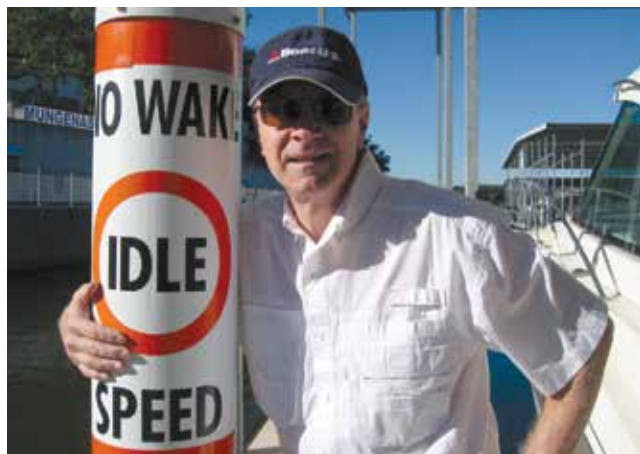




Carver Owner Cool and Happy With Dometic Turbo Retrofit

26-Year-Old A/C Unit Goes Down For The Count

Capt. Bob May knows boats, and his popular internet radio show “Bob’s No Wake Zone” proves it. When *Mo Bo’T*, his 1989 Carver 36-foot Aft Cabin Motor Yacht, started having air-conditioning problems, the radio host, his wife and friends suffered in the intense Missouri heat and humidity on Lake of the Ozarks. Being down below was unbearable.



Capt. Bob May

“The Marine Air unit was installed as original equipment in the 1989 boat, which we purchased in August of 2006,” said May. The 26-year-old A/C unit finally died in 2015 due to a refrigerant malfunction.

Turbo To The Rescue

Capt. May desperately needed a new A/C system for the Carver, so a new Dometic unit was chosen to replace the Dometic Marine Air system that had such longevity. Ed Todd, Director of National OEM Sales for Dometic Marine, set him up with an Innovation Award-winning Turbo A/C system with a 6,000 BTU output for cooling and heating.

“What made the Turbo so appealing was that it was smaller than the old unit, yet more efficient,” explained Todd.



Dometic Turbo air conditioner

Once the new unit arrived, Capt. May got to work doing the installation himself. “Having written and produced many feature stories and video documentaries about other installations, I was able to extract the 26-year-old Marine Air system and install the new one,” May said.

Capt. May was pleasantly surprised with the Turbo. “It was very light in comparison to the older unit, and I also noticed the composite drain pan,” said May. The composite drain pan reduces weight and eliminates rust.

Also more compact was the unit’s digital control that replaced the old three-knob switch. A Dometic cover plate was used to mount the new control and cover the older open space on the bulkhead cabinet.

Installation A Cool Success

“It has a nice, powerful top speed—so it earned that ‘Turbo’ name,” said May. “It got cold very quickly, down to 68 degrees.”

Another thing Capt. May noticed was how quiet the Turbo was, even when the condenser kicked on. “There was no rumbling like the older unit,” he said.



1989 Carver 36-foot Aft Cabin Motor Yacht

“The final test was the First Mate test,” said May, “and she said ‘Wow...nice job... that’s quiet!’ I knew that if she approved...all would be good!”

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