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Announcement for the 2019 Elite Series

By AndersonCounty.org

Since the Bassmaster Elite Series made a two-week trip to the West Coast back in 2015, fans of the sport have been clamoring for the world's premier bass fishing circuit to return to that region.

Now, they're about to get their wish.

B.A.S.S. officials unveiled an action-packed 2019 Elite Series schedule today that includes a Western swing in mid-June with back-to-back trips to Sacramento, Calif., for an event on the California Delta and to Tri-Cities, Wash., for a tournament on the Columbia River.

The Columbia River will be one of three first-time destinations for the Elite Series, along with Lake Lanier in Georgia and Lake Hartwell in South Carolina.

"We couldn't be happier with the

schedule we've put together for 2019," said B.A.S.S. CEO Bruce Akin. "This lineup of events will be exciting and challenging for our anglers — and for fans of the sport, it literally has something to offer from coast to coast."

The slate will have a familiar kickoff venue, as the Elite Series returns Feb. 7-10 to the St. Johns River in Palatka, Fla. — the site of the 2016 season opener where Missouri superstar Rick Clunn recorded one of the more memorable victories in B.A.S.S. history. Just four months shy of his 70th birthday, Clunn brought 31 pounds, 7 ounces of bass to the scales during the semifinal round and eventually became the oldest angler to win an Elite Series event with a four-day total of 81-15.

The St. Johns River has been a regular destination for B.A.S.S., with the organization visiting 20 times for major events since 1973.

"The Bassmaster Elite Series



Above Photo: Provided by Bass Masters

tournament coming back to Palatka and Putnam County is a tremendous win!" said Dana Cameron Jones, president of the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce, which will host the event. "Putnam County's natural beauty provides a great venue for bass fishing, and B.A.S.S. provides business for our local community! It was an easy decision to host B.A.S.S.

— the economic impact into our local economy by an Elite Series event easily equates to over \$3 million dollars, and the media value well over \$500,000 is a huge value-add."

From Florida, the schedule will shift to Lake Lanier in Gwinnett, Ga., Feb. 14-17 — a venue that has hosted eight major B.A.S.S. tournaments since

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2018 Game Changer: Neil Paul, Visit Anderson (S.C.)

By AndersonCounty.org

Neil Paul, Executive Director of Visit Anderson, was recognized as an industry leader in Connect Sports magazine's "Game Changers" feature in the fall 2018 issue. Connect Sports is a national, B2B magazine that provides resources and ideas



Above Photo: Neil Paul of Visit Anderson, receives Game Changers award from Connect Sports.

to professionals and planners in the sports tourism industry. "This is just another affirmation of the great work that Mr. Paul and the CVB does every day for our community," said Rusty Burns, President of the Conventions Visitors Bureau for Anderson County

Peers in the sports events world nominated Paul. Nominations were

received from across the country, then reviewed and evaluated by the Connect Sports staff based on references, industry involvement and other resources. An annual feature in Connect Sports magazine, "Game Changers" honors innovative leaders who have earned respect from industry professionals and media.

These leaders will be recognized in front of their peers at Connect Sports in Salt Lake City, Aug. 23-25, 2018.

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Clean Water Efforts in Anderson and Pickens Counties

By Rachel Davis,
Clemson Extension Service

A wet summer and recent storms has many people in the Upstate thinking about flood water. Often times, fast-moving water coming off of rooftops or roads is unable to soak into the ground. This stormwater runoff can carry pollution such as fertilizers, oil, dirt, and litter off of our lawns and roads and into stormdrains which drain directly into local creeks, rivers, and lakes. Anderson & Pickens Counties Stormwater Partners is a program of Clemson University Cooperative Extension that helps to educate communities about the dangers of stormwater runoff — both the volume of water and the pollution it can deliver to our waterways.

Several groups in the upstate

have been busy this summer cleaning up litter that has found its way to local streams. Volunteers with the United Way of Anderson Youth Group, Anderson Regional Joint Water Supply, Keep Anderson Beautiful, Anderson County Stormwater, and Duke En-



ergy recovered 42 bags of trash and 10 tires from Big Generostee Creek in Anderson and Little Eastatoe Creek in Pickens.

You can learn more about stormwater if you visit the Pickens County

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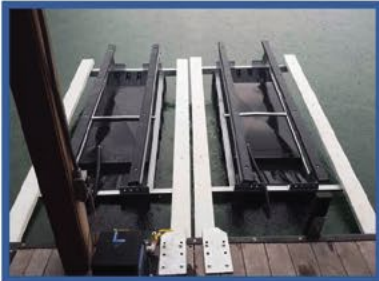
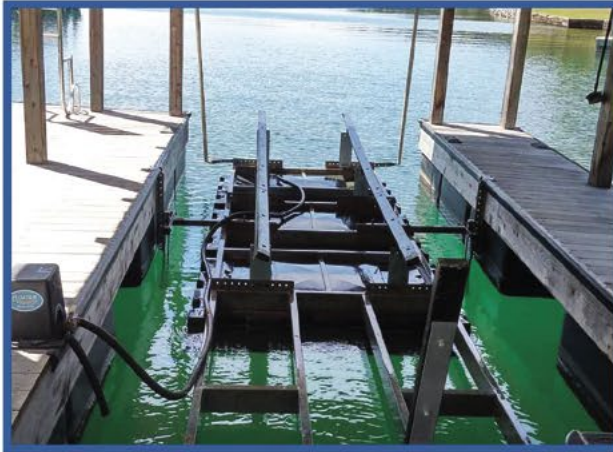
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Letters to the EDITOR

Dear HLN, I am new to the area and a new homeowner on the lake. I am wondering what the best way is to hire a contractor to do some work around my property. I need painting, carpentry and landscaping, plus some other stuff. —Mary Odom

Thank you, Mary for your email. Of course, it goes without

saying many licensed and reliable contractors advertise in our newspaper, and that is a good place to start. In addition, ask your neighbors and friends who have had work done recently. Beware of low-price businesses that offer the cheapest price. Frequently, they do not do the best work. Instead find a contractor who listens to your concerns, provides a written estimate, and can provide references.

