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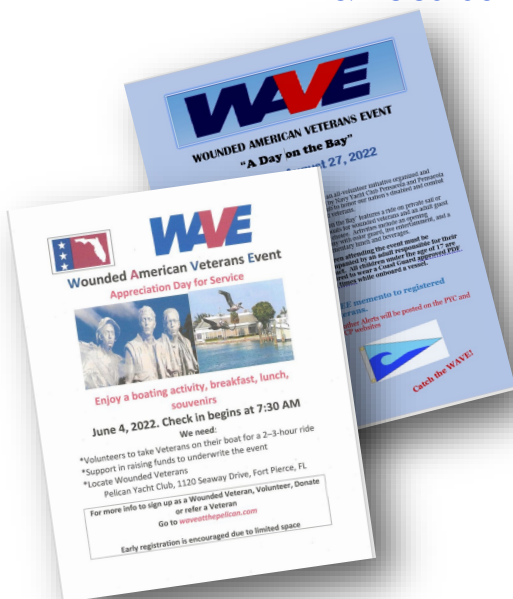
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UP COMING EVENTS:

****July 9th, 2022—Pelican Yacht Club WAVE event** at Pelican Yacht Club in Ft. Pierce, Florida.

****August 27th—Pensacola Yacht Club & Navy Yacht Club, Pensacola WAVE event** at Pensacola Yacht Club in Pensacola, Florida

****October 7 & 8, 2022 -Yacht Club Leadership Seminar** at Pelican Yacht Club in Ft. Pierce, Florida

****November 4 & 5th, 2022 - Fall General Membership Meeting & Change of Watch** at Pensacola Yacht

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From the Helm

P/C Ray Dewrell, FCA Commodore



Here we are in mid-year already. The older I get, it seems the faster the years seem to past. June brings us both the beginning of Summer and hurricane season. I hope everyone has a hurricane plan in place and is

ready for what this year might bring in the way of bad weather. Forecasters from the National Oceanic Atmospheric Association's (NOAA) Climate Prediction Center are predicting 14 to 21 named storms, 6 to 10 hurricanes and 3 to 6 major hurricanes this season. Please plan ahead and stay safe.

The beginning of summer brings lots of activity to yacht clubs in Florida. At the Fort Walton Yacht Club, a Sundown Ceremony was held May 27th in honor of Memorial Day. We have started our Wednesday Night Fun Races. Our summer youth sailing program is under way. A big "thank you" goes to the FCA Foundation for the \$500 grant to the youth sailing program. Our new pool is nearly complete. Our membership is growing. Everyone is enjoying the summer weather and getting out on the water. These are just a few of the activities that our club has underway for the summer months. Hope your club is gearing up for its members too. Drop us a line at commodore@flcommodores.org to let us know what activities your club has in store for the summer.

The Pelican Yacht Club WAVE Appreciation Day set for June 4th had to be postponed to July 9th due to weather. A thank you to P/C Peter Tyson and P/C June Ann DeGraw for all the hard work planning this event. I know

it will be a big success. They have up to 25 veterans, and counting, for this day's activities.

Please encourage your fellow yacht club members to attend the FCA Yacht Club Leadership Seminar this October 7th & 8th at the Pelican Yacht Club in Fort Pierce. It is a wonderful way for upcoming officers, directors, and general managers to glean important information that will help them to better manage their respective yacht clubs. You can access information on reservations, scheduling, and hotel accommodations on pages 16-18 of this issue or at our website: www.flcommodores.org.

Our next general membership meeting will include the Change of Watch on November 4th at the Pensacola Yacht Club. Normally, this changing of the watch is scheduled for October, but due to scheduling issues, the event had to be moved to November. This is a one time move.

Hope everyone enjoys our country's birthday on July 4th. I'm sure many of you have activities that you will be participating in that day. Enjoy, but keep safety in mind also, especially around fireworks.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.



Welcome Aboard New Members

P/C Ray Dewrell
FCA Commodore

I am delighted to welcome the following new member. I hope to see you at one of our general membership meetings this year.

Henry Edmund, Past Commodore,
Biscayne Bay Yacht Club

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Our Rear Commodore, Pete Tyson, continues to work with members from Biscayne Bay Yacht Club. We are hoping to add them as a new chapter to FCA. This is a historic Yacht Club with a history of hosting international racing contests in Biscayne Bay, considered by many as the perfect venue.

2022 Yacht Club Leadership Seminar

P/C Sam Foreman, Leadership Chair

The Leadership Resources Committee (LRC) is dedicated to providing a seminar that has the most useful and up to date information to those interested in making sure their yacht club succeeds in a changing world.

There are some elements that pass the test of time, but, we continue to look for those presenters with additional insight into what subjects should be part of the leadership's arsenal. We have added a couple of new presenters this year. The biographies of all of our presenters will follow in this publication. If any of you reading this believe that you or someone you know could be an asset to this seminar, please contact me.

To date, the registrations are far ahead of last year. We limit the attendance to 30, so don't procrastinate. Send in your registration now. The LRC Seminar will be at the Pelican Yacht Club and will take place October 7 & 8, 2022. More information can be found in this issue on pages 16 –18 and on our website at www.flcommodores.org

Unfortunately, we have been faced with increasing expenses (like everyone else) for putting on this seminar. Through much philosophical debate, we limited the increase to \$145.00 for those coming from a yacht club

with an FCA Chapter and to \$165.00 for those coming from a non FCA yacht club. We will do what we can to hold the line, but the pressure is on. There will likely always be a differential between what is charged to members of FCA chapters versus non-members. I would like to invite those non-member clubs to consider an FCA membership. It only takes five past commodores to start a chapter. Contact me with any questions.

