



**Monthly Meeting**



**December Luncheon**

*There is not a luncheon  
in December.*

*Instead*

*We will be  
getting together*

*for our  
Holiday Party  
on 12/8/12*

*At The W Hotel!*

*See page 5*

**2012 Officers & Chairs**

- Skipper: Captain Karentz
- First Mate: Matthew Valcourt
- Yeoman: Kristene Lundblad
- Purser: Charles Davant
- Bosun: Terry Jones
- Program: Brian Emond
- Activities: Arlene Weicher
- Historian: Elaine Frawley
- Seminar Chair: David Gambach



# 23rd Annual Marine Seminar was a HUGE Success!

Our 23rd Annual Marine Seminar was held October 23-24, 2012 at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Pier 66. It started off with a well attended golf tournament held at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club. Later in the day we had a packed house for the Meet the Speakers Reception, where guests, sponsors and speakers mixed and mingled the night away! Wednesday morning started early with a 7 am breakfast before the program started at 8am!

The day was filled with many informative and memorable presentations by our esteemed speakers and included a keynote speech by Ft. Lauderdale Mayor Jack Seiler! Even the effects of approaching Hurricane Sandy couldn't dampen the mood of all involved as we wrapped up the day with the Post Seminar Cocktail party, which was held outside in the Pier 66 courtyard.

A Big Thank You to our seminar committee, sponsors and volunteers! Without your countless hours and fierce dedication this seminar would not be possible. Warning: Resignation from this elite team will result in immediate expulsion from our club! :)





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### Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST:

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**"YOU BET I'M GOING  
BACK TO SEA!"**

Register at your nearest U.S. Employment Service Office  
**U.S. MERCHANT MARINE**  
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*This 1942 poster commissioned by the War Shipping Administration encouraged a specific mission, designed to attract former seamen back into the Merchant Marine. At the time, American shipyards were producing cargo ships faster than crews could be assembled, forcing recruiters to rely not only on new volunteers, but also to persuade experienced mariners to leave retirement and go back to sea.*



## Anyone for sushi? Fisherman catches 1,000lb tuna (that'll make 20,000 servings with rice)

By [Sarah Johnson](#)

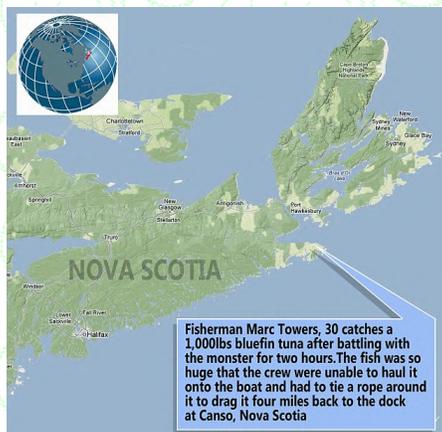
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One fisherman landed the catch of his life after he reeled in an enormous bluefin tuna that weighed a whopping 1,000lbs. Marc Towers, 30, wrestled with the huge fish for two hours before he pulled it to the surface of the water off the coast of Canso in Nova Scotia. It was worth the effort and the wait as it is expected to sell for £20,000 in Japan and make 20,000 pieces of sushi. Neil Cooke, who was on the fishing trip with Mr Towers, said: 'We didn't realize how big it was until it was about 15 feet away from the surface. 'It took Marc two hours to pull in, and we had started to see the shape of it when the skipper said "This could be a big fish". 'All of a sudden it broke the surface and everyone said "It's a monster!"'



The fish was so huge that the crew was unable to haul it onto the boat and had to tie a rope around it to drag it four miles back to the dock. Mr Cooke, 37, added: 'The deck hand made a lasso and tied it around the end of the fish and we dragged it through the water back to the dock.' When the boat arrived back at the dock, the fish was lifted by a crane from the water and onto a forklift truck which carried the giant fish over to a set of scales. Mr Cooke, owner of Bournemouth Fishing Lodge in Dorset said: "We saw 1,000lb come up on screen which was brilliant". The crew transferred the fish to a fridge and they are planning on selling it in Japan where Atlantic bluefin tuna - *Thunnus thynnus* in Latin - is frequently made into sushi.

The pair, who go on fishing trips together, decided to visit Nova Scotia with the aim of catching a bluefin tuna. They went during the commercial season when fish that are usually set free after being caught are taken back to the dock and sold. The record for a Bluefin tuna is held by Ken Fraser who caught a 1,496-pound specimen off the coast of Nova Scotia in 1979.



