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**A great weekend
at a great club -
don't miss the 2019
Annual Meeting
and Change of Watch**

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Brochure and Registration Form.**



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Pelican Yacht Club

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Watch.....**October 25-26
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West Coast Regional Meeting
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From the Helm

Commodore Carole Lick



I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of the flag officers and others on the Executive Committee for all they do each year, but in particular this year while I have been Commodore. All of you exemplify the true spirit of volunteerism and teamwork that is the driving force of virtually every-

thing that happens with and for the FCA. Our monthly conference calls as well as the general meetings around the state are so very valuable. I only wish more members would make use of these.

We have reduced the general meetings from 4 to 2 and added regional meetings in order to help members with convenience and cost. The first one was held a few months ago, another is planned for early December and the third is in the planning stages for after the first of the year. Please see a separate article for more information on these.

A major task we took on this year was to create a Strategic Plan, which the FCA has never done. It is an interesting exercise to ponder the FCA Vision and Mission. It is even more interesting to honestly look at our strengths and weaknesses. We have done both and look forward to the October meeting for a report on these exercises. John Matthews will walk us through the new directions and recommendations from his Strategic Planning Committee. The new officers will then have a planning roadmap for 2020 and beyond.

In addition to the strategic planning discussion, we have a unique speaker for the October Change of Watch Meeting. John Martin and his wife circumnavigated in their sailboat and will share their experience October 26 at Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club in Punta Gorda. Be sure to join us for this special opportunity.

My year as Commodore has flown by. I know, people always say that, but it is really true. I have appreciated the opportunity to serve the FCA and its members. We have outstanding candidates for our new officers and Executive Committee members who will

be presented in this issue. I sincerely hope you will support them by being actively involved in the coming year. The FCA offers an excellent opportunity to share ideas, educate and assist the new leaders in each of our clubs, support some worthy projects including those of the FCA Foundation, and have fun with each other.

2019-2020 Nominees for the FCA Executive Committee

FCA's Change of Watch will occur at our October 25 - 26 meeting at the Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club. Below are the nominees for positions on our Executive Committee for 2019-2020. Commodore Carole Lick will remain on our Board as Immediate Past Commodore. We are still missing a nominee for Secretary. Please let me know if you have a desire to serve or know of someone that might consider being Secretary.

Sam Foreman

Nominating Committee Chairman
FCA Immediate Past Commodore

Commodore - P/C Jack Kennedy



My wife, Mary, and I have been residents of Panama City, Florida since 1996 and reside at 353 Wahoo Road in Bay Point.

I attended Hiwassee College in Tennessee. I made three tours of duty in Viet Nam during my six years in the Navy. I have forty-nine years of experience in construction trade sales. I am retired from Benjamin Moore Paint Company as a Business Development Representative after 29 years. I am also a Construction Specification Institute (CSI) member in my trade.

I have been on the Bridge and Board of three different yacht clubs in Tennessee. I was the Commodore of Chattanooga Boating Club 1985, Commodore of Lakeshore Yacht Club in 1988 and Vice Commodore of Chattanooga Yacht Club in 1996. Since I have moved to Florida in 1996, I was Commodore of Bay Point Yacht Club in 2000. I was also the District 8 International Order of the Blue Gavel Florida President in 2007 and District Director of District 8

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in 2008. I am a founding member of the Florida Commodores Association and was Rear Commodore of the International Commodores Association in 2010-2011. I am presently on the board of the FCA Foundation whose mission is to promote sailing and boating.

I am looking forward to leading the Florida Commodores Association as we navigate new waters. I will need a lot of help and look forward to guiding our organization with future leaders.

Vice Commodore - P/C Ray Dewrell



Though I was born in Florida, Alabama I consider Fort Walton Beach to be my home. I attended School in Fort Walton Beach and graduated from Florida State University with a BS in Business Management (1965). While NW Florida has been my home for over 70 years, the Fort Walton Yacht Club became my second home.

As your Vice Commodore I am charged with representing you in the FCA Executive Committee. To this I will bring my years of experience as Fort Walton Yacht Club Director, Finance Committee Chair, and Club Commodore, Vice President Fort Walton Yacht Club FCA Chapter, and my career business experience as a Real Estate Broker and over 40 years ownership and management of a retail furniture company.

