



Coastal Ventures Cruise Club

FLY BRIDGE NEWS

P.O. BOX 2254
VENICE, FL 34284

MEETING TUESDAY, March 15th AT 7:30P

Bentley's Resort Hotel

1660 S. Tamiami Trail, Osprey, FL 34229 (500 yards North of the Oscar Scherer State Park and 500 yards South of Blackburn Point Road, on the West side of the main US41)

Remember, if you would like dinner, you may come to Bentley's as early as 5:30p grab a table and order drinks at special prices and dinner from our special menu. The meeting will start promptly at 7:30p.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

March is annual membership renewal. Please send your checks for \$50.00 to the PO Box or see Bobbie at the meeting.

Wonderful Useppa Weekend!!!

We all had such a great time at Useppa. Folks came by boat and car and we had 6, guests who rented accommodations on the island. We even had one couple drive down for Saturday and enjoy the luxurious launch ride to and from the Useppa dock at Bocilla. The Saturday night BBQ dinner was the best one yet.

Stump Pass Report

Joe Beima reports on the dredging progress as of last Wednesday:

IDLER motored through yesterday and found that the depth was a comfortable 8' and there were no rolling breakers in the channel.

I was able to see where the shoaling still exists on the North side of the channel but the entire charted channel appears to be clear. I know this is not the charted depth, but it is closer than it was before. They are still present on site and pumping away, so hopefully the final depth will be closer to advertised.

2011 CRUISE SCHEDULE

March 18 – 20th – Twin Dolphins Marina, Bradenton – Mike and Julie Zender are our leaders. We currently have 10 boats signed up and room for more. Dockage \$1.50 per foot plus electric, free bag of ice per day, discounts to the museum and a \$20 gift certificate to Mattison's Riverside.

The following people have signed up for the cruise:

Joe & Marie Beima, Joe & Pat Fanciulli, Hardy and Annmarie Gersbach, Ron & Judy Lambert, Bob & Carol Lehrman, Frank & Sara Metheny, Bill Owens and Maryann Simon, Don & Linda Sussman, Bob & Christy Wiggs, Mike & Julie Zender

NOTE: IF YOU ARE SIGNED UP OR WANT TO GO:

Please call the marina and give them a credit card number – 941-747-8300

Twin Dolphins is a Boat US marina and offers the fuel discount.

South Seas Resort – April 29 – May 1 – The South Seas Cruise, organized by Christy & Bob Wiggs, Andrea and Paul Bekkenhuis and Val and Martin Turner, promises to be an outstanding event. Currently 24 boats have signed up. Please spread the word that more boats can still attend if they act quickly. **WE MUST RELEASE UNUSED DOCK SPACE AT THE END OF MARCH.**

To reserve your dock space, fill out a Marina Reservation Form and return it directly to Charles Martz at South Seas via email or fax: Fax: 239-472-7511, Email: cmartz@luxuryresorts.com Phone: 888-777-3625.

A barbeque will be held dockside on Friday night following docktails at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Val and Martin Turner are adding a Royal Wedding twist to the evening. Pool cabanas are reserved for our use on Saturday and Sunday.

A few things to note:

RATE: a flat group rate of \$2.25/ft LOL with a 30' minimum from April 29th to May 2nd.

POWER: Additional daily charge for power is: 30 amp \$5.00, 50 amp \$8.00, 100 amp \$20.00

CANCELLATION POLICY: Reservations can be canceled up to 3 days prior to arrival date, after that, you will be charged one night's dockage.

The following people have signed up for the cruise:

Monti Asti & Maureen O'Neill, Paul & Adnrea Bekkenhuis, Joe & Marie Beima, Glenn & Pami Davis, Joe & Pat Fanciulli, John & Bobbie Hanna, Mike & Mary Hewes Roger & Marlene Haviland, Tom & Barb Hurley, Jeff & Elizabeth Kilbourne, Ron & Judy Lambert, Bob & Carol Lehrman, Pierre & Kathy McCormick, Frank & Sara Metheny, Bill & Judy Muller, Michael & Lynn Nemser, Don & Linda Schillinger, Deke

& Meninda Short, Don & Linda Sussman, Bob & Sharon Tritschler
Martin & Val Turner, Cindy Watson & Rod Jacobson
Bob & Christy Wiggs, Mike & Julie Zender

Memorial Day Weekend – May 37 – 30th – Hyatt Sarasota Due to the spiraling cost of fuel we have been concerned about another long cruise for the Memorial Day Weekend. The Hyatt Dockmaster contacted me last week offering the entire marina for the weekend as a large, annual group cancelled. We still have Tarpon Point booked, but we can cancel and move to the Hyatt if the membership is in agreement. We need to give the Hyatt a count by March 27th or they will release the space and start taking one-off reservations. Let's discuss at the meeting. Please email me any comments and if you would like to sign up.

June - No cruise planned at this point. Several members have asked that we again have a club Picnic. Jeff and Elizabeth Kilbourne have been looking into organizing an Anchor Out event. Let's discuss this at the meeting.

July 4th Weekend – Legacy Harbor – Turk and Anita Hemseri and Deke and Melinda Short will lead us to Legacy Harbour for the second year in a row. We have cemented our club's relationship with this marina and look forward to a special weekend.

August 5 – 7th – Longboat Key Moorings – We have secured the Longboat Key Yacht Club building and area and all of "A" dock for this weekend. More to follow. **We are in need of a cruise leader.**

Labor Day Weekend – September 2 – 5th – Palm Island Marina – John and Bobbie Hanna and Glenn and Pammi Davis are our leaders. We have reserved the Palm Island Marina for a four day weekend beginning on Friday, September 2nd through September 5th. As always, there are all the amenities available, including rental condos available for guests. We always have a great time at Palm Island.

We have signed Kim Jenkins up to be our entertainment again this year. This should be a great evening.

October 21 – 23rd – Hyatt Sarasota – We have reserved the Hyatt Sarasota for a "close in" weekend. **We are in need of a cruise leader.**

November 11 – 13th – Tween Waters – This will be our first club visit to Tween Waters and they are hoping for a long lasting relationship with us.

This is a great resort with an “Old Florida” feel. We are in need of a cruise leader.

Tuesday, December 13th – CVCC Holiday Party – This is a penciled in date for our annual Holiday Party. No venue has been selected or arrangements made as of this time. Cindy Watson and Christy Wiggs have agreed to head the committee.

New Year’s Eve Weekend – December 30 – January 1 – Sarasota Hyatt- The Hyatt again is giving us the whole marina and all 22 slips for our use. **We are in need a Holiday Party committee.**