



The Sundown Patrol Of Lee County

History: The Sundowners, Inc. had its beginnings in Lee County, Florida in November 1965. The seven original members formed a flying club for the usual reason... to share expenses. Because they were also boaters, they decided to provide a needed community service of a boat search patrol along one hundred twenty miles of Lee County coastline. The club's first patrols were flown in leased aircraft. The Sundown Patrol of Lee County, Inc. was formed when the pilots' club needed additional help observing. The observers' group comprises the majority of The Sundown Patrol. Our aircraft are still provided by Sundowners, Inc., the original pilots club.

Operations: The Sundown Patrol flies the patrol route searching for boaters in distress. Patrols are added as needed. The Sundown Patrol also flies specific search missions in response to requests from the U. S. Coast Guard, law enforcement agencies, community and citizens groups and individuals.

Funding: The Sundown Patrol of Lee County Inc., a non-profit organization, receives no government support or funds. Observer dues, the voluntary contributions of individual boaters, civic, fraternal and business organizations fund the operations. The pilots of Sundowners Inc. donate their time to fly the patrol. Observers donate their time as members of the crew and also pay monthly dues to help support the patrol.

Membership: Persons desiring to apply for membership as a pilot in the Sundowners Inc., or as an Observer in the Sundown Patrol of Lee County, Inc. should contact the club at the address listed below or attend a club meeting. Observers and pilots are required to complete the pilot/observer ground school annually, prior to being scheduled to fly the patrol or participate in search missions.

Meetings: The Sundowners, Inc. and The Sundown Patrol are currently meeting on the first Wednesday of each month in the Page Field Base Ops building, 5200 Capt Channing Page Drive at 7:00 P.M. The public and prospective members are invited to attend.

Slide Presentations: The Sundown Patrol of Lee County, Inc. will gladly provide a speaker and slide presentation about the Sundowners operations to any interested groups upon request.

Contributions: Funds donated to The Sundown Patrol of Lee County, Inc. are tax deductible. Persons or organizations that wish to contribute to the Sundown Patrol can do so by making a check payable to “The Sundown Patrol of Lee County, Inc.”

Mail to:

Sundown Patrol of Lee County

or

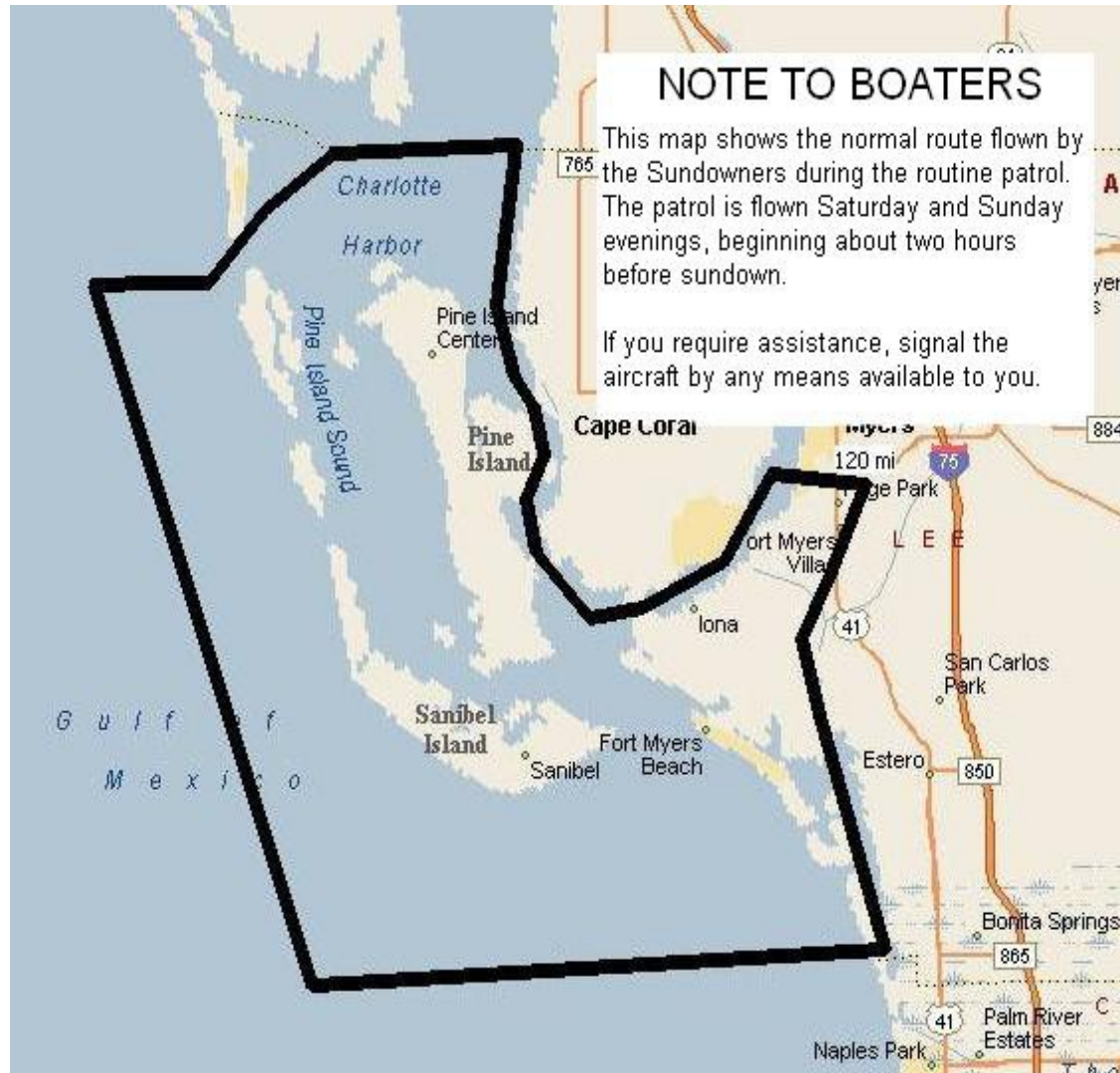
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Questions and comments may be E-mailed to BOD@Sundowners.club

SUNDOWN PATROL ROUTE



SUNDOWNERS

(The Sundowners Inc. & The Sundown Patrol of Lee County)

The regular monthly meeting is the first Wednesday of the month in the Page Field Base Ops building, 5200 Capt Channing Page Drive. The meeting starts at 7:00 PM. The entrance is across the Fowler St. extension opposite the Steak & Shake in Page Field Commons.



TSI Board of Directors meet the Third Tuesday each month 7PM at the same location. All are welcome to attend.

In December the first Wednesday is the Christmas party/meeting, with the location, time, and cost to be announced prior to the meeting.