Many times, during peak seasons such as spring and fall, contractors do not always follow-up with customers and sometimes do not show-up when promised. Besides being frustrating this can

be a warning sign. If someone has more work than they can do it is usually best to seek another contractor. Most importantly, make sure you feel good about your contractor and that they will listen to you and do what you ask them to do. After all you are paying them, and you are the boss. It is customary to pay a percentage upfront when the job begins, but always keep back a portion until all work is performed satisfactorily. Honest contractors understand this and are not upset by this arrangement. ■

Editor's note: The Hartwell Lake News is interested in your comments and suggestions about the lake. We are starting a new feature LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. Please send your comments by email to: info@hartwelllakenews.com. Please include your name to any comments or your letter will not be accepted for publication.

Announcement for the 2019 Elite Series – continued from pg. 1

1983, but never an Elite Series event. The 37,000-acre fishery on the Chattahoochee River has long been known for producing giant spotted bass.

“We are extremely excited to host the Bassmaster Elite Series in 2019,” said Stan Hall, executive director of the Gwinnett Sports Commission. “This is a wonderful opportunity, partnering with Bassmaster, as well as our friends at the Gainesville Convention & Visitors Bureau, and Coolray Field, to present a premier freshwater fishing competition. An event of this caliber is always a powerful economic driver in the community, but first and foremost, we’re thrilled to have a platform to share the best in fishing and all our area has to offer to folks both locally and beyond who truly love this sport.”

Takeoffs and the first two daily weigh-ins will be at Lanier Park, one of Georgia’s famed Mega Ramps. The Bassmaster Expo, along with the semifinal and final weigh-ins will be held at Coolray Field in Lawrenceville, Ga., home of Gwinnett Strippers, the Triple-A affiliate of the Atlanta Braves.

After Lanier, the regular-season schedule will pause for the 2019 Bassmaster Classic presented by DICK’S Sporting Goods in Knoxville, Tenn., March 15-17. When the slate resumes April 4-7, it will move to another venue that is new for the Elite Series slate, but very familiar to many anglers on the circuit — Lake Hartwell in Anderson, S.C.

Located on the Georgia/South Carolina border, Hartwell has hosted five major B.A.S.S. events, including three Classics. This year’s Classic was held on the lake in mid-March and drew 143,323 fans — a record for the Super Bowl of Bass Fishing.

“We are beyond excited here in Anderson County to be hosting the Bassmaster Elite Series at Lake Hartwell and Green Pond Landing,” said Neil Paul, executive director of Visit Anderson. “To be able to host the Elite Series on the heels of the most-attended Bassmaster Classic of all time is a tremendous honor for our community. We look forward to providing a great experience to the best anglers in the world, the team at

B.A.S.S. and the multitude of passionate fans of bass fishing.”

The circuit will remain in South Carolina, shifting to the coastal estuary of Winyah Bay in Georgetown, April 11-14. Winyah Bay, which is the confluence of the Waccamaw River, the Pee Dee River, the Black River and the Sampit River in Georgetown County, hosted an Elite Series event in 2016 — a tournament that drew one of the largest crowds in B.A.S.S. history with 27,500 people taking in the action.

The move toward the West will begin May 2-5 with the annual Toyota Bassmaster Texas Fest benefiting Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. The fishery and host community for that event will be announced at a later date.

On May 16-19, the Elite Series returns to Fort Gibson Lake in Oklahoma. The 19,900-acre fishery has hosted three major B.A.S.S. tournaments, including a 2010 Elite Series event that was won by Oklahoma’s Tommy Biffle.

The Cherokee Casino Tahlequah will be the title sponsor and host of the tournament, and weigh-ins for days 3 and 4, along with the Bassmaster Expo, will be at the casino.

“Cherokee Nation is proud to again collaborate with Bassmaster for a world-class sporting event in northeast Oklahoma. We’ve supported tournaments in the past several years that have been hugely successful for Bassmaster, as well as for our local communities,” said Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker. “The economic impact is immense for small business owners and it provides Cherokee Nation an opportunity to showcase all the best things we have to offer, including the scenic beauty of our lakes, great outdoors and our unique history and heritage.”

“We are excited to sponsor this event at Fort Gibson Lake and host weigh-ins at what will become our newest entertainment destination, Cherokee Casino Tahlequah,” said Shawn Slaton, CEO of Cherokee Nation Businesses. “Along with generating additional tourism dollars, this is a chance for visitors to experience Cherokee culture and hospitality. This is a win for the City of Tahlequah and the Cherokee Nation.”

From there, it’ll be time to head for the West Coast, as the schedule shifts to Sacramento,