Yacht Club Leadership Seminar: Presenter Bios

The following people will be presenting sessions during the 2022 Yacht Club Leadership Seminar at Pelican Yacht Club on October 7th—8th.



Carol Edell, General Manager at The Florida Yacht Club. Ms. Edell will be speaking about *Club Management Perspectives*.

Ms. Edell is a certified Club Manager, certified Chief Executive, and a member of the Honor Society. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Food and Beverage.

She was employed by The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company working in locations worldwide for twelve years. She was also employed at The Country Club of Columbus in Columbus, Georgia for fourteen years. She currently is the General Manager of The Florida Yacht Club in Jacksonville, Florida since 2014.

Among Ms. Edell's many accomplishments are the following achievements:

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- Awarded the Malcolm Baldrige Award of Quality in 1992 with The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company
- Significantly raised levels of culture and service at The Country Club of Columbus She was selected by the Ritz Carlton to manage and transform the culture at that particular club.
- Successfully led the Florida Yacht Club through major renovations following extensive damage from Hurricane Irma, and turned a dramatic downturn of economic conditions during COVID-19 into one of the Club's most successful financial periods
- Approval by membership for a multimillion-dollar project in November 2021, for a comprehensive renovation throughout the Club. As a result, Club Benchmark featured the FYC as a lead, cover story article in the Club Industry Magazine, Club Business

Ms. Edell will share her wealth of knowledge and expertise in the hospitality field in her seminar session.

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P/C Bob Peterson, Isles Yacht Club, will be presenting the session on *Commodore/General Manager Relationships*.

P/C Bob Peterson is a Past Commodore with the Florida Council of Yacht Clubs (FCYC) He has served on the FCYC Executive Committee for 11 years including positions as Education Chair, Membership Chair, Fleet Captain-West Coast, Treasurer, Secre-

tary, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, Commodore and Immediate Past Commodore. He is Past Commodore at Isles Yacht Club. While a member of the club, he has also served in the positions of Fleet Captain, Rear Commodore and Vice Commodore.

P/C Peterson is the founder and CEO of TLP, Inc. Since 1985, he has served as a consultant in organizational development and management training to a wide variety of businesses and organizations, both domestically and internationally, specializing in process improvement, strategic planning, Board of Director Development, and management level training. Organizations that P/C Peterson has worked with to initiate process improvements have resulted in over \$100 million dollars in either cost reductions or revenue enhancements.

P/C Peterson and his wife are both avid golfers and boaters and enjoyed travelling.
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P/C John Slattery, Member at Large will be conducting several sessions: *Communications; Dollars & Sense; Meetings & Presentations; and Safety*.

P/C John Slattery is retired as a divisional Vice President after 32 years with several Fortune 500 companies. His career included positions in finance including cash management, foreign currency trading, short and long term borrowing, investing and pension fund management. Another part of his career included Director of Human Resources in which he

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held top responsibility for compensation and benefits, executive compensation, executive recruiting, labor relations, safety and training. The third area of his career was manufacturing where he had total responsibility for divisions coast to coast. In addition to responsibility for the performance of those divisions, he was involved in customer and supplier relations, national accounts and liaison with industry associations.

After retirement, he took up long distance cruising and became involved with yacht clubs and boating associations. He has been a member of four yacht clubs and has held the positions of both membership and finance chair, board member, Fleet Captain, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, Commodore and Past Commodore. He designed and implemented a website for one club and computerized the production of their monthly newsletter. As a member of the Marine Trawler Owners Association, he served as a board member, was in charge of public relations and edited and published the four-color quarterly magazine for five years.

As a charter member of the Florida Commodores Association, he served as Secretary, Fleet Captain, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore, Commodore, and Past Commodore in addition to publishing the quarterly *Florida Commodores Journal* and serving as webmaster for five years. He is a co-founder of the Learning Resources Committee and has served as a presenter since its inception.

He has served as president of both a Rotary and a Kiwanis club. He served as a volunteer in fire/rescue and President of the local fire company. He is a licensed pilot, certified rescue diver, and certified for off-shore sailing.

Following the 25,000+ miles of cruising his wife and he enjoyed, they switched to RV'ing and logged over 50,000 miles covering all 48 lower states and seven Canadian providences, attending a game in all 30 major league ballparks and visiting every presidential library and home.



P/C Wayne Stewart, Halifax River Yacht Club will be providing presentations on *Recruiting, Retention, & Marketing; Leadership; and Strategic Planning*

P/C Wayne Stewart is a native Texan, born in San Antonio and raised in the small north-east Texas town of Hooks where he graduated from high school and attended Texarkana College. Wayne worked in the oil industry for a short time before being called into the United States Army.

In the United States Army, he earned his aviator wings and commission and began his career in aviation. Almost from the beginning of his career, he began either instructing ground school or flight training.

After leaving the military, he went into civil aviation and worked as a civilian instructor pilot for the U. S. Army. After two years, he began his career with the airlines and shortly after being hired, he was offered a job as an instructor pilot because of his experience in training. Eventually, he was offered the job of Manager of Training for a major airline. In his 58-year career in aviation, he was involved in either ground instruction, simulator training or flight training before his retirement.

