



NGCC 2017
Tentative Itinerary
Preliminary Information and Itinerary: May 5-May 12, 2017

Cruise Communications: VHF Channel 71 Family Band Channel 7

- Campfires:**
- Spectre Island (Saturday): **Chief Fireman**
 - Big Lagoon (Monday): **Chief Fireman**
 - Big Lagoon (Wednesday) ??
 - Spectre Island (Thursday): **Chief Fireman**

ITINERARY

- **Friday: 6:00 PM:** Fleet 77 Welcome Pot Luck Cookout for cruise participants at the Ft Walton Yacht Club Gazebo. Cinco de Mayo??
- **Saturday:** Rendezvous at Spectre Island. KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY—BE AT SPRECTRE NO LATER THAN 3 PM (CST) We will have a random drawing to assign a Kentucky Derby Horse to each boat—if your horse (boat) places 1st (Win), 2nd (Place), or 3rd (Show) Prizes will be awarded. Additional Prize drawing from horse finishing last.
6:30 PM – Campfire and Group meeting for updates.
- **Sunday, depart at your leisure:** Sail to Quietwater Beach/Pensacola Beach (Beach Anchor), Little Sabine for available dock slips or Palafox Pier Marina in downtown Pensacola. Stop for lunch if you like in Navarre at Juana's or Sailors' Grill (southwest corner of Navarre Bridge – no dock) or dock at the Public Boat Ramp/Dock for access to Restrooms and convenience store (ice, fuel, limited groceries). Also at Navarre (NW corner) there is a shallow water dock with access to public restrooms; **also a new full service marina and restaurant**. Fast food, grocery store and shopping center across Highway 98. Sailing time is approximately 6 hours to Quietwater Beach or 8 hours to Palafox Pier Marina. At Quietwater Beach, ice, supplies, convenience store are available. Fuel available at dock just north of Little Sabine dock as well as restrooms, showers and washer/dryer (located upstairs where the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club was previously located). Variety of restaurants and shops on the Boardwalk. Restrooms/showers, washers/dryers available. Palafox Pier---ice, fuel, restrooms, showers, washers/dryers, and variety of restaurants and shops in historic downtown Pensacola.
- **Monday, depart at your leisure:** Sail to Big Lagoon. Cross Pensacola Pass into cut to Big Lagoon. Exit cut, then immediately turn south and then east into small, protected cove where we beach anchor. Sailing time is approximately 4 hours including time to anchor. Dinner on boat or beach. Evening campfire. Entertainment??
- **Tuesday, depart at your leisure** (After Blue Angels Flight Demonstration over Big Lagoon and Gulf of Mexico-(Weather Permitting): Optional Sail Plans for this leg of the cruise:
 - Sail from Big Lagoon with a stopover at Pirates Cove then docking later in the afternoon at Barber Marina (Approximately 1 ½ Hours from Pirate's Cove). Group Pot Luck Dinner at 6 PM. Barber Marina (www.barbermarina.com) is first rate marina (\$1 per foot dock fees) Ships Store, fuel, ice, restrooms, showers, and laundry. Courtesy van is available. Keep in mind this will mean a longer sail on Wednesday back to Pensacola. Pot Luck Dinner at dockside outside the Ship's Store.
 - Sail from Big Lagoon with a stopover at Pirates Cove then anchoring later in the afternoon in Ingram Bayou, having dinner on your boat. Ingram Bayou is a beautiful natural area (no houses, boat docks, or roads--a very serene anchorage and protected from foul weather—(Big Foot believed to have been sighted in the woods).



- **Tuesday (Continued)**

- Sail from Big Lagoon to Pirate's Cove. Restrooms, showers, washer & dryer available. Keep in mind Pirate's Cove cannot accommodate filling food orders in a timely manner for a large group or individuals for that matter. Outside dock space available or anchor in cove behind Pirate's Cove.
- Sail from Big Lagoon back to Palafox Pier. This is a great opportunity to visit the Pensacola historical district and museums, a short walking distance from Palafox Pier. Numerous restaurants, shops, and entertainment venues; or you could do a stopover at Fort Pickens (adjacent to Pensacola Pass) before heading to Palafox Pier. Also an opportunity to do some extra sailing out in the Gulf of Mexico or Pensacola Bay before heading to Palafox Pier later in the day.
- Bear Point Marina (across from Pirate's Cove) is an available option for fuel, ice, and Flippers Restaurant (The restaurant has four (4) slips available adjacent to the inside fuel dock). The marina has limited transient dock slips available on the outer dock. Ships Store, ice, fuel, restrooms, showers, and laundry.

NOTE: If going to **Pirate's Cove/Ingram Bayou/ Barber Marina Area**--If conditions are favorable Tuesday some of the group may sail out through Pensacola Pass into the Gulf of Mexico and enter Perdido Bay and then on to the Pirate's Cove area. Feel free to sail a while longer west toward Wolf Bay and return to Pirate's Cove, Ingram Bayou, or Barber Marina; or sail out in Perdido Bay. Again, if conditions are favorable Wednesday some of the group may sail out through Perdido Pass into the Gulf of Mexico and enter at Pensacola Pass then on to Quietwater Beach, Palafox Pier, or possibly Pensacola Yacht Club--just west of entrance to Palafox Pier.

- **Wednesday, depart at 8 AM or earlier:**

- Sail back to Quietwater Beach/Little Sabine, Palafox Pier in downtown Pensacola, or possibly Pensacola Yacht Club located just west of Palafox Pier entrance. Little Sabine restrooms/showers, washers/dryers available. You can stop for lunch at Holiday Harbor (ICW Marker 35), however, be sure to consult the tide tables to avoid outgoing tide at Pensacola Pass during the afternoon hours.
- Sail back to Big Lagoon
- Sail back to Paradise Bar & Grill--Anchor out. <http://www.paradisebar-grill.com/>
- Sail to Big Sabine (East of Pensacola Beach--Details later)
- **Thursday, depart at 8 AM or earlier:** Sail to Spectre Island. Stop for lunch in Navarre if you like. Dinner at Spectre Island on boat/beach, enjoy the campfire. Sailing Time approximately 6-8 hours.
- **Friday, depart 8 AM or earlier:** Return to Ft Walton Yacht Club and load boats on trailers.
Post Cruise Dinner to be discussed at Spectre Island—NO Plan as of this date.