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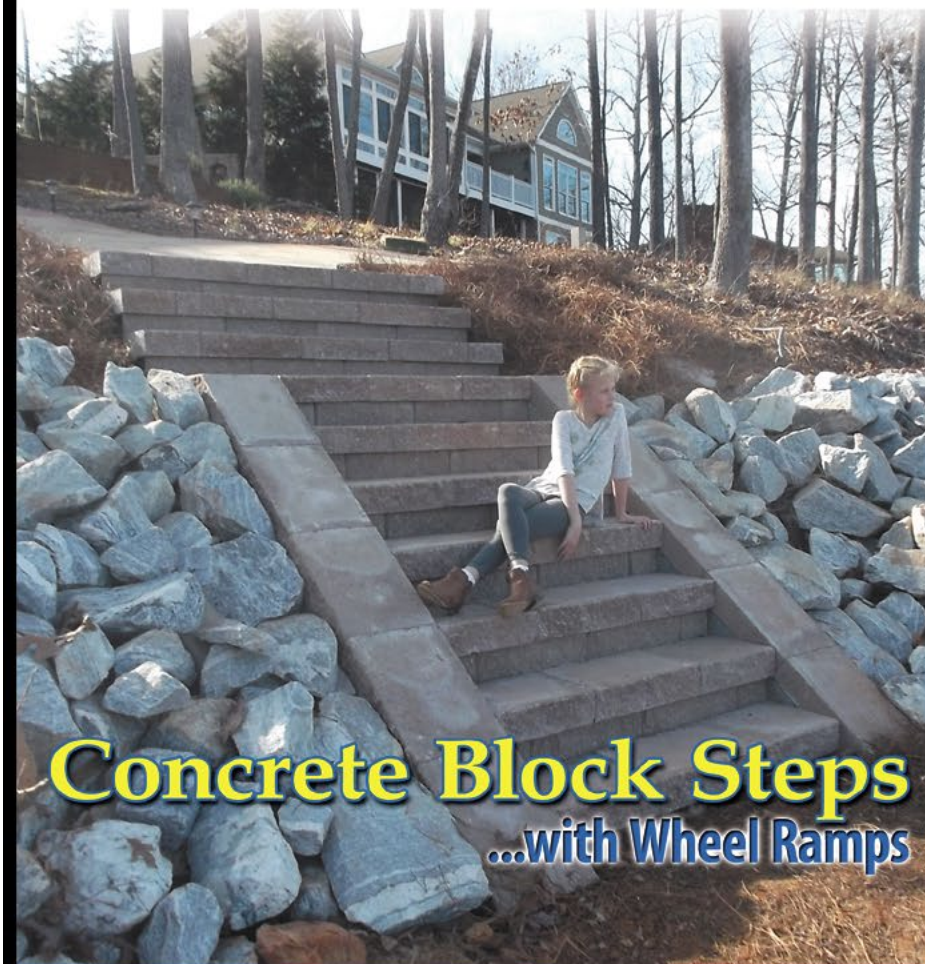


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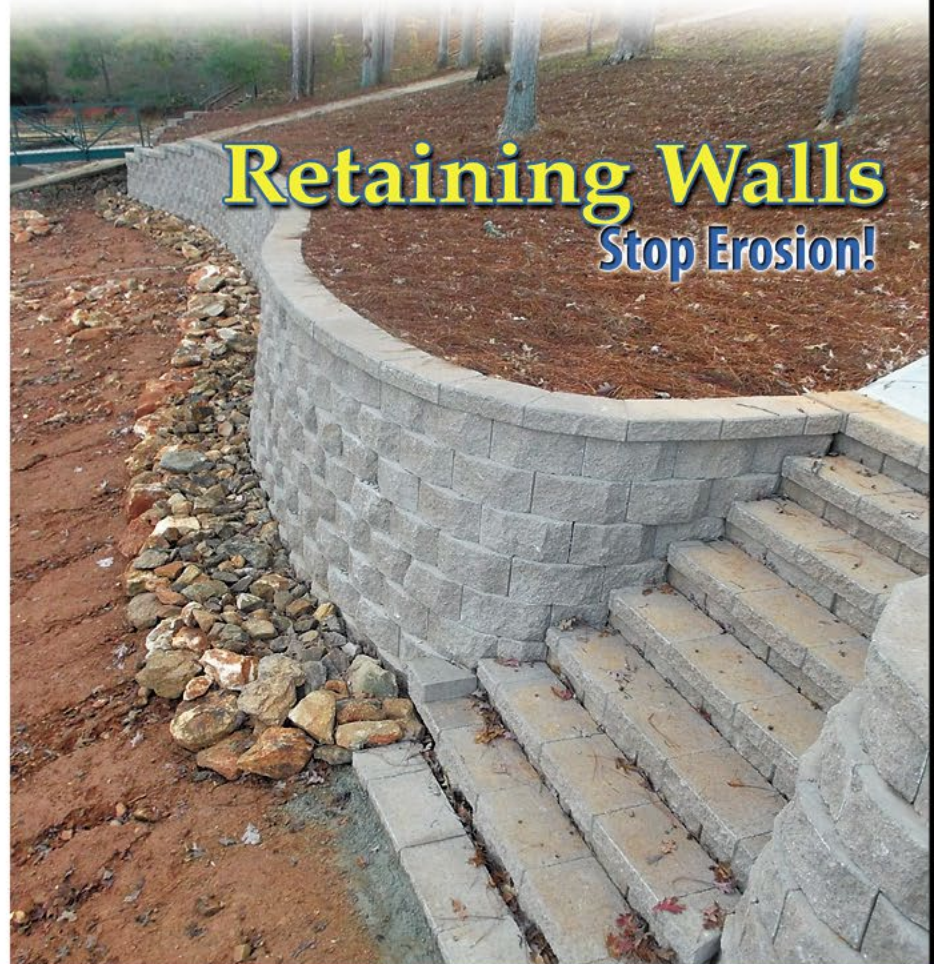
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Calif., and the California Delta on June 13-16. The takeoff site will be at Discovery Park in Sacramento, in the center of good bass fishing waters. But if history serves, most anglers will make the 90-minute run down the Sacramento River to the bass fishing paradise that is the California Delta.

In 2015, California native turned Alabama resident Justin Lucas recorded his first-ever Elite Series victory by making that same run.

The pros will then travel up the West Coast to another first-time Elite Series destination, the Columbia River in Tri-Cities, Wash., on June 20-23. The Columbia is one of the more diverse fisheries in the United States, with large annual runs of chinook and coho salmon, trophy-sized steelhead and excellent fishing for largemouth and smallmouth bass.

“The Tri-Cities is thrilled to host the Bassmaster Elite Series for the first time,” said Michael Novakovich, president and CEO of Visit Tri-Cities. “We’re looking forward to not only welcoming the anglers and spectators from all over the country, but also introducing them to everything our vibrant community has to offer — great weather, outstanding breweries and restaurants and, of course, the Columbia River, which is perfect for world-class bass fishing.”

B.A.S.S. has visited the Columbia River for four Bass Pro Shops Bassmaster Opens in the past — but not since 2003 and never for an Elite Series event. Tournament Director Trip Weldon said the thought of making yet another new stop

on the Elite Series is exciting.

