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# Marco Bay Yacht Club February 2014

Hello .... Member

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It is my honor to serve this year as your 35th Commodore of Marco Bay Yacht Club - the premiere place on Marco Island to meet new friends and enjoy boating trips and adventures. Thank you for your support and confidence.

I am very grateful for the support and efforts of our 2014 Volunteer Members – 52 strong on the Bridge, our Club officers, our Board of Directors, and our MBYC's Committee Chairpersons and Team members. Planning and implementing over 50 events a year would not be possible without the dedication of these 52 VIVs - Very Important Volunteers. I pledge to add my best efforts this year to theirs .... and to make 2014 a fun and successful year ....

On January 18th, the Commodores Ball was held at the Hideaway Club to honor the service to our Club of our 2013 Commodore, now P/C Marcia Orsolini, and her captain P/C Alex Orsolini. I know you will all join me in thanking Marcia for an amazing and successful 2013. A big thank you to our Social chairpersons, Michelle Sheehan and Jo Baillie, for an enjoyable evening at the Commodore's Ball.

Our annual 2014 Presentation and Blessing of the Fleet was a great success despite the predicted cold temperatures. A fickle "Mother Nature" took pity on us however, and by 10am the sun shone warmly on the assembled Fleet. D'Ann Brandt and Leanne Thomas were present on the Bridge boat to commemorate their husbands, 2 of the 4 Members we lost during the past year. Led by Fleet Captain Mike Brown the Fleet was reviewed by the Bridge and P/C boat. Afterwards, there were 81 in attendance for lunch at 'CJ's on the Bay'. Thanks to Bob Herndon and Barry Gelfand, who provided their boats for the Bridge and P/Cs, and to

Sue & Joe Anzalone, Chuck Hubscher, P/C Brent Cook, Kris –the very helpful DockMaster at the Esplanade, always Dan Lowell and the Photo Team, and the Chef and staff at 'CJ's on the Bay'. The life blood of our Club is new Members. If you share with your other friends the good times and fun cruises our Club enjoys, they will probably be curious and want to visit the "Fun Club". One of the best times for your friends to visit is our Monday Madness Happy Hour gatherings held on the last Tuesday of each month.

To promote continued "safe boating" in 2014, our Safety Officers, Jim Mueller and John Moyer would like to remind us that the 2014 "Vessel Safety Check" stickers are in and ready for your 2014 boat inspection. Our 'on the ready' staff of MBYC boat inspectors include: Owen Henning, Al Rapp, John Moyer, and Rudy Landwaard. Amy of them would welcome a call to inspect your boat for 2014.

Everyone is encouraged to frequently check the Club website at <a href="https://www.marcobayyachtclub.com">www.marcobayyachtclub.com</a>, specifically the Calendar located under the Events tab, then Events Calendar. P/C Brent Cook, who is maintaining the Calendar this year, usually posts new events within a day or two of the event announcement. This is your very best source of what is happening at MBYC. Events planned in February so far are, the amazing "Loop Cruise", organized by the Fleet Captain's Team, departs on the 10th and returns on the 28th. Jim Heckenlaible and R/C Al Saunders have announced for the 12th, a Day Boat Cruise to Jack's River Bar in Naples. Our 1st Mates Team, Sally Orth, Carolyn Cachiannes, and Jacki Hays, are sponsoring a "Food Tour" by Trolley car on the 17th for First Mates 'foodies'. Let them know you are coming! On the last Monday, we of course will have "Monday Madness".

In February or March (without dates yet), Jim and Al are planning a Day Boat Cruise to Venetian Bay, and perhaps a repeat of the popular "Cape Romano" Day boat Cruise and Picnic. Finally, it's not too early to sign up for the "Welcome New Members" party on March 10th held this year at "LaPiazza". The Flyer will be out soon.

on the water .... or around town .... "Sea Ya'll" out there ....

