk to your platform dock. This property has so much to offer - sunroom spans the lakeside of the home, 2 open porches, screened in front porch. Attached carport, plus 2-car detached garage w/bonus room. A 2nd detached carport plus workshop/fishing/lake storage. Cobblestone drive w/plenty of tiered parking. Home has a wonderful open flow thru living/family room to sunroom - several areas to eat/visit. Split bedroom plan. So neat & tidy - plan to see but don't rush thru - there's a lot to see - you really don't want to miss any of these details and at a great price! **\$225,000**

SOLD! 517 Kings Bench, Hartwell, GA

**SOLD!
\$635,000**

SOLD! 517 Kings Bench, Hartwell, GA. Great Lake-front Getaway. New hardwoods on the main level and luxury vinyl in the basement - no carpet. Owners' bedroom is on the main with 3 guest rooms on the terrace level. Open kitchen-living-dining area on the main level. Large screened lakeside porch. Downstairs you'll find guest bedrooms, guest bath and laundry. Here you'll also find open patio and extra storage/workshop. Fire pit sitting area - cart path to the lake and they have a beautiful new dock w/lift. According to the owner the water is 25' off the end of his dock. The home is on a quiet, wide cove that's just a couple minutes from the main channel-no big water turbulence from boat traffic or the heavy storm winds of an open spans. **\$635,000**

SOLD! Lot 18 Lake Breeze Lane, Westminster, SC.

SOLD! Lot 18 Lake Breeze Lane, Westminster, SC. Nice, quiet area of Lake Hartwell. This lake lot is nestled between house # 121 & 125. Platform dock in place w/verbal approval for a covered slip dock (70' x 40'). Slope of lot would be great for a terrace level walk out a short distance from your dock. **\$60,000**



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How To Protect Your Boat During the Off-Season

**By Andy Schulze,
Eclipse Marine Group at
Clemson Marina**

With Labor Day Weekend behind us, we are marching into the colder seasons, and winter will be here before you know it. For some, it is the start of the fall fishing season! For others, fall boating can be the most beautiful cruising time of the year - hello, fall foliage! There is nothing better than taking an afternoon ride and coming home to s'mores around the fire with friends and family. However, for many, it is the end of boating season altogether, and after the fall season is over, it's time to thinking about prepping your boat for cold winter nights.

Now, this can be a wide range of care depending on the type and use of your boat. While most fishermen run their boats through the winter, many put their boats

away until spring, and the level of attention certainly depends on your type and style of boat and drive system. For example: 1) If you own an inboard direct drive boat used for surfing and towing, you will want to get your vessel winterized. But not just that! All of your components that hold and move water need to be winterized to protect your investment adequately. 2) If you have a more common inboard outboard (meaning the motor is enclosed in your hull and the foot and prop are outside your hull), you will want to have the engine winterized and all the water drained from the foot. 3) For those with an outboard motor, you have one of the most popular and easiest motors to maintain during the off-season. Some use outboards year-round, but many people choose to stow their boat for the season. If you are putting your outboard away for the season, you will want our service department to make sure

a few important things are complete. We will make sure that all water is clear from



the foot, that the motor has been correctly fogged, and the fuel is stabilized to prohibit rust and corrosion.

Just remember - winter is no time to gamble with the life and care of your boat and motor. Our service department is here to make sure you are safe for the winter and ready to enjoy the next boating season. For more information about winterization or to schedule your winterization before the first freeze, click here. <https://www.eclipsemarine.com/services> ■

11 Expert Tips for Freshwater Kayak Fishing Success

**By Ken Schultz,
Takemefishing.com**

When I wrote the first article about freshwater kayak fishing that was ever published in a national magazine (Field & Stream, October 2000), the sport was in its infancy and I was only a year into freshwater kayak fishing. More than two decades later, saltwater and freshwater kayak fishing have boomed and I've

traversed a lot of water with a kayak, paddle, and fishing rod.

Here are my top freshwater kayak fishing tips, assuming that you've already mastered paddling technique, boating safety issues, gear setup, and the like.

1) **HAVE A CHECKLIST.** A checklist that you review before leaving home helps ensure that nothing essential is forgotten.

2) **HAVE A PLAN.** It takes a while

to get places in a kayak, so you should maximize your time. Think about where you'll launch given the weather and wind conditions, where you need to get to, where other freshwater fishing boats will be, etc. Don't forget to plan for the return to your launch site.