“As we’ve seen this year with trips to Lake Travis in Texas and Lake Oahe in South Dakota, it’s a great thrill to hold a tournament on a lake that is basically unknown,” Weldon said. “An event like the one on the Columbia River will certainly be challenging for our anglers, but it’ll be exciting as well — and it will provide a very level playing field.”

The Toyota Bassmaster Angler of the Year race will be coming down the stretch when the Western swing is over, and the regular season will conclude at what has become one of the Elite Series’ signature settings — the St. Lawrence River in Waddington, N.Y.

The event, which is scheduled for Aug. 15-18, will mark the fifth time in seven years the Elite Series has visited the Village of Waddington — and the fans have never failed to turn out in big numbers. The tournament drew a B.A.S.S.-record 34,100 people in 2013, then 31,600 in 2015 and 32,800 in 2017.

“We’ve had a great relationship with the Village of Waddington, and the events we’ve held on the St. Lawrence River have been some of our most successful ever,” Akin said. “Every time we visit there, we’re greeted by huge crowds and excellent hospitality.”

The dates and locations for the Elite Series’ annual postseason events — the Toyota Bassmaster Angler of the Year tournament and the Bassmaster Classic Bracket Tournament — will be announced at a later date. ■

2018 Game Changer: Neil Paul... – continued from pg. 1

As a 2018 Connect Sports Game Changer, Paul discusses his passion for sports tourism.

What I Do: In addition to the day-to-day operations of managing the CVB, I am responsible for marketing and promoting Anderson County and Lake Hartwell for the benefit of tourism and generating a positive economic impact on our community located in the Blue Ridge Mountains between Charlotte and Atlanta.

How I Got Here: I arrived in Anderson as the sales manager for the CVB in 2010 following a brief stint in parks and recreation and coaching basketball at the collegiate level. I was elevated to interim director in 2015 and

held on for 17 months before being named executive director.

Why I Am a Game Changer: In collaboration with Visit Greenville SC, we hosted the 2018 Geico Bassmaster Classic presented by Dick’s Sporting Goods, the most attended Classic in the 48-year history of the event. With an attendance of over 143,000 and an economic impact of more than \$24 million to the upstate of South Carolina, the 2018 event was arguably the most successful Bassmaster Classic of all time. In 2015, we drew the third-highest Classic attendance ever on a year in which we hosted the coldest Classic of all time. ■

Clean Water Efforts in Anderson and Pickens... – continued from pg. 1

Art & History Museum in Pickens. A new, interactive display will help you understand what watershed you live in and offer solutions to prevent water pollution. Portions of this exhibit were also on display at the Belton Museum H2O exhibit over the summer.

One solution for homeowners is to collect rainwater that falls on your roof, preventing it from becoming stormwater runoff that can pick up pollutants. Collecting and reusing rainwater can also lower monthly water bills! Purchase a discounted rain barrel through the Anderson & Pickens Counties Stormwater Partners’ annual sale. 50-gallon Ivy Rain Barrels are on sale for

only \$68 each, and must be pre-ordered online at www.rainbarrelprogram.org/stormwaterpartners by Sunday, October 21. Pick up is at Clemson’s

Environmental Toxicology facility (CU-ENTOX) in Pendleton on Wednesday, October 24 from 2-6pm. For more information, visit www.clemson.edu/carolinaclear/apcsp and follow us on Facebook.

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Seminole Point is a beautiful area of homes & lakefront. This lot is just under 1 acre (.90) with 137' of lake frontage. Nicely sloped lot - not steep but not flat w/close Corps line. Lot should afford a really nice view. Dock approval for 24x30 w/60' gangwalk. Creek Rd. has a private feel because there are just a few homes on this cul-de-sac road. Easy to walk.

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Lot 10 Blue Water Estates, Hartwell, GA.



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Former Clemson Basketball Coach Was a Beach Music Performer

By Vince Jackson

When you hear the name Cliff Ellis one immediately thinks of Clemson basketball and the great teams the coach put on the hardwood during his tenure. Well, he is still coaching basketball down at Coastal Carolina University and having great success. What most don't know is Ellis could have taken a different route to fame, as the lead vocalist of a Beach Music band.

While attending Florida State University, Ellis fronted The Villagers performing at college parties and gatherings in the area. The group recorded a 45 record in 1966, a cover of The Tams' Laugh It Off (to hear the song go to "Cliff Ellis Laugh It Off YouTube" online.) The song went to the top of the charts in the Florida panhandle and south Alabama after getting play on WBAM's Bill Moody rock n' roll radio show in Montgomery. At that time, records could receive air time when listeners called the station and requested a record be played.

Ellis hand-carried the record to the radio station and waited.

"They played the record and the telephones started lighting-up. I was excited, it was just the kind of reaction we wanted. Moody came running out of the studio and said, 'Son, you have a hit record on your hands.'" After that Ellis and the band went to Alabama's famous Muscle Shoals Sound Studio to record other songs. The legendary music producer Rick Hall guided the group in what it takes to become a success in the music business by helping the band make records.

Rick Hall was instrumental in the success of many famous artists of that era; Percy Sledge, Aretha Franklin, Wilson Pickett, Paul Simon, Bob Seger, Rod Stewart, Lynard Skynard, The Allman Brothers and many others recorded at Muscle Shoals. There was something unique about the

sound Hall produced in his out-of-the-way studio in conjunction with session musicians known as The Swampers. Duane Allman reportedly camped-out in the parking lot to be close to that sound, before he became famous. There Allman met Wilson Pickett and together they recorded their version of the Beatle's Hey Jude, which became a hit for Pickett. Executives at Atlantic Records, Pickett's label, wanted to know who was playing lead guitar. Hall told them, "Some hippie cat who's been living in our parking lot." The rest is history as The Allman Brothers Band soon got a major recording contract with Atlantic and become the voice of Southern Rock.

Ellis said the record business was very different in the 1960s. It only cost about \$88 to produce a 45 record at that time. While it may have been easier, in some ways, to record and produce a hit

record, the band only got four cents on the dollar once a record sold.