Commodore (Charlie) Skillern

### **Past Event Articles:**

See all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

## **Thursday Breakfast**





If you are up and about, by say 8:00AM on just about any Thursday morning, you'll probably find Brent Cook sitting at the big round table at the Sand Bar waiting for other MBYC cruisers to begin arriving for our traditional Thursday breakfast. There's not a maintenance issue that can't be resolved or a fishing tale that can't be beat. Come on out and join us this Thursday morning. The prices are reasonable, the food is good, and the friendship and camaraderie are great.

## **Commodores Ball 2014**





The Gala Commodores Ball was held at Hideaway Beach to celebrate the change of watch from Marcia Orsolini to Charlie Skillern. A great time was had by all under the music of Dan Voss.

## **Presentation of the Fleet**





Marco Bay Yacht Club conducted its annual Presentation and Blessing of the Fleet in Smokehouse Bay on January 25, 2014. The weather was forecast for an overnight low of 40 degrees, but about 9:15 the sun peeked out and by Review time the weather could not have been better - with jackets on that is. 16 vessels signed up for Review but the low temperature forecast reduced the boat turnout to 10. The shores were lined by Marco Bay Yacht Clubs members and guests to witness the ceremony led by Commodore Charlie Skillern.

The Bridge boat, 'TenneSea Waltz', captained by Bob Herndon with First Mate Joanne Herndon, and the Past Commodores boat, 'My Turn', captained by Barry Gelfand and his first mate, Claudette - pulled away from the Esplanade dock at 10:00 and proceeded to anchor and raft together for the Review.

At 10:30, our Fleet Captain, Mike Brown led the vessels in Review past the two Review boats. Commodore Skillern, along with Vice Commodore, Jack Barter and Rear Commodore, Al Saunders saluted each vessel from the Bridge boat as they passed. The boats in review then passed the Past Commodore's Boat, and were saluted again by the assembled Past Commodores.

There were seven Commodore's taking part in the ceremony: P/C Joe Doggett with Sharon, P/C Brent Cook with Susan, P/C Bill Horton with Cea, P/C Bob Vroman with P/C Ginny Vroman, P/C Marcia Orsolini with P/C Alex Orsolini.

Club Chaplain Alan Sandlin led us in the invocation and the Blessing of the Fleet. P/C Bill Horton, graciously filling in for the Club Historian, P/C Larry Oswald, who could not be present, gave a short review of the Club's history.

We then remembered with sadness and commemorated the four Club Members that passed away in the last year. D'Ann Brandt dropped a rose for P/C David Brandt and spoke a few words about how much the Club meant to them both. Leanne Thomas dropped a rose for Jim Thomas and spoke similar endearing thoughts. Commodore Skillern commented that "Dave (Besuden) had always been my hero" .... then dropped a rose in the water for P/C Dave Besuden and finally Vice Commodore Al Saunders dropped a rose in Smokehouse Bay to commemorate all the MBYC Members that had passed in prior years.

After the ceremony, all vessels returned to the dock and 81 members gathered for lunch and camaraderie at CJs On the Bay. It was a beautiful way to end our annual tradition.

# **Tween Waters and Punta Gorda**



Cruise to Tween Waters and Punta Gorda was the first of many 2014 cruises.

## **Future Event Flyers:**



# February 10-28, 2014

### Marinas

Legacy Marina in Ft Myers

February 10th to 12th

Roland Martin Marina

February 12th to 13th

Loggerhead Marina in Stuart

February 13th to 17th

Palm Harbour Marina in West Palm

February 17th to 21st

Bahia Mar Marina in Ft Lauderdale

February 21st to 25th

Hawks Cay Marina at Duck Key

February 25th to 28th

### Departure

Boats will depart from Big Marco Pass (R2) at 9:00 am on February 10th.

### **Communications**

We will monitor channel 72.

## Captain's Meeting

All Captains and their crew and guests are invited to attend the Captain's meeting at Brent and Susan's (864 S. Heathwood Dr.) at 4:30 p.m., Friday, February 7th. Dinner will follow, for those that wish, at a local eatery.