Yacht clubs, true to their purpose, serve their memberships with outstanding social, boating and other recreational activities. But, they also serve a wider purpose that is often unrecognized. My FWYC has served and continues to serve a pivotal role in the leadership and growth of our community by providing a place for our community leaders to meet in business and social environments to conduct business.

Our club also serves a leadership role for all the boating community representing the interests of thousands of non-club members. Drawing attention to this community role serves not only our community but serves to increase growth in our club memberships. So, I would like FCA member clubs to bet-

ter promote their community service role with active publicity chairs on their BODs. We on the Executive Committee can provide ideas for this with our forums for education and inter-club exchanges and modeling.

As Vice Commodore, I will of course be active in visits to non-member clubs to promote our growth. I will also serve as an advocate, like my predecessor Dr. Tom Reynolds, to grow collegiality among and within chapters. The sense of past commodores belonging and still contributing to the quality of club leadership and to the benefit of their club members is important to nurture.

FWYC's chapter gives our club an annual gift as a very visible way of enhancing our club and we reward outstanding volunteers annually with an outstanding service award. Monthly luncheons and business meetings, socials and seasonal parties are all good activities to knit together our FCA members. We need to promote what works for your club.

Rear Commodore - Bob Sutton



I hail from the Northeast, learning to sail a sunfish the summer in my tenth year off the coast of Provincetown. I continued my love of sailing into adulthood, with racing on the St. Johns River while stationed in Jacksonville, Florida and have continued to love the water, sailing, and owned several boats during the last 51 years.

I'm currently a self-employed flight instructor, logging over 10,000 flight hours. I retired from the US Navy after 22 years of active duty, flying missions in Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Somalia, and Bosnia where I earned an air medal. I've held many positions requiring business savvy, including the President of a multimillion-dollar waterfront homeowners association in Maine for over 5 years. Also, management and budgeting of a Pro Shop on a busy golf course for 2 years.

I returned to Florida in 2001, settling in Pensacola. I have been a dues paying member of Pensacola Yacht Club (PYC) for 16 years and Navy Yacht Club Pensacola (NYCP) for 15 years.

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I have been active in volunteerism at PYC and since 2003, with PYC Junior sailing from 2003-2005, race committee for both clubs 2003-2006 and 2010 to present. I served on PYC 's Board of Directors over bylaws in 2005, Assistant Race Committee Chair 2011, and Race Committee Chair the following year. Involved in the annual W.A.V.E., I have had the responsibility for leading the on-water activities since its inception in 2012.

I have held several Flag Officer positions over the years. As PYC Fleet Captain 2013, I was able to celebrate a successful year with the lowest budget and spending in 13 years. As Rear Commodore at PYC, I introduced the summer membership to PYC, which is now known as a social membership. Under my direction, the membership committee introduced the development of several groups focused on activities such as fishing, kayaking, biking, in addition to the traditional sailing and raft-up activities. This productive year was followed by NYCP Fleet Captain, Vice Commodore, and Commodore consecutively. Of significant note, membership was increased two-fold under my leadership as Vice Commodore in 2016 through my term as Commodore in 2017. I simultaneously continued involvement in the FCA, W.A.V.E., held BOD positions at PYC, as well as serving on selected committees at PYC. I continue to actively participate in volunteering and currently holds the position of the Vice President of the PYC Chapter of the FCA.

I'm now pursuing nomination as the Rear Commodore for the Florida Commodores Association.

Fleet Captain - P/C Stan Mitchell



I was born and reared along the shores of Lake Michigan and attended Indiana Institute of Technology earning my BS degree in chemistry. Leaving the mid-west for the south, I received my PhD from the University of Kentucky in analytical and pharmaceutical chemistry. Go Cats!!

Water has been a large part of my life, especially as an adult. In 1968 while in graduate school, my wife, Cris, and I purchased our first boat and have been boaters ever since. This boat/motor was an old wooden craft with a 1959 Mercury 70 hp motor. The

interesting thing about the "Merc" was that there was no neutral gear. Skiers were dragged forward slowly then signaled when ready to go. If you could ski behind this woody, you could ski behind almost everything! Larger vessels and more fun followed. We have now downsized to an eighteen-foot pontoon boat (just right for us) on Lake Beresford and the St. Johns River.

