

# WeyDays with TLC

## **ENGINE and APPLIANCES**

**WARNING! The stern deck has a recessed step well, highlighted by yellow tape. Take particular care when on the stern deck, or getting on or off the boat that you do not miss your footing and fall down this well.**

### **DAILY ROUTINES.**

*1/ Stern Tube Greaser.* Underneath the small centre deck board on the stern deck you will find the stern tube greaser. Application of grease to the prop shaft reduces water ingress. Turn the 'T' - handle on the top clockwise until you feel resistance, then turn a further quarter turn to force grease down.

*2/ Bilge Pump.* The top-right switch on the panel below the engine control panel operates the bilge pump. Press and hold down. Should water come out of a hole in the right hand side of the boat keep holding until no more comes out.

### **ENGINE CONTROLS**

*Key switch:* To pre-heat engine when cold, and to start the engine. Detailed instructions below.

*Stop button:* To stop the engine.

*Gear/Throttle control:* A single lever control that operates both the gear selection and the speed of the boat. Push the lever forward for forward gear, or pull back. The further you push or pull the handle the faster the engine will run. In addition there is a gear disable button in the centre hub of the control which should be pressed in as you move the lever forward to enable you to rev the engine up in neutral.

*Audio and visual alarms.* If lights come on or the alarm sounds when not expected, there is a problem. Identify and rectify or call us.

#### **Starting from cold:**

Press and hold central button on gear/throttle control (this will disengage the gears)

Push throttle lever forward a small amount

Turn key switch right, through the 'run' position to the pre-heat position and hold for 10 seconds (you will hear the alarm during this time, and an orange curly light will illuminate)

Push key further in then turn to the right to engage the starter. When engine fires, release to 'run' position.

#### **Starting from warm/hot:**

Start as above, but without pre-heating.

**Stopping the engine:** Press and hold 'stop' button until engine stops. Release button, return key switch to 'off' position.

### **GAS LOCKER**

This is the steel box on the back deck, port (left) side. This contains a single gas bottle with sufficient gas for your holiday. The Master gas shut-off valve is the round wheel tap on the top of the bottle. Turn fully clockwise to shut off the gas in the event of an emergency. Also located in the locker is a Bubble Tester to enable us to test the system. Do not tamper with this tester. In the event of any query with the gas system, shut off the valve and call us immediately. **DO NOT STORE ANY ITEMS IN THIS LOCKER.**



## **TOILET**

This is a 'dump-through' type where waste is held in a tank below for future pumping out. Do your 'business' then flush using the foot pedal on the front left of the toilet. Apart from loo roll *DO NOT PUT ANYTHING DOWN THIS TOILET THAT YOU HAVE NOT EATEN!* Should the level of the contents of the tank below come close to the bottom of the toilet, please call for advice.

## **SHOWER**

We reckon most of you know how to use a shower, so we'll not describe that here. However, the waste water needs to be pumped out as the bottom of the shower is below the outside water level. As you shower you will notice that the level in the tray will continue to rise. Please do not let it overflow the tray. When you have finished your shower the water can be pumped overboard by turning on the switch located on the outside wall of the boat by the wash basin. This will pump out the shower tray and when you hear a horrible gurgling sound it is empty, at which point turn off the pump.

## **COOKER**

All burners are fitted with Flame Failure Devices. To light a burner turn knob to full. Press and hold while lighting the gas. Continue holding the knob in for 10 seconds. Release. If the flame goes out, repeat. If you are unable to light after three attempts, call for advice.

## **WATER HEATER**

Instructions for lighting are printed on the front of the heater. The pilot light will be lit when we hand the boat over to you. Should this blow out, follow the instructions for lighting. If this is unsuccessful, please call for advice. The main burners turn on automatically when a hot water tap is opened, and will extinguish when the tap is closed. *DO NOT ADJUST THE CONTROLS AS WE HAVE PRESET THEM FOR OPTIMUM USE.*

## **REFRIGERATOR**

This operates on gas and has been lit for you before hand-over. Should this go out, please call for advice. *DO NOT ADJUST ANY OF THE CONTROLS.* Please note that the cupboard to the left of the fridge will get warm so best not to store food products there.

## **SOLID FUEL STOVE**

This will burn either coal or logs. We have supplied sufficient Phurnacite for your holiday along with fire lighters and kindling. *DO NOT PICK UP WOOD FROM THE TOWPATH FOR BURNING AND DO NOT BURN PAPER OR CARD PRODUCTS.* Any wood burned in this stove **MUST** be well seasoned hardwood.

Before lighting, please ensure that the chimney is in place on the roof and that there are no other obstructions to the flue.

*ALL SURFACES OF THE STOVE WILL BECOME HOT WHEN THE FIRE IS LIT! USE THE HEAT RESISTANT GLOVE PROVIDED*

There are two air-vent controls on the front of the stove door which adjust the amount of air top and bottom to the fire. They are open to the right and closed to the left. The knobs that operate them are also screw-locks to secure the vent in the desired position. The vents should be fully open when lighting, then adjusted to the correct amount of airflow when the fire is established. Closing the vents completely will extinguish the fire. With an established bed of coal, the fire should tick-over through the night with the vents approximately 1/3rd open.

The ash-pan will need emptied from time-to-time. Use the loose handle tool to operate the riddles, to the bottom left of the door, to shake the ash down, open the door and remove the ashpan with the tool, ensuring that the tool is secure on the pan. Empty the ash into the galvanised bucket on the front deck. Bring the bucket in to the boat, rather than going through the boat with the ash in the pan as it may well blow all over the place. Note that the ash will be hot, and that the bottom of the bucket will get likewise. Return the bucket to the front deck and stand on the bricks provided.

*UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES LEAVE THE FIRE UNATTENDED WITH THE DOOR OPEN!*

Please note that the chimney comes some way above the roof line and may be too high for some low bridges. Be prepared to remove it before hand if the bridge is too low. If the fire is burning the chimney will be hot, please using the heat-resistant glove provided.

## **WATER SYSTEM**

The water tank has been filled prior to handover. It should be sufficient for 3 or 4 days with 4 people on board. Should you run out, you will hear the pump running continuously in the front step. Switch it off with the wall-mounted switch above the forward end of the galley. The water filler cap and hose are located in the front deck Starboard (right) locker. Make your way to the nearest water point (refer to the NT booklet or call for info) to refill. Run water through the hose for 10 seconds before inserting in the filler to get rid of spiders etc in the hose. Some water points have padlocks. The key on the boat key ring marked B.W.B. will open them. Once refilled turn on open cold tap in the galley and turn on the pump. Once water is free running without air turn tap off and the pump will automatically stop.