

Fort Walton Yacht Club



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FORT WALTON YACHT CLUB HURRICANE PREPARATION 2018



Purpose: If this happens ...



... avoid this outcome



Topics

- Club and Member Responsibilities
- Chain of Command for Hurricane Plan Activation
- What to Expect
- Anchorage Map
- Storm Anchoring
- Tandem Anchoring
- Discussion

Club and Lessee Responsibilities

Club Responsibilities

- Establish Hurricane Committee ✓
- Brief Club members on Hurricane Preparedness ✓
- Activate Hurricane Teams upon Hurricane Watch

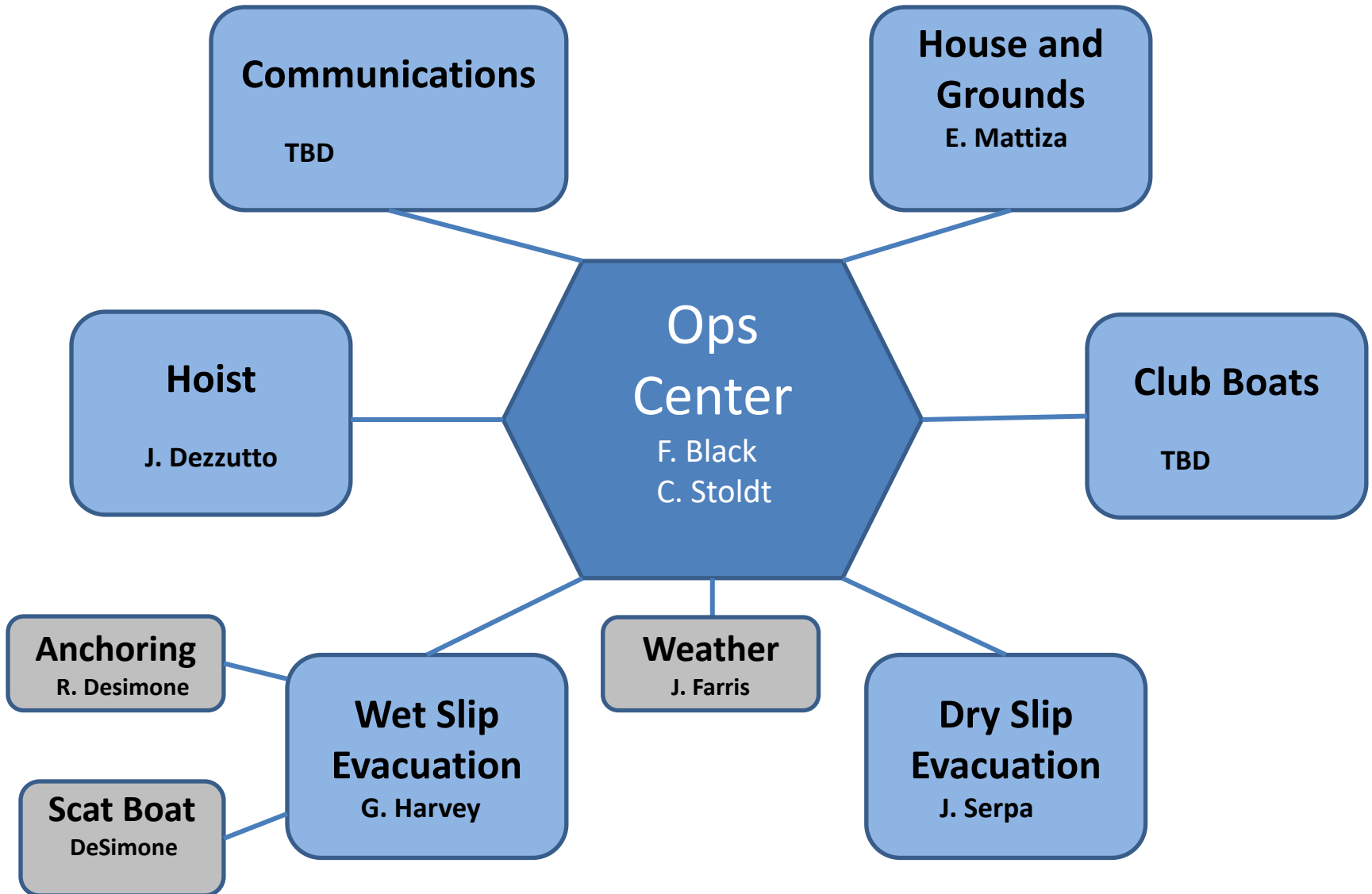
Wet/Dry Slip Lessee Responsibilities

- Update Boat Slip/Dry Storage Rental Agreement Annually
- Maintain Current Liability Insurance
- Review Hurricane Preparedness Plan (online at FWYC.org)
- Present Dock master with an Individual Hurricane Plan
- Designate a Qualified Alternate (on slip lease)
- Keep Vessel in Operable Condition
- Promptly Move Boat as Directed by Commodore
- Maintain Contact With Hurricane Teams During Evacuation

Chain of Command for Hurricane Plan Activation

- Commodore decides whether to activate the plan no less than 72 hours prior to predicted landfall
- If the Commodore is not available, the chain of command for this decision is as follows:
 - Vice Commodore (Craig Stoldt)
 - Rear Commodore (Samuel Grant)
 - Fleet Captain (Shari Seaton)
 - General Manager (Eric Mattiza)
 - Hurricane Committee Chair (J. Rocky De Simone)

