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TOPIC: **Richard Warren Rydell Memorial Lionfish Derby and Lionfish Educational Workshop**

WHERE: Captain's Meeting and Lionfish Research Presentation
UM RSMAS SALT Waterfront Restaurant and Bar
4600 Rickenbacker Causeway, Virginia Key 33149
(Immediately south of Miami Seaquarium)

Lionfish Derby and Educational Workshop
Miami-Dade County Crandon Park Marina
4000 Crandon Boulevard, Key Biscayne 33149
(Near Boat Ramps and Marina Store)

WHEN: Friday, May 15th, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm – Research Presentation
Friday, May 15th, 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm – Captain's Meeting
Saturday, May 16th, 6:30 am – 3:00 pm – Lionfish Collection
Saturday, May 16th, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm – Educational Workshop
Saturday, May 16th, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm – Tasting and Awards

COST: \$20/Individual Registrant. Please register as soon as possible at:
<https://eventbrite.com/event/16194176217>.

DESCRIPTION: These exotic invasive marine fish are killing our native fish!
May 16th is Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day. Please join us in a tournament to remove them and/or the educational workshop. **Cash and prize awards!**

May 15th presentation by Dr. Evan D'Alessandro about lionfish research being conducted at RSMAS is open to all. **Net proceeds of the lionfish derby will be donated to lionfish research at RSMAS.**

Richie Rydell was a very active dive instructor in Miami-Dade County since 1979, sharing his passion for our local reefs and shipwrecks with hundreds of students. Richie specialized in private scuba lessons, establishing strong relationships with many dive operators, and also taught students at the MAST Academy and the UM SCUBA Club. He passed unexpectedly on June 4th, 2014.

Additional lionfish derby sponsors needed!
Please contact erik.neugaard@rsandh.com.

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