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## Marco Bay Yacht Club January 2014

Hello .... Member

#### Commodore's Message:

Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed the December holidays.

For MBYC, December started out with a wonderful Holiday Party held at Hideaway Beach Club. Members danced the night away! Thank you to Michelle Sheehan and Jo Baillie for organizing this successful event.

The following Saturday we entered **Bob and JoAnn Herndon's** 'TenneSea Waltz' and Rudi and **Dorothy Landwaard's** 'Sweet Lips' in the Island Boat Parade. Bob and JoAnn's boat won an award for Most Entertaining. This was especially appreciated since we dedicated this boat parade to **P/C Dave Besuden** who passed away in late August. Dave represented MBYC in almost every Island Boat Parade and won many awards. He was given special recognition earlier this past year. There is a wonderful article about him in the December 11th Sun Times, written by Steve Stefanides. Thank you to Bob and Jo Ann, Rudi and Dorothy, chairpersons and master planners, **Joe Sheehan and Doug Baillie** and all the members who helped decorate the boats. A huge thank you goes to **P/C Bill Horton and Cea** for opening their home for the Boat Parade Party.

One week later we had an entry in the Island Street Parade and we won for the "Most Patriotic" category. Joe and Doug were the masters behind this project as well. Thanks go to **P/C Bill Horton** for the use of his boat, **Bob Burns** for pulling the trailer, and those members who helped with the decorating and take down. Also thanks go to **P/C Joe and Sharon Doggett** for allowing us to use their garage and driveway for staging the decorating.

**Vern and Ann Graham** have an exciting cruise planned for January 6-13. The group will cruise to 'Tween Waters on Captiva Island and Fisherman's Village in Punta Gorda. You will read about that adventure in your upcoming Baylines.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Commodore this year. As I said at the beginning of my term, my goals were to strengthen the membership and encourage participation. I believe those goals have been accomplished. I wish Charlie and the 2014 Bridge and Board the same support and energy that you have all given me. This truly is the BEST Club on Marco Island!

Please plan to attend the upcoming Commodore's Ball/Change of Watch on January 18<sup>th</sup> to show your support for your new **Commodore**, **Charlie Skillern**, **Rear Commodore**, **Al Saunders** and your new Directors.

Commodore Marcia Orsolini

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## **Monday Madness 11-25-13**





It was another fun Mad Monday and a great turnout of members since it was so close to Thanksgiving. We had three 50/50 winners and four game prize winners. I can tell you that the members who won the 2012 Roster prizes were thrilled! So was Luther Hays who can now take them out of his inventory. We learned that Rhona Kalkstein is really good at coming up with quick answers! She won two Rosters!

## **Marco Christmas Tree Lighting**



### 2013 Marco Island Christmas Tree Lighting

MBYC had a prime location to view the tree lighting this year. That's because some of your fellow yachters staked claim to the location on the night before. As usual, we had a great group of members and prospective members (about 20). They brought docktails, errrrrr I mean cocktails and a smorgasbord of treats. The food was tremendous and plentiful. We ate, drank, watched, sang, danced, and socialized into the wee hours of the night! Ok, so it was only until the music stopped, but fun was had by all!

## **Holiday Party**





## **Happy Holidays Celebrated by All**

Everyone enjoyed the night at Hideaway for the Holiday Ball. The food was great and everyone loved to pick and choose at the Buffet and even try something new .... and how about our great dancing members, they really did dance the night away? We all enjoyed Dawn and Billy Dean who provided wonderful listening and dancing music. Merry Christmas and thank all of you for coming!

## **Boat Parade and Party**





#### MARCO BOAT PARADE

This year's Boat Parade was dedicated to the memory of long time member and P/C Dave Besuden's infamous "Marco Mania". Dave would have been pleased with the great jobs that Captain Bob Herndon and Captain Rudy Landwaard did leading the MYBC two entries in this year's Boat Parade. With the theme of "A Star Spangled Christmas", the two boats were decorated in red, white, and blue LED lights that danced to "GOD BLESS THE USA" and "THE XMAS SONG". The MBYC boat won the "Most Entertaining Award" from the Judges and everyone enjoyed the music choice which celebrated both OUR COUNTRY and the XMAS SPIRIT. Doug Baillie and Joe Sheehan would especially like to thank our two Captains and their first mates for volunteering their boats to represent our CLUB in this event. The Decorating TEAM also needs special thanks for helping with the installing and taking the lights off of both boats. The Co Chairmen recommend that next year's Boat Parade entry be limited to a single entry boat so additional time and effort can be devoted to a single boat.

The MBYC members celebrated the MBYC entries in the Boat Parade from a vacant lot across the street from Cea and Bill Horton's home near the entrance to Collier Bay. After the Parade, many of the Boat Club members continued the Parade celebration back at the Horton's home with a Xmas Celebration Party. The night ended with our members already looking forward to next year's Boat Parade Celebration.

