



Windscoop

North Florida Cruising Club Monthly News - January, 2024

January 16 - Havana Jax Cafe - 5:45 Social - 6:45 Business - 7:30 Speaker



Who is Richard Nunn? His bio says, "Forecaster extraordinaire, comic foil, culinary expert, home improvement expert and beer connoisseur." Richard started working at WJXT-TV in 2004 after leaving KPTV in Portland, Oregon. He graduated with a Broadcast Journalism degree from the University of Florida and a master's degree in Geological and Earth Sciences from Mississippi State University. Anyone who has watched him will attest he has a great sense of humor and a sunny disposition

Richard has been riding motorcycles since he was 20 years old. When asked about becoming the Chief at WJXT, Richard said, "Nineteen years ago I started working here as the weekend meteorologist. I trained with John during the morning and with Chief Meteorologist George Winterling during the evening. A shuffle and a few changes later, John started working evenings with George and I moved to The Morning Show. The next transition was George's retirement and John's promotion to the Chief of our team of meteorologists. John has guided us through numerous storms and tropical activity throughout his time as Chief. Today, it's my turn. I am proud to be joining our evening team and truly honored to share the title that Jacksonville's best meteorologist held before me — Chief."

CLUB FIELD TRIP - JANUARY 20, 2:00 P.M. TOUR OF THE JACKSONVILL NAVAL MUSEUM USS ORLECK



JOIN US FOR A WARSHIP TOUR

A Gearing Class Destroyer, the Orleck was commissioned on September 15, 1945. While she wasn't active in WWII, she was the "Top Gun" of Vietnam, firing 11,000+ rounds, earning the nickname "Grey Ghost of the Vietnam Coast" and netting an astonishing 14 battle stars throughout the war. In the Korean War she became the charter member of the "Train Busters Club" and received 4 battle stars during the war.

In later years the Orleck was updated to include an Anti Submarine Rocket launcher and Anti Submarine Helicopter Drone system.

Our tour is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 20th. You will find the Orleck at 610 East Bay Street - parking is free. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults; \$13 for seniors and veterans, and \$10.00 for AARP members. After the tour join us for snacks, drinks and camaraderie at **Intuition Ale Works** - about a 5-minute walk from the ship.

ZAK O'GRADY, A WINNER IN THE LIGHT BOAT PARADE



Above left: Zak O'Grady wires up the lights before the parade; Above Rt: O'Grady sails the Light Boat Parade Downtown; Center: Spectacular fireworks after the parade; Bottom Rt: Zak wins his class!

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