



International Order of the Blue Gavel

The International Order of the Blue Gavel, yachting's "most exclusive fraternity," is an order composed of Past Commodores of Yacht Clubs. Each Yacht Club forms its own Chapter and is bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the International Order. The Order has had constant growth from the time of its inception, and members have been accepted from all areas of the United States and Canada, as well as from such far-flung places as Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, the Philippines, and South Africa.

This Order honors Past Commodores through an International Fraternal Organization. It provides them an opportunity to continue to do something worthwhile for their Clubs and to work toward broader yachting associations and the betterment of all yachting activities. The know-how and ability gained through the years as flag officers is thus made available to all Clubs without in any way usurping the duties and responsibilities of the present officers.

The Marathon Yacht Club Chapter was installed in the International Order of the Blue Gavel on June 11, 1983, in ceremonies led by top officers of the International Order. Current Members are listed below together with the Club in which they served as Commodore:

ANDERSON, JOE	Marathon Yacht Club
BURLEY, JACK	Mackinac Island Yacht Club
BURNETT, CLYDE	Marathon Yacht Club
CHALBECK, JOHN	Marathon Yacht Club
DOWDELL, T.J. III (JOE)	Marathon Yacht Club
DUGAN, RICH	National Potomac Yacht Club
GOODWIN, LYNN	Marathon Yacht Club
HUNDHAMMER, FRED	Marathon Yacht Club
JONES, GARY	Marathon Yacht Club
McDONALD, MALCOLM	Marathon Yacht Club
MOORE, DAWN	Marathon Yacht Club
SMITH, HARRY	Marathon Yacht Club
SMITH, JOSEPH F.	Marathon Yacht Club
WAGNER, LAWRENCE	Marathon Yacht Club
WEIR, WILLIAM	Marathon Yacht Club
WURSTER, STEPHEN	La Porte Yacht Club