

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **Wednesday, November 20, 2019**

6pm-7pm Volunteer Meeting - 401 N Indiana Ave., Englewood, FL 34223

### **Thursday, November 21, 2019**

All Day Arrival of Race Boats - Race Village - (2045 N Beach Rd, Englewood, FL)  
 Crane Area - Chadwick Park (2100 N Beach, Rd Englewood, FL)  
 Ramp Area - Indian Mound Park (210 Winson Ave, Englewood, FL)  
 Wet Pits - Chadwick Park (2100 N Beach, Rd Englewood, FL)  
 Dry Pits - Race Village - (2045 N Beach Rd, Englewood, FL)  
 Wash Down Area - Race Village - (2045 N Beach Rd, Englewood, FL)  
 Waste Disposal - Chadwick Park (2100 N Beach, Rd Englewood, FL)  
 Fuel - Chadwick Park (2100 N Beach, Rd Englewood, FL)  
 Race Control - Beach at Race Village - (2045 N Beach Rd, Englewood, FL)  
 Helicopter Launch - Buchan Airport (1390 Old Englewood Rd, Englewood)

12pm-4pm **Registration** - Englewood Beach & Yacht Club (1815 Gulf Blvd, Englewood, FL)

12pm-4pm **GPS Registration** - GPS Trailer @ Race Village

12pm-4pm **Race Boats Inspections** - Race Village

12pm-4pm **Rescue Walkthroughs** - Race Village

5pm **Coast Guard Briefing** - Stump Pass Marina (*in the service department*)  
(260 Maryland Ave, Englewood, FL 34224)

6pm **Water Operations Meeting** - Stump Pass Marina (*boat storage building*)

7pm **Racer Meet & Greet** - The Lighthouse Grill at Stump Pass

### **Friday, November 22, 2019**

All Day Race Village Open—Arrival of Race Boats

9am OPA Staff Environmental Meeting - Englewood Beach & Yacht Club

10am **Racer Meeting - Race Village**

10am-3:30pm **FUEL TRUCK**

11am-4pm **Registration** - Englewood Beach & Yacht Club (1815 Gulf Blvd, Englewood, FL)

11am-4pm **GPS Registration** - GPS Trailer @ Race Village

11am-3pm **Swim/Dunker Testing** - WannaB Inn (985 Gulf Blvd, Englewood, FL)

12pm-4pm **Race Boat Inspections** - Race Village

12pm-4pm **Rescue Walkthroughs** - Race Village

11am **Race Control Operational**

11am-4pm **Crane Lift & Ramp Operational**

12pm-3pm **Race Boat Testing**

**5pm Race Boat Block Party** (Dearborn St, Englewood, FL)  
*Leave dry pits: 4pm*  
*Return to pits: 10pm*

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (cont.)**

**Saturday, November 23, 2019**

All Day	<b>Race Village Open</b>
7am	<b>Team Physicals - Race Village</b>
7:30am	Set Up Course Buoys
8am	<b>Racer Meeting - Race Village</b>
8am-1pm	<b>FUEL TRUCK</b>
9am	Patrol Fleet Briefing - Gazebo @ Chadwick Park
9am	Race Control Operational
9am	<b>Crane and Ramp operational</b>
10am	Race Patrol Fleet & Course Support Fleet on station
11am - 5pm	<b>RACING</b> Race 1 Race 2 Race 3 Race 4

**Sunday, November 24, 2019**

All Day	<b>Race Village Open</b>
7am	<b>Team Physicals - Race Village</b>
7:30am	Set Up Course Buoys
8am	<b>Racer Meeting - Race Village</b>
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10am	<b>Crane and Ramp operational</b>
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11am - 5pm	<b>RACING</b> Race 1 Race 2 Race 3 Race 4
7pm	<b>Awards Ceremony - SandBar &amp; Tiki Grille (1975 Beach Rd, Englewood, FL)</b>

