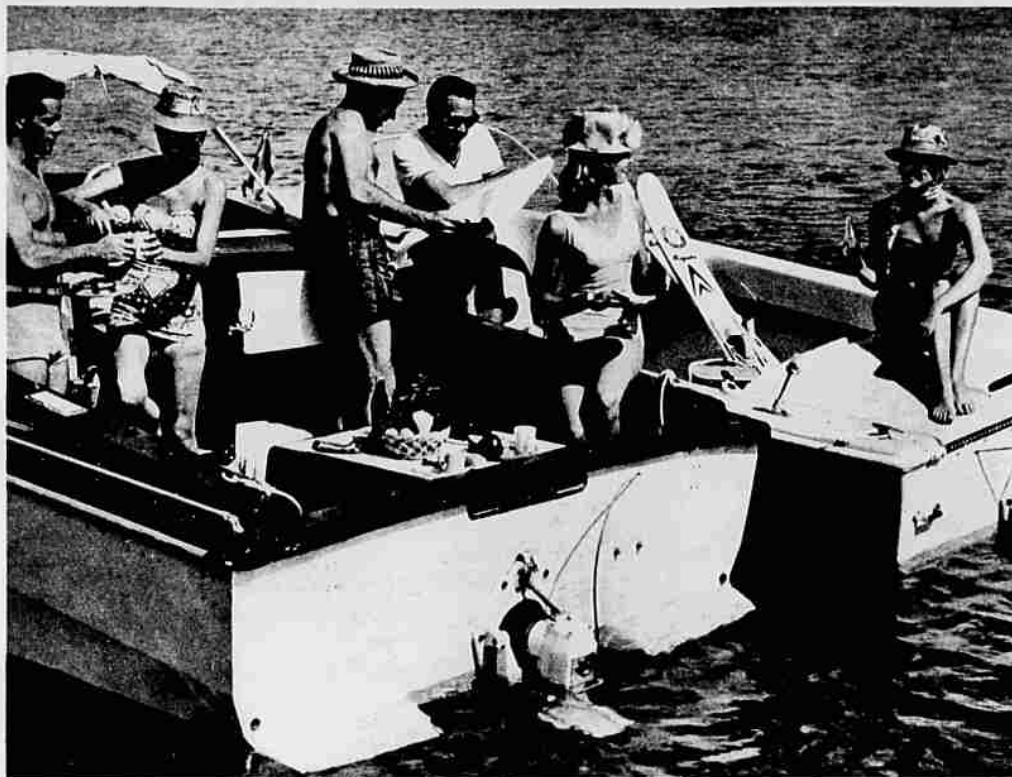




What's better than a picnic afloat, where appetites are sharper and simple fare seems elegant?

Enjoy Your Boat But Play It Safe

1. Learn to swim. Be sure all passengers can swim or have life preservers handy.
2. Carry an approved life vest, cushion, or jacket for each person. Children should wear theirs while aboard.
3. Have all required equipment — lights, horn, life preservers, and approved fire extinguisher — plus spare parts and tools, first-aid kit, anchor and line, bilge pump, compass, and distress flares.
4. Step into the middle of a small boat and keep all weight low and well balanced. Never stand up suddenly.
5. Gas up only in approved manner. Smell bilges for gas vapor before starting engine.
6. Never overload the boat.
7. Don't overpower craft by using too large an engine. Travel through harbor areas slowly so your wake does not disturb other boats. You are legally responsible for your wake.
8. Don't challenge threatening weather. Stay in port.
9. Remain with the boat if it capsizes. Shore may be much farther away than it appears.
10. Learn seamanship. Obey piloting rules of the road.

10 WAYS TO MAKE BOATING MORE FUN

Here's a fast-growing sport without limits of enjoyment—if you know how to get the most out of your boat and your budget



A boat can give you a chance at water-skiing, a highly skilled and unbelievably exciting sport.

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WITH THE BIG BOOM in boating, both experienced hands and beginning sailors are finding new ways to enjoy America's waterways. Literally millions of families are taking to the water, and there's no reason why you can't be among them.

The pleasures of boating, of course, are no longer the private property of wealthy yachtsmen in large cruisers or of hardy fishermen in small skiffs. Now Dad and Mom and the youngsters all go afloat and share the inexpensive pleasures of this happy pastime. And there's no end to the wonderful adventures they can find.

If you haven't taken up boating, you're missing a lot. And if you have, make sure you're getting all the fun you can. Here's a check list on how to get the most out of your present or future boat.

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