He has accumulated some thirty thousand

(30,000) hours of flying working in the capacity of Flight Engineer, First Officer, Captain, Flight Instructor, Check Captain, Manager of Training and Director of Operations. He has also served on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the airline.

As well as being a retired Airline Captain, he holds a United States Coast Guard license and is a licensed Captain qualified to operate steam or motor vessels up to one hundred (100) tons.

He has been a member of a yacht club for 46 continuous years, he presently is a member of the Halifax River Yacht Club where he has served as a Board Member, Secretary, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore and Commodore. He was awarded the FCA Four Star Commodore Award for his accomplishments during that time. Also, he is a Past Commodore of the Florida Commodores Association. Presently, he is serving as Chairman of Education and Best Practices for the Florida Council of Yacht clubs.

He and his wife, Eloise live in Orlando, Florida and are avid boaters.



Mitchell Stump, CPA, Harbor Ridge Yacht & Country Club will present a session on *Club Taxes*.

Mr. Stump, a certified public accountant, is the founder and President of: Mitchell L. Stump, CPA, PA; Club Book Series, Inc.; and Club Tax Network, Inc.

As the author of Club Tax Book and Club Sales & Use Tax Book – Florida, he is recognized as a leader on Private Club Tax Issues.

Among his many accomplishments are the following:

- 1999 CMAA's New Product of the Year award for writing and distributing over 600 subscriptions of Club Tax Book
- 2009 Founded *Club Tax Network, Inc.*, a national network of CPA Firms and
- Attorneys serving the Private Club Industry
- 2016 Top Ten Experts most recommended in the Industry – Golf Inc.

He is passionate about writing and speaking on Private Club tax law. For pleasure, he enjoys the game of golf and has written Club "It's All About Golf" Book 2.0. to challenge the golf operations of a Club.

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P/C Joe Tringali, JD, Palm Beach Sailing Club, will conduct a session on *You, Your Club, & the Law*.

P/C Joseph Tringali graduated from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law and was admitted to practice in New York and Florida in 1971. He has served as an Assistant District Attorney for Erie County (NY); Assistant State Attorney for Palm Beach County (FL); Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Buffalo, and maintained a private practice from 1978 to 1990 when he returned to Florida to accept a position as Assistant Attorney General. He was assigned to the West Palm Beach office

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where he represented the State of Florida in criminal appeals, civil forfeitures and bankruptcy matters. He tried criminal cases in all levels of the courts in New York State and Florida, and argued appellate cases before the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court; New York Court of Appeals; the Florida Second, Third and Fourth District Courts of Appeal; the Florida Supreme Court; the United States District Court for the Western District of New York; the United States District Courts for the Middle and Southern Districts of Florida; and the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. He was admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court in 2005 and has represented the State of Florida there in writing.

He is a published author of numerous books including a two-volume protocol "bible" for yacht clubs, *Yachting Customs & Courtesies*, which was republished in 2017 in its Fourth Edition. He has also been published in the Florida Bar Journal, the Florida Criminal Law Journal, and several national and regional magazines.

Mr. Tringali was elected to three terms on the North Palm Beach Village Council, where he served as Councilman, President Pro-Tem, Vice-Mayor and Mayor. He is a Past Commodore of the North Palm Beach Yacht Club and the Palm Beach Sailing Club, and former statewide President of District 8 (Florida), International Order of the Blue Gavel, and, as District Director, he represented that District on the Board of Directors of the International association. He is also a member of the Palm Beach Sail and Power Squadron, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, the International Brotherhood of Magicians, and the Florida Commodores' Association and has served those or-

ganizations in various offices at local, state, and national levels. He is a Past Commander of Buffalo Power Squadron and founder and Past Commodore of the Great Lakes Chapter, Matthews Boat Owners Association. He held the rank of major in the Civil Air Patrol and served as a Squadron Commander and Deputy Group Commander in Western New York.

He and his wife, Mary Louise Tringali, have lived in Florida for almost 30 years, most of them in North Palm Beach.



P/C David Willbur, CPCU, Pelican Yacht Club, will be presenting the session on *Club Insurance*.

David Willbur, CPCU
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President David G. Willbur Insurance Agency 1976-2003, President Harbor Insurance Agency, 2005-2011, Managing Member, Florida Smart Insurance LLC, 2012 – present.

- Owner and active officer of three insurance agencies, 1976 – present.
- Member of St. Lucie County Chamber of

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- Commerce, treasurer for 6 years, winner of Business of Year Professional Services 2015.
- Member and officer of non-profit boards of directors including Humane Society, St. Lucie County Independent Insurance Agents, Heathcote Botanical Gardens, Pelican Yacht Club, Mustard Seed Ministries, St. Andrews Church.

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FOUR-STAR AWARD
P/C Phyllis Seaton,
Four-Star Chair

The Four-Star Award brochure and nomination guidelines have been sent to all yacht clubs in Florida.

Nomination forms along with documentation paperwork are due by **September 30th, 2022**. Send all nomination and documentation paperwork to the following address:

Mail: Florida Commodores Association
ATTN: Four-Star Award
P.O. Box 488
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Four-Star Award Program
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Detailed information concerning this program can be found on our website at www.flcommodores.org

Award recipients will be announced in November of 2022.