3) **GET ORGANIZED IMMEDIATELY.** Before the first cast, get organized by having fish gripper, pliers, cam-

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era, and other gear exactly where you need them and ready to be utilized.

4) TROLL FROM PLACE TO PLACE. Always troll at least one line while you paddle or pedal from place to place. Bonus freshwater kayak fishing success!

5) USE WIND/CURRENT ADVANTAGEOUSLY. Pedal and motorized kayaks evolved to increase boat control and keep hands free for fishing. Without either, you have to position yourself to drift advantageously at a fishable pace. You can't be effective if you're constantly being pushed away from the target fishing area and doing more paddling than casting. You must control your drift.

6) ANCHOR UP. WHEN WIND OR CURRENT HAMPER POSITIONING, ANCHOR UP. Use a light grapnel or plow (claw) anchor on a rope for deep water. For shallow water, an 8-foot stake anchor works

well, especially on soft bottoms. (I repurposed a pushpole and attached a handle and small lanyard/clip to tether it to my kayak.)

7) BACK INTO THE BANK OR CLIP ONTO A LIMB. Lacking an anchor, or if you'll only be in a spot briefly, you can back the kayak stern into a soft shallow bank, bush, or marsh to stay in one place for a short time (watch your rods and raise the rudder), and fish outward.



If you have a short flex cable attached to a brush gripper, you can grab onto a bush/limb/stump/piling.

8) BE THOROUGH. If you're casting, work a good location thoroughly, especially if you've caught something. Use different

lures and retrieves and cover everything in casting range.

9) BE STEALTHY. Kayaks are especially useful in shallow environs, where fish are necessarily wary. Don't knock the kayak with your paddle or other gear, shift equipment

around, or do anything to create vibrations. You can get surprisingly close to fish if you move slowly and quietly.

10) KEEP THE ROD TIP LOW. Especially if you're sitting down, as many kayakers are. This minimizes the effect of wind when casting, aids accuracy, and enables more impactful hooksets.

11) PADDLE WITH ONE HAND/ARM. This is useful to steer away from obstacles or keep out of current while battling a fish. Align your forearm along the paddle shaft to make short adjustments to the kayak while holding a rod in your other hand, similar to using a canoe paddle. It's awkward with a double-ended paddle, however. You can also separate a two-piece straight-shaft paddle and use one segment for minor positioning and movements. Old-time bayou fishermen used stubby paddles to one-handedly maneuver their pirogues around while dapping long cane poles ahead of them with the other. You might consider having an auxiliary 18- to 24-inch paddle. ■

Helping Wildlife

Often overlooked in the rush of fall hunting seasons is how hunting and fishing licenses help fund wildlife work.



In Georgia, each license sold – even a one-day \$5 combo – returns to the state that license fee plus as much as \$45 in federal excise taxes paid by hunters and anglers on gear, ammo and related purchases.

In addition to hunting and fishing privileges, a license offers access to more than ONE MILLION acres of DNR wildlife management and public fishing areas.

When buying a license at GoOutdoorsGeorgia.com, users also can easily donate to the Georgia Wildlife Conservation Fund, created by state law to help conserve native, non-game wildlife species, rare plants and natural habitats.

Whether you like to hunt, fish, watch wildlife or all the above, buying a license is a great deal for both you and Georgia wildlife. ■

Corps of Engineers Releases Hunting Map App

By US Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Officials at the three Army Corps of Engineers reservoir projects on the Savannah River have introduced a new mobile application to aid hunters. The free app will cover the

Thurmond Lake, Russell Lake and Hartwell Lake areas.

"The app's detailed maps provide high quality imagery and topographical relief," Evan Brashier, conservation biologist and park ranger at Thurmond Lake said. "In addition, the app includes layers showing state wildlife

management areas, Corps management units, no hunting areas, and food plots to pinpoint the perfect area to hunt during seasons."

Additional tools include measuring, drawing, layer list selection, clickable layer information, map sharing, map printing,

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October 16, 9am-11am
Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's, 2000 East Greenville St, Anderson, Register at Act.alz.org/andwalk.

