



HISC 7th Annual Change of Command Great Circle Raft Up March 6-7 @ Boca Lake

Please join us for our Change of Command Cruise & world renowned Circle Raft Up

What will you need?

- Two long spring lines
- One long bow line (30 to 40 feet)
- One stern line
- Two or three (or more if you wish) big clean fenders
- At least one AB Seaman (able body) on deck
- A Good Seamanship Attitude
- Anchor boats will need good bow and stern anchors with kelleets if possible

The Procedure:

- Anchor Boats will arrive Friday night and stake our claim
- Anchor Boats will receive instructions on a separate memo
- Rafting boats are **not** assigned a rafting position or raft up time. The Raft will start at 12 noon and we want to be close the circle by 3:30 so arrive within those times. If you want to raft with another boat, arrive with them. Be prepared to hover around for a little while and try to say out of the way, we'll call you in on channel 68.
- Put out fenders port side mid to aft quarter
- Take looped end of lines from boats to your starboard and pass looped end to boats to your port (take loop – pass loop)
- Take or pass lines from/to the windward or up current boat first

Tips:

- Have deck hands, lines and fenders in place before starting to raft
- Advise crew of procedures before starting to raft
- Advise Raft Masters if you require assistance on board
- Have a bow and stern anchor ready on deck (We will dinghy set anchors from every other boat)
- Keep crew on deck for final adjustments
- Pay close attention to the Raft Master on channel 68
- Keep dinghy painters short and tight to the stern
- If you want your dinghy inside or outside of the circle, do it before the circle closes
- Do not traverse into the inside of the circle, and be very cautious of anchor rode on the outside of the circle
- Keep smiling and have fun.

Circle Raft building will begin @ 12 noon. Cruising Flag unveiling Ceremony will begin @ 5:30 p.m. Followed by a dink, drink and drift bring an appetizer to pass. Make your own arrangements for dinner!

Earn an extra 2009 or 2010 cruising point by staking out our spot on Friday night.

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