WAVE 2022

P/C Kathy Champagne,
WAVE Chair

Wounded American Veterans Event was first staged at Ft. Walton Yacht Club in 2012. This club continues to thank our veterans for their service.

Even though the Pelican Yacht Club WAVE had to be postponed until July 9th, Congressman Brian Mast, who was to be Honorary Chairman, hopes to rejoin again in July. Over 25 Vets and spouses or buddies were signed up as well as host of volunteers including two mayors, council members, and civilians. All are standing by anxiously.

Pensacola Yacht Club/Navy Yacht Club, Pensacola have a WAVE event scheduled for August 27th. Flyers about these two events can be found on our website: www.flcommodores.org or on pages 19-20 of this issue.

If your yacht club or chapter would like to become involved and/or support this very worthwhile event, please contact Kathy Champagne Navy Yacht Club Pensacola, wave@flcommodores.org



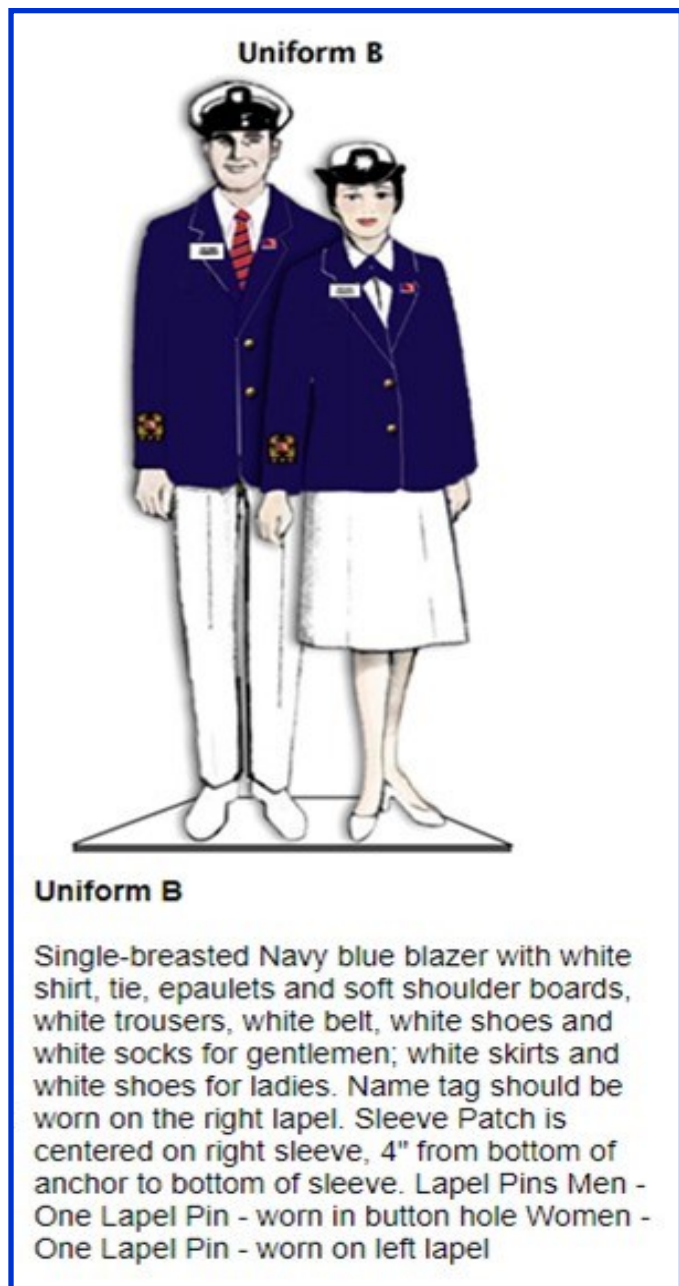
Associate Beverly Plummer,
Quartermaster



FCA Foundation

P/C Peter Tyson,
FCAF Chair

The requested dress for the upcoming November 5th, 2022 Change of Watch and Sundowner Ceremony is UNIFORM B. With the exception of the Navy Blazer, White Pants and White Shoes, uniform items may be purchased from the Ships Store through the website or by contacting the Quartermaster, Beverly Plummer.



(Editor's note: compiled by CeCe Stodt, Ft. Walton Yacht Club; P/C Pete Tyson, Pelican Yacht Club; and Mary Kennedy, Bay Point Yacht Club)

The Florida Commodores Association Foundation (FCAF) Committee decided to increase their grants this year and going forward from \$250 to \$500 per yacht club. Grants are used to help with registration fees and other costs associated with getting started in a sailing program with yacht clubs here in Florida. Grants are not used for equipment, gear, or boats.

Four yacht clubs took advantage of this grant money to shore up their summer youth sailing programs. More information and photos of the presentations can be found on our website: www.flcommodores.org

P/C Tom Reynolds, FCAF Treasurer & P/C Ray Dewrell, Commodore of the Florida Commodores Association (FCA), presented a grant to Commodore Bob Fisher of Fort Walton Yacht Club. The grant for \$500 was for their youth sailing program.

P/C David Willbur (Pelican Yacht Club) and P/C Peter Tyson (Pelican Yacht Club) Chairman of the FCAF visited Halifax Yacht Club in Daytona Beach to present P/C and Sailing Program Director Chris Brown with a check for \$500 for their Youth Sailing Program. P/C Brown stated that they ran 300 students through their program last summer and expected more this coming season.

