

Tarpon Point Lobster Clambake Cruise

OCTOBER 5-7, 2018



Cruise Leaders:

Debbie and Bill Lussier

Marlin Striker – 207-703-8862

Co-Leaders

Whit and Mary Ann Courtenay

Argonaut – 502-551-2013

SFYC Cruising VHF Channel 72

In case of a cardiac emergency **the AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) will be located at the helm of Courtenay's boat "Argonaut"**. There is an additional AED on Marlin Striker in the cabinet behind the salon chair.

❖ **Marlin Striker is in slip #197 which is on the transient dock (G) behind the Nauti Mermaid, Westin Hotel Bar.**

The cruise leaders will handle all dock tips.

Cruise Participants

Debbie & Bill Lussier	Marlin Striker	Debbie 207 703-8862 Bill 603 235-5526
Whit and Maryann Courtenay	Argonaut	Whit 502-551-2013 Mary Ann 502-551-9898
Ron & Jan Austin	Janine Marie	Ron 310-600-0102 Jan 310-503-0999
Rich & Kris Weiner	Utopia	Rich 239-910-6133 Kris 239-699-2174
Jim & Bonnie Barnhart	Serenity Found	Jim 678-777-0355 Bonnie 239-634-8936
Len & Chris Burger	Christina	Len 239-464-2051 Chris 239-464-4260
David & Gail Bernstein	Tonto's Reward	David 512-297-6783 Gail 512-659-6674
Rick & Lindsey Scheinert	Rock On	Rick 239-464-8753 Lindsey 239-839-2400
Ed & Shirley Hatter	Mad Hatter	Ed 239-851-1084 Shirley 239-849-2133
Harvey & Alina Steele	Steele Away	Harvey 239-671-8887 Alina 248-875-6319
Chuck & Paula Williamsen	Yknot	Chuck 239-218-4657 Paula 239-218-9267
John & Peggy Davis	Mahalo	John 239-898-4080 Peggy 239-293-3201
Edie & Jim Limbright	Never Mind	Jim 313-410-4666 Edie 313-938-1333
Bob & Sue Fischer	Fender Bender	Bob 715-209-2077 Sue 715-209-0236

NOTES:

- ✓ **Bring easy to carry chairs. The Lobster Clambake and Sunset events are a walk from the boats.**
- ✓ **Bring your Corn Hole game or other lawn games**

Daily Events

Friday, October 5th

- If you wish to travel with another boat, please plan with another participating club member.
- Arrival at Tarpon Point Marina after 11:00 AM. Their checkout is 11:00 AM.
 - Tarpon Point Marina: Latitude N26.32.4, Longitude S082.00.060
 - Hail Tarpon Point Marina on VHF Channel 16 as you turn into the channel from the Intercoastal waterway at Red Marker 92. You will then be asked to switch and answer **VHF channel 18**.
- Dinner at Pavilion which is located on the opposite site of the marina from our docks behind Southwest Florida Yacht Sales building. Dinner will be provided by your hosts beginning at 5:30 pm. Please bring your own drinks and chairs.

Saturday, October 6th

- Join us with your chairs and drinks as the preparation and cooking process will begin around 12:00 PM. Learn as we go what it takes to prepare a Downeast Maine Lobster Clambake. We will explain and demonstrate each step along the way. You can even send “your” lobster to the pot if you wish. When we are ready to eat, we will teach you how to open and eat your lobster. Please come prepared to dig in and get dirty. That’s part of the fun!
 - Member Guests: Hal and Gail West, Fletch and Barb Reynolds
- Following a late lunch, feel free to browse the shops or meet poolside to relax and savor the rest of the afternoon.
- Dinner, if you need it, is on your own.
- Sunset – 7:09 PM. Join us at about 6:30 PM at the end of H dock with your chair and a drink to watch the sunset over the bay.

Sunday, October 7th

- Depart from Tarpon Point Marina at your leisure. The official checkout time is 11:00 AM.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA YACHT CLUB

CRUISING CUSTOMS AND GUIDELINES

We, as members in good standing of the Southwest Florida Yacht Club, pledge to set an example as safe, knowledgeable, competent, and courteous boater whenever and wherever we cruise. Keeping this in mind, adherence to the following Customs and Guidelines is requested:

Planning

- 1) Only those vessels owned or controlled by regular members in good standing of the SFYC, can participate in club sanctioned cruises. Guests are allowed on such vessels, but the Cruise Leader(s) must be notified.
- 2) **Guest Code of Conduct:** Boat captains will be held responsible for the conduct of their guests and their expenses. Guests are expected to attend all scheduled prepaid activities. Should guests be unable to attend activities, they must inform their captain who will notify the Cruise Leaders. Refunds will be made consistent with the Cruise and Boating Financial Policies document.
- 3) Attend all skippers' meetings. Review trip plans, charts, way points, tides, etc. prior to leaving the dock. You may be asked to lead or may have to reach a location on your own.
- 4) Prior to cruise embarkation date, you must notify Cruise Leaders if you will be late or plan to leave the cruise early.
- 5) If one or more vessels intend to leave port earlier than the planned time, they must notify the Cruise Leaders.
- 6) Vessels should be serviced and in good, safe working condition, with the appropriate spare parts for the length and destination of the cruise. Have all navigation equipment and VHF radios working properly.

