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Learning the Ropes:

On board a ship, this expression is literal. A new sailor has to learn which ropes control which sail and how to use them.

Don't get tied up with details, let us unravel the knots

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Loose Cannon:

Today the term refers to someone who is out of control, unpredictable, and who may cause damage. Just as the cannons would do if they were to break loose on the decks of the old sailing vessels.

You'll be blown out of the water by the various services offered by



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Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea*

The devil seam was the curved seam in the deck planking closest to the side of the ship and next to the scupper gutters. If a sailor slipped on the deck, he could find himself between the devil and the deep blue sea.

Our sheltered location keeps you firmly on deck...

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Jury Rig:

This term describes something that is assembled in a makeshift manner offering nothing more than a temporary solution.

What we offer is much more than temporary.

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Ahoy:

This old traditional greeting for hailing other vessels was originally a Viking battle cry.

AHOY... contact Gold River Marina for all your marine services.



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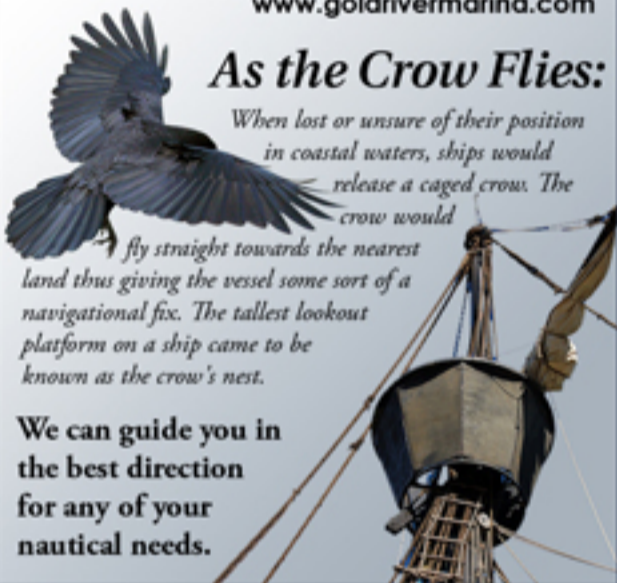
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As the Crow Flies:

When lost or unsure of their position in coastal waters, ships would release a caged crow. The crow would fly straight towards the nearest land thus giving the vessel some sort of a navigational fix. The tallest lookout platform on a ship came to be known as the crow's nest.

We can guide you in the best direction for any of your nautical needs.



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Freeze the Balls off a Brass Monkey

Between a ship's guns were lip-edged brass trays called monkeys which held pyramid stacks of cannon balls. In cold weather, the brass tray would contract faster than the iron cannon balls and the balls would go tumbling on the deck. In this case it was said to be "cold enough to freeze the balls off a brass monkey".



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Start Over with a Clean Slate:

A slate tablet was kept near the helm on which the watch keeper would record the speeds, distances, headings and tacks during the watch. If there were no problems during the watch, the slate would be wiped clean so that the new watch could start over with a clean slate.

Clean slate or clean boat, we have what you need to get the job done.



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Cut of His Jib:

Warships many times had their jib sails cut thin so they could maintain point and not be blown off course.

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Jolly Roger:

The Jolly Roger is the name now given to any of various flags flown to identify the user as a pirate. The most famous Jolly Roger today is the Skull and Crossbones, a skull over two long bones set in an X arrangement on a black field. Historically, the flag was flown to induce pirates' victims to surrender readily.

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Son of a Gun:

When in port, and with the crew restricted to the ship for any extended period of time, wives and ladies of easy virtue often were allowed to live aboard along with the crew. Infrequently, children were born aboard, and a convenient place for this was between guns on the gun deck. If the child's father was unknown, they were entered in the ship's log as "son of a gun".

If you can conceive the idea, we can deliver it.



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Bitter End:

The end of an anchor cable is fastened to the bitts at the ship's bow. If all of the anchor cable has been payed out you have come to the bitter end.

We see you through every detail from beginning to end.



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Whole Nine Yards:

Yards are spars attached at right angles across a mast to support square sails. If the major sails on a fully rigged three-masted ship were all hoisted the whole nine yards were working.

Gold River Marina will go the whole nine yards to serve you.



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Took the wind out of his sails:

Originally it described a battle maneuver of sailing ships. One ship would pass close to its adversary on its windward side. The ship and sails would block the wind from the second vessel, causing it to lose headway. Losing motion meant losing maneuverability and the ability to carry on a fight. The term now is used to describe getting the best of an opponent in an argument.

There's no argument here, we've got the best deal anywhere!



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