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FCA Immediate Past Commodore Jack Kennedy presented a \$500.00 FCA Foundation check to The Florida Yacht Club (FYC) Waterfront Director, Jodi Weinbecker, and FYC Commodore Tim Monahan to assist in their youth sailing program. Having been in service for over 20 years, the sailing program provides training to over 400 students throughout the year. All levels of instruction are provided with a few having graduated into the college level.

The fourth grant was received by Davis Island Yacht Club to assist with their youth sailing program for the summer.

(Editor's note: As boaters, we are aware of the necessity of being prepared in case of an emergency. The following report goes to show you can't be too prepared.)

Regata al Sol XXXI Pensacola FL to Isla Mujeres, Mexico Report of Sailing Incident updated

P/C John Matthews
Pensacola Yacht Club Chapter
Florida Commodores Association

Principal Race Officer
Regata al Sol

Regata al Sol is the longest sailboat race in the Gulf of Mexico. The official course starts in Pensacola Bay and ends at a finish line set off the tip of Isla Mujeres. The distance is 555 nautical miles and a rumblin' line of 179 degrees. The well-established history of the regatta started in 1964 and has been sailed continuously since then. It has been

sailed under varying conditions over time from severe to very pleasant.

This year was no different. On May 4, 2022 the race started with 3 classes of boats, including the Racing Class (boats built for racing), Cruising Class (boats built primarily for cruising, and Multi-hulls. There were 3 Racing boats, 8 Cruising boats, and 2 multihull boats (one Catamaran and one Trimaran). All boats started sequentially in very favorable winds and weather conditions. However, on Thursday night or early Friday morning there was some very stormy weather in the Gulf which the competitors had to endure.

Please note in the picture below that every member of the crew is wearing their USCG Approved PFD (personal floatation device). This is a requirement for racing in the Regata al Sol competition. It is also highly recommended that when boats are checking in before the start of races they must check in with their PFDs on.



On Friday morning, May 6, I received a call from the one of the primary on shore contacts for *Madam X* who advised me that the United States Coast Guard had received

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a distress call from an EPIRB (Emergency Position Indication Radio Beacon) located on *Madam X* and also an Emergency Message from a Tracking Spot device, which is part of the Kattack Tracking device required on all racing boats in the regatta. *Madam X* was approximately 195 miles southeast of Mobile, Alabama.

The contact indicated that Coast Guard District Eight Watchstanders received a distress call at 1 p.m. from the 36-foot recreational sailing vessel *Madam X* with a broken mast and five people aboard. Watchstanders coordinated the launch of a Coast Guard Aviation Training Center Mobile HC-144 Ocean Sentry aircrew to assist. There were no reported medical concerns.

The aircrew arrived on scene, made contact with the vessel and relayed the situation back to Watchstanders. Then, they diverted the crew of the Coast Guard Cutter *Edgar Culbertson* to tow them close to Destin, Florida. The crew of the *Edgar Culbertson* towed the vessel throughout Friday and Saturday before BoatUS took over the tow within 20 miles of shore.

It is very important to note and underscore the importance of having the proper safety equipment on board a boat especially when operating offshore. The following is a statement issued by the USCG regarding this matter and situation.

"It was the mariner's properly registered EPIRB alert and SPOT GPS device that let us know something was wrong and helped to locate this vessel quickly," said Scott Talbot, a search and rescue mission coordinator at District Eight. "We urge the public to always carry a properly registered

EPIRB, GPS, or other locating devices on board their vessels in case of emergencies like this."

This is a picture of *Madam X* after arriving back in Pensacola for major repairs and refitting. FYI, the mast, boom, and sails were cut away from the boat to permit the boat to be towed efficiently.



The entire crew was taken off the boat and transported by the USCG Cutter *Edgar Culbertson* during the towing operation.



(Photos courtesy of Julie Connerley and John Matthews)

Catalina 22 2022 National Championship Fort Walton Yacht Club

Submitted by Ted McGee and P/C Phyllis Seaton;
(submission edited by FCJ editor due to spacing limitations)



The Catalina 22 sailing vessel was introduced by Catalina Yachts in 1969. The boat was promoted as an affordable family boat that could be towed by many of the cars of the day. It was easy to tow, easy to rig, and easy to sail. It opened the door for many families to enjoy sailing. The Catalina 22 continues to be a popular boat for families. Surprisingly, many of the original boats are still sailed and competed today.

The Catalina 22 National Sailing Association was formed in 1970. In 1972 the first California State Championship Regatta was held in Mission Bay, California. Forty-five boats competed at that first regatta. It was such a success they decided to make it an annual event, turning it into a national regatta.

Beattie Purcell, legendary among Catalina 22 sailors, was instrumental in building the Catalina 22. Beattie moved his family to Florida in 1977, settling in Fort Walton Beach. Beattie brought many Catalina 22 sailors to Fort Walton Yacht Club and helped establish Catalina 22 Fleet 77. Beattie was a Catalina 22 National Champion in 1979. In 1999, Fort Walton Yacht Club started hosting an annual cruise for Catalina 22 sailors. The cruise continues to attract sailors from as far away as Canada.