**The State of Florida Helmet Law**

























**Effective as of July 1, 2000. A person over 21 years of age may operate or ride upon a motorcycle without wearing a helmet if they are covered by an insurance policy providing for at least \$10,000 in medical benefits for injuries incurred as a result of a crash while operating or riding on a motorcycle.**

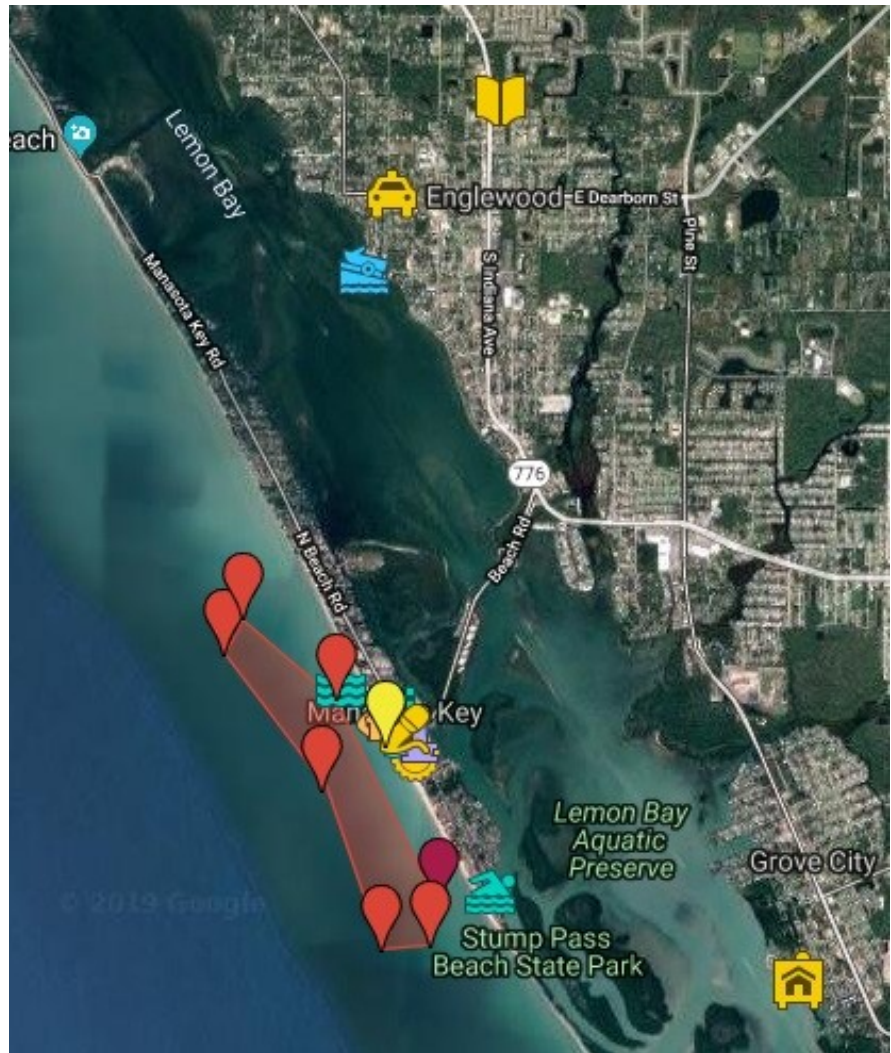
**<http://www.bikersrights.com/states/florida/florida.html>**


























