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Yacht Clubs of the Americas unveils plans

GALVESTON — With waterfront property and boat storage at high-demand with limited commodity, the launch of the Tiki Island Yacht Club located outside of Galveston, brings welcomed relief to the more than 600,000 registered boaters in Texas as well as potential investors.

The new YCOA marina will sit on more than five acres of prime waterfront real estate on West Bay, ensuring permanent water access for slip owners.

The newest member of the Yacht Clubs of the Americas (YCOA) network will feature 250 Dry Slips, accommodating vessels up to 45 feet in length and 50,000 pounds and 150 covered Wet Slips, accommodating vessels up to 100 feet in length. This is the first YCOA yacht club to be developed outside of Florida and The Bahamas.

The sales center for Tiki Island Yacht Club, located at 615 Tiki Island Drive in Galveston, will launch on Saturday, May 9th with a special open house event from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. featuring a crawfish barbecue. The event will continue on Sunday, May 10th from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

YCOA is setting a new standard in the boating lifestyle with its premier network of luxury private yacht clubs featuring Dry Rackominiums™ and Wet Dockominiums™ with five-star concierge service. Slip owners enjoy the unparalleled amenities of a yacht club atmosphere featuring martini/cigar lounge, waterfront cocktail bars, tiki hut barbeque, spa, fitness center, swimming pool and restaurant. In addition, ownership entitles members to reciprocal privileges at any of YCOA's affiliated locations including Naples, Tampa, Key West and Grand Bahama Island.

“Our goal is to make boating simple, less time consuming, and more enjoyable,” said Steeven Knight, founder and CEO of YCOA.

With one call to an YCOA dock master, owners can have their boat waiting dockside and stocked with the requested meals and drinks prepared specially by the resident chef. Owners can also enjoy wholesale pricing on their fuel, food and beverages and as a result members typically save up to 50 cents per gallon on gas.

MORE ABOUT YCOA

Located in Fort Myers, Florida, YCOA acquires and develops marina properties and converts them into private membership yacht clubs where members own slips and storage units for boats. YCOA's vision is to preserve marinas and storage for the boating community as well as boat dealers and manufacturers. For more information about Tiki Island Yacht Club, visit <http://www.tikiislandyachtclub.com>.