Do You Have Any "White Poupon"?!

by John Barr

e all remember that marvelous movie, "Jonathan Livingston Seagull." It was very pleasant and relaxing to see him soaring among the clouds. But what the movie didn't show you was the "sinister" side of these wonderful birds. Don't get me wrong, I love seagulls. But I absolutely hate their attitude. These creatures seem to get a perverse pleasure making "flybys" and "pooping" on things that I hold dear, especially my boat. They seem to like playing Colonel Jimmy Doolittle bombing the hell out of me and my possessions. My boat cover has suffered a number of direct hits, each marked by a large white splat.

As Captain, I do not take these assaults on my vessel lightly. I've put up defenses that rival the balloon barrage over London during the Battle of Britain. But alas, my defenses had failed. Well. since I'm a dedicated and faithful sailor. I was not going to give up the ship and so.I continued trying a variety of different tactics. In fact, my covered slip looked like an aviary at the San Diego Zoo. I tried stuffed owls, bells, whistles, flags, rubber snakes, and even soda cans strung across the rafters. I tried everything known to man to scare away these flying pests, to no avail. My poor boat cover was doomed to a life covered with seaguil doodoo.

Finally, out of the East came the great avenger of all that is good and dear, especially my boat cover. It came in the form of a big yellow ball with eves, just like one of those mutants out of the comic books, and they call it Terror Eyes.

The Dockside test team first encountered Terror Eves on a recent trip to Nashville, Tennessee, There they have a real and dangerous problem at the airport with seagull ingestion into jet engines. Hey that's the way it goes. A good seagull is a dead one. No, no. Just kidding! But you see this ingestion problem could cause engine failure which could result in a plane crash. "God forbid."

The Airport Authority and the FAA had tried everything. They wanted to come up with something nonlethal and environmentally sound. They finally found a solution - Terfor Eves to the rescue. No more

ingested seagulls.

Eves at Cape Canaveral, Can vou believe it. "Woodpeckers attacking the space shuttle!" (Hey, that sounds like a good plot for a "B" movie.) They really have a problem with woodpeckers pecking at the tiles on the space shuttle, which causes aerodynamic drag: No, I didn't make that up.

In fact, NASA also uses Terror

Well, if it works for the big boys, such as the likes of the FAA and NASA, it's got to workfor me. Right? For the last 60 days, the Dockside test team has been conducting a very scientific test in conjunction with the LMPWA (Lake Mead Poupon





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Watchers Association) which has resulted in a report that has indisputable proof that there is life on Mars. Oops, wrong report! I mean a report that the Terror Eves is the solution to your seagull poop problems and a salvation to all respectable boat covers.

But what is Terror Eves? It's a large yellow ball that you hang over or on your vessel, not unlike that beach ball by your pool. What strikes terror in the hearts of the birds are the four holographic lenses or eves embossed into the ball's surface. When viewed with a little wind motion, the birds will get the impression that the Eves are following them. This perceived menace sends them flying for cover and away from your pride and joy.

Let's get back to the test. We spent hours observing those winged varmints. Low and behold when they caught sight of the Terror Eyes, they made a bee line in the other direction. The only hit suffered since we installed the Eyes was when a seagull was not paying attention and flew too close to the eyes before it realized what it was doing. Terror Eyes must have scared the "poupon" out of it.

Well maties, I can now say that there is no longer any poop on my poopdeck. In fact, all the boats for 50 feet around have been poop free for weeks. I get standing ovations when I come down my dock. People shake my hand and give me free food and drink (like I really need that) and all because of Terror Eyes. Now I'm a poop deck hero. Boy, life is good.

If you're tired of "white poupon" on your boat and decks, use something that really works. Check out the Terror Eyes and terrorize those flying critters whether they are seagulls, pigeons, or any other flying varmints.

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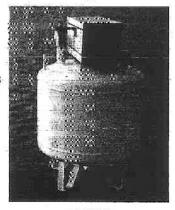
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