### Reservations

If you have not already signed up, space is extremely limited so send your registration form to Brent Cook as soon as possible but no later than January 13th.

### Hotels

If you need a hotel room, you need to make that reservation yourself by calling the marinas listed above and ask for their recommendation.

## Questions

If you have any questions please call Brent Cook at 269-370-8003.

## Marco Bay Yacht Club: Loop Cruise

Your name			Numbe	r of people_		
Guests' names			Captain'	s cell phone		
Boat name			Boat ma	ke		
Boat length	beam	draft	Tie-up P	reference	Port	Starboard
Name on credit care	d		Туре	Amx	Visa	MC
Credit card #			Expiration	on date		

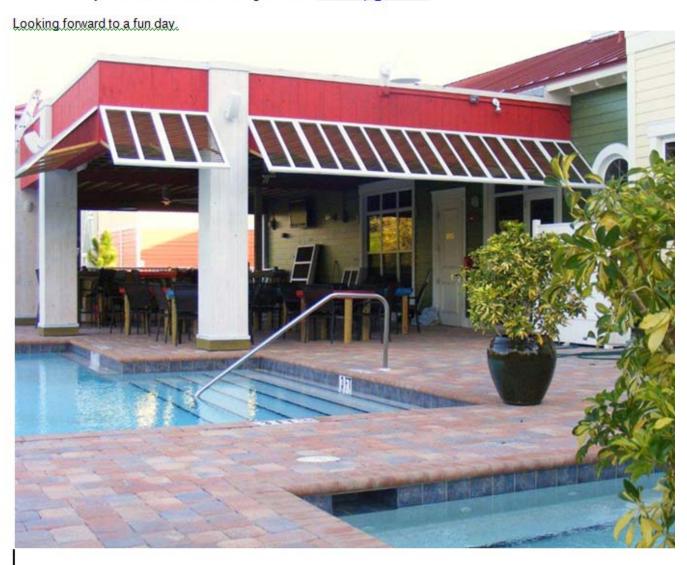
Complete and mail this form to Brent Cook, 864S. Heathwood Drive, Marco Island, FL 34145. Or send all the requested information in an e-mail to Brent@Brentcook.net. Your form or e-mail must be received by January 13th.

# **Day Boat Cruise to Jack's River Bar**

Ahoy Boater's,

Small boats that can fit under the route 41 bridge (10 foot clearance at high tide) are invited to join Al and Jim on February 12th, 2014, for a boat trip up to Naples Harbour Marina for lunch at "Jack's River Bar" Again, we will have the pool area. We'll gather at buoy #8 (also known as the red and green center line buoy) at Big Marco Pass at 10:30 AM and enjoy the trip up to the Gordon River, under the bridge, and into the Naples Harbour Marina where there will be dock hands available for tie up. Lunch will be at 12:00 noon.

Please e-mail your intentions with boat length to Al at alzie104p@aol.com .



## First Mates Naples Event



# First Mates are you

# Hungry for something different? Join us for Food and Fun in the sun! Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

Get on board to experience wonderful foods, out-of-the way places, and an insider's perspective on the Naples food scene!

Our 3-hour Naples Food Tasting Tour takes you to some of Naples most unique restaurants, markets and shops where you'll get to sample favorite foods, talk to proprietors and learn about local customs. It's a Naples experience to remember!

This guided tour, starts at 1:45 p.m. and departs from a convenient location in Naples to be announced. Along the way, you'll stop at 5 locations and enjoy specially prepared treats. By the time the tour ends at 5:00 p.m. you'll have sampled the equivalent of a light lunch. We guarantee your taste-buds will be happy!

#### The cost is \$50.00

Space is limited so get your reservation in early. If we get a big response we will schedule a second trip.

We will meet to car pool in the parking lot in front of the little Publix at 12:45 p.m.

To sign up fill in the form below and your check will reserve your spot.