"I was very fortunate to appear on stage alongside some of the most famous performers of that era; Roy Orbison, Freddie "Boom Boom" Cannon, Charlie Rich, Swingin' Medallions, Delbert McClinton, The Temptations, Four Tops, and the under-appreciated Dee Clark," Ellis said. "I met some great folks in the music business and I would not take anything for the experience."

In 1968, after Ellis graduated from Florida State, Rick Hall called and said it was time to record some more music. Ellis told Hall he had decided to pursue his passion of coaching basketball.

"Rick asked me where I was going to coach and I told him a small junior high school. He couldn't believe it. He said he hoped I knew what I was doing. Things turned out pretty well after that." Coach Ellis still performs on occasion, but his passion these days continues to be basketball and turkey hunting. ■



Music Festival to Host Atlanta Rhythm Section in April

As the Greater Clemson Music Festival enters its eighth year of bringing the finest in local and regional musicians to our area the group recently announced the signing of the legendary soft rock band the Atlanta Rhythm Section to their 2019 lineup.

The Atlanta Rhythm Section, or ARS as they are more popularly

known to their fans, has been performing since the 1970s producing such hits as: Champaign Jam, So into You, Spooky, Doraville, Imaginary Lover and many more. With over 15 albums to their credit the band joins greats such as The Allman Brothers and Lynyrd Skynyrd in defining the music known as Southern Rock. Tickets are now on sale by contacting the Brooks Center for the Performing Arts at Clemson University at 864-656-7787. The

concert will happen April 30, 2019 at 7:30 pm. For additional information online visit www.clemsonmusicfest.org.

The Music Festival is a non-profit corporation staffed entirely by volunteers. The mission of the organization is to promote local musicians, benefit local charities and support local businesses. Please contact us for information of how you can support the Festival by emailing clemsonmusicfest@att.net. ■



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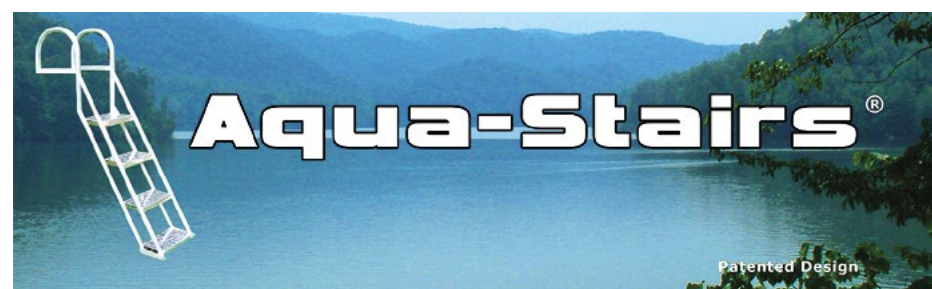
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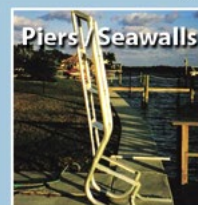
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Runway 5-23 Ribbon Cutting & Groundbreaking for the New Airport Terminal

By Anderson County

Anderson County, On Thursday September 27th at 10 AM, Anderson County leaders will usher in a new era at Anderson Regional Airport with a groundbreaking ceremony for the airport's new terminal. This celebration will coincide with a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the grand reopening of the airport's main runway, which has been closed since June for a major pavement rehabilitation project.

"Today marks a very special day in the history of Anderson County, and we would not be celebrating these milestones without the support of a lot of people," said Anderson County Council Chairman Tommy Dunn. "Our partners at the S.C. Aeronautics Commission, S.C. Commerce, the Appalachian Regional Commission, and the FAA have all made great contributions, but I would be remiss if I did not give special recognition to S.C. House Ways & Means Chairman Brian White."

Dunn continued: "These projects simply would not have been possible without Chairman White's advice and support. Brian's work with his father, Earl, taught him that aviation can have a tremendous positive impact on the community, and we are lucky that we are able to benefit from Earl's vision and Brian's leadership."

"This is a monumental time for our airport and for our community," said Tom Allen, Chairman of the Anderson County Council's Ad Hoc Airport Committee. "Anderson Regional Airport receives almost 14,000 visitors each year and generates \$13 million annually in local economic activity. We provide services to several local

industries and help to make their presence in our community feasible. These are worthwhile long-term investments we are making."

"I am so very proud of what we have accomplished here at Anderson Regional," said Airport Advisory Board Chair Don Acevedo. "We are thankful to be working with a County Council that recognizes the value that these investments will generate for years to come."

Known to aviators by its FAA designation KAND, Anderson Regional Airport has served the community for over 75 years. While still providing service for general aviation users, KAND has evolved over the years into a critical component of Anderson County's Economic Development program.

"The Anderson Regional Airport, in many ways, is the most important Main Street in our community—it's usually the first part of our community that a corporate decision-maker will see," said local aviator Hugh Oldham. "The ability for the airport to provide a positive first impression, meet the ongoing needs of corporate travelers, and handle cargo and other traffic generated by local industry, are critical components of Anderson County's economic development strategy."

The rehabilitation of the airport's main runway (17-35) to its current dimensions (length 6,003', width 150') was deemed crucial to the county's efforts to provide service for current and future

businesses and industries. Rehabilitation of the runway to a 100' width was possible and would have represented cost savings; however, a narrowed runway would be unfavorable to many types of commonly-used commercial aircraft, such as the Boeing 727, DC-9, Gulfstream V and 550, and the Bombardier Global Express. These types of aircraft are commonly seen at KAND are used for corporate travel, passenger charters, and freight. Thanks to the county's investment in the runway rehabilitation project, we can expect to see over 200 operations of these types of aircraft per year at KAND, and over the next twenty years.



(SOURCE- FAA Terminal Area Forecast for Anderson Regional Airport).

The new airport terminal is under construction

adjacent to the existing terminal. Constructed in 1970, the existing terminal has served the community admirably through many changes in leadership and technology over the years, but it is severely lacking in functional use and modern amenities. The need for comprehensive system upgrades, lack of flexibility for growth, lack of ADA accessibility, and overall condition of the facility's exterior and interior make renovations unfeasible.

