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## Marco Bay Yacht Club November 2014

Hello .... Member:

#### Commodore's Message:

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Hey all Ya'll ....

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The season really kicked off in October with the Naples Bay Resort, Legacy Marina, & Pink Shell Cruise. Many in the first wave of our returning "northern cousins" were among the 66 members attending the annual club Lunch at Bonefish Grille, traditionally a part of the season opening cruise. The Day Boat fleet attended, led by Al & Ginny Rapp on "Margin", including Dan & Deb Lowell on "Leg-a-Sea", V/C Jack Barter and First Mate Betty on "Knot Home II", with guests Joe & Sue **Anzalone**. The extended Cruise was led by Fleet Captain team member **Brent Cook** and his First mate **Susan** on "Cookin'". Cruisers included **Barry & Claudette Gelfand** on "My Turn", Alan & Linda Sandlin on "Camelot", Frank & Marianne Mulligan on "Too Many Wakes", Mike & Cindy Brown on "Therapy III", Dave & Mary Ellen Mount on "Nauti Bouy", Rudi & Dorothy Landwaard on "Sweet Lips", Larry & Judy Sacher on "Sachmo" with their guests, Jerry Swiacki & Linda Turner, Rick & Linda Geschrei on "A Blast", and Commodore Charlie & Paula Skillern on the newest edition of "Sea Ya'll". Land Yachts joining the cruise group in Ft. Myers included **Dan** & Lucille Dotterweich, John & Martha Brinkoetter, Jack & Cheryl Coffin, and John & Dianne Kernan. There was a lot of "nearly nothing" done on the 10 day cruise, however we did rouse ourselves for a dinner and the play "Better Late" at the Broadway Palm Theater in Ft Myers hosted by Judy Sacher. On earlier evenings, the cruising group walked downtown for

dinners at <u>Bistro 821</u>, <u>Mangrove Cafe</u>, and <u>Roy's</u> Happy Hour in Naples, and to <u>The Veranda</u> in Ft Myers.

Membership renewal letters - assembled and mailed by our web and data manager Dan Lowell - will be going out around the 1st of November. The renewal package will include an opportunity to update your club Roster picture and also to update your member information for the annually published Roster. Your membership renewal package will include your current club data and picture which will only need to be noted for changes and additions.

Of note, there were two changes for 2015 membership renewal approved by your MBYC Board of Directors earlier in the year:

- The Board approved a dues increase for 2015 membership to \$150 from \$125 last year. Historically, the last dues increase was to \$125 in 2007 - 8 years ago. This is a great value for a club membership that has over 50 parties and significant activities a year! Heck, you can't drive to Walmart 50 times a year for that!
- The Board of Directors also approved a Safety Committee recommendation, chaired by Jim Mueller, asking for a current boat inspection with 2015 membership renewal. If you have a 2014 inspection sticker on your boat now, you are good to go for membership renewal. Just send in a copy of the inspection paperwork or a picture of the 2014 inspection decal. If you currently have a 2013 or earlier inspection sticker, call one of our lightning fast, USCG boat safety inspectors to schedule a <u>FREE</u> 2014 safety inspection.

Our USCG Certified staff of MBYC safety inspectors include: **John Moyer** (248-7078), **Rudi Landwaard** (389-4444), **Al Rapp** (393-4949), and **Owen Henning** (394-1228). As you know, it is currently a club requirement to have a current inspection sticker to participate in club Cruises, so why not just renew it now?

By the time you read this, we will have held the <u>Hamilton Harbor Lunch Cruise</u> hosted by Day Fleet Captain **Jim Heckenliable** on Wed, Oct 29th. Going forward, November is very busy with the <u>Welcome Back Party & Annual Meeting</u> at <u>CJ's on the Bay</u> on Mon, November 3rd - cocktails starting at 5pm at the <u>Starbar</u>. As of this writing, we have 91 attending this important event where we will elect our 2015 and beyond club leaders. If you have not already done so, call <u>Michelle Sheehan</u> for a reservation

at (239) 389-9194.

Next up is the <u>First Mates "Play in the Clay"</u> - a creative pottery event - on Wed, November 5th, hosted by **Jo Ann Hearndon** at the <u>Marco Island Center for the Arts.</u> Call Jo Ann at (423) 747-4900 for a reservation.

The annual MBYC Everglades City Cruise & Party at the Everglades Isle Motor Coach Resort will be hosted by **John Putnam** starting on Fri, November 7th continuing thru Sun the 9th. The amazing Miles Loud is the scheduled entertainment after dinner on Saturday evening, followed by breakfast Sunday morning by the pool. Call John for an event reservation at (239) 777-2555.

