Putting FJ / 420 Away

It is extremely important that you take the following steps to ensure that your FJ / 420 is returned and put away in the correct manner.

Prior to pulling the boat out of the water:
1. Remove rudder, and place inside boat. *Never launch / retrieve your boat with the rudder on the transom.*

2. Release the centerboard bungee and hoist the centerboard into the centerboard trunk using the centerboard line. After the board is hoisted, secure the line in the cleat.

You are now ready to pull your boat out of the water, and onto its cradle.

After pulling the boat out of the water:
1. Check your boat position in the cradle. The cradle strap should be flush against the hull, and the transom even with the edge of the dock.

2. Secure the jib halyard shackle to the Cunningham. Tighten and secure the halyard at the cleat.
3. Tie theouthaul to the main halyard using a square knot.

4. Ease the boom vang, and tighten the main halyard until the boom is at a 90-degree angle. Secure the main halyard to its cleat, and snug up the vang.

5. Secure the boom over the centerline of the boat with a half hitch around the mainsheet block. Coil the mainsheet and lay on the trunk securely, so that it will not fall onto the floor of the boat.

6. The tiller extension should be parallel to the top of the tiller, lying in the floor of the boat (not tucked under the tiller!). The rudder should be laying flat on the port tank.

7. Remove the hull plugs, (for FJ’s: also be sure to release the shock cord attached to the tennis ball hull plug). This will allow any water to drain out of the boat.

8. Secure the boat by attaching the clips on the tie downs from the dock, to the base of the chain plate on each side of the boat.

9. Wash boat thoroughly with fresh water.