



FAQs

Do you have to be a resident of Bird Key to belong to Bird Key Yacht Club (BKYC)?

No. While BKYC was originally built as an amenity for the residential development, living on Bird Key is not a membership requirement. Our members come from across the region, especially as our location is just a bridge away from downtown Sarasota and the mainland.

Is boat ownership a requirement of membership at Bird Key Yacht Club?

Only around one-third of our members own watercraft — and the Club is fortunate that most of those members are generous in inviting other members to enjoy our beautiful waters. All members delight in the many other amenities and activities they find at BKYC. Our motto is “anchored in friendship” and that is demonstrated every day.

Do you have different levels of membership at Bird Key Yacht Club?

Unlike other private clubs, BKYC has just one kind of membership, which opens the opportunities for all members to enjoy all of our many activities.

What are some of those amenities?

BKYC is the closest tennis facility to downtown Sarasota, offering three HarTru courts along with a number of organized tennis activities. We have two waterside bocce ball courts and an Olympic sized pool. The fitness center is outfitted with many types of aerobic and strength building equipment. Local physical fitness trainers offer members personalized programs at the center. Various classes are also available. Group activities are almost too extensive to name — bridge, line dancing, mah jongg, trivia, golf, biking, fashion shows, water aerobics, book reviews, art, lectures and, of course, a robust social schedule. Finally, our award-winning cuisine is celebrated everyday as well as during structured wine dinners and special tastings.

What about reciprocity with other clubs?

BKYC is one of the founding members of the Florida Council of Yacht Clubs, which provides a reciprocity benefit used by many of our members. The FCYC is comprised of 36 Florida yacht clubs, whose doors are open to BKYC members, whether visiting by land or by sea. For our extensive travelers, they may also visit any of the Yachting Club of America member clubs nationwide. .

Locally, we have reciprocity with two of the Gulf Coast’s exceptional golf clubs — Laurel Oak and SaraBay, as well as limited reciprocity with several of the city’s other fine private clubs.