

the BAYLINES

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# Marco Bay Yacht Club

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### Hello .... Member

### Commodore's Message:

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Angler's Cove - Port of the Islands Sale E Pepe Dine-A-Round Cruise Plan for 2015-2016 Walkers Hideaway Marina discounts Burgee in Estonia As some of us leave our friends in Marco and head to homes elsewhere, we say "take care" and "drive safely". While Linda and I were driving through North Carolina, heading to Massachusetts, we had a call informing us that a very dear friend in Mass. Had been hit and killed by a distracted motorist(texting). He was out for his daily walk near his home, when he was run down. This tragic accident reminds me of the importance of living each day to the fullest, and to stay alert.

Friends and friendships are very important in life's balance. Many MBYC friends gathered at C.J.'s gazebo for Monday Madness on May 18<sup>th</sup>. I hope you'll all enjoy the next one on June 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 6:00p.m. Another great activity for friends are the Summer Dine-A-rounds. The June Dine-A-Round is hosted by Sharon and Joe Doggett and will be at Anglers Cove in Port of the Isles on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Sharon will be sending out an e-blast. The other hosts are Jim and Litha Lane for July, Nancy and Jerry Francis for August, and Gayle and Pat Thawley for September. I hope there will be pictures and reports of these fun gatherings for the fall Baylines.

We are happy the Abacos travelers, both air and sea, have returned safely. They reported having a great time and all boating major equipment worked well. You can read more about their adventures on the following pages.

Our sympathies go out to Marianne Mulligan and Lucille Dotterweich and their families for the loss of their Dads. Also, D'Ann Brandt and Dottie Martinak were injured in falls. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Looking forward, it's time to mark your calendars for these important events. The Welcome Back/Annual Meeting will be Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> at Ciao Bella. The Holiday Party will be Dec.3<sup>rd</sup>, and the Commodore's Ball is Jan. 16, 2016. Please check the club website: <u>www.marcobayyachtclub.com</u> to keep informed.

Have a wonderful, safe summer enjoying family and friends. Send us an e-mail about your summer adventures for the fall Baylines.

Focus on the horizon with great anticipation.

### Your Commodore, AI Saunders

### **Past Event Articles:**

See all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

## Abaco Islands



### The Marco Bay Yacht Club's Abaco Islands Adventure,

Seven boats from the Marco Bay Yacht Club start their 3 week adventure, some boats leaving on or before April 14, stopping first in Marathon, then Ft. Lauderdale. The Abaco Islands lie in the Northern Bahamas - 180 miles east of south Florida. They comprise the main islands of Great Abaco and Little Abaco, along with smaller barrier cays (pronounced keys).

On April 16th, all 7 boats meet up spending the first night at the Old Bahama Bay Marina located in West End, Grand Bahama Island, only 80 miles from Ft. Lauderdale.

West End, also referred to as Settlement Point, is the oldest town and westernmost settlement on the Bahamian island of Grand Bahama. It is the current capital of Grand Bahama. It is also the third largest settlement in the Bahamas.

April 17 it's off to Spanish Cay to spend the day and night in its beautiful 3-mile long paradise of tropical beaches and palm groves, surrounded by boundless horizons of aquamarine waters and pristine coral reefs. Here members of the yacht club sign a tee shirt and leave it as a souvenir proudly hung on the ceiling at the marina's bar and grill.

The 3rd day they settle in at Marsh Harbor's Boat Harbor Marina for 5 nights. From there, many ferries are available to take to places like the famous Nippers on Great Guana Cay, where fun was had by all.

Tomorrow, off to Man-O-War Cay to visit the boat museum, where early Loyalist settlers started the tradition of handcrafting boats more than two centuries ago.

Only about 300 people live on the skinny, 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-mile-long Man-O-War Cay, many of them descendants of the first settlers.

On the 23rd 10 more members will be flying in and meeting in Treasure Cay, more pictures to follow.