Fisherman Marc Towers, 30 catches a 1,000lbs bluefin tuna after battling with the monster for two hours. The fish was so huge that the crew were unable to haul it onto the boat and had to tie a rope around it to drag it four miles back to the dock at Canso, Nova Scotia

Read more: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2238284/Anyone-sushi-Fisherman-catches-1-000lb-tuna-make-20-000-pieces-delicacy.html#ixzz2DMcmPUvn>

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## The Real Meaning...

**ABAFT** -- what you can take only in the most luxurious cabins

**ATHWARTS** -- cross between foot fungus and growths on hands; caused by handling or walking on very active toads

**AYE AYE** -- expression of surprise, usually followed by "cheewawa"

**BERTH** -- a parking spot for the ship. You have to look very carefully to see the lines painted on the water.

**BOW** -- bend over in honor; also pointy end of ship, usually passes through the water before the rest of the ship

**DISEMBARK** -- get off the Ark; a good example of just how old most nautical lingo is

**FATHOM** -- measure of water depth, somewhere between 6 inches and 20 feet

**KEEL** -- barnacle collector; don't worry, you can't see it, so don't expect to be invited to admire the ship's collection

**LONGITUDE** -- like latitude, but longer

**SKIPPER** -- slang term for a flying fish, or a flat stone

**WINDLASS** -- completely still; no wind

**YARDARM** -- important ship feature, determining if it's time for a rum



# Mansion Owner Brings Yachting Home



Designers have retrofitted the basement of a 125-year-old Newport mansion to look like a classic Edwardian-style yacht built at the end of the 19th century.

Over the past two-and-a-half years, Kirby Perkins Construction, Langan Design and Kim Kirby Interior Design used traditional boat-building materials to transform the 3,500-square-foot space into a salon, dining area, galley and bar, wine cellar, sauna, gym, two bathrooms and locker area.

The house was once owned by yachtsman Harold Stirling Vanderbilt, who defended the America's Cup in 1930, 1933 and 1937. The space pays homage to him with three historically accurate models of the J-Class yachts with which he claimed his victories.

"The present owner didn't want it to feel like you were in a basement, and because of this history and connection to the Vanderbilt family, I thought 'why not make it feel like a traditional yacht interior,' and that is what drove the project," said Jerry Kirby, president of Kirby-Perkins Construction and an America's Cup veteran. "With Vanderbilt being someone that raced in the America's Cup and really knowing the history of the house, it was a really fun project that was true to the historic nature of the building and also true to the design of a classic superyacht."

The transition begins on the snug stairs leading down from the house. The interior opens up into a lower foyer and then the main salon. Behind the salon is a galley with arched mahogany paneled partitions and teak bar tops. Behind the galley is a raised platform settee and dining table that seats up to 10.

Other features include a custom-made ship's bell, a water-tight engine room door, a carved compass rose design on each of the solid mahogany doors, and authentic deck prisms throughout the space.

The only space without a yacht feel is the wine cellar, which was designed to replicate the classic wine cellars in Italy and France, with an arched stone ceiling, limestone flooring and a sink from an antique fountain, designer Kim Kirby said.

"We have definitely accomplished making this area fit, feel and look like a superyacht," Kirby said. "You could take somebody down there blindfolded, and they wouldn't be able to tell the difference."

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**About Us**

The Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club is dedicated to the promotion of ethical business practices among the sea-going community as well as the circulation of accurate and useful information to the boating community.

Our membership includes both professional and leisure boating enthusiasts, as well as industry experts and professionals in many disciplines from around the world.

**Join Us**

We welcome your interest in the Mariners Club and invite you to become an active member to the benefit of each of us individually and all of us as a community.

The easiest way to join is to attend a monthly meeting as a guest of a current member.

Request an application form from an officer, complete it and mail it with your check for \$50.00 to the Mariners Club for consideration by the membership committee. Two sponsors are required.

If you want to join and do not know an active member, contact Christopher Karentz [ckarentz@sealimited.com](mailto:ckarentz@sealimited.com)

Please visit our website at [www.ftlmc.org](http://www.ftlmc.org) to find out more about us!



16 November 2012

Commander Alan Starr  
Fort Lauderdale Sea Cadets  
Spruance Division  
George W. Thorne Building  
300 SW 25<sup>th</sup> Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315

Commander Starr,

Please find enclosed the Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club annual donation of \$1,000 to the Spruance Division, Fort Lauderdale Sea Cadets. As in previous years, we would like these funds to be used for cadet training program scholarships.

