

Yachting Customs and Courtesies

## **Officer Insignia & Flags**

Following is an example of insignia and flags for its officers:

Commodore: three gold stars insignia and white foul anchor at an angle surrounded by thirteen stars on a blue field flag.

Vice Commodore: two gold stars insignia and the same design on a red field flag.

Rear Commodore: one gold star insignia and the same design in red on a white field flag.

Fleet Captain: horizontal gold anchor insignia and blue foul anchor on a white field flag.

Secretary: gold maple leaf insignia and white crossed quills on a blue field flag.

Treasurer: gold acorn insignia and white acorn on a blue field flag.

Past Commodore: three silver stars insignia and three white stars placed vertically along the hoist and a white foul anchor on a blue field flag.

## Supplier Suggestions - Pelican Isle Yacht Club

Commodore Insignia in Gardnerville, NV can design Yacht Club burgee and is the preferred vendor for the Blazer Emblem, cap disc and soft shoulder boards.

## www.commodoreinsignia.com or phone at 800-315-7485

The blazer emblem is style BBP-5 crossed anchors with Club Burgee and appropriate Officer Insignia, the cap disc is the Club Burgee on a white background with gold edge, and the shoulder boards are "Custom Officer Epaulets with Club Burgee, 5/8"stars,- triangle, Gold, Crossed anchors, 4 x 2 x 2 1/2 Black."

Other uniform items are available from Commodore Insignia and other uniform suppliers. Some notes:

The cap is frequently called a deluxe cap; it includes a spring halo wire typical of a naval officer's cap, not the soft rolled edge that some yacht clubs specify. Be certain to specify the black patent chin strap and black buttons since some yacht clubs use cord or gold chin straps and gold buttons.

The belt is the regular white web belt and plain brass buckle.

For the shoes, Bates Lite White Naval Officer shoes are a good choice and easily available on line, sometimes "slight blemish" shoes can be found at half price.

A good short sleeve shirt choice is the Van Heusen Aviator, available from numerous on line suppliers.