October 16, 11am-2pm,
Anderson Law Enforcement Appreciation BBQ, BBQ Plates from Creekside BBQ, \$12 and All will be Donated To the Anderson County Sheriff's Dept. and the Anderson Police Dept., Civic Center of Anderson, 3027 Martin Luther King Junior Blvd, Anderson

October 17, 1pm-6pm
Denver Downs Farm Fall Festival, Corn Maze, Pumpkins, Music & More! Live Weekend entertainment 1515 Denver Rd., Anderson, denverdownsfarm.com

October 21, 6pm-10pm
PINK PARTINI, Benefiting the Nancy Hart Foundation 140 Catechee Trail, Hartwell, 706-376-8590

October 22, 7pm-9pm
Music with Jake Hicks, Common Ground, 28 S. Carlina St., Hartwell, 706-805-5031

October 23, 7pm-9pm
Hartwell Markers Festival, Common Ground 28 S. Carlina St., Hartwell, 706-805-5031

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Mini Greek-Mediterranean Festival, Greek Food, Live Music, Greek Folk Dancing, children's activities and Fellowship, 1301 E. Greenville St., Anderson

October 24, 1pm-6pm
Denver Downs Farm Fall Festival, Corn Maze, Pumpkins, Music & More! Live Weekend entertainment 1515 Denver Rd., Anderson, denverdownsfarm.com

October 27, 6pm-8pm
Boo Bash, FREE, Hartwell First United Methodist Church, 200 E. Howell St., Hartwell, 706-376-3164

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October 29-31, 5:30pm
Halloween Weekend at Denver Downs Farm Fall Festival, Corn Maze, Pumpkins, Music & More! Live Weekend entertainment 1515 Denver Rd., Anderson, denverdownsfarm.com

October 30, 10am-Noon
Mayor's Monster Mash, FREE, Kids & Parents wear you costumes, Lots of Candy, Fun, Games & Music by

(October 30th continued)
Bill Pratt, Trick or Treat, Railroad Street, Downtown Hartwell, www.hartwellmainstreet.com

October 30, 8am
Spooktacular 5K & 1K Trick-or-Treat Fun Run, Anderson County Disabilities, 212 McGee Rd #2104, Anderson

October 30, 1pm
Electric City Cruise In, Annual Electric City Cruise, Bands, Vendors, Food, Raffles, Halloween contest. Please bring candy for the trunk or treat For the kids, 312 Sayre St., Anderson

November 6, 9am-1pm
Clean-Up Lavonia Day, City Shop (corner of Bear Creek Road and Allen Farm Road), Throw away your trash for free in Provided dumpsters. Must Live Inside the City Limits

November 5-7,
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November 6, 5pm-9pm
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(November 6th continued)
Receive Your Gringotte's Loot Bag! VIP tickets \$10, Regular Admission \$5, 295 Joe Harvey Street, Lavonia

November 6, 9am-2pm
13th Annual Huge Indoor Arts & Crafts Sale, Sacred Heart Church in Hartwell, 1009 Benson Street, Hartwell, 706-963-0770, ourladycircle.shjchurch@gmail.com, All Must Be Totally or Partially Handcrafted

November 12-14
Grandparent's Weekend/Season Finale Denver Down Farm Fall Festival, Corn Maze, Pumpkins, Music & More! Live Weekend entertainment 1515 Denver Rd., Anderson, Visit Denverdownsfarm.com For Event Schedule Each Day

November 13
Franklin County's Hometown Heroes Dedication 9am-10am, Community Events 11am-7:30pm, Parade 11am-11:30am, Fireworks 6pm, Food, Vendors, Music, Kids Area & more, Vendors email kfinger@franklincountyga.gov

November 19, 3pm
2021 Holly Jolly Holiday Fair, Anderson Civic Center, 3027 Civic Center, 3021 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Anderson, THEHOLLYJOLLYFAIR.COM, Vendors: VENDORS@HOLLYHOLIDAYFAIR.COM

November 26, 6pm
Santa is Coming to Town, The first night of the Anthony Family Display, 1720 Harris Bridge Rd., Anderson

November 26, 7:30pm
The Swingin' Medallions, Walhalla Performing Art Center, Tickets call 864-638-5277, 101 E.N. Broad Street, Walhalla

November 27, 7:30
Singer, Edwin McCain, Walhalla Performing Art Center Tickets call 864-638-5277, 101 E.N. Broad Street, Walhalla

November 28, 7:00
Music by An Isaac's Christmas Concert, Walhalla Performing Art Center Tickets call 864-638-5277, 101 E.N. Broad Street, Walhalla

