

# Naval Civil War in Florida

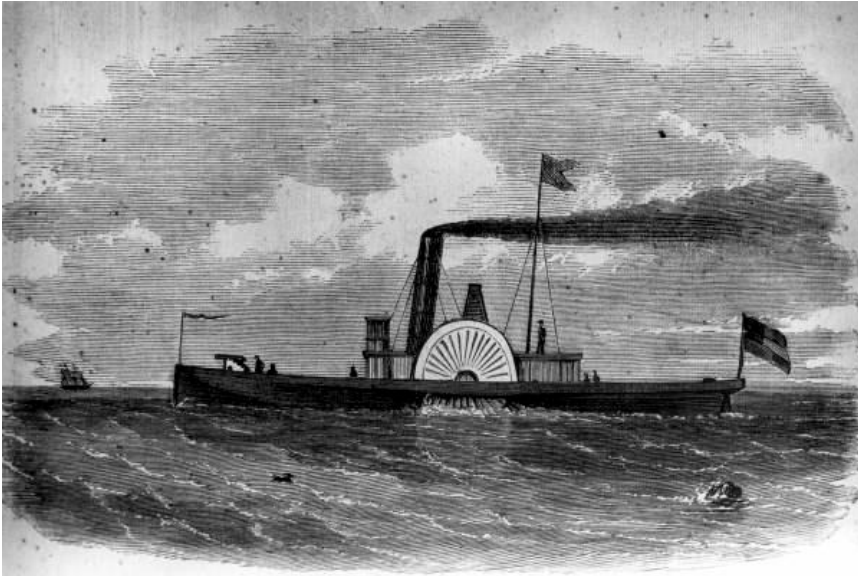
**Date/Time:** Saturday, June 24, 2023 @ 10:00 am

**Place:** Anderson-Price Building, 42 North Beach Street, Ormond Beach, FL 32174

**Presented By:** Robert Mattson

**Event Type:** In-Person

**Free Admission:** (Open to the Public)



“The Naval Civil War in Florida” program is based on Robert Mattson’s book: *The Civil War Navy in Florida*, and provides a broad overview of naval actions in Florida during the American Civil War. For reasons which will be described, this mainly was Union Naval actions, including capture of blockade runners, raids up rivers, salt works raids, and coastal patrol. Mattson appears in “in character” for this program (in a period Union Navy uniform) and brings a display of weapons and tools used by sailors during the Civil War.

Rob Mattson researches and portrays Union Civil War Navy personnel (officers and enlisted seamen). He is currently a member of the USS Pawnee (Marine) Guard and is their only sailor. Mattson’s uniform represents part of the standard working uniform of the Union Navy seaman of that time (both Petty Officers and deck sailors), consisting of fall-front trousers, undershirt, jumper, scarf, and flat hat. The white jumper and sennit hat were generally only worn on special occasions (Sunday service, visit of an Admiral, etc.) or on shore leave.

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