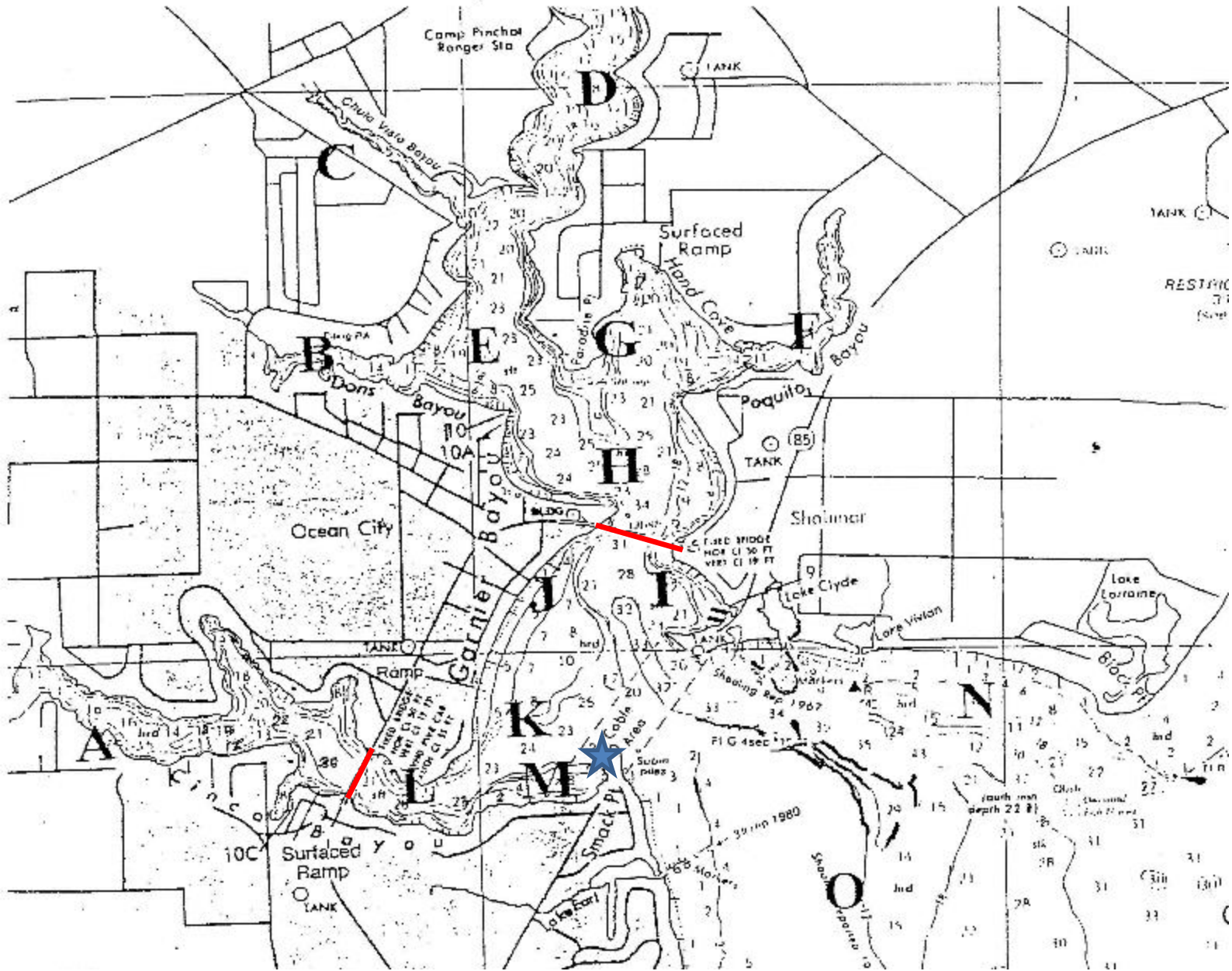
FWYC Hurricane Teams



What to Expect

- Upon plan activation Club members and staff will be notified the hurricane plan is being “activated” by email, phone and/or text message
- During next 72 hours, the hurricane teams will
 - Prepare Club property for landfall
 - Prepare for possible evacuation
 - Monitor storm progression and update members
 - Upon evacuation order, complete necessary actions
 - Complete all actions 24-48hours prior to landfall
- Lessees should be prepared to implement their personal evacuation plan at any time
 - If available, **volunteer** to assist one of the teams
- Hoist and Scat boat teams will assist you as necessary
- We need all personnel to move, strip, and anchor boats

Anchorage Map



Storm Anchoring

- **Anchor Scope**
 - Know the correct ratio for your equipment and mooring location
- **Robustness of Gear**
 - Appropriate for your boat
- **Boat Preparation**
 - Have your equipment ready to go throughout the season
 - At hurricane warning is too late!
 - ***STRIP ALL SAILS, DODGERS, BIMINIS OFF YOUR BOAT***
- **Failure Points and Threats**
 - Redundancy reduces risk of failure
- **Storm Anchoring Information for Lessees**
 - All wet lessees should have been provided detailed storm anchoring information and hurricane plan when they signed the wet slip contract – contact the Office if you don't have it