The November cruise to <u>Marathon & Key West Cruise</u> departs on the 16th, continuing thru the 24th. There is still availability for this cruise - contact Fleet Captain team member **Ginny Rapp** or **Brent Cook**. Lastly, the annual <u>Marco Island Christmas Tree</u> <u>Lighting</u> will be held at Veterans Park on Saturday, November 29th.

Please make your reservations for these events as soon as possible. Details are on the Club Calendar at <a href="https://www.marcobayyachtclub.com">www.marcobayyachtclub.com</a>

So .... 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

#### **Monday Madness- September**



Once again the September Monday Madness at CJ's was a lot of fun and totally by all who attended. Now that our northern friends are returning we hope to have even better turn outs for our traditional Monday Madness. Save the last Monday of each month to join us at the ever popular Monday Madness.

#### **Breakfast at the Sandbar**



As is typical of most Thursday mornings, members of the MBYC assemble at The Sandbar to have breakfast, swap current events and share all sorts of war stories. As you might guess it has become an enjoyable exchange of ideas, boating information and a whole lot of, as Charlie would say, southern yarns.

#### **Naples Bay and Legacy**





#### The Fun Begins Again

#### Naples, Bonefish & Legacy Trip Report

On Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, the first extended cruise of the Marco Bay Yacht Club season began with 3 boats heading for Naples Bay Resort. Cookin', My Turn and Sea Ya'll were joined the following day by Camelot and Sweet Lips followed on Saturday by A-Blast.

Thursday evening we were joined by the Kernans (John had served as First Mate on Sea Ya'll) and we all had a great dinner downtown at Bistro 821 where most of us took advantage of their Wine & Dine Dinner Menu.

On Friday the extended boaters were joined by day-boaters Mar-Gin, Too Many Wakes, Leg-A-Sea and Knot Home II as well as 40 some Land Yachters for a total of 54 club members that enjoyed a great lunch at Bonefish Grill.

Friday night the extended boaters dined on "Burgers and Beer" for \$10 at Roys and on Saturday night the 12 extended boaters dined at Mangrove Café where everyone raved about their dinners.

Sunday morning found us at the Yacht Club in the marina enjoying their Sunday Brunch before 4 of the six extended boaters headed north for Legacy Marina while the Sandlins and Gelfands headed back to Marco. Those of us headed to Legacy were joined there by Therapy III, Nauti Buoy, Sachmo and Too Many Wakes.

The highlights of our time at Legacy were Docktails at the marina, dinner at The Veranda, the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater, donuts at Bennett's and great times with great friends in a great marina. It was nice to have the Brinkoetters drive in for our

entire stay and to have the Kernans, Dotterweiches overnight, along with the Coffins who drove up for the dinner theater.

On Friday Therapy III, Nauti Buoy, Sachmo and Cookin' joined Too Many Wakes at Pink Shell Marina for a two-night stay on our way back to Marco while Sea Ya'll, A-Blast and Sweet Lips returned to Marco.

Too Many Wakes left Pink Shell on Saturday and Therapy III, Nauti Buoy, Cookin' and Sachmo left for home Sunday morning and enjoyed beautiful, calm seas.

**Read More** 

#### **Bonefish Luncheon**



On Thursday October 16 several boats joined later by others gathered at Naples Bay Marina to explore Naples for a few days before heading off to Legacy Marina. On Friday October 17 the cruisers and many other MBYC members joined the excursion for lunch at The Bonefish Grill in Naples. 54 in all enjoyed a great lunch at Bonefish and the opportunity to enjoy a beautiful day together. This luncheon is becoming a tradition to kick off the boating season allowing large and small boaters to enjoy each other's company and kick off a new season of fun on the water.

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

[open the Event on the website, in the Calendar]

#### **Everglades City Extended, Day & Land Cruise**

# BETTY BARTER BRINGS IT ALL BAC *l*/"RETURN TO THE EVERGLADES 2014!"



- Luxury slips with floating docks at
- Better than reasonable room rates
- Friday night "Docktails" at motor lodge pool
- Rentable golf carts for Citytouring
- Seturday "Happy Hour" from 4 to 6
- Saturday evening buffet from 6 to 7 featuring Seafood Newburg and
- Mes Loud famous impersonations from 7 to 10. Denoing mendatory!
- Sunday morning full buffet.

Nov 7,8,9 cruise for both big and small boats to Everglades City featuring accommodations at Everglades City Motel and Everglades Isle LUXURY Motor Coach Resort.