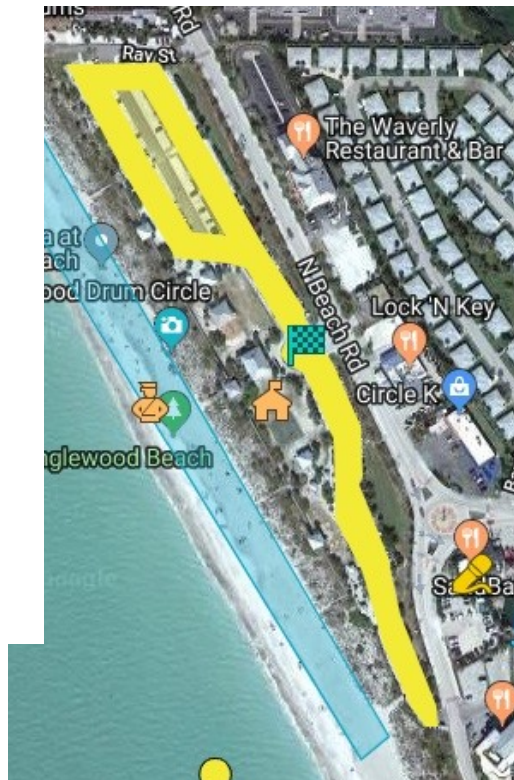
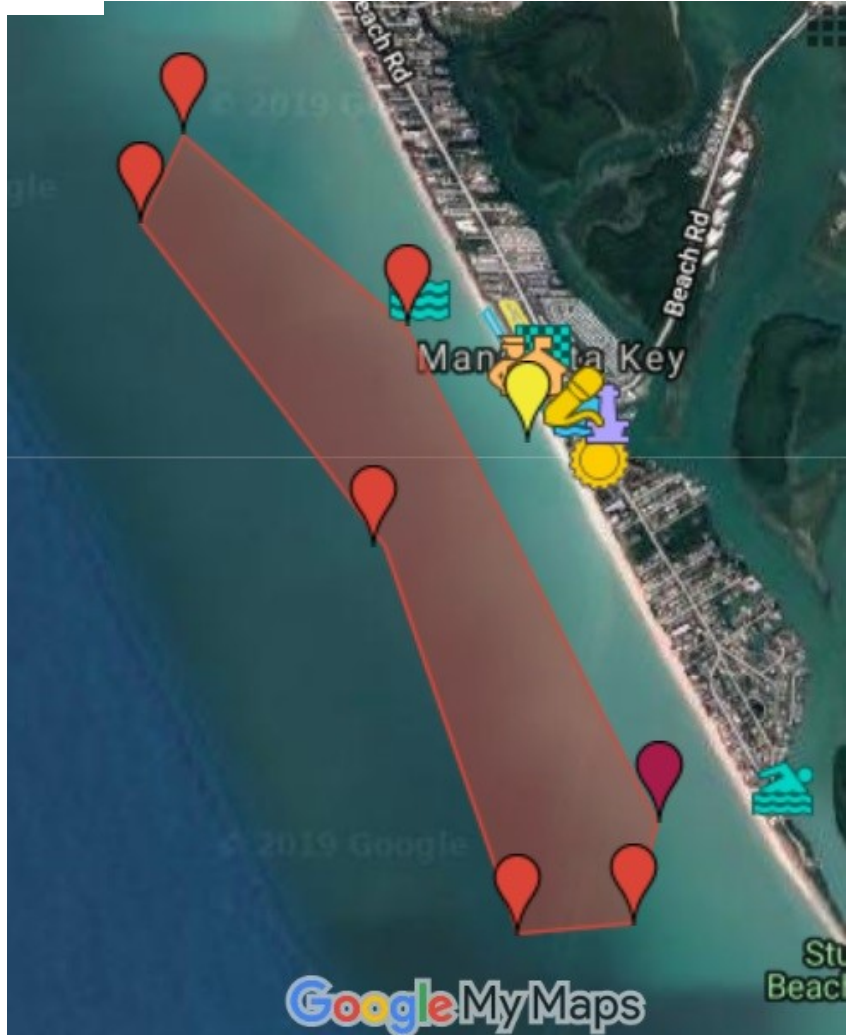
COURSE: 4.1 Miles		
ClassONE USA	14 laps	57.4 miles
Unlimited	14 laps	57.4 miles
Super Cat	14 laps	57.4 miles
Super Stock	12 laps	49.2 miles
Vee Extreme	12 laps	49.2 miles
ProStock V	11 laps	45.1 miles
SVX	11 laps	45.1 miles
P1 SuperStock	9 laps	36.9 miles
CLASS 1	12 laps	49.2 miles
CLASS 2	12 laps	49.2 miles
CLASS 3	11 laps	45.1 miles
CLASS 4	11 laps	45.1 miles
CLASS 5	9 laps	36.9 miles
CLASS 6	9 laps	36.9 miles
CLASS 7	6 laps	24.1 miles