#### MARCO STREET PARADE

On the morning of December 14, the decorating crew got together once more to put together the MBYC entry into the Marco Christmas Street Parade at the home of Joe and Sharon Doggett who were again wonderful host to the decorating crew. We used a similar theme on the Street Parade but replaced our Santa with Frosty the snowman and added many more lights to the street parade entry.

On the evening of the Parade, we started with a "pizza party" while waiting for the parade to start and then had six little Elves handing out candy to the parade crowd. In addition, MBYC had a wonderful group of "dancing women" (you need to ask them about their new name) on the back of the Boat keeping the crowd happy.

Both events continued to show the people of Marco, that the MBYC continues to be the Premiere Boating Club on our Island and is filled with great members that enjoy participating in our community events. The club won the "Most Patriotic Award" on the Street Parade.

THANKS AGAIN TO ALL THE MEMBERS AND WIVES THAT BOTH HELPED WITH THE DECORATING CHALLENGE EACH YEAR OR JUST CHEERED US ON FROM THE SIDE LINES .... WE NEED ALL OF YOU TO CONTINUE OUR HOLIDAY TRADITIONS EACH YEAR!

#### **Future Event Flyers:**

You can see and download the flyers on the website Tween Waters-Fishermans Village Cruise Flyer

## SAVE THE DATES





MBYC CRUISE

'Tween Waters & Fishermen Village

January 6-8 @Tween Waters
January 9-13 @ Fishermen's Village

On Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> we will cruise to 'Tween Waters. There will be docktails on Monday evening, at the Marina, location TBD. We will cruise to Fishermen's Village, Punta Gorda, on Thursday, January 9th.

More information, and a sign-up roster, will be started after we all return in the Fall. We are "limited" to 15 slips at 'Tween Waters and 12 Slips at Fishermen's Village. Boaters beyond those numbers will be put on a waiting list.

Please put this most exciting trip on your calendars. If you would like to sign up or have questions regarding this cruise event call: Vern Graham 239-877-3668 or Mike Brown-973-703-1443 or Brent Cook- 269-370-8003

## Commodore's Ball Flyer

#### Commodore Marcia Orsolini and P/C Alex Orsolini

**Cordially Invite You** 



To

The Marco Bay Yacht Club

Commodore's Ball -- Change of Watch

Hideaway Beach Club



6:00 PM -- Cocktails

7:00 PM -- Dinner



Menu

Filet Mignon



Jumbo Shrimp Stuffed with Crabmeat

Potato & Vegetable Dessert, coffee & tea

Member Cost -- \$70 Guest Cost -- \$84.50



(excluding family members)

Cash Bar (tax & gratuity included in drink price)

Valet Parking and Gratuity included in cost

Dress Code - Black Tie or Club Uniform

Entertainment by Dan Vass

# member attending #	Guest attending Total enclosed
Make Checks payable to M	BYC - no checks accepted after January 10. 2014
Send Reservations to:	Michelle Sheehan
	1447 Collingswood Ave
	Marco Island, FL 34145

## **Presentation of the Fleet**







## MARCO BAY YACHT CLUB 2014 PRESENTATION OF THE FLEET SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

10:00 am Boats gather in front of the Esplanade

10:30 am Ceremony and Review of Fleet

11:30 am Lunch at CJ's on the Bay

Boat docking will be available along the seawall at the Esplanade Boats should monitor channel 72

#### **Lunch Choices:**

- CJ's Tropical Cobb Salad- mango, avocado, shrimp, boiled egg, bacon, tomato and feta cheese over baby greens with house citrus vinaigrette
- Philly Cheese- Shaved prime rib, sautéed onions, crimini mushrooms and American cheese with fries or fruit
- 3. Fish Sandwich- Fish filet, breaded and fried, dressed with tartar sauce, lettuce and tomatoes with fries or fruit
- 4. Chicken Sandwich- Grilled chicken breast dressed with pecan-wood smoked bacon, tomato, pepperjack cheese and avocado relish and served on a whole wheat bun with fries or fruit

Soft drinks, ice tea and American coffee included, along with tax and tip for \$16 per person.

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Name		Menu#	
We are coming by boat	by car	# of people	x \$16=\$

Mail this form and payment (made payable to MBYC) to Sue Anzalone, 899 Joy Circle, Marco Island, FL 34145

I must receive this form and payment by January 20. (my phone # 642-0728)

## **Loop Cruise**



## 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 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **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 card	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.

## **Boca Grande - South Seas Cruise**



# Cruising to Boca Grande & South Seas

## April 11-15, 2014: Boca Grande Marina April 15-19, 2014: South Seas Marina

[the above dates are arrival and departure dates]

#### departure

We will depart R2 at 9 a.m., Friday.

