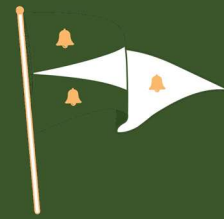


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Dear Three Belles Family,

We have some exciting news to share — and it is the kind of news that reflects exactly where Three Belles Marina is headed in 2026 and beyond.

We are thrilled to welcome **Darren Shumbo** as the **Head of Marine Services** at Three Belles Marina.

This hire is not just about filling a position. It is a statement of commitment. Three Belles Marina is deeply committed to strengthening and building our technical services capabilities — and with Darren leading the department, we have never been in a stronger position to meet the growing service needs of our members and the broader boating community we are proud to serve.

INTRODUCING DARREN SHUMBO

Darren started working on marine engines at the age of 10. Over the four decades since, he has developed one of the deepest and most versatile technical resumes you will find anywhere on the Connecticut shoreline.

He has serviced everything from outboards, sterndrives, and inboards to jet skis and yachts up to 80 feet. He built and ran his own full-service marine repair company, earning a loyal following of customers who trusted him to get the job done right, every time. He holds an FAA Aircraft & Powerplant Mechanic license — graduating top of his class with high honors from Harvard Ellis Technical School — and is a licensed FAA pilot. The precision, discipline, and diagnostic thinking that defines great aviation mechanics. Darren brings all of it to every marine job he touches.

His technical expertise spans:

- Engine diagnostics, repair, and tune-ups — outboards, inboards, sterndrives, gas and diesel
- Marine electrical systems (12V, AC/DC)
- Hydraulics, pneumatics, and custom fabrication
- Complete spring commissioning and fall winterization
- Marine electronics installation
- Sea trial testing following all major work

Darren is the kind of technician who has seen virtually everything, fixed virtually everything, and genuinely loves the work. That combination — deep expertise and genuine passion — is exactly what our members deserve.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

Three Belles Marina has always stood for quality — in our facility, in our service, and in the relationships we build with our members. That same standard applies to how we staff and build our technical services department.

We are committed to continuing to grow our marine services capabilities so that every member of the Three Belles community has access to first-class technical support for their vessel — right here at Smith Cove, without having to go anywhere else.

With Darren at the helm of our service department, we are more confident than ever in our ability to deliver:

- Work done right the first time, every time
- Honest, straight-talking communication about what your vessel needs
- A service leader who takes genuine pride in every job that leaves the dock
- The full range of technical capabilities — from routine maintenance to complex diagnostics

Your boat is your investment. Your time on the water matters. We take that seriously, and so does Darren.

BOOK YOUR 2026 SERVICE NOW

The 2026 season is approaching fast. Darren and the Three Belles Marine Services team are scheduling appointments now for spring commissioning, engine work, electrical service, and all your maintenance needs.

Don't wait — spring slots fill quickly.

Contact us at service@threebellesmarina.com
or call (860) 739-6264 to schedule your appointment.

From me personally — please join me in welcoming Darren to the Three Belles family. He is genuinely excited to meet everyone, and I know that feeling is mutual. The next time you are down at the marina, stop by and say hello. I have a feeling you are going to like him as much as we do.

Because life is better on the water.

Warmly,

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