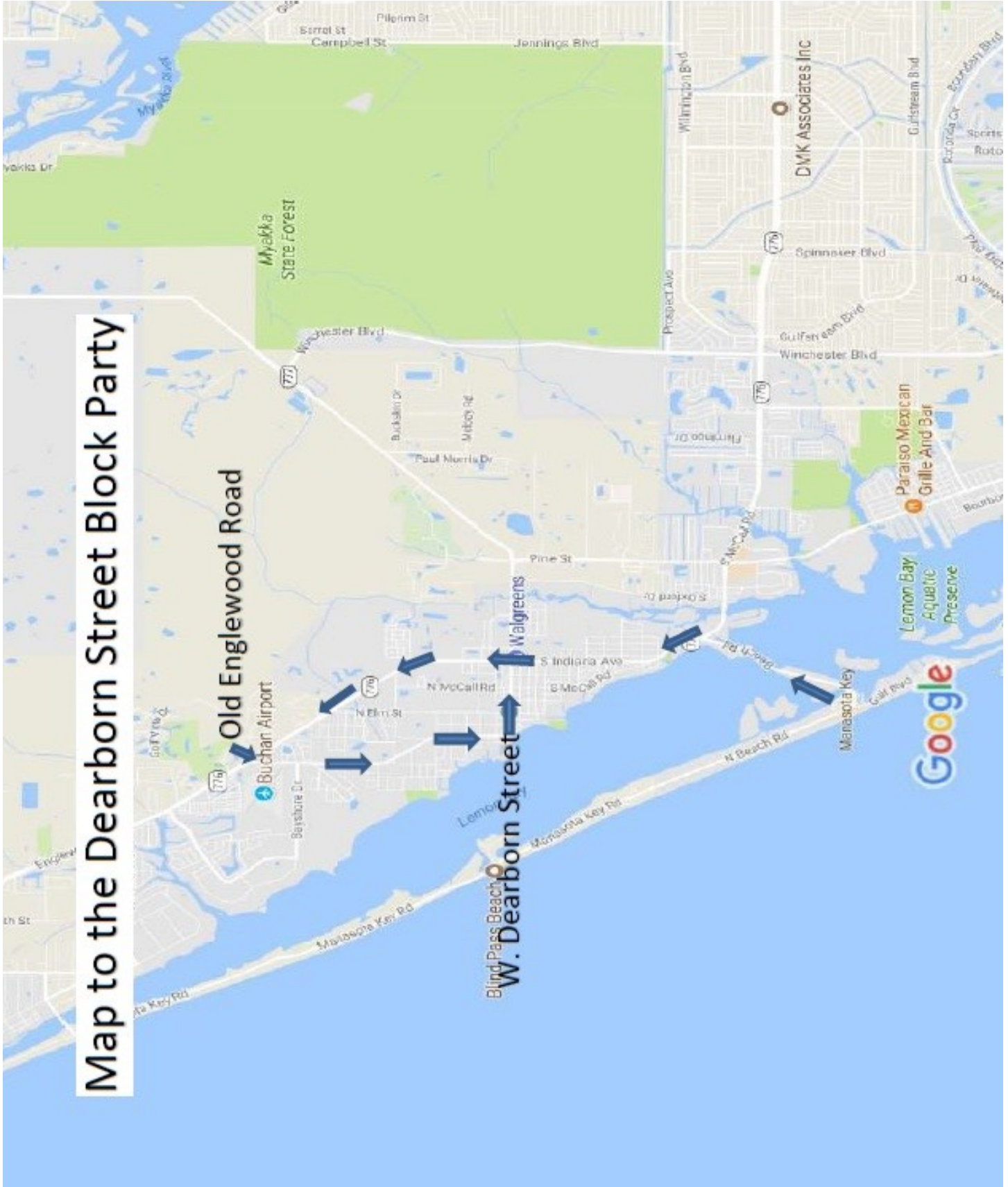
Fueling: Minumim On-site Purchase	
ClassONE USA	100 gallons
Unlimited	100 gallons
Super Cat	70 gallons
Super Stock	35 gallons
Vee Extreme	35 gallons
ProStock V	35 gallons
SVX	35 gallons
P1 SuperStock	35 gallons
CLASS 1	35 gallons
CLASS 2	35 gallons
CLASS 3	35 gallons
CLASS 4	35 gallons
CLASS 5	35 gallons
CLASS 6	35 gallons
CLASS 7	Does not apply