PERFORMING LIVE:





By special arrangement: ONE NIGHT ONLY. Voted #1 Entertainer in SW Florida, "The Real

Betty's Coordinators:

Marco Cat"

John & Ruth Putnam 239-777-2555 jwputnam@comcast.net



#### "RETURN TO THE EVERGLADES 2014"

(11/07 - 11/09)

The Everglades Motel is offering room rates of \$90 + tax (\$9) per night for MBYC members on both Friday and Saturday nights.

Contact Debbie at the hotel directly to make your reservation: 239-695-4224. Seven golf carts are available for rent.

Slip rentals: \$75/night for large boats (50' or 15' beam), \$37.50/night for small boats.

Friday afternoon: Large and small boats leave Coon Key Light at approximately 2 PM.

MOTORISTS ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED AND WELCOMED!!!!! MANY OF OUR BOATERS ARE HAPPY TO BRING GUESTS ABOARD.

THE MORE THE MERRIER, JUST INDICATE YOUR PREFERENCE BELOW.

Friday evening: "Docktails" around Everglades Isle Motor Coach Resort pool at 6 PM.

(Be sure to bring food to share and your own refreshments. Ice will be provided by the resort.)

Saturday morning: Breakfast & Lunch are on your own. There are many excellent choices within walking or cart distance.

Saturday afternoon: Happy Hour at the Motor Coach Resort from 4 to 6. \$2.00 beer/\$4.00 mixed drink/\$6.00 top shelf or specialty drinks.

Regular prices start at 6:00 and they are \$3.00 beer/\$6.00 mixed drink/\$8.00 top shelf or specialty drinks.

Saturday evening: Buffet dinner featuring (fabulous) Seafood Newburg with rice, chicken and mashed potatoes, vegetables, desserts, etc. from 6 to 8

Dinner will be followed with a stage show featuring Myles Loud from 8 to 11. YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS. Myles famously impersonates all of yo favorite old time artists. Make sure to bring your dance shoes!

Sunday at 10 AM: Catered brunch at the Motor Coach Lodge. Scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon, cheese potato casserole, fruit, pastries......THE WORKS! Forget the diet on this weekend. No one goes home hungry!

PAYMENT FOR DINNER, BRUNCH AND A GOLF CART IS TO BE MADE BY CHECK TO MARCO BAY YACHT CLUB.

PAYMENT FOR BOAT SLIPS IS TO BE MADE BY CREDIT CARD OR CHECK TO EVERGLADES ISLE LIGHTHOUSE CLUB UPON ARRIVAL.

NAMES		#GUESTS		_
BOAT NAME	LOA	BEAM	AMPS	
WILL BRING NON-BOATERS AB	OARD	WISH TO HIT	CH A RIDE	
COMIN	NG BY CAR		-	
people for Satu	rday evening dir	ner @\$28/pe	rson=\$	_
people for Sur	ıday brunch @\$	15/person=\$_		
golf carts (please share!) @\$30/day=\$				

PLEASE MAIL THE ABOVE INFORMATION ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK <u>NO LATER THAN</u> NOVEMBER IST TO JOHN PUTNAM, 1420 SALVADORE COURT, MARCO ISLAND 34145. (239-777-2555 FOR INQUIRIES)

#### **Marathon & Key West Cruise**



# Cruise To The Keys 2014

MARATHON: MARATHON MARINA NOV

14 - NOV 18

KEY WEST: GALLEON MARINA NOV

18 - NOV 24

Save These Important Dates on Your Calendar for the Fall 2014

Call or Email Ginny Rapp if You Would Like to Attend ginrapp@hotmail.com 269-445-8373

All Boaters or Land Yachters are Welcome to Come

#### **Holiday Party**



Make Checks payable to: MYBC

Send RESERVATION to:

Michelle Sheehan, 1447 Collingswood Ave., Marco Island, FL 34145 Remember "Toys for Tots" checks Optional

#### **MBYC BOAT PARADE PARTY**

DECEMBER 6TH, 2014

PLACE: Bill & Cea Horton's

1103 Edington Place

TIME: 1745 HRS (5:45 PM)

Beer Wine & Soft Drinks

Heavy Appetizers and Desserts

\$10:00 per person Reservations by Monday December 1st

Please make checks Payable to MBYC

Mail to Cea Horton 1103 Edington Pl Marco Island, FL 34145 Phone # 642-8928

Please car pool if possible parking is limited

NAME _	
Number Attendi	ng Amount Enclosed \$

### **HOLD THE DATES**

## **MBYC HOLIDAY DANCE**

When: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2014

Where: HIDEAWAY

## **MBYC COMMODORE'S BALL**

When: SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2015

Where: HIDEAWAY

#### **Abacos Land Cruise**



# MBYC ABACOS LAND CRUISE April 19, 2015 to May 2, 2015

Eight MBYC yachts are headed for the Abacos next spring and you can join the fun even if you don't want to take your boat.