## **Future Event Flyers:**

click on any Flyer Title to open the Event on the website

## **Angler's Cove - Port of the Islands**



Address: 25000 Tamiami Trail E, Naples, FL 34114 See you there 5:00 PM Contact Sharon Doggett for more details 239.248.9112

## Marco Bay Yacht Club

# Fríday, July 17, 2015

At the beautiful

# Sale E Pepe

Marc o Beach Ocean Resort 480 S. Collíer Blvd.

> Cocktails at 4:30 pm Happy Hour

> > Dínner at 5:pm

\$29.00 + tax & gratuítíes

RSVP <u>lithasberger@gmail.com</u> 239-450-3369

### MBYC 2015-2016 CRUISING SEASON WELL INTO PLANNING STAGE

Now that our MBYC cruising season has come to an end, with what we're hearing was another wildly successful cruise to the Bahamas, which included boaters and flyers (thanks to the Kernans - article to follow, I'm sure), your cruise team is already hard at work planning new adventures for next season. While dates and marinas have not all been finalized, a list of the proposed cruises and dates for next season follows:

October 15 - 24 to Legacy Marina and Pink Shell Marina November 13 - 22 to Faro Blanco in Marathon and The Galleon in Key West January 4 – 11 to South Seas and Boca Grande Marina February 12 - 25 to Palm Island, Marina Jack, Twin Dolphin and Crow's Nest March 11 - 19 to Tarpon Point Marina (two groups for 4-day each) April 13 - 28 Loop Cruise across Lake Okeechobee thru the Keys May 11 -15 to Pink Shell Marina

Most cruises are set up so that you can partake of the entire cruise or choose to just do part of the itinerary. While we all frown upon any boat traveling alone, usually we have several boats wishing to only do part of a cruise, as well as having some who wish to extend for several days.

Please look over the cruise options and let us know if you are interested in joining any of the cruises so we can add you to the list of fun.

Also, if there are any other itineraries or destinations you are interested in, please let us know. Any captains wishing to run a cruise......we'd love to have you lead one. Leading a cruise is a great way for boaters to get experience in planning and your cruise team is always willing to give any guidance desired.

We are always looking for new places to enjoy and, in most cases, hotel accommodations, at the marina or nearby, are available for anyone wishing to come by car or not wanting to overnight on their boat.

While most cruises fill up quickly, there are normally cancellations and, up to now, we have always been able to accommodate all who wish to join in.

To sign up for a cruise please contact Mike Brown at: <u>mikebrownavd@gmail.com</u> or Brent Cook at: <u>Brent@Brentcook.net</u>. Cruising is the best way to make new friends, enjoy the camaraderie, see new places, enjoy the favorite old ones.......and enjoy time on the beautiful seas.

Have a wonderful summer.

Your MBYC Cruise Team

## **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

## **Burgee in Estonia**



After being in a suitcase for 14 days, our burgee (Marco Bay Yacht Club flag) came out for a photo shoot in Tallinn, Estonia. Next stop will be St Petersburg, Russia. The other countries that our flag flew were Holland, Denmark, Germany, Finland, Sweden. This was our 50th anniversary trip and would strongly recommend it.

Randy and Shirley Southard

Check out the NEW WEBSITE for all the current information, pictures, upcoming events and printable (pdf) Baylines.

## **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.

June, 2015	Dine-A-Round at Anglers Cove :: Sunday, June 14, 2015 Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, June 29, 2015
July, 2015	Dine-A-Round at Sale E Pepe :: Friday, July 17, 2015 Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, July 27, 2015
August, 2015	Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, August 31, 2015
September, 2015	Labor Day :: Monday, September 07, 2015 Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, September 28, 2015
October, 2015	Board Meeting :: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 Legacy/Pink Shell Cruise :: Thursday, October 15, 2015 Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, October 26, 2015 Hamilton Harbour Luncheon :: Thursday, October 29, 2015
November, 2015	Board Meeting :: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 Welcome Back Party :: Thursday, November 12, 2015 Faro Blanco/Galleon Cruise :: Friday, November 13, 2015 Thanksgiving Day :: Thursday, November 26, 2015 Mad Monday at CJ's Gazebo :: Monday, November 30, 2015
December, 2015	Hanukkah Begins :: Sunday, December 06, 2015 Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 Christmas :: Friday, December 25, 2015



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