The new terminal will be fully ADA compliant, enhance overall functionality for general aviation users, and provide special focus on the needs of corporate traffic, offering amenities such

as: improved parking for up to 80 vehicles; covered access with adequate clearances; wireless access; laptop work areas; separate flight planning and quiet rooms for pilots; conference room facilities for up to 40 persons; and a catering/food prep area. Construction is scheduled to be completed by late summer of 2019, after which time the existing terminal will be demolished.

In addition to its newly-rehabilitated runway and new terminal, KAND boasts a Category I precision instrument approach system, is certified for FAA Part 139 operations (including an Index "A" ARFF station), and a full-service FAA Part 145 aircraft repair station that offers an array of maintenance and avionics services.

ANDERSON REGIONAL AIRPORT – ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT OVERVIEW (Data and analysis provided by the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission)

- Operations related to or supported by Anderson Regional Airport create 107 total jobs in our community.
- These jobs introduce more than \$3.8 million annually in direct and indirect payroll.
- Direct and indirect spending related to airport operations, related capital investment, and general aviation visitor activity totals more than \$9.1 million each year.
- In all, Anderson Regional Airport generates \$12,967,110 in annual economic activity.
- Just under 14,000 visitors arrive at Anderson Regional Airport each year.
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Where Should I Buy a Boat?

By Discovery Boating

If you are buying a used boat, you will buy it where you find it — whether that is at a dealer's yard, on a listing at a boat show, or in the driveway of your neighbor. If you are buying a new boat, you will look in some specific places.

The first place to check out is the local dealer's showroom. Your local dealer can service your boat and motor and, honestly, is going to be at least as responsible for your happiness as a boater as they are for the actual boat itself. Look for "demo days" and "owner rendezvous" events that you can attend to ride on some boats, meet with other boaters, and develop a rapport with

your local dealer.

Another great place to buy a boat is at a boat show. At the show, you can climb aboard the two or three boats that make up your "short list" and compare the features directly. You can also get quotes from the competing manufacturers for the boat sale, as well as other desired services such as storage, dockage or winterization. Boat shows are also a great place to shop for financing: Make the banks earn your business. Finally, many boat- and engine-makers offer incentives for making the purchase at the show (though many of these can be had at the dealership if one is firm in asking). For more information go to www.discoverboating.com. ■

High Speed Holiday

Reprint from discoveryboating.com

For the performance enthusiast, boating is more often about your newly purchased boat than it is about any on-water activities. A new water toy provides the next hands-on experience and a fresh canvas to create a machine in your own vision. As a bonus, you can also escape to the water whenever you're craving the g-forces generated by a hairpin turn or the thump of an amped-up marine stereo.

Boats aren't just about the speed. It's all the cool tech and equipment that comes with them...the innovative control systems, the bells and whistles, even the riding gear that identifies you as part of the crowd. You can make your boat flashy and loud for a race or watersports session. Or you can craft it to be finely tuned and functional for a fishing trip or family day.

Whatever modifications you tackle, a boat ride is a great way to unburden yourself from a stressful workweek.

For the gearhead, marine technology has never been more impressive. Superchargers cool and compress incoming air to produce a formidable boost in engine power. Digital dashboard displays provide comprehensive system integration. Mechanical control systems have given way to electronic, "fly-by-wire" alternatives that promise instant response.

If you're planning to handle your own engine maintenance, check out the different engine types to see which you'll be most comfortable working with. And while the power available in stock form is undoubtedly impressive, those looking to push the performance envelope further will find a thriving aftermarket ready and waiting to deliver the adrenaline junkie's next fix, whether it's in the form of a simple plug-and-play ECU (electronic control unit) or extensive engine modification.

It's the kind of stuff that you'll dream of at night, research endlessly online and swap stories about in forums, and come together to share with like-minded friends.

It's the thrill you'll experience with that first boat... and the one that follows it.

Storage and functionality is the name of the game on any fishing boat. How many

creative ways can you come up with to maximize the amount of rods, reels, tackle and other equipment your new boat can handle?

A solidly-built pontoon is the ultimate platform for customization. Arrange seating to your liking and make it pop with custom upholstery or upgrade the electrical to create integrated systems and custom lighting. A set of large outboard engines will deliver on speed.

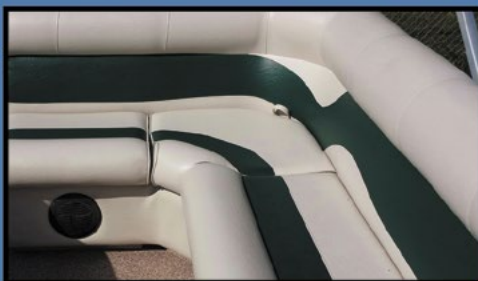
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Looking for advice? The answers are as close as your keyboard. The internet is awash with forums, clubs, instructional videos, and websites frequented by both current owners and industry experts.

- **Family First:** A ride built for the adrenaline junkie doesn't mean you have to leave the family behind. Nearly all personal watercraft feature convenient speed-governing features to tune down the performance when desired. Hulls are also incredibly stable, and ready to handle rougher waters.
- **Budget-conscious:** You don't have to break the bank with a high-powered speedboat. Today's high-horsepower outboards, sterndrives and even jet-propulsion engines put thrilling speeds on a variety of boat types and are within reach of budget-conscious buyers.
- **Great Gear:** It's not just about the boat. Don't forget the gear, the accessories, even the water toys that will round out your purchase...and increase your fun on the water. Think about how you're going to actual use the boat and make sure all your modifications make sense based on your activities.

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Storing Your Boat This Winter

By discoverboating.com

A key component of boat ownership is the question of where to keep your boat when you're not using it. Budget, convenience and availability play into the equation and should be part of any pre-purchase discussion.

Trailing

You won't find a less-expensive way to keep a boat than storing it on a trailer in your driveway or backyard. A boat trailer has the added advantages of allowing you to boat on different bodies of water and to seize random nice days. Be sure to check your vehicle owner's manual for safety rules, tips and complete instructions on boat towing capacity. This will help make sure you're

selecting the appropriate boating equipment for the model you're buying.