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-  Awards Ceremony
-  Stump Pass Marina
-  The Lighthouse Grill at Stump Pass
-  Street Party
-  Volunteer Meeting @ Elks Lodge
-  Land Spectating
-  Racers Mill
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**All Racers, Staff, Crew, Family, etc, MUST be wearing a wristband to enter the Dry & Wet Pits. If you do not have on a wristband, you will be charged admission. Your Race Badge ID will only grant you access into the pits on Thursday and Friday to Register. Your Race Badge alone will NOT give you access to the dry pits nor wet pits on race days.**

**Only OPA Staff, Registered OPA Members and designated Waterfest staff will be permitted in the Wet Pit areas. Wet Pit wristbands will grant you access to the Dry Pits as well.**

**Family & Friends will be granted FREE access into the Dry Pits providing they sign-in at Registration on either Thursday or Friday during Registration hours in which they will receive a wristband for access. This wristband will NOT grant you access to the Wet Pits. There will be no one available for those who arrive late for them to sign-in and be giving a wristband for Dry Pit Access. Being late means arriving after registration is closed and/or on Saturday & Sunday. For those that arrive late, they will have to pay admission to enter the Dry Pits to watch the race from the Race Village Beach.**

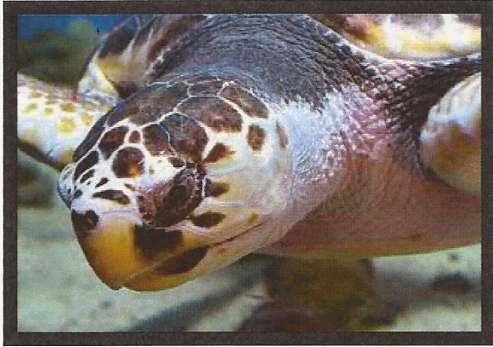
**The Waterfest offers a VIP area. To take part as a Waterfest VIP you must purchase tickets available on their website.  
[www.EnglewoodBeachWaterfest.com/shop/vip-pass](http://www.EnglewoodBeachWaterfest.com/shop/vip-pass).**

**All teams will only be issued two (2) parking passes to enter the dry pits. Parking Passes will be issued by the Waterfest committee in registration.**





# Enjoy our Beaches, Be aware of our species...



## Sea Turtles

In the waters surrounding Florida, 5 species of sea turtle have been observed. The five species are Loggerhead, Green Turtles, Kemp's ridley, Leatherback, and Hawksbill. All of these species are either threatened or endangered and are currently protected under the Federal **Endangered Species Act of 1973, Florida's Marine Turtle Protection Act (379.2431, Florida Statutes).**

Nesting on our beaches generally occurs between May 1st and October 31st. Near this time it is important for people to work to protect them. We have created a **Charlotte County Sea Turtle Protection Ordinance 89-31, Article XII,** this

ordinances have been made to keep turtles, both adults and hatchlings, from becoming disoriented from lighting. Disorientation can lead to dehydration and predation of the turtles.

