

Keep The Edge with Lex!

Cool Gadget For The Month

Imagine hearing the beautiful symphony of bird song on a glorious, sunny Spring morning as their joyous sounds envelope you in peace and serenity as you greet a brand new day...

Imagine hearing the gentle patter of rain on the roof of your house on a warm summer evening...

Or imagine hearing your boat engine as it roars to life after you turn the key and then hear the sound of the water whooshing around you as your boat gently cuts its way through the water...

Or lastly, imagine the sound of young children playing and laughing in the park. Such innocence and beauty and joy. Some of the simple pleasures in life.

Now imagine SILENCE... Complete, Utter SILENCE... While other people are listening to their favorite music, you hear..... nothing.

While other people are talking with each other and laughing and enjoying great conversations over a delicious meal with fine wine, you hear..... nothing.

Why would you hear nothing you may ask? Simple. Because you didn't take care of your ears. You used the lawnmower and the chainsaw again and again and again without any hearing protection.

You went to concerts with the shrill sound of the music blaring so loudly that people could hear it over 25 miles away and afterwards, your ears rang for days, or you simply listened to your iPhone or iPod or other personal music device a little too loudly and little by little over time, you lost your hearing.

There is a risk as you listen to your great tune-age on your personal music player that you keep adding a little more volume every time and you don't even realize it.

You may ask me, "Lex, why do you care about our ears?" Well, #1, because I care about you and #2, I used to be a professional keyboardist and pianist for over 30 years and I've seen what happens to people who don't use hearing protection or who don't use effective hearing protection. They lose their precious gift of hearing. Now what does this have to do

with this month's Keep the Edge With Lex Product you may ask?

Well, it has everything to do with it. This month's Keep The Edge Product of The Month is Called The Faders VIP earphones by V-Moda.

Similar to the original Faders, the VIP edition will protect your hearing by evenly reducing harmful noise levels by 12dB across the frequency spectrum, without sacrificing on the clarity of music and speech which passes through. This noise reduction will be able to be the difference between an enjoyable listening experience and lifelong hearing loss. In fact, it has been tuned by professional DJs, producers, doctors, sporting a quartet of sizes of medical grade fittings that ought to be able to cater to just about any ear size.

Not only that, the Faders VIP will also feature a new detachable cord as well as a high quality carrying case that offers club, concert and event-goers advanced hearing protection.

Now parents, are you concerned about how loud your children are listening to their music? If so, then you need to know what Val Kolton, Chief Visionary Officer and Founder of V-MODA, has to say, "Last year's launch of Ear Armor, Inc. created a windfall of amazing feedback from musicians to race and concert-goers. Loud events coupled with the popularity of smartphones, MP3 players and headphones have created a pandemic of hearing loss in everybody from kids to adults and too little is being done to stop it and educate customers. Faders are a universal solution to fully enjoy music and conversations without the damaging effects of higher decibels that cause irreversible noise-induced hearing loss and tinnitus. Both the cheapest foam and the most expensive custom ear plugs can muddle sound quality and push debris too far into your ear canal causing even more damage to your ears."

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How many hundreds of dollars will these headphones cost you may ask? They are very affordable. They don't cost \$350. They don't cost \$175. They only cost \$20!!!

To purchase a pair for yourself and your family, simply go to: <http://v-moda.com/ear-armor/>

They are available in 3 color variations Gunmetal Black, Rouge Red and Electro Pink.

Our gift of hearing. Something most of us take for granted every day.

I highly recommend you protect your ears from this point on for the rest of your life.

Make sure to take a few minutes right now and just sit quietly and listen to all of the sounds that are occurring right where you are and allow yourself to fully appreciate in deep gratitude the miracle of hearing that you have been given.



Faders VIP earphones by V-Moda.

HOT BOAT NIGHT

Bring your boat to Patsys Bay Marina July 17th 5 pm until ? Show off your boat, your girl, etc.

Hot Boat Nights are coming to the Hudson River Hospitality will be afforded to all who attend.

Fireworks Extraganza Independence

Day fireworks shows on the Hudson this year.

