

FLORIDA COUNCIL OF YACHT CLUBS GENERAL MEETING

May 15-16, 2026





COMMODORE'S LETTER



Kevin McCabe

PIYC Commodore

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Florida Council of Yacht Club Flag Officers and Committee Chairs, Commodores, Directors, Alternate Directors and Managers of FCYC Member Yacht Clubs:

Pelican Isle Yacht Club is honored to host the May 2026 FCYC General Meeting. Our Officers, Directors, Members, and Staff look forward to welcoming you to our beautiful Club.

This marks a meaningful chapter in PIYC's history. As we approach our 30th anniversary, we are also celebrating the completion of nearly \$25 million in island-wide restoration efforts following Hurricanes Ian, Helene, and Milton over the past four years.

We hope you will enjoy the intimate beauty of our facilities and, more importantly, experience the pride and dedication of our Members and Staff throughout this remarkable journey. It will be our pleasure to share the camaraderie and hospitality that define Pelican Isle Yacht Club.

Sincerely,

Kevin McCabe
Commodore
Pelican Isle Yacht Club



Friday, May 15th

3pm-5:30pm | Pre-Registration

5:30pm | Cocktails & Executive Reception

6:30pm | Italian Buffet & Live Entertainment

Saturday, May 16th

8am | Registration & Continental Breakfast

12pm | Directors Lunch

1pm | Directors Meeting

2:30pm | General Meeting

5pm | Cocktails & Evening Colors Ceremony

6pm | Dinner Dance

WELCOME





FRIDAY, MAY 15TH

3-5:30pm

Pre-Registration

*Clubhouse Reception
Yacht Club Casual*

Members are welcome to pre-register and pick up their Welcome Packet upon arrival for event details and materials.

5:30pm

Cocktails

*Dockside Grill
Yacht Club Casual*

Join us for the Cocktail Hour for refreshments and conversation with fellow Members.

6:30pm

Italian Buffet

*Dockside Grill & Quarterdeck Dining Room
Yacht Club Casual*

Enjoy an evening of Italian favorites at our classic Italian buffet, featuring a variety of traditional dishes and live entertainment for a festive night of great food, music, and fun!

Executive Reception

*Privateer Room
Yacht Club Casual*

FCYC Leadership connects prior to the general cocktail hour and dinner in an intimate setting.

8:06pm

Sunset

Don't miss the sun setting over Wiggins Pass and the Gulf!





SATURDAY, MAY 16TH

8am

Registration & Breakfast

*Dockside Grill / Portside Patio
Yacht Club Casual Attire*

Start your day with a light and refreshing Continental Breakfast, perfect for mingling and enjoying a morning treat.

12pm

Directors Lunch

*Quarterdeck
Yacht Club Casual Attire*

Join us for lunch with interactive food stations where you can create your own meal to suit your taste.

1pm

Directors Meeting

*Quarterdeck
Summer Whites*

Discuss council updates, review key topics and collaborate on upcoming initiatives.

2:30pm

General Meeting

*Quarterdeck
Summer Whites*

Great opportunity to meet Boaters from other Yacht Clubs.

- Collier County Mosquito Control
- Captain Justin Paulauskis

5pm

Cocktails & Evening Colors

*Dockside Grill & Pool Deck
Semi-Formal*

Join us for Cocktail Hour, then step out to the Pool Deck to enjoy Evening Colors - the perfect start to your evening.

6pm

Dinner Dance

*Dockside Grill / Quarterdeck
Semi-Formal*

Enjoy an unforgettable evening with live performances by *Billy Dean & Dawn*, paired with a delicious dinner and dancing.



GUEST SPEAKERS

At our upcoming General Meeting, we'll explore the coastal environment that defines and enhances the Yacht Club experience. The discussion will highlight our coastal and estuary ecosystems, with special focus on the vital role mangroves play in protecting and sustaining these unique areas. Continue the experience beyond the speaker session with one of our optional excursions!

We are also pleased to welcome a guest speaker from the Collier Mosquito Control District, who will provide insight into modern mosquito management strategies. Learn how targeted aerial applications and industry best practices help maintain comfortable, accessible conditions for boaters, waterfront residents, and all who enjoy life on the water.



Justin Paulauskis

PIYC Waterfront Coordinator

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Captain Justin has proudly called Southwest Florida home for over 20 years, growing up in Fort Myers Beach after originally moving from Chicago. A graduate of St. Leo University with a degree in Communications and Business Management, he has dedicated his career to environmental education and conservation. He is a U.S. Coast Guard Master Captain, an ACA-certified kayak instructor, a graduate of the Florida Master Naturalist Program, and has completed the Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve Environmental Education Program, in addition to serving on the Town of Fort Myers Beach Marine Resources Task Force. With his passion for the outdoors and engaging style, Captain Justin brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to every PIYC waterfront experience. Before introducing our Guest Speaker, Captain Justin will speak about the Cocohatchee Estuary right in our backyard.



