



Boats docked at the Port Antonio Marina during the Marlin Tournament.

Errol Flynn Marina – Docklines November 2011

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■ **MARITIME INSTITUTE VISIT:** Some 70 future leaders in the Caribbean cruise industry visited Errol Flynn Marina and Port Antonio October 24-25. The trip formed a part of their bachelor's degree training at the Caribbean Maritime Institute in Kingston. Students overnighted in the Ken Wright Cruise Terminal and were greeted by a variety of local dignitaries. They also received briefings on the future of Port Antonio with respect to the impact of the travel embargo being lifted on Cuba by the United States (US) government.

■ **ISSUE 48 MILESTONE:** Time seems to just fly by as we are ready to begin our fifth year of publishing 'Docklines'. Over the

past four years, we have received a respectable number of "atta boys" for our writing and only a few "poison pen" notes. So for the most part, we take it we are doing something right. Comments of any sort are always appreciated and help us do a better job!

■ **FORBIDDEN STUFF?:** While for some 50 years US visitors still remain the only folks in the entire world that are denied the freedom to visit Cuba, we notice that this restriction doesn't stop them from enjoying fresh Cohiba, Monte Cristo cigars or Havana Club rum at Marybelle's Pub on the Pier. And ... just in: The Pub is now featuring Cuba's famous Cristal beer. What next? Just remember US border-protection authorities consider smuggling Cuban cigars an extremely serious crime or

something on par with importing cocaine! In the meantime, enjoy it while you're here (the cigars, that is). This writer, once asked if he was carrying Cuban cigars by US Customs, confessed to having smoked some once, but indicated that out of a deep respect for President Bill Clinton, he did not inhale!

■ **FORT LAUDERDALE BOAT SHOW:** Marina General Manager Dale Westin was at the Bahia Mar in Fort Lauderdale during the boat show. He availed himself to meet with anyone regarding the Errol Flynn Marina and Port Authority properties in Port Antonio, Jamaica. The Fort Lauderdale Show also included exhibits at the LXR Marina (Formerly Pier 66), the Fort Lauderdale Convention Center,

Hall of Fame Marina and Las Olas Marina. Errol Flynn Marina and Boatyard will also be exhibiting at the Miami International Boat Show on February 16-20, 2012 at the Miami Beach Convention Center. There will actually be three boat shows in Miami during the same period, including the Strictly Sail at Miamarina and the huge Super Yacht and Brokerage Show along 10 blocks of Collins Avenue on Miami Beach. A ticket to the Miami Boat Show also admits you to the Strictly Sail. There is no admission charge for the Super Yacht Brokerage Show. Shuttle buses provide quick free access to all three shows.

■ **PLANNING A BIG EVENT?:** Keep Errol Flynn Marina in mind whenever you need the perfect

location for that special event. Our Ken Wright Terminal building, Ken Wright Pier, beach, promenade or grassy green are all available for short-term rental. To date, we have hosted numerous weddings, anniversary parties, birthdays, family reunions, company stockholder meetings and various expos. We are even being considered to host a Bar Mitzvah!

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