Naples Food Tour

Make \$50.00 check payable to Carolyn Cachiannes. Mail to: Carolyn at 450 Cottage Court, Marco Island, FL 34145

Name:	Phone:	
E-mail:		

Carolyn will e-mail or call final details to all participants.



# **MBYC WELCOME ABOARD PARTY**

### JOIN THE CREW TO WELCOME OUR

# **NEW MEMBERS**

When: Monday, March 10, 2014

Ciao Bella (formerly La Piazza) Where:

1000 Collier Blvd. #4-6

5:30 PM Cocktail Hour Time:

6:30 PM Dinner

Attire: Club Uniform suggested for Men

Dressy Casual for Women

### EXTRA PARKING & DOOR AT REAR OF RESTAURANT

Chairpersons Michelle Sheehan (389-9194) Mary Moyer (642-5526)

Please	return this portion with your check made payable to	"MBYC"
	Mail to:	

1447 Collingswood Ave Marco Island, FL 34145		
Name (s)		
Amount Enclosed: Number of people attending		
Choose one per person:Chicken Marsala	Beef Lasagna	
Tilapia Francaise		
Please note that club is subsidizing p	part of the cost of this event.	
No Reservations can be accepted a	after Tuesday, Mar. 4, 2014	

## **Sarasota**



MARCH 18 – MARCH 20 PALM ISLAND – CAPE HAZE

MARCH 20 – MARCH 26 MARINA JACKS - SARASOTA

MARCH 26 – MARCH 30 CROWS NEST – VENICE

Lots of fun activities are planned for this trip and more information and a detailed schedule will be available when everyone returns after the Holidays. Contact one of the team members if you have any questions or would like to sign up if you have not already done so.

SEA YA THEN.....

Fleet Capt. Mike Brown, Brent Cook, Bob Herndon, Ginny Rapp

Your MBYC Cruising Team

# **Wild Goose Chase**



Save this date!

Wild Goose Chase & Lunch: **Sat., April 5, 2014**If your grandchildren are in town, they will be included!

# Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:

**Annual Vessel Safety Check & Inspector List Notice** 



It's that time of the year again!!

Time to get your vessel's safety equipment examined Your club inspectors are waiting.

Be ready for law enforcement when you get pulled over. Show 'em you got the

# Right Stuff

Call our MBYC certified VESSEL EXAMINERS directly:

Owen Henning 239-394-1228 <u>CaptOwenH@aol.com</u>
Alan Rapp 239-393-4949 <u>AlRapp@hotmail.com</u>
Rudy Landwaard 239-389-4444 <u>RLandwaard@aol.com</u>
John Moyer 239-248-7078 <u>JMoyer1528@aol.com</u>

Remember Club rules state: that all vessels must have a safety check sticker when participating in MBYC events

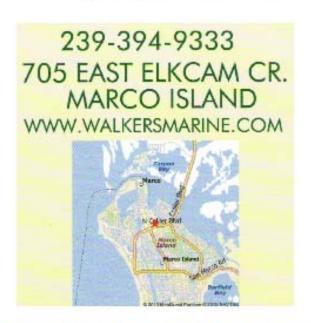
(Our inspectors are smarter than a rocket scientist and faster than pizza delivery)

## **Walkers Hideaway Marina discounts**



### is proud to to offer MARCO BAY YACHT CLUB Members these discounts:

15% on all general merchandise\$.10 a gallon on ethanol free fuel



### Just a few of the many SERVICES of WALKERS HIDEAWAY MARINA:

Full Ship's Store with lunch counter offering: subs, drinks, beer, wine, hot pizza, sandwiches

Boat Storage with free haul and launch
Ethanol Free (no corn) Fuel
full Mechanical Services
Boat washing, waxing, and detailing
Full line of Marine parts
Paddle Boat rentals
Fishing Rod rentals
Free Transportation to and from Marco hotels

### **Boat Owners Warehouse Notice**

TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS September 2013

Recently, West Marine has cancelled our membership in Port Supply, negating our ability to purchase items at discounted prices.