Rack Storage

Another alternative for smaller boats is rack storage or dry stacks. A typical rack storage facility keeps your boat in a covered shed filled with trailer-like cradles. You call the facility before you want to go boating and they use a forklift or other lifting machine to retrieve and launch your boat at a designated time. When you come back, you tie it up, walk away and they return it to the shed.

The Boat Marina Advantage

For owners of larger boats, and owners of small boats who crave convenience, buying or renting a boat marina slip is the best way to go. You drive your family and gear to the marina,

load the boat, cast off the lines and go. Rates vary from state to state and marina to marina, but typically you'll be charged according to the length of your boat or the length of the slip. Boat marinas sometimes offer winter storage, service options and amenities. The best marinas offer connections for electricity, wash down water, telephone, Internet and TV at the dock. Boat marinas can be great fun as well, with slip-holders often getting together for parties, cookouts or just friendly socializing.

It pays to do some research before you buy your boat. Consult your local yellow pages, go on-line and search for marinas on the body of water you plan to use and discuss the issue with the dealer who's selling you your boat. ■

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SCDNR Recognizes Top Law Enforcement Officers for 2018

By South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) recently honored its Regional and Statewide Officers of the Year for 2018 at an October 5th banquet and ceremony in Columbia. Lance Corporal John "JP" Jones of Islandton was named SCDNR Statewide Officer of the Year.

Named for the late Col. R.W. "Bobby" Gifford, the annual awards ceremony was delayed this year by Hurricane Florence and the post-hurricane flooding that ravaged the Pee Dee and upper coast of the state. Dozens of SCDNR officers and other agency staff were deployed to the region to assist during the hurricane and its aftermath. The S.C. Wildlife Officers' Association, the Harry Hampton Wildlife Fund, the family of Chief Gifford and the SCDNR come together each year to honor the state's top conservation officers.

Lance Corporal Brian Welch received the Officer of the Year award for SCDNR Region 1.

Officer Welch joined the SCDNR in 2007 and is assigned to Pickens County. This past year, he was assigned a K-9 as a part of the Department's newly reformed K-9 Team. Welch and his K-9 Max deployed 51 times this past year, resulting in 30 cases, including trespassing to hunt, hunting & fishing license violations, hunting from a public road, failure to tag turkey, WMA violations, hunting deer out of season, litter, over the limit of trout, hunting on state park land, hunting turkey over bait, hunting bear over bait and taking a bear out of season.

Private First-Class Brittany English won

the Officer of the Year award for SCDNR Region 2.

Officer English joined the SCDNR in 2015 and is assigned to Marlboro County. His supervisor describes him as a tenacious officer who is thorough and precise in his investigations. One recent case investigated by Officer English involved a five-month investigation that resulted in 24 night hunting cases.

Private First-Class Treye Byars received the Officer of the Year award for SCDNR Region 3.

Officer Byars joined the SCDNR in 2013 and is assigned to Richland County. In July of 2017, he received a tip regarding possible illegal dumping from a concerned citizen. The report described a tanker truck suspiciously backed into a wooded area on multiple occasions. Upon investigation, Officer Byars found what appeared to be a chemical spill on the ground. Officer Byars contacted DHEC and set up multiple cameras to begin surveillance of the area. That strategy paid off when he captured the suspect on camera dumping into a ditch that drains through the Wateree River Heritage Preserve WMA and into the Wateree River. The EPA partnered with the SCDNR to prosecute the case. Thanks to PFC Byars' actions, further damage to our environment was averted.

Lance Corporal John "J.P." Jones was recognized for Region 4 and as the Statewide Officer of the year.

Since joining the SCDNR in 2007, Officer Jones has been assigned to Colleton County. His supervisor describes him as an officer who is always willing to help other officers in his Unit and

Region. This past year, the Colleton County Sheriff's Office was investigating a ring of burglaries occurring on local plantations and farms. Using the SCDNR airplane, Officer Jones was able to locate and photograph the stolen equipment hidden in the woods. Thanks to his efforts, the Sheriff's Office was able to successfully prosecute the individuals who were responsible. More than \$1 million in stolen items were recovered. Public outreach is also a big part of Officer Jones' success. When Colleton County began considering the construction of a public fishing pier, LCPL Jones took it upon himself to get involved to help his community. Recognizing the need for residents and visitors to have a place to enjoy their local natural resources, LCPL

Jones met with the county leadership on several occasions and took them to several locations in order to determine the best possible one. His hard work and vision led to the planning of the first ever saltwater fishing pier in Colleton County. The pier is scheduled to be completed by 2019.

Sergeant Jim Shelton, an SCDNR Officer since 1999, was honored as the Education & Investigations Section Officer of the Year.

Officer Shelton is assigned to the Law Enforcement Education Section covering Charleston, Berkeley, Georgetown and Horry Counties. This past year, he was responsible for teaching 37 hunter ed classes and 26 boater ed classes for a total of 63 classes. He gave 70 public presentations which

included 37 live fire ranges and 30 archery ranges.

Richland Count Officer Private First-Class Stephen Bryant was honored for his selection as the NASBLA (National Association of State Boating Law Administrators) Officer of the Year.

Officer Bryant enjoys educating the public on safe boating, which is evidenced by the 26 public safety presentations to youth groups, churches, schools, camps, and various media outlets.

Also honored; Private First-Class Randy Hering of Georgetown County.

Officer Hering was recognized earlier this year by the The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) as that organization's 2017 Officer of the Year.

South Carolina's Natural Resources Law Enforcement Officers

serve and protect the state's natural resources by patrolling more than 31,000 square miles of land and inland waters. Officers also patrol 750 miles of tidal shoreline and marine waters, to the state's territorial boundary three miles offshore and beyond on special federal assignments. Throughout the state's 46 counties, DNR officers enforce laws and regulations pertaining to more than 450,000 registered boats, and a half-million licensed hunters, anglers, and the multi-million-dollar coastal fishing industry. Officers enforce Wildlife Management Area regulations and statewide litter laws, instruct hunter and boating education, conduct statewide search and rescue operations and perform community service. ■



Above Photo: SCDNR Conservation Officer John "J.P." Jones (center), SCDNR Director Alvin Taylor (left) and Law Enforcement Division Deputy Director Col. Chisolm Frampton (right) [SCDNR photo by Taylor Main]

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Should I Buy New or Pre-Owned?