Fort Walton Yacht Club has hosted five Catalina 22 National Championships, the most recent being 2022. John Farris, Fleet Captain at Fort Walton Yacht Club, made sure everything was ready for our arrival. Despite high gas prices competitors arrived from Oklahoma, Washington, Texas, Louisiana, Colorado, Michigan, Arkansas, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, and Florida. Twenty-two competitors gathered to celebrate this anniversary of the Catalina 22 National Regatta.

PRO Hal Smith led a volunteer race committee from Fort Walton Yacht Club. The Fort Walton Yacht Club race committee was well trained and prepared. Their efforts provided excellent and uncompromised racing. Temperatures were in the upper 90s all week and the efficiency of the race committee in properly setting up the racecourse, responding to changing conditions, and getting competitors racing was appreciated by all.

Racing started on Monday, June 20 and concluded Thursday, June 23. Early leads were established in all three fleets. Keith Bennett, sail #221, won the race in Spinnaker Fleet. Mark Heinold, sail #7436, won all three of Monday's races in Silver Fleet. The National Champion is the winner of Gold Fleet and Keith Bennett, sail #221, took a commanding lead in the first two races on Monday with two bullets. The third race Monday was won by Gene Cochran, sail #38, leaving an open door to determine the National Champion.

Keith Bennett won the Spinnaker Fleet race again on Tuesday. With only two races left in Spinnaker Fleet racing Keith all but guaranteed the regatta win in the Spinnaker Fleet. Mark Heinold extended his lead in Silver Fleet with two more wins. The first race Tuesday saw Gene Cochran finishing first, then Chip Embrey, sail #241, taking the win in the second race.

Two Spinnaker Fleet races took place on

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Wednesday, with Keith Bennett wining the first race and Patrick Dorsch, sail #7707, wining the second race. Overall, Keith Bennett won the Spinnaker Fleet at the National Regatta. Mark Heinold won the only Silver Fleet race of the day and Keith Bennett won the only Gold Fleet race of the day.

There was one race in Silver and Gold Fleets left to run on Thursday, June 23, the last day of the regatta. Mark Heinold won the 7th and last race in Silver Fleet, becoming the Silver Fleet Champion. David Hayslip, sail #197, won the last race in Gold Fleet, but it wasn't enough to overcome the commanding lead Keith Bennett had built up throughout the regatta. Keith Bennett became the National Champion of the Catalina 22 National Sailing Association for 2022.

During the awards ceremony, Catalina 22 Commodore Duncan McBride presented racing trophies for the top three finishers in each fleet. Awards were also given to Don Woodhouse for traveling the Longest Distance, Stephanie Victa was the Newest Racer, Tom Winans for the Sandy Kennedy Spirit Award, Stuart Weist for the Leadership award, Michelle Weist for the Best MainBrace Article, Jim Slosson for Best Video, Mike McCaffrey for Best Photograph, Mark Goodwin for Region Commodore of the Year, Katie McBride for Sportsmanship, and Liz and Eric McCafferty for cruising family of the year. Grace Purcell won the Youth Sailing Award and Katie McBride won the Betty Gay Clemens Award for the highest women's placing skipper.

The Catalina 22 sailors are always treated well at Fort Walton Yacht Club and this year was no exception. Phenomenal sailing, warm friendly people, and fine weather make for an always rewarding experience. *(Photos of this race can be found on page 22 of this issue.)*

Getting Prepared for the 2022 Hurricane Season

Associate Mary Kennedy, Communications

(The following article was compiled using the websites below)



Four hurricanes have made landfall in Florida in the last three years, including Hurricane Michael, the first hurricane to make landfall in the U.S. as a Category 5 since Hurricane Andrew in 1992. The most important action you can take is to create a plan. To assist in getting you and your family started on planning, you can visit FloridaDisaster.org/GetAPlan.

A disaster supply checklist can be found at [Disaster Supply Kit Checklist | Florida Disaster](#). This checklist is printable and you can find a copy on page 21 of this issue. Also on this site, you can access plans for pets, plans for those with disabilities, shelters, and other valuable information.

Another website that contains copious amounts of information is [Hurricane Preparedness - Checklists, Safety Tips, Get Ready Guide \(hurricane-preparedness.com\)](#). This site is intended to serve as a resource guide with information on hurricane related topics and is updated regularly to provide safety and preparation tips, checklists, emergency contact phone numbers, insurance coverage, shelter information and more.

On the blog website [20 Must-Have Supplies for a Hurricane – Be Prepared - Emergency Essentials](#), 2014 bloggers listed their ideas of what they felt were essential items needed during a hurricane and why. There is an option that allows you to print this list.

Galley Bites: Black Bean & Corn Salsa

Recipes - The Boat Galley : Carolyn Shearlock

Quick and delicious appetizer made from ingredients that don't require refrigeration. Great for a spur-of-the-moment get-together.



INGREDIENTS:

- 32 ounces canned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 32 ounces canned corn, drained
- 2 cups of salsa
- 1/4 teaspoon of cumin
- 1 tablespoon of lime or lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons of cilantro, chopped (optional)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Mix all ingredients together. Refrigerate if not serving immediately.

Serve with tortilla chips, crackers, pita rounds, or veggies dippers such as baby carrots, cucumbers slices, green pepper

slices, or pickled green beans.

NOTES:

You can substitute 2 tomatoes, 1/4 green pepper, 1 spicy pepper (to taste) and 1/4 onion—all chopped finely, for the salsa.