While living in the Chicago area (and later Memphis, TN), I was employed in the field of quality control and quality assurance for the manufacturers of pharmaceutical and home-care products and wood preserving bulk chemicals. During that time, we boated on the Illinois Chain of Lakes and the Pickwick Lake in Tennessee. Cris and I were actively involved with the local Coast Guard Auxiliary. Our contributions centered on water education, safety, coastal navigation, and communications.

Upon retiring and moving to DeLand, our real-estate agent suggested that I give Cris a membership in the Lake Beresford Yacht Club as a Christmas gift and the rest is history. I started out as the LBYC Fleet Captain and eventually being elected to Vice Commodore and finally Commodore. Cris and I enjoy sailing, stink-potting and just watching the sun and full moon sparkles on the Florida waters.

Treasurer - P/C John Matthews



Originally from Laurel, Mississippi, I graduated from George S. Gardiner High School in Laurel in 1957 and went to Mississippi State University where I graduated in May 1961. I was a Distinguished Military Graduate in the Army ROTC program and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Regular Army

and immediately reported to active duty with the 101st Airborne Division.

During my military career, I served two tours of duty in Vietnam during the Vietnam Conflict with the 101st Airborne Division; attended the US Army Command and General Staff College; was assigned to the United States Military Academy as Assistant Professor of Mathematics; served with the Defense Communications Agency in Washington, DC where I was a Branch Chief; served at SHAPE Headquar-

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ters in Mons, Belgium where I was in the Plans and Policy Division on special assignment for General Bernard Rogers, SACEUR. I was assigned to the US Army War College faculty and was the Director of Operational Simulations in the Department of War Gaming. I was selected for promotion to Colonel and retired in 1983.

I earned my Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics at Mississippi State University; a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology; and a Master of Business Administration from C. W. Post College, Long Island University.

Upon my retirement, I worked as a Technical Specialist for the Strategic Systems Division of GTE in Westboro, Mass. and was subsequently hired by Missile Systems Division, Rockwell International in Atlanta, Georgia to serve as a Lead Analyst in the Operations Analysis Department. I was later promoted and named the Manager of Strategic Planning and Proposal Development. Upon leaving Rockwell International, I was named the Vice President and General Manager of Mason-Hanger National in Atlanta, GA. Later, I was responsible for the founding of Plasma Energy Applied Technology, Inc. (PEAT) a subsidiary of Mason-Hanger Silas Mason, Inc, and was named the President of the company.

After leaving PEAT, I founded The Laurel Group, Inc, a business development consulting company with offices in Norcross, GA and Nashville, TN. In addition, I worked as Project Supervisor for ABUCK, Inc, a prefabricated metal structures company located in Smyrna, Georgia. Projects were located in Tennessee, Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, and Georgia. I was the project supervisor for Tienman Construction Company in Marietta, Georgia for 3 years. I served as Project Developer for Consultants and Builders, Inc in Norcross, Georgia developing construction projects for financial institutions.

My wife, the former Nancy J. Strooband of Moline, Illinois, and I have been married for 56 years and have three married children and 7 grandchildren. We have been living in Pensacola for 20 plus years. I'm a Past Commodore of the Pensacola Yacht Club, the Gulf Yachting Association, Past Commodore of the Florida Commodores Association and Past Commodore, Navy Yacht Club Pensacola. Nancy and I are members of Christ Church Episcopal in Pensacola. I have considerable sailing experience offshore having sailed to the Florida Keys, Cu-

ba and Mexico in major regattas. I'm qualified as a Race Management Official and has been responsible for several Regional and National Regattas, including the US Optimist Dinghy Nationals, the Thistle Association National Championships, the US Sailing Single Handed Mens and Womens Championships, the West Florida Ocean Racing Circuit, the Optimist Gulf Coast Championships, and the US Sailing Olympic Sailing Festival.

**Secretary - Your name and photo here—
contact P/C Sam Foreman.**

Regional Meetings Get Started

V/C Tom Reynolds

On July 27 the Ft Walton Yacht Club Chapter, at its summer meeting, hosted the Panhandle regional clubs. This was the first in the new meeting approach designed by the Executive Committee – 2 regular statewide meetings and a series of regional meetings (Panhandle, East Coast, West Coast). The Pensacola and Bay Point Yacht Club and Navy Pensacola Chapters joined us and a good time was had by all. There was a brief business meeting and the rest of the time was spent in renewing and growing friendships between our members.