By discoverboating.com

Both have merit. If you buy a new boat, you will pay more. With a new boat, you should be able to rely on the dealer's reputation (do get good referrals — picking the dealer is important) and the manufacturer's warranty for peace of mind and service. You will generally be able to finance a new boat for a lower rate and, perhaps, with a lower down payment. A new boat provides the most modern systems. It's hard to beat the "bragging rights" and pride in ownership of a brand new boat.

Used boats can be had for less money than new boats. Many used boats might still come with a remnant warranty from the manufacturer and, if purchased from a dealership, might come with a

30-90 warranty (varies by locality). In any event, we recommend you hire a licensed marine surveyor to conduct a pre-purchase survey of any used boat you are considering. Add this cost — which might range from \$500 to \$1,500 — to the cost of the boat.

Used boats do not have the latest upgrades, though many have been refitted with new systems and motors. Used boats generally suffer less from depreciation compared with new boats. Used-boat financing usually requires higher rates, bigger down payments and shorter terms.

When comparing new and used boats, one is not better than the other, but each offers benefits that the other does not. It's up to you to decide in which camp you are more comfortable. ■

"Give it a Shot" Shooting Course: Sign Up Today

By GADNR

Little to no experience operating a pistol? We have a great opportunity for you with an upcoming "Give It a Shot" shooting course, according to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Wildlife Resources Division (WRD).

This class is open to men and women age

12 years old and up, and will focus on those with little to no experience in operating a pistol. Upon completion, participants will understand, and can demonstrate, how to safely handle, operate, maintain and store this item.

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Hartwell Lake Fishing Forecast Fall to Winter 2018

By Preston Harden

As we transition to fall, Hartwell Lake is full and has been full all summer. This is a welcome change. The Lake is beautiful when it is full. Maybe the Corps of Engineers will try harder to keep it full in the future.

As the water cools in the fall, the fish become more active. Bass, hybrids and stripers move shallower and feed more aggressively. This is a great time to fish a top water plug, especially if you see fish chasing bait in the surface. Fall can mimic spring except that the crowds are gone. The fall leaves are in full color. Even if the fishing gets tough,



it is a beautiful setting.

Fall is a transition time. Fish migrate up the Lake and into the creeks. The water will turn over later in the fall. The warm

water of the surface sinks and the cold water of the deep rises. After a cold snap, fishing can be tough. After a few warm days, the water quality gets better. Look for green color water and try to avoid dark Brown color water. The shallow creeks and the upper Lake will turnover first. That is where the fish migrate to.

By Thanksgiving, the turnover is complete and the fish go on a feeding frenzy. They will feed aggressively before cold water of winter slows the metabolism of the fish. This usually happens in early January. The best time to fish is before a front and not after a cold front. ■

Come Fish Lake Hartwell



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Landowners Can Apply Now for Wood Duck Boxes from the SCDNR

A limited number of free wood duck boxes will again be available to private landowners and other qualified applicants this fall through a partnership between the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources and the State Chapter of Ducks Unlimited. Interested individuals can apply for the available boxes via the SCDNR website.

Up to five boxes per applicant will be available for distribution throughout the state. The application deadline is November 1, 2018. All applicants will be notified as to the status of their application by January.

Approved applicants will be supplied with a wood duck box and predator shield. Each box also requires 4"x 4"x 10' post along with the hardware for

mounting the box and predator shield. Posts and hardware may be purchased at local lumber yards and home improvement stores.

The wood duck is the most important species to South Carolina waterfowl enthusiasts and is the only duck for which we can effectively manage production habitat throughout all geographic regions of the state. The SCDNR's Wood Duck project supplements natural production in cavities of forested wetlands by providing artificial nesting sites. Fewer natural cavities are available today due to human activity and development. Through this project, private landowners are able assist the SCDNR to produce thousands of wood ducks annually. ■



Above Photo: The efforts of private landowners installing wood duck boxes help produce thousands of wood ducks annually in South Carolina. SCDNR photo by Joey Frazier.

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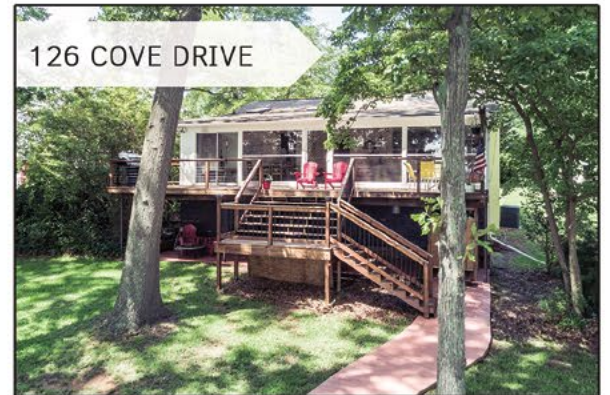
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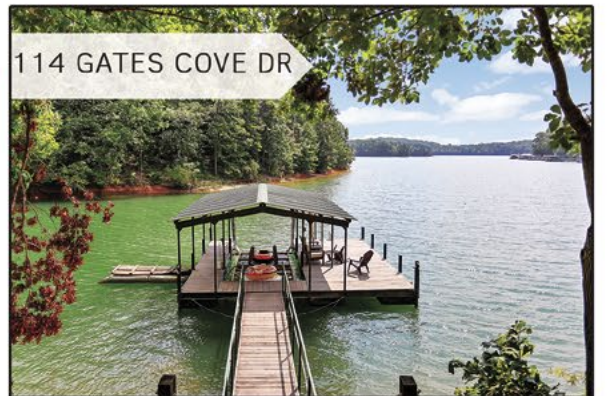
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