GUEST SPEAKERS



We welcome Collier County Mosquito Control District to talk about mosquitoes, treating for them, aerial spraying, the latest technology and the environment that we (and mosquitoes) so enjoy.



The mission of the District is to provide valuable service to the community through suppression of both disease carrying and nuisance mosquito populations by and through the safest and most economical means available. The District utilizes a variety of methods (Integrated Mosquito Management) in a manner consistent with the highest level of safety and minimal adverse impact on humans, wildlife, the environment and non-target organisms.





SCHEDULED DINING

Friday, May 15th | Italian Buffet

\$40++ Per Person

**Selection of Italian Soup, Salads,
Antipasto and Cold Hors d'oeuvres**

Chef Attended Pasta Station

Craft your own pasta as it is prepared
by a member of our Culinary Team.

Italian favorites including Chicken
Parmesan and Sausage & Peppers.

Saturday, May 16th | Coastal Breakfast

\$16++ Per Person

Enjoy breakfast pastry, fresh fruits, juices and
grab and go options before a day in the sunshine!

Saturday, May 16th | Directors Lunch

\$35++ Per Person

Soups, build your own Sandwiches, Salads,
and a Panini Station for a hearty Club lunch.

SATURDAY DINNER DANCE



Spend the evening with *Billy Dean & Dawn* for a night of live music,
delicious dining, and dancing - an evening you won't want to miss!

Saturday, May 16th | Dinner Dance

\$65++ Per Person

Final Menu will be Posted Soon

Selection of Hand Passed Hors d'oeuvres

Sailor's Salad

PIYC Surf & Turf

Dancing and Dessert

Billy Dean & Dawn

Kindly advise upon registration for the event if you have any
dietary preferences, sensitives or allergies. Our Staff works
diligently to accommodate requests with proper advance notice.



THINGS TO DO AT THE CLUB

Based on your schedule and interest, we invite you to select one of the following activities during your visit. Kindly note that pre-registration is required.

9am



THE *PELICAN* BEACH SHUTTLE

Saturday, May 16th

Backwater Cruise (9am): Hop aboard the *Pelican* Shuttle as we explore the surrounding waterways, watch for wildlife, and take in the natural beauty of the mangroves!

Barefoot Beach Access: Every hour on the hour from 10am-3pm. Last pick-up at 4pm.

10am



KAYAK OUTING

Saturday, May 16th

10am-11am

Join Captain Justin for a guided paddle through the nearby winding mangrove tunnels, one of the hidden gems of our coastal ecosystem!

11am



BOCCE CLINIC

Saturday, May 16th

11am-12pm

Discover the game of Bocce in this beginner-friendly clinic designed to be both social and instructional!

PELICAN ISLE YACHT CLUB STORY



Situated at the edge of Wiggins Pass, where mangrove estuaries meet The Gulf, Pelican Isle Yacht Club was born of both vision and perseverance. In the early 1990s, a 15-acre waterfront parcel—shaped by tidal flow, shallow drafts, and sensitive environmental habitat—became the foundation for what would grow into Southwest Florida’s Yacht Club of Choice.

From the outset, geography defined both opportunity and challenge. The Marina’s development required extensive regulatory review and environmental scrutiny due to concerns over seagrasses, estuary health, and the shallow waters of Wiggins Pass. Ultimately, the Operating and Construction Permits were issued and building began on what would become a Clubhouse, the Marina, and three independent Condominium buildings.



For its first decade, the Club was developer-led, with a focus on building Membership and creating an atmosphere of hospitality and celebration. As Membership grew, so did the desire for member governance. By 2008, after careful negotiation and transition planning, control formally shifted to the Membership and a Board-led governance structure, standing committees and bylaws were firmly established. This transition marked a defining evolution - from vision-driven development to Member-driven stewardship.

Almost immediately, the newly independent Club faced adversity. The 2008 recession brought financial strain, declining Membership, and difficult decisions. Yet a committed core remained, strengthening bonds of friendship and reinforcing a culture of shared responsibility. The experience forged a resilient identity that would serve the Club well in the years ahead.



By the mid-2010s, attention turned to modernization. Recognizing changing lifestyles and expectations, the Club embarked on the *20/20 Renewal Project* - a comprehensive renovation that expanded casual dining, enhanced fitness and social spaces, upgraded the kitchen, and improved outdoor amenities overlooking Wiggins Pass. Membership approved the project, financing was responsibly structured, and the Club temporarily closed to complete construction. When it reopened in early 2018, Membership increased and the Club entered a renewed era of relevance and vitality, with both Pickleball and Bocce rapidly adding to the rich activity offerings and social engagement.