> **Haverstraw, July 3rd**

> **Peekskill Fire Dept. July 4th**

> **Kingston Waterfront, July 4th**

> **Village of Sleepy Hollow, July 4th**

About The Cover

For some reason sailboats like to anchor on the west shore, (lea shore) of the Hudson River just south of Jones Point. The anchor in the foreground is the last remaining remnant of the huge "Ghost Fleet" that once anchored here. After WW 2, the victory ships, those ships that transported all the goods that helped win the war, were anchored here, over 250 at one time.

They also stored the tremendous amount of excess grain that we were producing, in the richest and most dynamic country in the world.

Remember balanced budgets, cars at

4,200 dollars each, everybody with a quart of Seagram's Seven and cigarettes dangling from your lips. The "Ghost Fleet" was a wonderful place to water ski as it was always flat calm.

Hmmm, I wonder what is lying on the bottom here, left over from the fleet.

HUDSON RIVER RULE

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Don has hit upon the most important common sense rule when operating a boat that could be presented. I would like to add the following in a gray box or on page four referring to this article as it is so important.

Number one "RULE" when operating a boat on the Hudson River...

Captain Don Fleming has written about the most significant rule there is when operating a boat of any kind on the Hudson River.

Common sense would dictate this "rule" but, as well all know common sense can be in short supply at times.

Please read his article in detail, lets carry this discussion forward in our blog and on Facebook to make everyone aware

of this "rule". Remember you are operating a "boat". boats can stop, break down, or for whatever the reason be a factor that

must be considered at all times above all others putting you in a particular BAD situation, that can be life threatening for sure.

Never trust your boat to do the right thing, USE COMMON SENSE WHEN OPERATING A BOAT AND READ WHAT CAPTAIN DON FLEMING HAS TO SAY IN THIS IMPORTANT ARTICLE!

Just as Captain Don Fleming points out some significant examples of engines quitting while in the main channel, directly in front of an oncoming tug and barge with a strong northerly wind behind it, I and the owner of a cabin cruiser "rescued" a boat in similar circumstances out in front of Cold Spring. We towed the boat out of the channel within a hundred feet of being smashed by the ongoing tug and barge. The tug and barge could not have stopped in such a short distance! Thanks to the owner of the boat I was on, who had the good sense to react quickly, we managed to pull it off while the skippers boyfriend covered in the cabin, afraid to look at what was taking place. ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ASSUME YOUR BOAT IS GOING TO QUIT AT THE WRONG TIME AND THE WRONG PLACE!

100th ANNIVERSARY OF THE NORTH HUDSON YACHT CLUB

by Sandy Marks

Just a mile south of the George Washington Bridge at Edgewater, N.J.

The original organizers of the NHYC were a group of men who stored their boats in North Bergen. The area was known as Woodcliff-On-Hudson. These men in July 1911 came together and started the club. Down through the years the club had various locations. In 1917, the club moved to place known as "The Long Dock".

They purchased the Spanish American Was Hospital Barge know as the "Pocahontas" and made it into their new Club House. Four years later, in 1920, the club was again forced to move to 1257 River Road in Edgewater. The double decked barge Pocahontas was re floated and resettled at the new location.

In 1933 due to differences between members, they had to move once again to 1321 River Road in Edgewater.

The club remained at that site for 30 years until problems arose as to who should own the property if sold. In 1963 this problem continued until 1965 when a fire ravaged the barge. At that time in May of 1965 the club leased the property from the Caribbean House until 1966 when the club purchased the property and built a 75' dock for their boats. Because of the unique location of the club, things like Opsail during the years was ideal spot to view the proceedings due to the fact the Tall ships had to turn around after their trip up river and return to their moorings.

We are happy to say that even after all the years and trials and tribulations, we have stood the test of time and still maintain our up to date Yacht Club.



Pesticide Course for Bottom Painting

July 18th The Haverstraw Condos, at Haverstraw Marina 9 A M to Noon

This is a three hour course for those wishing to renew their NYSDEC Pesticide License or obtain a new one.

Call Gene Kraese at 914-391-2156 for further information.