Next will be the West Coast Regional Meeting Dec 7th at Isles Yacht Club... see the information by Commodore Carol Lick elsewhere in this issue.

We look forward to your comments and interest in this new meeting format. It is intended to cut down on travel (time and costs) and encourage more interaction between our members.

The Spring FCA General Meeting is tentatively scheduled for 18 – 19 April 2020 – put that date in your calendar now so that we get first priority for your presence... location and other details to follow shortly.

West FCA Regional Meeting is Next

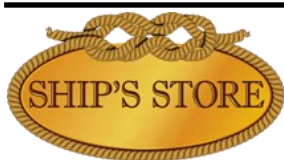
Commodore Carole Lick

As you most of you know, the FCA has reduced its general meetings from four to two, annually. Three regional meetings are taking the place of the general meetings in order to make them more convenient and meeting the needs of the regional chapters.

The SW Florida region is planning its first meeting for December 7. There is a full and valuable agenda including a session on strategic planning for clubs and a talk from special guest Tom Price who is closely involved with the America's Cup race.

The Americas Cup has changed its rules on the design of the boats. The practice model is in Pensacola instead of the East Coast, so Tom Pace from the PYC, is very involved with it.

Please contact Commodore Carole Lick if you have questions. lickc@msu.edu 734-945-3938. The meeting will take place in the morning at the Isles YC in Punta Gorda. Registration information will be on the FCA website at a later date.



**Beverly Plummer,
Quartermaster**

The Ship's store will be available during the October COW meeting at Charlotte Harbor YC. Uniform items including sleeve patches, shoulder boards, men's ties, white webbed belts and brass buckles are a few of the items stocked on a regular basis. Other items, such as name tags, blazer emblems and Men's short sleeve uniform shirts to name a few, may be custom ordered. Orders may be placed at anytime through the FCA website or directly to Quartermaster Beverly Plummer at Bevplum@cox.net.

At the October meeting the Ship's Store boutique will have numerous items that may be considered for gift giving during the Holiday Season. Please be sure to take a look at them as you start your Holiday shopping.

One of the newer items in the boutique clothing items is a ladies 3/4 sleeve solid knit envelope neck tee. (see photo) These are available in several colors and sizes and have been embroidered with a simple FCA burgee. These are great to wear to promote your FCA membership at casual club functions.

Consider giving one to another female FCA member to welcome her into the group.



The newest boutique clothing item for men is a short sleeve easy-care shirt by Port Authority. (see photo) This cotton/polyester shirt features a button down collar and buttons down the front. Available in several colors and embroidered with the FCA burgee. A long sleeve version of this shirt is available by custom order.



Yacht Club Leadership Seminar I/P/C Sam Foreman

The Leadership Resources Committee of the Florida Commodores Association has put together a great Leadership Seminar. This is a two day learning experience that provides the incoming yacht club officers, directors, or managers the tools necessary to manage their club most effectively in a complex world.

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There is still time to sign up for the Seminar by going to the FCA's website flcommodores.org. Click on the picture on the upper left hand side that also says 2019 Yacht Club Leadership Seminar and it will take you to the link to register. More information and registration forms are also available in this issue.

Whether you are moving up on your club's board or know someone who is, this is a chance to become more successful.



**P/C Kathy Champagne
P/C John Matthews**

The WAVE on Pensacola Bay

Saturday, September 7, 2019 was a beautiful day to conduct a WAVE event. The NYCP Chapter and the PYC Chapter of the FCA worked together to host the WAVE on Pensacola Bay. Gulf Coast Tents again supported the event, which was held at Pensacola Yacht Club, with their large tent, tables and chairs. Volunteers from NSNCCT "A" school who were young officers destined to become Naval Aviators arrived to serve as "Boat Buddies" for the Wounded Veterans. The local Civil Air Patrol Cadets with their leader arrived to provide additional assistance throughout the day. The Color Guard from Corry Station along with a vocalist participated in the Opening Ceremony. In addition to these volunteers from the community and local Navy facilities, members of Navy Yacht Club Pensacola and Pensacola Yacht Club assisted with the registration and sign up of Skippers and assigning Veterans to their boats.

Our guest speaker was Rear Admiral Kyle Cozad, Commanding Officer, CNET, the largest command at Naval Air Station Pensacola. RADM Cozad, himself a veteran who unfortunately broke his back in late 2017, had participated in the 2018 WAVE arriving in his wheelchair to make his presentation. He was so impressed with the WAVE and what it does for our Wounded Warriors he asked if he could return for the 2019 event.