Even during renovation, nature tested the Club's resolve. Hurricane Irma in 2017 delayed reopening and flooded the Lower Level. The Members salvaged an abbreviated 2018 Season and strategic planning followed, strengthening financial reserves and improving Marina occupancy year over year.



In 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic temporarily closed the Club for six weeks and required operational adaptations. Yet the Club's waterfront setting - open air, boating lifestyle, and expanded outdoor spaces - proved uniquely suited to a world seeking connection and safe gathering. Membership grew, a waitlist was established, and lifestyle programming flourished.



The most severe test came in September 2022 when Hurricane Ian delivered an 11-foot surge - the highest in a century - destroying the Marina, flooding the lower level, damaging seawalls, landscaping, elevators, and sports courts. Restoration required significant investment, careful financial planning and extraordinary coordination. Within months, contracts were signed to rebuild; by late 2023, yachts returned to newly constructed slips. The Lower Level was deliberately redesigned with improved mitigation measures, reopening in 2025.



Just as recovery was nearing completion, Hurricanes Helene and Milton struck in 2024, again testing the Club's endurance. Cleanup and restoration followed swiftly, and by early 2025 the Island had returned to full function and beauty. Across three decades, Pelican Isle Yacht Club has evolved from a waterfront development into a mature, Member-governed institution shaped by prudent leadership, disciplined financial stewardship and an enduring sense of camaraderie. Its history reflects not only construction and renovation, but adaptation - balancing environmental realities, economic cycles and natural disasters with thoughtful governance and a clear strategic vision.



Defined by its setting along Wiggins Pass and sustained by the commitment of its Membership, Pelican Isle Yacht Club stands as a testament to resilience. Through turnover, recession, renovation, pandemic and hurricanes, it has continued to fulfill its mission: *enhancing the lives of its Members through a relaxed waterfront lifestyle grounded in enduring friendship and shared experience.*



OUR VISION MISSION AND VALUES

Vision Statement

Pelican Isle Yacht Club strives to be the Yacht Club of choice in Southwest Florida.

Mission Statement

Pelican Isle Yacht Club enhances the lives of our Members, creating a Relaxed Waterfront Lifestyle with Unparalleled Camaraderie.

www.piyc.net

Club Values

Tradition: We honor the social and maritime traditions of our founding Members and the larger boating community, celebrating events that are unique to our nautical culture.

Boating Culture: Boating is at the heart of our identity and the Marina is central to who we are.

Evolution: We continue to evolve and improve, exceeding the expectations of our current Members while attracting future Members and maintaining ties to our past.

Camaraderie: We treasure our relationships and seek to build new ones, welcoming new Members with enthusiasm and warmth.

Informality: We enjoy an elegant but relaxed environment where we participate in a casual waterfront lifestyle.

Engagement: We are an active Membership, engaged in social, cruising, dining, and lifestyle programs. New and longtime Members alike support the growth and governance of our Club.

Professionalism: We recruit and retain high caliber staff who are excellent in their roles and respected in their professional circles.

Enjoyment: We belong to Pelican Isle Yacht Club to enjoy the beautiful natural surroundings, the professional service, the extraordinary amenities, superior dining, and the close knit community of active boaters and Members.

