

Hudson Beach Yacht Club

Cruising Schedule 2012

February, 2012

Crystal River Manatee Cruise Feb 10 - 13th

Highlights: Cruise to a great natural area. Swim or kayak with the manatees, who are "in residence" in February. Dinner with friends. Great for Land Cruisers too!

Cruise Director: Don Himes



March

Spring "Get Rid of Winter Blues" Cruise: March 10 - 11th

Highlights: A short cruise to a local area to get the winter blues out.

Cruise Director: Peter Wierzbicki

April

Northern Explorer's Cruise: Leaving April 9th for about 2 weeks.

Highlights: In depth exploration of the Big Bend area, with stops at Cedar Key, Steinhatchee, St. Marks, Carabelle, and Apalachicola. Route will be determined by cruise participants.

Cruise Director: Peter Wierzbicki or alt.

Girl's Night Out: April 21 - 22nd

Highlights: Ladies sail to Anclote Key or alternative; discuss the true meaning of relationships and life, solve world problems, and enjoy the serenity of feminine company.

Cruise Director: TBA

May

Southern Explorer's Cruise: Sailing May 6th for about 2 weeks.

Highlights: Exploration of our southern shores, with the ultimate destination of Marathon, in the Keys. Anchorages and marinas to be decided by participants. From Marathon, local ground and water transportation to Key West or the Dry Tortugas, or visit them by sea independently on the return.

Cruise Director: TBA



Club Overnighter: May 19-20

Highlights: Quick sociable cruise to Anclote area.

Cruise Director: TBA

Memorial Day "Big City" Cruise: May 26 to 28 or 29th

Highlights: Easy cruise down to Clearwater. Anchor at your favorite spot, or dock at Clearwater Municipal Marina for those seeking creature comforts. Dinner at local restaurant. Good possibilities for land cruisers too!

Cruise Director: TBA

June

Club Overnighter: June 9 - 10

Highlights: Quick sociable cruise to Anclote area.

Cruise Director: TBA

Summer "Sailstice" All Night Sail: June 23 to 24

Highlights: Celebrate the longest days of the year! Sharpen your night sailing skills with an overnight sail. Leave 18:00, return Sunday 06:00, just in time for a social breakfast.

Cruise Director: TBA

July

July 4th "Quicky" Cruise: July 3 - 4 or 5

Highlights: Hey, it's on a Wednesday this year! Let's celebrate with trip to Three Rookers for picnics on the beach, fireworks watching, and sociable company.

Cruise Director: TBA

Club Overnighter: July 7 - 8

Highlights: This could be a continuation of the July 4th cruise for those who aren't working. Local area.

Cruise Director: TBA

August

Mariner's Choice Night: August 18 - 19

Highlights: Got to get on the water! Participant's choice of another "All Night Sail", or a quick trip to cool off at Anclote.

Cruise Director: TBA

September

Labor Day Gecko Fest: August 31 - Sept 4

Highlights: Gecko Fest in Gulfport is a great event for a holiday weekend. Anchor outside of the town dock, or dockage at very friendly Municipal Marina. Group dinner also available for land cruisers. Folks short on time, continue home on Sept 4th, or others continue with:

Tampa Bay Explorer: Sept 4 - 11

Highlights: We're already here, so let's visit Tampa Bay and Sarasota Bay in depth. Since it's occasionally hot, we'll focus on marinas in both bays. Those shore power air conditioners will keep us cool!

Cruise Director: For both cruises: TBA

Club Midweek Overnights: Sept 17 - 20

Highlights: Let's try something different! This is a midweek cruise to Caladesi Island Marina. Peace and quiet guaranteed!

Cruise Director: TBA

October

Club Overnighter: Oct 13 - 14

Highlights: Last real chance for a casual overnighter with friends.

Cruise Director: TBA

Charlotte Harbor/ Pine Island Sound Exploration: Oct 27 - Nov 11 or so.



Highlights: Let's start out with the Caladesi Cannon Ball Run, then visit Englewood, Charlotte, Cayo Costa, Useppa Island, Pine Island Sound, etc. Those interested can visit the SandBlast Festival at Ft. Meyers Beach on either November 3rd or 10th, depending on their event scheduling.

Cruise Director: TBA