December 2, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Connections for Special Parents Annual Christmas Drive Thru Party, Each Child/Young Adult with Special Needs will receive a gift under 10, You Must Register by Calling 706-436-6756, CSPNEGA@gmail.com

December 12, 4pm-5pm
Hartwell Christmas Parade, Terri Partain, www.hart-chamber.org, 770-376-8590

December 17, 6pm
Singer Spencer Heringa, The Kitchen Emporium & Gifts, 418 N. Main St., Anderson

December 18, 6:30pm-11:30pm
Music by Pecos & The Rooftops, Tickets http://www.bigtickets.com/events/pe/PTR121821/Wendells Dippin Branch, 5132 Hwy 29 S., Anderson

Pickens County 4-H Raring to Go

Pickens County 4-H is excited about starting the new school year with new and existing 4-H clubs throughout the county. 4-H is for boys and girls ages 5-18. If your child is interested in being a part of a fun (and educational) club this year, please contact the leader below. South Carolina 4-H costs \$15 per year to join. This includes a new t-shirt each year, free entry to the State Fair on 4-H Day at the Fair and insurance when at 4-H activities. Summer camp and fun leadership trips happen throughout the year. If you know someone who would be interested in leading a new 4-H club, please have them email Pickens County 4-H Agent, Janine Sutter at jsutter@clemson.edu.

Club Name	Ages	Meeting Place/Dates, Times	Leader Name	Contact Info
Junior Naturalist	Elem Grades	Botanical Gardens, Clemson	Sue Watts	carowatts@gmail.com
Silver Spurs Horse Club	5-18	King's Grove Stables, Six Mile	Lindsay Davis	Ldacus6178@yahoo.com
Shotgun Club (FULL)	9-18	Clemson University Shotgun Range, Clemson/Sundays, 2p.m.	Lynn Moore	glennrmoore@bellsouth.net
Pickens Rabbit Club	5-12	Pickens 4-H Office, Pickens	Alicia Gilstrap	aliciagilstrap@yahoo.com
Community Club	5-14	Pickens 4-H Office	Jessica Alexander	alexander888468@gmail.com
Livestock Club	8-18	Easley	Deb Bailey	wulfsbanes7@gmail.com
Wildlife Club	5-15	TBD- near Clemson	Mac Barrett	mkbarre@g.clemson.edu
Archery or Rifle <i>(coming soon)</i>		We are getting volunteers certified and gauging interest.	Anaston Broom	abroom@g.clemson.edu
			Janine Sutter	jsutter@clemson.edu

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orientation, and base map selection, according to Brashier. "USACE Hunting Maps" powered by Arc GIS Online will "will assist the avid hunter in digital scouting and ground referencing features of interest," he said.

While the information on the application is valid, the Corps of Engineers provides it only as "a representation of the various geographic information gathered from multiple sources." Users can find the application link at <https://bit.ly/3zmNJeF>. For more information on hunting lands at the Corps projects:

- For Hartwell Lake Project - Hunting Webpage: <https://bit.ly/3BnnipP> or call (706)-

856-0300 or 1-888-893-0678.

- For Russell Lake Project - Hunting Webpage: <https://bit.ly/3zp546r> or call (706) 213-3400 or 1-800-944-7207.

- For Thurmond Lake Project - Hunting Webpage <https://bit.ly/3ylRHmp> or call (864)-333-1147 or 1-800-533-3478.

"Enjoy the outdoors, be safe, be legal and know where you are going using the "USACE Hunting Maps!" Brashier said.

Share lines: Bag your game but don't get lost. @SavannahCorps releases new "USACE Hunting Maps" app for mobile devices. That buck doesn't stand a chance. More info: <https://go.usa.gov/xMZ3W> ■

Recreation Areas on Hartwell Lake to Open for Seasonal Hunting

By Reprint from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, www.sas.usace.army.mil

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Hartwell Lake Office will open 10 recreation areas for hunting during the regular state-designated seasons.

Three of its larger Georgia recreation areas will open for archery and small game hunting during the regular 2021-2022 Georgia hunting season. These areas include:

RECREATION AREA	GEORGIA COUNTY	SIZE OF AREA
Hartwell Dam Quarry Area	Hart	410 acres
New Prospect Park	Hart	34 acres
Jenkins Ferry Park	Stephens	31 acres

The Hartwell Dam Quarry is restricted to archery equipment only during deer and turkey *continued on page 13*

By Discovering Boating

Whether you're cruising to a waterfront stadium on game day or cruising to a raft-up of boaters all cheering for the same team with the game on TV, you're going to want to do some boatgating. Boatgating is the combination of two great American pastimes: boating and tailgating.