If you have never seen a sea turtle it is a very thrilling experience. They are very large air breathing marine reptiles that can weigh anywhere between 60 and 800lbs depending on the species. If you happen to see a sea turtle on the shore, it is important to keep still and quiet. The slightest noise can frighten the nesting female causing her to retreat to the water to lay her nest elsewhere. If you find yourself in this position, please do not use a flashlight. Sea turtles mainly nest during the night and early morning and can be difficult to see. Most flashlights have a white or yellow bulb that is visible to sea turtles; this light can cause her to stop nesting.

When a female sea turtle nests, she will bury a clutch of 50-200 eggs about 2 feet under the sand. It takes between 45-60 days for a clutch to incubate and hatch. The babies emerge from their nest during the night and early morning where they make a dash towards the brightest light in the sky. In natural conditions this is always the horizon over the water. Only 1 in 100 hatchlings ever make it to adulthood, but for those that do, they will return to the same beach that they were laid to one day leave a nest of their own.

To report someone disturbing a sea turtle nest or an injured, dead or harassed Sea Turtle -  
Call: 1-888-404-FWCC (3922) or Cellular phone: \*FWC or #FWC

Charlotte County Natural Resources - Call: 941-628-0200 or 941-833-3822

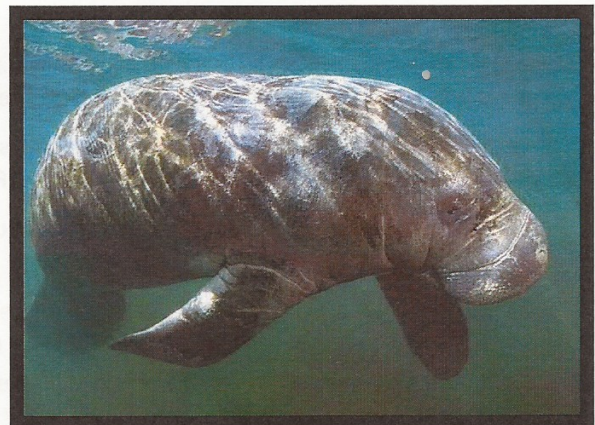
## Manatees

Manatees are another protected species found in Florida waters. They are aquatic giants reaching a length between 9-13ft long and weighing anywhere between 1,000 and 3,500lbs. Despite their size, they are very graceful swimmers; they commonly inhabit both coastal marine waters and brackish or freshwater canals.

Manatees are herbivores. The species grazes on various sea grasses; this trait has given them the nickname Sea cows. Manatees breath air. They can hold their breath for about 5 minutes, but do need to come to the surface often. Coming to the surface makes them accident prone to boaters. Propellers are the most common cause of a premature death in the species.

The Florida manatee is a native species found in all parts of the State. Protections for Florida manatees were first enacted in 1893. Today, they are protected by the **Florida Manatee Sanctuary Act (§379.2431(2), Florida Statutes)** and are federally protected by both the **Marine Mammal Protection Act** and the **Endangered Species Act.**

To report an injured, dead, harassed or orphaned manatee -  
Call: 1-888-404-FWCC (3922) or Cellular phone: \*FWC or #FWC





## Shorebirds

Florida's Gulf Coast beaches provide nesting habitats for approximately 11 species of shorebirds, including some endangered species. Some of the species found on the beach include: Least Tern, Black Skimmer, Snowy Plover, Wilson's Plover, American Oystercatcher, Piping Plover, Brown Pelican, White Ibis, and Snowy Egret.