MEET

the Club Leadership



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DICK HOBBS
FCYC Director



KEVIN MCCABE
Commodore



TOM LACHNER
Alternate FCYC Director



JEFF CARR
Vice Commodore & Club Secretary



KATHY MURRAY
Rear Commodore



JACK KANE
Immediate Past Commodore



STEVE BIEGACKI
Director



BRYAN DIXON
Director



BRIAN HOTAREK
Director & Club Treasurer



DENZIL SAMUELS
Director



STEVE SATTLER
Director



JIM SWIFT
Director

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the Team



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Administration



RYAN
Membership Sales
Director



PERLA
Membership
Coordinator



TISH
Chief Financial Officer



GISELLE
Assistant Controller



ANAMARIA
Club Accountant

Marina & Amenity Services



JAKE
Director of
Marine Services



CONNOR
Dockmaster



JUSTIN
Waterfront
Coordinator



ALI
General
Manager



KENDALL
Director of
Operations



ELISABETH
Member Services
Coordinator



CAMRYN
Events & Experiences
Coordinator



ALYSSA
Communications &
Marketing Specialist



GIO
Lifestyle
Coordinator



GUILLERMO
Facilities Supervisor



SEBASTIAN
Facilities



HOLLY
Housekeeping



BECKY
Housekeeping



ELMAS
Housekeeping



SHAWNNA
Housekeeping

Food & Beverage



DAWNMARIE
Director of
Food & Beverage



MARIA
Seasonal Dining
Room Supervisor



CORINA
Seasonal Dining
Room Supervisor



NECSON
Head
Bartender



ROGER
Executive Chef



JASON
Executive Sous Chef



KENRIC
Sous Chef



TRANSITO
Line Cook



KEVIN
Line Cook



ANTHONY
Prep Cook

*Southwest Florida
welcomes you!*



THINGS TO DO AROUND SWFL



Step into the charm of Old Florida at Wonder Gardens in nearby Bonita Springs. This historic roadside attraction features lush botanical gardens and rescued wildlife, including flamingos, alligators and exotic birds. Stroll shaded pathways, explore tropical plant collections, and enjoy an up-close look at native and rehabilitated animals in a peaceful, family-friendly setting. It's a delightful outing for nature lovers of all ages!



Mercato



Naples
Zoo



Coconut
Point



Naples Botanical
Gardens

NEARBY HOTELS

5 min



Perry Hotel

**12155 Tamiami Trail North | Naples, Florida 34110
(239) 423-9000**

This Boutique Hotel offers world class amenities including a seventh floor rooftop bar and restaurant that offers a panoramic view of the Cocohatchee River.

6 min



LaQuinta Inn & Suites

**28600 Trails Edge Blvd | Bonita Springs, FL 34134
(239) 495-9255**

Minutes from Barefoot Beach and Bonita Beach, with easy access to nearby attractions. Guests can enjoy comfortable rooms along with convenient amenities!

9 min



Hampton Inn

**27900 Crown Lake Blvd | Bonita Springs, FL 34135
(239) 947-9393**

Features modern guest rooms and an outdoor pool. Prime location near Gulf beaches, shopping, and dining!

12 min



Trianon Bonita Bay

**3401 Bay Commons Drive | Bonita Springs, FL 34134
(239) 948-4400**

This Boutique Hotel offers scenic views of Bonita Bay and the Promenade. Just minutes from local shopping, beaches, and area attractions!

GETTING TO PIYC

By Car

Pelican Isle Yacht Club

410 Dockside Drive | Naples, Florida 34110

239-566-1606 | memberservices@piyc.net

By
Land



PIYC is easily reached via Interstate 75 or US 41. Your navigation app of choice can suggest the best route based on traffic and point of origin. We are a gated island, but registered Guests will be expected and granted access upon arrival. Parking is available near the Clubhouse immediately inside the gate.

By Boat

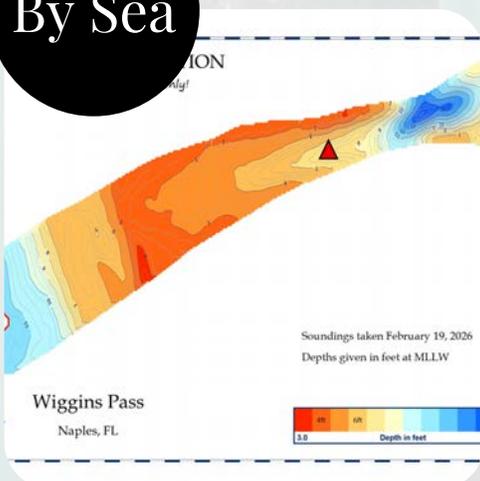
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VHF CH 16 / 68 | [Wiggins Pass Soundings](#)

239-566-1606 | dockmaster@piyc.net

By
Sea



Please contact Marina Staff prior to planning your visit for transient slip availability and updated information on local waterways.

Boat Slips:

- Floating Slips
- Fixed Slips can accommodate lift

FL Submerged Land:

- ⚓ N69-N86
- ⚓ W1-W46
- ⚓ S1-S46



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Marina can accommodate vessels up to 55 feet LOA and drafts up to 4.5 feet





EVENT REGISTRATION

To help us prepare for your visit and ensure a seamless experience, we kindly ask that all Clubs complete the required online **Event Registration Form** in advance of the event.

[Click Here to Submit Your Online Event Registration Form](#)

TRANSIENT DOCKAGE REQUEST

If you plan to arrive by boat, please complete our **Transient Dockage Request Form** to provide your vessel information. Dockage is limited to vessels 40-55', with a maximum stay of two nights due to operating permits. All requests must be reviewed and confirmed by a member of our Marina Team.

[Click Here to Submit Your Transient Dockage Request](#)

All registrations and dockage requests must be submitted no later than April 30th.



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