The Abacos are a chain of roughly 100 islands and cays at the very north end of the Bahamas. They were settled by a group of loyalists families who fled the US mainland after the American Revolution. Every island/cay has beautiful uncrowded beaches. great fishing. anchorages and friendly people. We will start our cruise at the largest town, Marsh Harbor, which has the international airport. Then land cruisers will move via MBYC yachts to HopeTown, Treasure Cay, and Green Turtle Cay before returning to Marsh Harbor for the flight back to the USA. We will also be visiting Man-O-War Cay and Great Guana Cay for day trips using the inter-island ferry. Each of these stops has a cute little town with quaint shops, good restaurants, sandy beaches and interesting bars.

All land cruise hotels are located at the same marina where the MBYC fleet will be docked.

4/18 to 4/22 Marsh Harbor, Abaco Beach Resort and Boat Harbor Marina <a href="http://www.abacobeachresort.com/index.php">http://www.abacobeachresort.com/index.php</a>

4/23 to 4/25 Hope Town on Elbow Cay, Hope Town Inn and Marina http://www.hopetownmarina.com/

4/26 to 4/29 Treasure Cay, Treasure Cay Beach Marina and Golf Resort http://treasurecay.com/

4/30 to 5/2 Green Turtle Cay, Green Turtle Club http://www.greenturtleclub.com/

As you can see, the MBYC fleet will be cruising the Abacos for 15 days. And you can come for all or just part of the fun. If you arrive in Marsh Harbor after we have departed, just take one of the inter-island ferries to catch up to the armada. And if you want to leave early, just take the ferry back to Marsh Harbor.

If you are considering joining the Abacos party, DON'T DO ANYTHING NOW, except send an email to john@johnkernan.com to get on the Abacos distribution list. More info will be coming later.

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

#### **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

#### **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.

#### **Events for**

	2014
November, 2014	Welcome Back Party :: Monday, November 03, 2014  Play in the Clay :: Wednesday, November 05, 2014  Everglades City Extended, Day & Land cruise :: Friday, November 07, 2014  Board Meeting :: Tuesday, November 11, 2014  Marathon & Key West Cruise :: Friday, November 14, 2014  Monday Madness :: Monday, November 24, 2014  Thanksgiving :: Thursday, November 27, 2014  Marco Island Tree Lighting :: Saturday, November 29, 2014
December, 2014	Holiday Party :: Tuesday, December 02, 2014  Marco Island Boat Parade Party :: Saturday, December 06, 2014  Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 09, 2014  Marco Island Street Parade :: Saturday, December 13, 2014  Hanukkah Begins :: Tuesday, December 16, 2014  Christmas :: Thursday, December 25, 2014  No Monday Madness :: Monday, December 29, 2014

(see 2015 on the next page)

#### **Events for**

	2015
January, 2015	New Year's Day :: Thursday, January 01, 2015  Pink Shell & Boca Grande Cruise :: Monday, January 05, 2015  Board Meeting :: Tuesday, January 13, 2015  Commodore's Ball :: Saturday, January 17, 2015  Monday Madness :: Monday, January 26, 2015  Presentation of the Fleet :: Saturday, January 31, 2015
February, 2015	Board Meeting :: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 Clearwater Cruise :: Friday, February 13, 2015 Monday Madness :: Monday, February 23, 2015
March, 2015	Board Meeting :: Tuesday, March 10, 2015  Palm Island/Sarasota/Vencie Extended Cruise :: Wednesday, March 18, 2015  Monday Madness :: Monday, March 30, 2015
April, 2015	Easter :: Sunday, April 05, 2015  Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 14, 2015  Abacos Cruise + Fly / Hotel plans :: Wednesday, April 15, 2015  Abacos Land Cruise :: Sunday, April 19, 2015  Monday Madness :: Monday, April 27, 2015
May, 2015	Last Hurrah Cruise - Location TBD :: Tuesday, May 05, 2015  Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 12, 2015  Monday Madness :: Monday, May 18, 2015
September, 2015	Labor Day :: Monday, September 07, 2015
October, 2015	Board Meeting :: Tuesday, October 13, 2015
December, 2015	Hanukkah Begins :: Sunday, December 06, 2015 Christmas :: Friday, December 25, 2015



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