If a spicier dip is desired, add more cumin and some cayenne pepper or even some chili powder.

This is also good over fish, pork chops, or chicken.

Refrigerate any unused portion.



Just a Little
Humor



We encourage yacht clubs to support their officers and directors in minimizing the financial commitment required to attend by subsidizing all or part of the expense involved in attending. The investment by a yacht club, we believe, will be repaid by better prepared officers and directors managing their clubs.

The seminar fee must be paid at the time of your registration for the seminar. Refunds will be handled on a case by case basis depending on the reason for the cancellation.

The Florida Commodores Association

(FCA) is dedicated to sharing knowledge, ensuring the future of Florida yachting and preserving our traditions. Its mission is to establish a community of past, present, and future Commodores who are members of recognized Florida Yacht Clubs, promoting Florida and international yachting customs and traditions through awareness, educational, charitable, and social programs.

Besides educational programs, the FCA sponsors youth sailing programs, wounded veteran recognition programs, and a unique Four-Star Commodore program.

Membership is open to all Past Commodores and current yacht club officers and their spouses or partners.

More information regarding FCA programs and membership application forms can be found on our website:

www.flcommodores.org

The location of the seminar will be:

Pelican Yacht Club
1120 Seaway Drive
Ft. Pierce, FL 34949
(772) 464-2700

The cost of the course is \$145.00 for members and non-members with a FCA Chapter at their club. The cost for non-members with no FCA Chapter is \$165.00. This includes:

- ◆ Friday - Continental Breakfast/Lunch
- ◆ Saturday - Continental Breakfast/Lunch
- ◆ All course materials

Hotel Information:

- ◆ **Dockside Marina & Resort**
1160 Seaway Drive
South Hutchinson Island, FL
info@docksidem.com
772-468-3555

Rooms start at \$149.00

- ◆ **Hutchinson Island Plaza Hotel**
1230 Seaway Drive
Fort Pierce, FL
hutchinsonplazahotel.com
772-595-0711

Rooms start at \$109.00

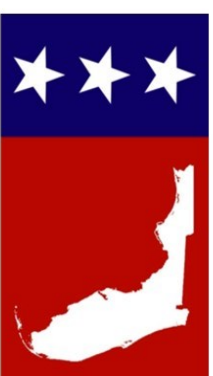
Deadline for group rate: Sept. 1st, 2021
For reservations, use the code FCA if you call or go to:

<https://www.hutchinsonplazahotel.com/resv.php?coupon?FCA>

To reserve your place at this important seminar, go to www.flcommodores.org and click on the seminar information link on the home page.



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*The Florida Commodores
Association presents*

A Yacht Club Leadership Seminar

*For Current and Future
Yacht Club Leaders*

October 7-8, 2022
Pelican Yacht Club
Ft. Pierce, FL

The Leadership Seminar is an intensive two day learning experience sponsored by the Florida Commodores Association. The seminar provides much of what yacht club officers or directors need to know in order to perform effectively in the complex and demanding world of club life.

The management of a yacht club is much more complex than the management of most businesses. The fact that a yacht club's members are both the owners and customers presents issues that require some unique management approaches.

The seminar is appropriate for incoming and serving yacht club officers, directors, and general managers. However, it is open to all those interested in learning how to manage a yacht club.

Seminar modules are presented by Past Commodores and professionals in financial, management, insurance, and other areas. This is an intensive program of how to manage and direct your yacht club today and plan for its future.

Major areas may include:

Leadership: Gaining the trust of members, motivating volunteers to be productive, and earning the respect of members and employees.

Club Management: Hear the "secrets" of effective yacht club management in the areas of hiring, firing, testing, managing and compensating employees.

Taxes: Fully understanding the tax laws as they apply to yacht club revenue sourcing in the only way to protect your club's tax status.

Communication: external (advertising, news releases, newspaper/magazine articles and social media) and internal (newsletters, emails, websites, and member meetings).

Commodore/Manager Relations: The ability for these two senior positions to share concepts, plans, and data is essential in insuring a well-run and successful club.

Meetings and Presentations: The ability for yacht club leaders to properly and efficiently conduct committee, Board and member meetings as well as delivering information and explaining plans and decisions is critical in gaining the support of the club's members.

Insurance: Understanding the myriad of insurance necessary to protect your club in many areas you may not have considered is necessary for today's yacht club leaders.

Club Business: Understanding that every club is a business and it's leaders cannot effectively oversee it's management without a basic understanding of goal setting, finances, cost, pricing, and asset management.

Recruiting, Retention and Marketing: Recruiting new members, member retention, and membership diversity and interests are the primary ways you can insure the continued success of your club.

Safety: Canned safety programs are fine for cans, but every yacht club is different. We provide the structure and guidelines each club needs to develop and maintain a custom safety program.

Strategic Planning: Get the basics of developing a plan for your club that will set priorities, focus energy and resources to insure the long-range future of your club.

Legal Matters: Conducting club business in a compliance with Federal, State, and local laws does matter. Learn the common mistakes clubs make in this area

During the seminar, attendees will have ample opportunity to ask questions and seek advice from fellow attendees and presenters on issues unique to their club.

Your registration includes a continental breakfast and lunch on Friday and Saturday. On Friday night, you may take advantage of dining in the club. We encourage attendees to use this opportunity to get together with officers and directors of the other clubs to afford yourself the opportunity to establish a network of relationships for future support and advice.