RADM Cozad arrived at the event with his wife Amy and walked to the podium steadied only by his walker. The Opening Ceremony began with the Color Guard presenting the Colors followed by the vocalist CTN2 Shawana Penro singing a beautiful

rendition of the National Anthem. The Pledge of Allegiance followed with Welcome messages from PYC Commodore Nicole Ferry and NYCP Commodore Ken Pyle. Event Chair Kathy Champagne introduced RADM Cozad. His primary message to all those who attended the WAVE was, "Don't let anyone tell you what you can't do!". Having been told by all the doctors that attended to him following his injury that he would never walk again, he proved them wrong. He emphasized and demonstrated that YOU are the only person that should make that decision.

Following the Opening Ceremony, all the Wounded Veterans were matched with their Skippers and escorted to their boats by their "Boat Buddies". All the boats, both Sail and Power, departed the marina for a 2-hour sail on Pensacola Bay. Upon returning to the marina, all the event guests were treated to a lunch prepared by a grill team of veterans from the American Legion Post 240, Pensacola. This Post has supported the WAVE every year it has been conducted on Pensacola Bay. In addition, during the lunch period musical entertainment was provided by Jim Andrews, a local musician who donates his time and talent to the event.

There is no doubt that the Wounded American Veterans who attended this event thoroughly enjoyed the event. One such Army Veteran, Jodis Butler, heard about this event in his home state of Oklahoma and decided to drive all the way to Pensacola to attend. He told us all that he would be back next year. Thank you for your service and your sacrifice Jodis.

The WAVE is a "grassroots" FCA program that is only possible with the help of Navy Yacht Club Pensacola, Pensacola Yacht Club, and the generous support of local community members who appreciate the sacrifices made by our Military. As we all know, Freedom is not Free.





The WAVE on Pensacola Bay Saturday, September 7, 2019



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 club.

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 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 may be found on our website:

www.flcommodores.org

The location of the seminar will be:

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

The cost of the course is only \$110 (\$135 for non-members) and includes:

- ☐ Friday - Lunch
- ☐ Saturday - Lunch
- ☐ All course materials.

Special \$79 per night hotel rate applies for attendees (reservation must be made by **September 20** to insure this rate)

Hutchinson Island Plaza Hotel
1230 Seaway Drive
Fort Pierce, FL 34949
(772) 595-0711

Use Group Code - FCAT

More information about the hotel can be found at: www.hutchinsonplazahotel.com.

To reserve your place today, 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 18 - 19, 2019

Pelican Yacht Club

Fort Pierce, FL

The Leadership Seminar is an intensive two day learning experience sponsored by the Florida Commodores Association. The seminar provides everything a yacht club officer, director or manager needs 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, but 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.

The major areas covered are:

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, e-mails, 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.

Followship: How committee member and volunteer support of the club's leaders is crucial in accomplishing the goals and objectives of a successful organization.

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, costing, pricing and asset management.

Recruiting, Retention and Marketing: Recruiting new members, member retention and

membership diversity and interests is the primary way 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.

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

Your registration includes lunch on Friday and Saturday. On Friday night you may take advantage of dining at the club. We encourage attendees to use this opportunity to get together with officers and directors of other clubs affording them the opportunity to establish a network relationship 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.

Men are requested to wear slacks and collared shirts and the same appropriate attire for women to conform to the club's dress code.



Florida Commodores Association

Yacht Club Leadership Seminar Registration

**October 18 - 19, 2019
Pelican Yacht Club
Ft. Pierce, FL**

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

email: _____

Name of your yacht club: _____

Current office/position in club: _____

Chapter name, if you are a member of FCA: _____

Please enclose your check, payable to FCA, for \$110 if you are a member or \$135 if you are not a member.

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:
Hutchinson Island Plaza Hotel
1230 Seaway Drive
Fort Pierce, FL 34949
(772) 595-0711

Make sure and use/mention Group Code - FCAT to receive the discounted rate of \$79 per night.
In order to receive this rate you must make reservation by September 20.