Arguably, boatgating is better because you're out in the fresh air instead of stuck in bumper-to-bumper stadium traffic. And, with a boat that is properly outfitted for boatgating, the day can include the element of enjoying the water with family and friends.

Here are five tips for tailgating on your boat during baseball, basketball, football or any other sporting season.

1. Have a DD (Designated Driver) First things first: Safety during boatgating is paramount. If adult beverages are going to be served as part of the day's fun, then it's of paramount importance that you select a designated driver in advance.

As the U.S. Coast Guard says, there are strict rules in every state for boating under the influence. Penalties can include large fines, suspension, or revocation of boat-operator privileges. In some cases, you can go to jail. The Coast Guard and officials in every state work together to remove impaired boat operators from the waterways. So, before you start boatgating, designate a sober skipper. At some marinas, you can ask for a yellow sober

5 Tips for Boatgating: How to Tailgate on Your Boat

skipper wristband as part of the Sea Tow Foundation's Sober Skipper Pledge campaign.

2. Keep the Kiddos (and Dogs) Safe When boatgating involves a raft-up with other boats, the adults can get so into the groove of the game that they lose sight of the kids and dogs on board. For this reason, it's important to make sure that before kickoff or tipoff or the first pitch of the day, all the little ones—two-footed and four-footed alike—have properly fitting life jackets to keep them safe.

A number of marine retailers sell a wide variety of kids' life jackets, including some in fun styles like cheerleader pink and hunting camouflage. There are versions that will fit kids of all ages, including options for infants.

For Fido, look to a company that specifically manufactures canine life jackets. You can find dog life jackets in a half dozen sizes to fit various breeds of dogs. Many of these products not only help to keep the pup buoyant in the water, but also have handles along the back, so you can lean over the side of the boat and lift the dog in.

3. Fire Up the Grill Now that the safety considerations are taken care of, it's time to boatgate! First and foremost, you'll need a

great marine grill to cook up all the burgers, hot dogs and chicken that you'd find at any tailgating event—perhaps adding in some shrimp or fish as a nod to the gods of the water.

Portable electric or propane grills can be great on a boat, but stay away from charcoal briquettes, which do cooperate in



the saltwater environment.

If you plan to do a lot of boatgating, then consider investing in a boat-ready mount for an electric or propane grill. That way, you won't have to carry the grill to and from the boat every time your favorite team is playing and you want to do some boatgating.

Mounts are available for most types of boats (with round or flat railings), and sometimes you can purchase a grill and mount set, depending on the model.

4. Pack a Cooler (or Two) Ice-cold

drinks are another must-have element of any great boatgating day.

If your boat has a refrigerator on board, that's great—stock it with plenty of water along with the drinks of your choice. Dehydration in the sun is a boater's worst nightmare.

If there's no fridge on the boat, then you'll want to have the best coolers for boaters. As with grills, coolers come in lots of shapes and styles. *There are hard-sided coolers with handles that you can roll from the car to the dock with ease. *There are soft-sided coolers that you can carry like duffel bags or backpacks, and then stow easily as they empty out during the day. *There are even coolers that float, if you intend to spend a lot of time in the water.

Remember that if a boat has no ice maker, you'll also need to pack plenty of ice (some boaters bring a whole extra cooler of ice, if space on board allows for it). Also keep in mind that you'll need a place to stow all your empty cans, bottles and juice boxes until you can get back to shore and properly dispose of the trash.

5. Bring Float Toys & a Waterproof Stereo The one big difference between boatgating and tailgating is, obviously, the water—so why not make use of it? Boatgating doesn't have to take place solely on the boat. It can also take place just off the swim platform, where friends and family can cool off in the

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seasons. Hunters must call the Corps office (888-893-0678) to be added to a Corps hunting list in lieu of obtaining a paper permit. Hunting regulations, license requirements, and seasons set by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources will apply. Information on regulations is available from the state's Region 2 office at 770-535-5499.

Small game hunting is allowed in all areas listed above, but only outside the deer and turkey seasons. Hunting for small game is restricted to shotgun only with number 4 shot or smaller. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited. Hunting for deer and turkey is restricted to archery equipment only – all firearms are prohibited. Areas will be open on a walk-in or boat-in only basis. No motorized vehicles will be allowed within the gated area. Only portable stands and blinds are acceptable and must be removed from public land after the season.