The Mariners Club appreciates the time and hard work that you and the other volunteer leaders put forth for the Cadets and we hope that our donation will assist those young men and women who show a desire to experience all of the opportunities available to them while serving as Cadets in the local Spruance Division.

The Mariners Club membership includes people with many diverse backgrounds within the maritime community. With that in mind, our goal is that we can make a positive impact for even just one Cadet to follow the path in becoming an integral part of our marine industry. But regardless of the career(s) they choose, we also know that the Sea Cadets under your leadership will be better prepared as they become young adults and they surely will be better citizens of our nation.

Best regards,

Captain Christopher Karentz  
Skipper 2012  
Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club

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**The Ft. Lauderdale Mariners Club Proudly Supports:**

- Boys & Girls Club of Broward County
- Marine Industries Association of South Florida
- MIASF Waterway Cleanup
- MIASF Plywood Regatta
- South Broward High School Skills USA Program
- Seafarers House Fort Lauderdale
- Shake-A Leg Miami
- Women's International Shipping & Trading Association
- Fort Lauderdale Sea Cadets, Spruance Division



# *Ft. Lauderdale Mariners Club*

## *Holiday Party*

*Saturday, December 8th, 2012 at 6pm*

*At The W Hotel*

*Open Bar begins at 6:00 pm with scrumptious hors d'oeuvres!  
Dinner will be at 7:00 pm! Great music and dancing to follow!*

### **Entrée Choices:**

#### **Pan Roasted Free Range Chicken**

Smoked Yukon Gold Potato, Roasted Seasonal Vegetables,  
Truffled Jus

#### **Seared Local Yellowtail Snapper**

Roasted Wild Mushroom, Celery Root Puree, Lemongrass  
Vermouth Emulsion

#### **Cast Iron Seared Filet Mignon**

Smoked Parsnip Puree, Grilled Asparagus, Roasted Garlic,  
Classic Sauce Bordelaise

## **Black Tie Optional**

Please RSVP by 11/30/12

With choice of entrée

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**Who is this Mariners?**



Please email childhood  
 photos of yourself or other  
 members to:  
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Last  
 Months  
 photo  
 was...  
 Sandy  
 Hoekstra!



**Boat of the Month**



Yacht Island Designs, a UK company who specialize in designing outrageous and extremely opulent super yachts, have just put the finishing digital brush strokes to their latest design. The yacht's name 'Tropical Island Paradise' is a fairly obvious clue as to this vessel's theme – if the cabana beach huts, faux-volcano and palm trees weren't enough.

The Tropical Island Paradise yacht has room for four VIP guest suites and a luxurious owner's suite situated across two decks and built into the volcano. Indoor entertainment is catered for by way of a cinema, library, games room and gym, with relaxation options in the form of a multitude of lounges each offering their own unique ambiance, and a fully equipped spa. Each of the four guest suites has direct access up into one of the beach cabanas, and each guest suite also comes with its own private balcony on the exterior of the vessel. The main deck is effectively split into two sides by a 'river' which flows from the top of the volcano down into the pool which is located at the very front of the yacht.

One of the more impressive features of the Tropical Island Paradise yacht, and there are many, is the retractable beach deck which allows access to the sea for various water sports and sea level relaxation. Also located at the rear of the yacht, just behind and below the volcano is an open deck which also doubles as a helicopter landing pad.

No word on price. But expect lots and lots of zeros at the end.

**Word/Term of the Month:**

**groggy**, *adj.*, befuddled, tired, weak, as if from a fight or drink, 1832. Older use, from 1770, means intoxicated. *Grog* is a mixture of rum and water once served to sailors in the Royal Navy. The name comes from the nickname of Admiral Edward "Old Grog" Vernon who in 1740 first ordered the mixture to be served to sailors in the place of neat spirit. Vernon's nickname is from the *groggram* coat he often wore. Groggram is a mixture of silk, mohair, and wool which has waterproof qualities. *Groggram* is from the French *gros* grain, large or coarse grain, 1562. The Royal Navy abolished the rum ration in 1970.

**Nautical Quotes and Maritime Wisdom**

Greatness is not where we stand, but in what direction we are moving....we must sail, sometimes with the wind, sometimes against it, but sail we must, and not drift nor lie at anchor. - Oliver Wendell Holmes