Florida Commodores Association

Registration Form
2019 ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH
October 25 – 26, 2019

Member Name: _____

Chapter/Yacht Club: _____ Member# (FCYC Clubs): _____

Associate Name: _____ Guest Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Attending

Thursday, October 24, 2019

Shipwrecked Thursday at CHYC – ½ price drinks (Optional) _____

Friday, October 25, 2019

Cocktails & Dinner from CHYC Menu _____

Saturday, October 26, 2019

Educational Presentation _____

Buffet Lunch (Harbor Room) - \$16++ per person _____

Presentation – John Martin – Around the world cruising _____

Visit Military Heritage Museum _____

Dinner and Change of watch (Harbor Room) (See Menu) - \$35++ _____

Please return the registration form by September 30, 2019. Mail to:

Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club

4400 Lister Street

Port Charlotte, FL 33952



Florida Commodores Association

Past, Present and Future Commodores

2019 ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH

October 25 – 26, 2019

Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club

4400 Lister Street

Port Charlotte, FL 33952

941-629-5131

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 24, 2019 (Optional) –

1800 (Optional) Those who arrive on Thursday all are welcome to join us at CHYC for our “Shipwreck Thursday” weekly club event. Drinks are half price and a special menu is offered.

Friday, October 25, 2019

1200 FCA Foundation Meeting (Commodores Lounge)

1500 FCA Executive Committee Meeting (Commodores Lounge)

1800 Cocktails & Dinner from CHYC Menu (Ships Wheel and Harbor Room)(Casual attire)

Saturday, October 26, 2019

0830 - Registration and Coffee Service

0900 - Membership Meeting – (Class C Uniform) (Ballroom)

1100 - Educational Presentation – FCA Strategic Plan (Ballroom)

1200 - Buffet Lunch (Harbor Room)

1300 - Presentation – John Martin – Around the world cruising by sail (Ballroom)

1400 - Visit Military Heritage Museum – (recently opened in new expanded facility)

1800 - Cocktails (Ships Wheel)

1830 - Sundown Ceremony (Class A Uniform)

1900 - Dinner followed by Change of Watch (Class A Uniform)

Uniform:

Class C - White open collar short sleeve shirt, epaulets and soft shoulder boards, white trousers, white web belt with brass buckle, white shoes and white socks for gentlemen; white trousers, white web belt with brass buckle and white shoes for ladies. Name tag should be worn on the right pocket. No Lapel Pins

Class A - Single – breasted Navy blue blazer with white shirt, tie, white trousers, white web belt white shoes and white socks for gentlemen; white skirts and white shoes for ladies. Name tag should be worn on right side at pocket height.



Menu

Saturday Continental Breakfast

~Complimentary~

Coffee and orange juice

Fresh baked pastries

Fresh fruit

Bagels and cream cheese

Saturday Lunch Buffet

Soup du jour

Assorted sandwiches

Coleslaw

Macaroni salad

Homemade potato chips

Cookies and brownies

\$16++



Menu

Saturday Dinner

Salad

Shaved fennel, arugula, red onion, traditional scotch egg, salmon gravlax, crispy shitake mushroom, dill mustard crème fraîche dressing

Warm rolls and butter

Surf and Turf

Porcini dusted filet mignon paired with shiraz-port bordelaise sauce, Chef Ben's down south lobster cake, fresh garlic-herb gulf shrimp, and boursin corn butter sauce

Served with Duchess potato, roasted baby carrots and zucchini

Dessert

Chilled Irish whiskey zabaglione, cinnamon sauce, and fresh berries

\$35++



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101 E Retta Esplanade
Punta Gorda, FL 33950
941-639-7700
www.thewyvernhotel.com
\$167 Per Night
2.4 miles



Four Points by Sheraton

Punta Gorda Harborside
33 Tamiami Trail
Punta Gorda, FL 33950
941-637-6770
www.fourpointspuntagordaharborside.com
\$119 Per Night
2.3 miles



Sleep Inn

806 Kings Highway
Port Charlotte, FL 33980
941-979-4200
\$71.00 Per Night Standard Room
Ask for CHYC to get this block rate
4.5 miles



Microtel

4056 Tamiami Trail
Port Charlotte, FL 33952
941-624-6339
\$75.00 Per Night
0.9 miles





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Spouses and Guests!

Join us on:

Saturday, October 26, 2019 at 2:00 PM

At our Military Heritage Museum

\$8.00 per person (Group Rate)

(Address: 900 W. Marion Ave. in Punta Gorda, FL)