Seven Corps areas form part of South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) Fant's Grove Wildlife Management Area for hunting. Hunters should contact SCDNR for information on licenses, seasons and bag limits at 864-654-1671.

RECREATION AREA	SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY	SIZE OF AREA
South Carolina River	Anderson	125 acres
Glenn Ferry Park	Anderson	211 acres
Apple Island Park	Anderson	107 acres
Townville Park	Anderson	23 acres
Camp Creek Park	Anderson	48 acres
Martin Creek Park	Oconee	60 acres
Choestoea Park	Oconee	369 acres

Hunting is prohibited in all designated recreation areas in both states except those listed above. All other public lands and waters of the Hartwell Project, including islands, are open to hunting in accordance with Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations and Georgia and South Carolina hunting regulations. Due to safety concerns, big game hunters are encouraged to use archery equipment only when hunting on the islands. ■

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water with floating toys and tunes.

For the music, one option is to choose a portable, floating Bluetooth speaker. You can find many waterproof speakers that run for 15 hours on a single battery charge. Some

are not only waterproof, but dust-proof as well, which means the speaker is completely protected against sand—and it can handle occasional splashing on the boat’s deck, and if it happens to go overboard.

If you and your boatgating friends also want to spend the day lounging in a few feet of water to keep comfortable, then floating toys are a must-have. You can find a wide range of floating rafts and games that can take

any boatgating afternoon to the next level of fun. From inflatable rafts and doughnuts to foam noodles and floating beverage holders, the options are endless for decking out your boatgating party in style. ■

How AirBNB is Changing Vacations for the Better

By Lyndsey Pirro

In this technological age, the way people do things has changed; even finding lodging. Customizable to the most minute detail, one can search whilst travelling for a place to stay that matches whatever detail is most important. Wanting the cheapest price available? Easy enough, but AirBNB allows for so much more than that. It is possible to book entire houses, cabins, or condos according to your wants and needs. The website is supported with 24/7 customer support, and their frequently asked questions section is immersive.

AirBNB also allows searchers to find lodging

in flexible locations; executing a search for “Lake Hartwell” will show rentals up and down the lake at a variety of price points. The lower end begins around \$80 a night and can go as high as \$250 depending on what kind of rental is desired. What sets this apart from a typical hotel stay are the amenities. Even the lower priced rentals often include things like grills, boat slips, and kitchenettes. The more expensive stays offer unique experiences of luxury, including entire cabins, hot tubs, fire pits, and rentable boats. A search of unique rentals will allow you to see an area’s out of the ordinary accommodations like forest domes, tiny houses, and treehouses.

The site is user friendly, with each rental

possessing a wealth of pictures of the locale, details about the amenities included, and an explanation of the check-in process. Some rentals allow self-check-in while others have hosts to greet you upon arrival. Looking at specific rentals will also allow you to see exactly how much a stay will be with cleaning and service fees as well as reviews from previous vacationers. The hosts themselves also have ratings on how well they serve in their role, including how attentive they are with issues or cancellations. Often if something happens to cause a cancellation, hosts will work with you to refund as much of your stay as possible. Most hosts utilize the messaging system available in the AirBNB app and are quick to respond to



issues and questions during a stay. No matter the experience you might be looking for, chances are that AirBNB can help. ■



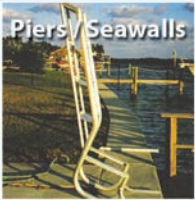


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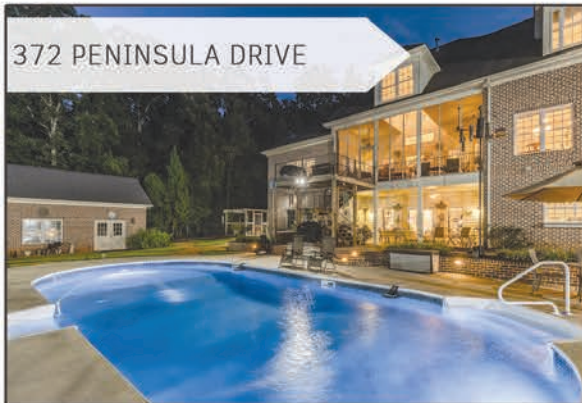
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