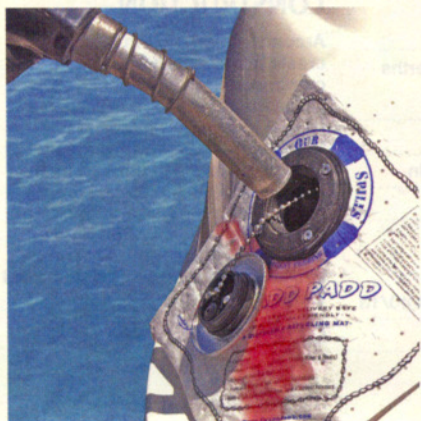


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NEW GEAR



DRIP-FREE FUELING

Keep diesel, gas and oil from damaging your boat and polluting the water with a Chadd Padd reusable mat. The 10-by-10-inch mats are anti-static treated, made of the same materials marinas are required to have on hand for spill prevention and can hold up to 4.5 oz. of petroleum products. Each pad includes a perforated, partial hole that accommodates most filler ports. The Chadd Padd can also be used as a drip mat in the bilge when changing out your oil or working with hydraulic fluid.

→ \$9.95. Chadd Padd
chaddpadd.com



DRY DINGHY

Tired of finding your dinghy or small day-sailer half filled with water? The Model 360-7AH Solar Bilge Pump is a compact, self-contained device that lives in the bottom of a small boat and has a solar panel on top to keep its internal battery in peak condition. The pump is also equipped with a float switch and 3/4-in discharge outlet. During a recent three-day nor'easter in Cape Ann, Massachusetts, the pump kept our test boat dry when its neighbors looked like floating bathtubs.

→ \$226. Sea Joule Marine Inc.
seajoule.com



HAPPY FEET

Barefoot sailing on a hot day is the best. But you do so at your own peril, especially when racing. Enter the new Marine Sandal line from Colorado-based Chaco, featuring a nonmarking Vibram outsole that offers exceptional grip on wet, steeply canted decks. The Z/2 Marine Sandal includes a toe strap for extra stability, while the Z/1 (pictured) lets all ten toes wiggle at will. Although they may not look like they offer much protection, I have yet to stub my toes, even when doing foredeck duty in heavy air. Bummer I can't wear them again until next spring! – AC

\$95. Chaco
chacousa.com



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TURN NIGHT INTO DAY

T300 and T400 series thermal navigation cameras employ FLIR thermal-imaging technology and can be used with Raymarine's E-Series Widescreen and G-Series navigation systems to pick out obstructions, buoys and other boats in complete darkness. When integrated with the E-Series system, users can control the cameras via Raymarine's proprietary HybridTouch touchscreen feature. The cameras can be controlled directly from a G-Series system using the G-Series remote keyboard. The camera's marine-grade enclosure provides 360-degree pan and 90-degree tilt capability.



→ From \$8,995. Raymarine
raymarine.com

USER-FRIENDLY FURLING

The new NEX continuous-line Code O furler features a bright green "I-Connect" sail attachment system in both the base and swivel unit to facilitate quick sail changes using a captive pin system. The I-Connect can be operated with one hand and has no protruding parts to snag errant lines. A "Quick Fit" line-fitting system provides easy access to the furling drum so the furling line can be left on deck, ready to go, and then quickly attached to the drum just before hoisting the sail. Furling-line exit angles can be adjusted using the NEX's one-screw "Tune & Lock" feature.

→ From \$899. Profurl/Wichard, Inc.
wichard-usa.com