Attendance is limited to 30 participants, but spouses and partners are welcome to join the attendees and presenters at dinner on Friday night.

The dress code for the meeting is business casual.



Past, Present, and Future

Florida Commodores Association

Yacht Club Leadership Seminar Registration

October 07 – 08, 2022

Pelican Yacht Club

Ft. Pierce, FL

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Name of your yacht club: _____ Number of Members _____

Does your club have: ____restaurant ____bar ____marina ____General Manager

Current office/position in club: _____

Please enclose your check, payable to FCA, for \$145.00 if you are a member of FCA or if your yacht club has an FCA Chapter. Please enclose \$165.00 if you are not a member of the FCA and your yacht club does not have an FCA Chapter.

Registrations should be mailed to: FCA
P.O. Box 488
Shalimar, FL 32579

Please note "LRC" on your envelope.

Hotel reservations are your responsibility and can be made by contacting:

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Rooms start at \$109.00
Deadline for group rate: Sept. 1, 2021
Use code FCAP for reservation



WAVE

Wounded American Veterans Event Appreciation Day for Service



Enjoy a boating activity, breakfast, lunch,
souvenirs

June 4, 2022. Check in begins at 7:30 AM

We need:

- *Volunteers to take Veterans on their boat for a 2–3-hour ride
- *Support in raising funds to underwrite the event
- *Locate Wounded Veterans

Pelican Yacht Club, 1120 Seaway Drive, Fort Pierce, FL

**For more info to sign up as a Wounded Veteran, Volunteer, Donate
or refer a Veteran**

Go to waveatthepelican.com

Early registration is encouraged due to limited space



WOUNDED AMERICAN VETERANS EVENT

"A Day on the Bay"

Saturday, August 27, 2022

Pensacola Yacht Club

1897 Cypress Street

Pensacola, Florida

Guests, Skippers & Volunteers:

Registration forms at:

www.flcommodores.org

Click on PYC & NYCP 2022 WAVE on home page.

Mail registration forms to:

WAVE 2022

1050 Fleming Drive

Pensacola, FL 32514

Questions? Call 850.261.2062

On-Site Check-in: 9:30 AM

Opening Ceremony: 10:00

AM Complimentary Lunch

Musical tribute to veterans

WAVE is an all-volunteer initiative organized and cohosted by Navy Yacht Club Pensacola and Pensacola Yacht Club to honor our nation's disabled and combat wounded veterans.

"A Day on the Bay" features a ride on private sail or power boats for wounded veterans and an adult guest of their choice. Activities include an opening ceremony with color guard, live entertainment, and a complimentary lunch and beverages.

Children attending the event must be accompanied by an adult responsible for their conduct. All children under the age of 17 are required to wear a Coast Guard approved PDF at all times while onboard a vessel.

FREE memento to registered veterans.

Weather Alerts will be posted on the PYC and NYCP websites



Catch the WAVE!



DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST



General

- ☐ Two week minimum supply of medication, regularly used medical supplies, and a list of allergies
- ☐ A list of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of required medical devices
- ☐ Batteries
- ☐ Flashlights
Do not use candles
- ☐ NOAA Weather Radio
Battery operated or hand cranked
- ☐ Cash
Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm
- ☐ Cell phone chargers
- ☐ Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

Phone Numbers

- ☐ Maintain a list of important phone numbers including:
County emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, a number for out of town contacts, friends and family

Clothing

- ☐ Rain gear such as jackets, hats, umbrellas and rain boots
- ☐ Sturdy shoes or boots and work gloves

Special Needs Items

- ☐ Specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and family members with disabilities

First Aid

- ☐ First Aid Manual
- ☐ Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes
- ☐ Sterile gauze pads
- ☐ Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- ☐ Triangular bandages
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Tweezers
- ☐ Sewing needle
- ☐ Moistened towelettes
- ☐ Antiseptic
- ☐ Disinfectant wipes
- ☐ Hand sanitizer
- ☐ Thermometer
- ☐ Tube of petroleum jelly
- ☐ Safety pins
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Latex gloves
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Aspirin or other pain reliever
- ☐ Anti-diarrheal medicine
- ☐ Antacid
- ☐ Laxative
- ☐ Cotton balls
- ☐ Q-tips

Food and Water

- ☐ Food
Nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items to last at least 7 days
- ☐ Water
1 gallon per person per day
- ☐ Non-electric can opener
- ☐ Paper plates
- ☐ Napkins
- ☐ Plastic cups
- ☐ Utensils

Important Documents

- ☐ Insurance cards
- ☐ Medical records
- ☐ Banking information
- ☐ Credit card numbers
- ☐ Copies of social security cards
- ☐ Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates
- ☐ Other personal documents
- ☐ Set of car, house, and office keys
- ☐ Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership
- ☐ Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage
- ☐ Copy of Will

**Items should be kept in a water proof container*

Vehicle

- ☐ Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline

Pet Care Items

- ☐ Pet food and water to last at least 7 days
- ☐ Proper identification
- ☐ Medical records/microchip information
- ☐ A carrier or cage
- ☐ Muzzle and leash
- ☐ Water and food bowls
- ☐ Medications
- ☐ Supplies for your service animal

Find more disaster preparedness tips at
FloridaDisaster.org

**Photos taken by P/C Phyllis Seaton at the Catalina 22 Regatta
held at
Ft. Walton Yacht Club June 20—23, 2022**

