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VISIT US IN MIAMI It's boat show time in Miami in a few weeks! The Miami International Boat Show unfolds Thursday, Feb. 16 through Monday, Feb. 20 at the mammoth Miami Beach convention Center. Errol Flynn Marina will be exhibiting in Booth 4239



and it is always an opportunity for friends new and old to stop by and say hello. Our booth is located just to the left of the main shuttle bus entrance. Billed as the “World’s Greatest Boat Show”, the event features three separate venues including two in Miami and the main venue in Miami Beach. Free shuttle buses connect all shows and one ticket admits you to all three sail and powerboat shows. In addition, there is another independent yacht brokerage show along 10 blocks of Collins Avenue on Miami Beach. A separate shuttle bus connects from the

Miami Beach convention Center to the brokerage event which has free admission. Premier Day at the show, Thursday, Feb. 16 hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17 through Sunday, Feb. 19, show times are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Final day is Monday, Feb. 20 with show hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The marina exhibit is in partnership with the Jamaica Tourist Board who also assist in staffing our booth.



Changing the World without Changing Course

YACHT AID GLOBAL BENEFITS LOCAL COMMUNITY- Errol Flynn Marina is the designated receiving agency for Jamaica in a program that utilizes large yachts to bring needed goods to worthy beneficiaries in various countries of the world. When our marina learns of a large yacht coming to Jamaica from the USA, the yacht is contacted to inquire if they can also carry various donated goods from the USA to needy parties here. In January, our first shipment arrived carrying numerous boxes of educational materials for the Long Road School in Portland Parish. In the same shipment various medical equipment was brought and donated to the government clinics in Buff Bay, Port Antonio and Manchioneel. The goods were carried free of charge by 120-foot motor yacht “Steadfast” driven by Captain Chance Strickland. As part of the procedure,

dure, the marina representative makes all arrangements to clear the donations with the appropriate ministries and customs. Founded in 2006, this humanitarian organization has built a platform for a worldwide effort to deliver school and medical supplies to coastal locations that need help. They do so by utilizing a network of volunteers who coordinate logistics, patrons that sponsor the supplies and yachts that offer to transport them. YAG was conceived by Capt. Mark Drewelow who has tag lined this initiative with “Changing the World Without Changing Course.”

DINGHY DOCK BOOSTS YACHT TRAFFIC-

Anchorage and dockage traffic is definitely up at Errol Flynn Marina this season. The anchorage influx is partly attributed to the marina's bright spanking new dinghy dock and access ramp making it ever so easy to get off the dink and get on shore. Previously, anchorage customers had to use the marina's main dock and climb up a four foot plus concrete wall to get ashore...no easy task for even the most agile!



NEW BUOYS ON THE WAY! Twenty-five new mooring buoys will soon be on the way to the marina for placement in the west harbour. The buoys will be attached to a huge big ship stud-link anchor chain to secure the buoys to our mud bottom. These moorings will be for yachts up to 40 feet in length.

USA AMBASSADOR VISITS MARINA- For the second time in less than a year, we have been privileged to be visited by the head of the United States Mission to Jamaica, Ambassador Pamela Bridgewater. The Ambassador was here Jan. 12 to address the community and the Annual General Meeting of the parish's Chamber of Commerce.

JOIN US ON NAVY ISLAND IN MARCH- “Nice Up De Place” will be the theme of a community –wide effort over four March weekends to tidy up the Errol Flynn Marina's 64-acre Navy Island. Marina clients are invited to join with us in the effort to rediscover one of Jamaica's most historic sites. Originally the island was given to Governor Lynch of Jamaica for services to the Crown and named, "Lynch's Island". Subsequently it was used by the Royal Navy (hence the new name) for a gun battery at the eastern end to complement the fort built on the mainland. After going through many hands, Errol Flynn purchased (or won it gambling) and used it for his private retreat. He planted the long row of Royal Palms which remain today as one of the most beautiful stand of such trees available. The island was abandoned by the Royal Navy in 1773. Little remains of the Brit fortifications. In more recent times, the Island's Admiralty Club and villas flourished until 1992 when Navy Island was essentially abandoned following an employee rebellion against lessee Harry Eiler.



PARADISE ON \$10 BUCKS A DAY- Have we got a deal for you? For just \$10 a day, you can enjoy all the ambience that the likes of Errol Flynn, Ian Fleming or Noel Coward found in Port Antonio. That's our very low anchorage fee that gives you all the same amenities of a mega yacht. We are proud to claim the "Most Beautiful Harbour" title, bar none. Above, a cannon stands guard over our West Harbour anchorage. (Errol Flynn Marina Photo)



A MURALIST'S DEPICTION OF NAVY ISLAND shows the arrival of Capt. William Bligh in Jamaica with the Breadfruit seedlings from Haiti, the careening of ships on the island, and its years as a Royal Navy fortification. The mural was originally in the Titchfield Hotel and was commissioned by Errol Flynn. There is some mystery as to the whereabouts of the mural as it was determined it was removed when the hotel burned and then disappeared.

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