A few of these species nest on our beaches and are pictured below. Beach-nesting birds lay their eggs in small depressions (scrapes) on the wide open upper beach and dunes. The nests can be difficult to find. Both the eggs and hatchlings have colorations that help them to blend into their environment so that they are less likely to be seen by predators.

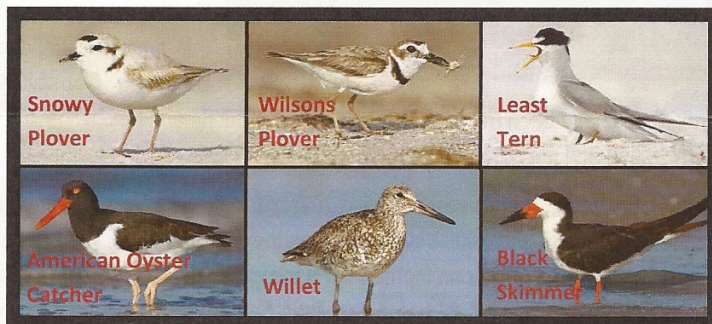
It's very important to give shorebirds the space they need to feel safe. When beach-nesting birds are disturbed and flushed, they will leave their nests. The eggs and chicks are then exposed to temperature extremes, predators like crows, raccoons and dogs, and risk being stepped on by humans. Shorebirds and Seabirds are protected under the **Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918**. No person shall take, possess, transport, molest, harass or sell any of the threatened or special concern species or their nests or eggs.

To report someone disturbing a Shorebird or Seabird, nest, chick or an injured, dead or harassed -  
Call: 1-888-404-FWCC (3922)  
Cellular phone: \*FWC or #FWC

Charlotte County Natural Resources -  
Call: 941-628-0200 or 941-833-3822

Charlotte County Sheriffs: 941-639-2101

US Fish & Wildlife Service: 239.561.8144



## Protecting Our Beaches

- Note that it is illegal to anchor a vessel on or above sea grasses, hard bottom, or coral; doing so can lead to criminal and/ or civil penalties.
- All vessels should maintain a look out for protected species. Please proceed at safe speeds, especially at night, to avoid striking protected species.
- Please report any collision with or injury to any sea turtle, marine mammals, or protected fish immediately to Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commissions Law Enforcement hotline at 1-888-404-FWCC (3922) by phone, and a letter or electronic copy to the National Marine Fisheries Service's Protected Resource Division at [takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov](mailto:takereport.nmfsser@noaa.gov).
- Note that along the beaches there is a possibility of nesting sea turtles and nesting migratory birds. All sea turtle and some shorebirds: American Oystercatcher, Black Skimmer, Brown Pelican, least Tern, Piping Plover, Snowy Egret, and snowy Plover; are protected under the **Endangered Species Act of 1973**. In addition shorebirds are protected under the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918.
- There is also a possibility of manatees within the waters along the coast. Manatees are protected under the Florida Manatee Sanctuary Act of 1978 and the **Endangered Species Act of 1973**. Manatees are also protected under the **Federal Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972** along with other marine mammals like whales and dolphins.
- Violating the endangered species act or a state statute by "taking" an endangered or threated species or damaging sea grass, coral, or beach dunes can lead to a federal or state agency imposing a civil fine of \$25,000 and/or a criminal penalty of 50,000 and/or up to 1 year in jail.
- Any vessel subject to the jurisdiction of the United States that is employed in any manner in the unlawful "taking" of any marine mammal shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 under the **Federal Marine Mammal Protection Act**.
  - "taking" is defined as harassing, harming, pursuing, hunting, shooting, wounding, killing, trapping, capturing, collecting, or an attempt to engage in such conduct.
- Please beware of roped off areas along the beach. These sectors are the locations where active migratory nesting shorebirds and shore bird colonies are present. They are there to protect the birds, their nests, their hatchlings, and their nesting environment from being disturbed. Similarly, please be aware of roped turtle nests, these are there to keep people from trampling in a clutch of eggs.

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