#### radio communication

All boats should monitor channel 72.

#### weather

If seas are calm, we'll take the outside route. If not, we'll take the ICW.

#### dockage

Slip fee at Boca Grande is \$2.50 per foot. Slip fee at South Seas is \$3 per foot.

#### reservations

Slip reservations must be confirmed to Brent by no later than March 5. One night's deposit will be charged to your credit card.

#### hotels

To reserve a hotel room at Gasparilla Inn on Boca Grande, call 941-964-2201.

To reserve a Harborside hotel room at South Seas, visit www.southseas.com/accommodations.

#### golf carts

Carts are available at Boca Grande. They are \$50 per day and can be shared by 4 people.

#### Easter Sunday, April 20

Some boaters will be returning home directly from Boca Grande, skipping South Seas. If that fits you best, check the appropriate box below.

#### questions

Call Brent at 269.370.8003.

I'm going to  South Seas Boca Grande  Your name  Guests' names	Captain's cell phone				
Boat name beam draft  Boat length beam draft draft	_ Tie-up F	reference	Port	Starboard	
Name on Credit Card Credit card #	_ Type	Amx	Visa	МС	

## **Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:**

## Thank You - by Commodore Marcia Orsolini

As we approach the end of my term as Commodore, I want to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Directors, my fellow Bridge members, Club Officers, and Chairpersons. Of course, I also want to thank ALL of you that attended our events and made it all worth the effort.

With a grateful heart I look back at our many events this year ....

Flt. Capt. Mike Brown and Cindy and Bob and JoAnn Herndon-Volunteered their beautiful boats for the Bridge and Past Commodores Boat at our Presentation of the Fleet

Michelle Sheehan and Jo Baillie-The New Members Party, The Welcome Back Party, The Holiday Party, (The Commodore's Ball/Change of Watch is upcoming)

**Lucille Dotterweich and Judy Sacher-** First Mates trips to Festival Flea Market, Women on the Water, and Menopause the Musical

Day Fleet Captain, Al Saunders-Lunch cruise to Jack's in Naples, Picnic on Cape Romano (with Jim Heckenlaible), Cruise to Hamilton Harbor

Fleet Captain, Mike Brown with P/C Brent Cook, Ginny Rapp and Bob Herndon-Fleet Captain's Auction, Cruises to South Seas, Sarasota, Palm Island, Legacy Marina, across Lake Okeechobee, Stuart, West Palm, Miami, the Keys, Naples Bay, Pink Shell, Cruise to South Seas and Boca Grande arranged by John and Martha Brinkoetter and Rick and Linda Geschrei, ('Tween Waters and Fisherman's Village arranged by Vern and Ann Graham is upcoming)

Betty and V/C Jack Barter- arranged the boat trip to Everglades City

John and Dianne Kernan, Rudi and Dorothy Landwaard, Jerry and Nancy Francis, and Ray Rosenburg and Linda Spell -Arranged the summer monthly Dine-Arounds

Joe Sheehan and Doug Baillie- Co-Chaired the Boat and Street Parade committee

P/C Bill Horton and Cea -Hosted the Boat Parade party at their home

**P/C Joe Doggett and Sharon** -Organized the gathering at the Christmas Tree Lighting at Veteran's Park

**Fun Mad Mondays** -At the Island Gypsy and the Old Marco Lodge with guessing games, 50/50's and our Halloween Costume party

Oh yes...and how about our Resident's Beach 4th of July gathering?

Thank you ALL for a wonderful year!

## **New Website Usage**

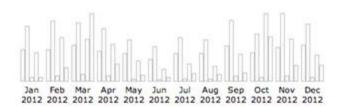
As many new users of our website already know, our Club developed a new website over the Summer of 2013. After the website was released in late September, our Member's usage DOUBLED in the following months of October, November, and December as compared to all prior usage including the same 3 months in 2012.

(Refer to the columns labeled "Unique Visitors" and Number of Visits")

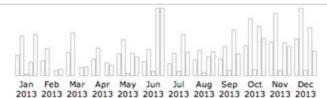
If you have not yet visited our website and are intrigued by our Membership's increased usage, you can VISIT IT NOW at:

http://www.marcobayyachtclub.com or simply marcobayyachtclub.com

Thank You for the increased usage. - Charlie Skillern



Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2012	256	447	1101	7226	209.38 MB
Feb 2012	258	489	1430	11175	700.51 MB
Mar 2012	296	477	1730	10773	3.29 GB
Apr 2012	246	431	1347	9299	883.23 MB
May 2012	231	338	657	5244	312.35 MB
Jun 2012	182	281	559	3190	195.52 MB
Jul 2012	229	358	726	4459	391.49 MB
Aug 2012	229	337	697	3888	353.30 MB
Sep 2012	291	494	1355	7000	438.95 MB
Oct 2012	232	386	1014	17074	2.18 GB
Nov 2012	275	548	1381	10679	815.71 MB
Dec 2012	294	468	1094	6685	806.30 MB
Total	3019	5054	13091	96692	10.47 GB



Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2013	359	706	2963	22024	2.68 GB
Feb 2013	265	482	1296	8941	449.67 MB
Mar 2013	416	762	1941	13397	603.04 MB
Apr 2013	299	499	1987	20643	738.66 MB
May 2013	385	641	4095	36621	1.24 GB
Jun 2013	256	469	8353	108030	4.36 GB
Jul 2013	215	406	7698	67149	1.53 GB
Aug 2013	285	453	5557	31186	1.57 GB
Sep 2013	301	524	8944	73814	1.45 GB
Oct 2013	530	1005	10312	79370	2.45 GB
Nov 2013	593	1094	8601	53570	1.89 GB
Dec 2013	647	1186	9072	77783	1.63 GB
Total	4551	8227	70819	592528	20.54 GB

#### **Remembering Dave Besuden as we Celebrate Christmas**

as printed in the Sun Times 12/11/13

#### Remembering David Besuden as we celebrate Christmas

by Steve Stefanides

This past weekend the island saw a number of wonderful activities to celebrate the Christmas holiday season.

Santa's Workshop at Mackle Park, the Christmas play "Three Men and a Boy," done by the Island Theater Group, the Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce Christmas Gala and the Christmas Boat Parade were all great events of which all took advantage.

I have to turn my attention though to the Christmas Boat Parade, which featured a two boat entry from the Marco Bay Yacht Club. Their member and longtime participant in the annual Christmas Boat Parade, David Besuden, passed away in August. He was a wonderful gentleman, but more than that, a great patriot. Over the years, his entry always had a patriotic theme, never forgetting the sacrifice and contribution of veterans and their families.

He had anticipated being in this year's event, but illness took him from us, but not before he had laid out his plans for a theme for this year's parade. That theme would revolve around a remembrance of the losses suffered on Dec. 7, 1941 in the attack on Pearl Harbor, which resulted in our entrance into World War II. This year's parade fell on that fateful day of Dec. 7 and he and his fellow Marco Bay Yacht Club members felt it an appropriate theme for their boats.

For those men and woman of that era the significance of this date would not be lost on them as long as they lived; such was the case for Dave.

When I visited with the members of the club as they scurried about preparing their boats for that Saturday evening's event, they conveyed his wishes to me. I would recall in years past watching David sit in his chair at the Marco Yacht Club, directing the members and their activities, stringing lights under his careful direction from his spot on the dock.

Make no mistake about it, he was like an admiral directing his men in battle. He would call out orders and advise if something wasn't placed just right. There would be no doubt in anyone's mind that he was in charge and knew what he wanted.

Although on the night of the event someone else might be piloting the Marco Mania boat owned by David, he was still the master of his domain, and the person at the helm was there because he trusted them.

I had the opportunity in 2002 to attend a conference in Hawaii sponsored by the FAA on security and safety of our airports. As part of my time there, I chose to visit the impressive USS Arizona Memorial, a permanent resting place for 1,177 U.S. sailors and marines who perished that fateful day.

I had arrived just after another one of the surviving shipmates of that attack had his cremated remains entombed with the shipmates he had lost on Dec. 7 in a private ceremony. Needless to say it was an extremely moving day, as the Arizona shed but another tear in the form of a droplet of oil that rose to the surface as it does so from time to time.

David can rest well knowing his friends and fellow mariners honored his request to pay their respects to those lost on Dec 7, 1941. It was an honor to know you, Dave, and may you rest in peace, knowing your friends will carry on your proud tradition.

## **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)

## **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.

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	2014
January 2014	New Year's Day :: Select Holidays  Cruise to Tween Waters & Fisherman's Village - please sign up :: Cruise Events  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Commodore's Ball :: Social Events  Presentation of the Fleet :: Social Events  Monday Madness :: Social Events
February 2014	Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Loop Cruise :: Cruise Events  Monday Madness :: Social Events
March 2014	Welcome Aboard Party :: Social Events  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Fleet Captain's Auction :: Social Events  Sarasota Cruise :: Cruise Events  Monday Madness :: Social Events
April 2014	Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Boca Grande / South Seas Cruise :: Cruise Events  Easter :: Select Holidays  Monday Madness :: Social Events
May 2014	"Last Hurrah" Extended Cruise - TBD :: Cruise Events  Board Meeting :: Board Meetings  Monday Madness :: Social Events
June 2014	Monday Madness :: Social Events
July 2014	4th of July Celebration Gathering :: Social Events  Monday Madness :: Social Events
August 2014	Monday Madness :: Social Events
September 2014	Monday Madness :: Social Events
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