As a result, we have negotiated an agreement with Boat Owner's Warehouse (BOW) in Fort Lauderdale to enable MBYC members to purchase at a discounted price (with the blessing of our Commodore, Marcia Orsolini). BOW prices, in general, are less expensive than West Marine's prices, plus we get an additional discount of approximately 10% (depending on the item). If the item is in stock, they will ship to us by USPS, or UPS, and since shipment is Florida to Florida, we should receive items overnight, with no charge for ground shipments.

We can order on-line, by phone, or in person. Identify yourself as a member of the Marco Bay Yacht Club and give them our member number which is 02-6424214. They will corroborate who you are by referring to an abbreviated club roster. Please ask for a BOW catalog to be included with any item you order.

It is important that you do not abuse this purchasing privilege by giving the number and your name to a non Marco Bay Club member.

BOW store address: 311 SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street, (Route 84, between SW 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. and SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., and across the street and a few blocks east from West Marine)

Mail order department: 1-800-262-8799 Hours: 8 to 4:30

Rte 84 store phone directly: 1-954-522-7998

MARCO BAY YACHT CLUB

Your Cruise Team: Mike Brown, Brent Cook, Ginny Rapp, Bob Herndon



# Marco Bay Yacht Club \* Ships Store \*

# 'Insignia Items' for sale





8	2nd price is for 2XL sizes	
Ī	Club Tie	\$30
	Burgee	\$20
	Jacket Patch	\$20
	Name Tags	\$10
	Roster	\$10
	License Plate	\$4
	Caps	\$12
	Polo Shirts	\$20-\$22
	Visors	\$12
	Polo Shirts	\$20-\$22
į	Tank Tops	\$14
Ī	Jackets (navy w red trim)	\$65-\$67
l	Tote Bags	\$20





### Featuring this Month: Tees-pocket, hvywt, embroidered

\$29-\$31 Hooded Sweat - Port & Co \$35-\$37

Have your items monogrammed at: Sunshine Stitchers
1106 1/2 N Collier Blvd
Marco Island, FL 34145
239-970-0200
Marco Island Chamber of Commerce Buil





### Email or Call your order to:

Phone: E-mail:

r pre-addressed e-mail window click name below

Luther or Jackie Hays 239.821.7566

# **Events Calendar:**

Go to the website Calendar with live links, then click on Event date to open the Event info & Flyer Flyers opened from the website Calendar will be printable.

	2014
January 2014	New Year's Day :: Select Holidays  Cruise to Tween Waters & Fisherman's Village - please sign up :: Cruise Long  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Commodore's Ball :: Social Events  Presentation of the Fleet :: Social Events  Monday Madness at Island Gypsy :: Social Events
February 2014	Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Loop Cruise :: Cruise Long  Day Boat Cruise to Jack's River Bar :: Cruise Day  Valentine's Day :: Select Holidays  First Mates Naples Food Tour :: First Mates  Monday Madness :: Social Events  Day Boat Cruise to Keewaydin Spring Break Party :: Cruise Day
March 2014	Welcome Aboard Party :: Social Events  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Day Boat Cruise to Venetian Bay :: Cruise Day  Fleet Captain's Auction :: Social Events  Sarasota Cruise :: Cruise Long  First Mates - Stage 2 Improv :: First Mates  Monday Madness :: Social Events
April 2014	Wild Goose Chase :: Cruise Day  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  First Mates AED/CPR Info Class :: First Mates  Boca Grande / South Seas Cruise :: Cruise Long  Easter :: Select Holidays  Day Boat Cruise to Cape Romano :: Cruise Day  First Mates - Always A Bridesmaid :: First Mates  Monday Madness :: Social Events
May 2014	"Last Hurrah" Cruise - Destination TBD :: Cruise Long Board Meeting :: Board Meetings Monday Madness :: Social Events Mini Golf Tournament :: Social Events
June 2014	Monday Madness :: Social Events
July 2014	4th of July Celebration Gathering :: Social Events  Monday Madness :: Social Events



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