Cruising

- 7) Cruisers must give proper respect to the Cruise Leaders' decisions while on the Cruise.
- 8) Utilize all possible courtesy when passing another vessel. A large wake can cause injuries and have a negative effect on the reputation of you, your vessel and the Southwest Florida Yacht Club. **REMEMBER you are legally responsible for any injury or damage caused by your wake.**
- 9) Always monitor VHF Channel 16 and the assigned "working" channel while engines are running. After docking, keep your radio on in order to assist other incoming vessels – until all vessels have arrived.
SPECIAL NOTE: FCC bans excessive "chit-chat" on all channels. None is permitted on Channel 16. While on SFYC cruises, keep your radio on LOW power, since high power can tie up the channel for a 30-mile radius.
- 10) Never follow another vessel too closely, especially into a marina channel or harbor. Leave sufficient room for vessels to maneuver and sufficient time for dock personnel to secure boats. The Cruise Leader or marina personnel may ask you to wait outside the entrance channel until called in to dock. Please follow their instructions.
- 11) When entering a marina or harbor, have all docking lines properly secured to your vessel and ready to deploy. Have fenders and boat hook ready.
- 12) If you will require fuel to continue the cruise, fuel upon arrival, or make certain that fuel will be available the next morning substantially in advance of the scheduled departure time.

Docked

- 13) After docking and securing your vessel, be prepared to assist other SFYC vessels prior to connecting power, water lines, cable or wash down.
- 14) If invited to another vessel for drinks, it is SFYC custom to bring your first drink.
- 15) When there is a scheduled cocktail party during a cruise, any private party must cease in time to attend the cruise party.
- 16) Wear your SFYC name tags at the direction of the Cruise Leader.
- 17) Cruise Leaders are responsible for tipping the dockmaster and his assistants. They have already budgeted and collected funds prior to the cruise. Do not tip individually.

18) While pets are always welcome on SFYC sanctioned cruises, owners must abide by the existing regulations governing pets at host clubs/marinas. This includes, compliance with local leash laws, use of designated pet areas, clean-up and so forth. **See the SFYC Pet Etiquette section included below for more detailed information.**

Funds, Refunds and Deposits

19) Deposits and refunds will be made per the Cruise and Boating Financial Policies document.

20) You may be asked to give more funds to cover unexpected costs that are more than originally budgeted.

Thank you. We hope you have many safe and enjoyable cruises with the SFYC.

Pet Etiquette

1. When on a cruise, most marinas have rules, please follow them.
 2. State of Florida prohibits pets on pool decks and in pools for sanitary reasons.
 3. Please use designated waste areas and pick-up all waste and dispose of it properly.
 4. At any docktails, meals, parties, etc. please do not allow your pet by the food, hot grills, or on tables and chairs.
 5. Keep the noise level of your pet to a minimum.
 6. It is your responsibility to keep your dog on a leash and under control, please do so. Do not tie them to a tree and leave.
 7. Certain individuals have many good reasons for not wanting to interact with our pets. Please respect their wishes.
 8. Many individuals do not understand the companionship owners have with their pets. Don't automatically think they are welcome at every social event.
 9. A service dog, as defined by the Americans With Disabilities Act as "any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability" has access to anywhere their handler goes.
- We hope these rules will make for a pleasant cruise for pet owners, cruisers and our loved pets.

Disclaimer

This statement constitutes a legal disclaimer for all advice contained in this booklet, conveyed verbally or disseminated by these Cruise Leaders. The old sailor's adage, "Never rely on someone else's charts, advice or direction" is certainly applicable here. You and you alone are the keeper of your soul, sometimes your mate, and always your vessel.

The information contained herein might be acceptable. The coordinates may be close but not exact. The courses may be close but not exact. In fact, neither may even be close. Study your own charts and make your own calculations and act accordingly. There are undoubtedly mistakes in the proposed courses and waypoints. There may even be errors. If so, they are unintentional and not deliberate.

Your Cruise Leaders wish you Godspeed, smooth waters and whatever else would be appropriate under the circumstances.

Additional information may be found in the SFYC Boater's Guide on the website.