

# Media Release

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## **CMLF Partners with Freedom Boat Club Delaware Pleasure Boats to Dock at Lewes Ferry Terminal Finger Pier**

**LEWES, Del.** – Today, Cape May – Lewes Ferry (CMLF) officials and owners of Freedom Boat Club Delaware announced that Freedom Boat Club will operate at the finger pier docks at the Lewes Ferry Terminal. Freedom Boat Club members can enjoy easy access to the Delaware Bay and Atlantic Ocean from the Club's newest Delaware location. The Lewes Terminal offers many services that can be enjoyed by Freedom Boat Club members, including restaurant and gift shop, restrooms, and plenty of parking. Pleasure boats will be docked at the Lewes Terminal finger pier beginning May 1 and continuing through the end of September.

"Freedom Boat Club Delaware is excited to partner with the Ferry to bring another great boating experience to our members," said Tom Rosella, President and Co-Owner of Freedom Boat Club Delaware. "The Lewes Ferry terminal is centrally located with tons of free parking. With an excellent dockside restaurant, clean restrooms, and a gift shop for those last minute items, our members have everything that the boater would need for a great experience on and off the water."

"We are always looking to promote our Terminals as community hubs – for concerts, community events and family oriented activities," said Heath Gehrke, Director of Ferry Operations. "Freedom Boat Club is the oldest and largest boat club in the nation and an excellent fit on our waterfront. With easy docking and our terminal amenities, our finger pier should be a prime launching point for club members this summer."

Freedom Boat Club Delaware offers a hassle-free boating experience to its membership without the cleaning, maintenance, repairs, hauling, winterization, storage, and other challenges that come with owning your own boat. Once a person joins, they are trained by a U.S. Coast Guard licensed captain and then given access to an online reservation system where the member can choose a date, boat type, and time period to be out on the water.

On the day of the reservation, Freedom Boat Club staff will have the member's boat cleaned and ready to go and will be available to assist with gear and help the boating party board the vessel safely. After a brief check-out process, the member is off and having fun, cruising, tubing, fishing or watching

dolphins. Upon return, Freedom Boat Club staff will be there to help the member dock and tie up the boat, help to offload gear and assist all guests safely off the boat. A brief check-in process completes the day on the water. No cleaning or maintenance required.

“You'll be off enjoying a snack and a beverage at “On the Rocks” dockside grill instead of hauling and cleaning a boat,” Rosella added.

**About Freedom Boat Club Delaware**

Freedom Boat Club Delaware is one of more than 175 franchise and corporate clubs in the United States and Canada with over 2,000 boats available in the collective fleet. Members join Freedom Boat Club for a one-time initiation fee and monthly dues thereafter and enjoy unlimited boating at their home club and reciprocal access anywhere Freedom Boat Clubs are located. Reservations are made through a proprietary online system or a convenient Freedom Boat Club app for apple and android devices. For more information, contact Freedom Boat Club Delaware at 833-BOAT-DEL, visit [www.FreedomBoatClub.com](http://www.FreedomBoatClub.com) or like us on Facebook @freedomboatclubdelaware.

**About the Cape May-Lewes Ferry**

The Cape May – Lewes Ferry is owned and operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962. The Ferry is open year-round and has carried more than 45 million passengers since its inception on July 1, 1964. In 2018, the ferry service, which connects Victorian Cape May, New Jersey, and historic Lewes, Delaware, transported approximately 275,000 vehicles and nearly 1 million passengers. For schedule, rates and other program information, please visit the ferry’s website at [www.CMLF.com](http://www.CMLF.com), or call toll free, 800-643-3779. Like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter @CMLFerry.