Tandem Anchoring

- Single or Double Secondary Rode?
- Single Secondary Rode:
 - Use Rocna Anchor as Primary or consult anchor manufacturer
- Double Secondary Rode:
 - Use 1-2 Feet for Primary Anchor and 15-20 feet for Secondary Anchor
- Anchoring “*Ground Tackler’s Apprentice*”
 - **Basics and Beyond- First Edition 2015**

DOUBLING UP



When you're setting tandem anchors with a single secondary rode, attach the second anchor's rode directly to the primary anchor



If you are setting tandem anchors with a double secondary rode, attach each anchor's rode independently to the main rode as shown here

Anchoring Take-aways

- Test your anchoring system prior to hurricane season
- Inspect all gear regularly
- Shock absorption is good
- Line chafing is bad
- Mark your anchor position (GPS)-small buoy
- List of FWYC storm anchoring SMEs will be emailed to members

Questions??? Meet with Rocky DeSimone after briefing

Conclusion

- Be prepared before the season
- Stay prepared throughout the season
- When you get the call, take action
 - Implement personal evacuation plan
- If possible, volunteer on one of the Club hurricane teams
 - See volunteer signup on bulletin board
 - Sailors say, ***“fair winds and following seas”***,
 - Riggers say ***“big blocks and fair leads”***
 - People who anchor, ***“its long scopes and hefty gear”***.

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