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## **Marco Bay Yacht Club**

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**Hello .... Member**

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### **Commodore's Message:**

Where has spring gone? It is Easter already and we have little time left to enjoy each other before our northern friends begin to think about leaving. March Madness on the 28th was an experiment where we held it at a private home. The bridge would love your feedback on exciting new or past venues for our monthly get-togethers or any other activities you would like to attend. Next month's madness is at Bistro Soleil on April 25th. Let's make April an active month to remember. We have plenty of activities and hope all of you will attend as many as you can.

Let's start April off with the co-ed First Mates Great Escape on April 4, followed closely by the start of the loop cruise on April 13 until April 28. We also have a day cruise to White Horse Key on April 16 and another First Mates event on April 18th.

We have an upcoming Board Meeting on April 12th and we would appreciate your feed-back on club activities, events and adding new members. Please let me or any of the Board members know your thoughts and suggestions so we can improve our activities and the involvement of all members.

A big thank you to all the committee members who plan and organize events. We are blessed as an organization to have so many members who volunteer and many more who are happy to help when they are needed. You are all really appreciated and we look forward to adding even more committee/volunteer members.

Happy Easter to all from your Commodore

Bob

## **Past Event Articles:**

*see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website*

## **February Monday Madness**



February Madness convened again at Bistro Soleil Restaurant at the Old Marco Inn. It was great to be joined by new member Bert Crooks and longtime members Josette and Michael Bonewitz.

Sally Orth announced the Extreme Escape Challenge and offered ideas for other First Mates activities. Sherry announced arrivals of oft request new items to the Ship's Store. Compact 6 pack coolers in 4 different colors, dressier Oxford Shirts for Captains and First Mates and new lite weight jackets in various colors.

If you haven't already, please claim your 2016 MYBC Members Roster at the Ship's store.

## Fleet Captain's Auction



On Friday, March 4th, 43 members (and their boating junk) arrived at the Old Marco Lodge in Goodland and enjoyed a few hours of laughter and lunch and generously opened their checkbooks to make the Fleet Captain's Auction another success.

Planned and orchestrated by Fleet Captain Mike Brown's Cruise Team, the success of the day goes out to his auctioneers, Barry Gelfand, Al Saunders and John Kernan. Barry and Al presented each item with aplomb (well sometimes needing some input from previous owners of the items as to what they were and what you did with them).

John Kernan played the room like a professional auctioneer, humorously bidding up the items and getting the audience involved and laughing. I think he might have gotten stuck with a few items well see at the next auction. Alex and Marcia Orsolini's World Famous Spaghetti Sauce brought in a nice amount of cash. I'm not sure if it was because of John's description of its erotic powers. We will keep quiet about who won the bids for the spaghetti sauce (2 jars) and if John's predictions came true!

Charlie Skillern was the biggest winner of the day with 2 coupons for Walker Marine among his purchases.

The Old Marco Lodge staff did a great job getting the lunches out in record time while the auction went on around them. A special thanks to Shelly and her staff.

We cannot say enough about our volunteers who beat the pavement to get donations from vendors on Marco as well as in Naples. We had some very generous donors and some of us got some very good deals.....while some of us got caught up in the bidding and ended up bidding more than the face value of the items .... all in the name of fun and charity. Thank you to all volunteers, auctioneers, donors and participants who made the auction another big success.

# Photo Scavenger Hunt



**What a gorgeous day for the first MBYC Photo Scavenger Hunt! There was a very nice turnout. The scavenger list turned out to be just perfect. All of the participants said that they had fun trying to get as many items as possible.**

**Originally, we had 10 boats. However, after checking with the dock master at the Esplanade, it was determined that we needed to consolidate boats from 10 to 7. So, at the last minute, Doug made calls and this little glitch was solved. Actually, everyone said that it was more fun with more people on their boat and the extra brainstorming from each person helped them locate more items on the list since there were more watchful eyes.**

**Barry Gelfand became a Nude Bathing Beauty to fulfill one of the clues! Ask John Cachiannes about his bag of nuts. Ha! We have the photo!!! There were other clever finds deemed NOT acceptable by the committee like a photo of a pile of sand for a sandcastle. Another team mentioned that they were going to take a photo of a dollar bill with sand on it to fulfill the sand dollar clue! Jo Ann Herndon got on the mike and told us that they found a very young girl making her *first* sandcastle and ask to take the photo. Jo Ann asked the father. "DO YOU BY ANY CHANCE HAVE A SAND DOLLAR?" The father waded into the water on at the end of "Tigertail Beach" and used his foot to dig one up! Hip Hip Hooray!**

**The winner were as follows:**

**First place: Captain Vern & Ann Graham Team- Bob & Jo Ann Herndon.**

**Second Place: Captain Bob & Lynn Tuttle Team - Barry & Claudette Gelfand**

**Third Place: Captain Frank & Marianne Mulligan Team- Bob Boland & Lyn Bedell-Rudi & Dorothy Landwarrd- Paul Krueger**

**CJ's did such a nice job serving our group. Laura Owens made warm baked cookies for dessert along with coffee at the end! We are so fortunate to have this restaurant located in such a beautiful setting for our festivities where we can also dock our boats.**

**A big thank you goes out to Josette and Mike Bonnewitz and Mary Bayley as they were much needed committee members. It was fun getting this event off of the ground this year.**



**Thanks to all of the wonderful participants.**

**We enjoyed hosting the first annual Photo Scavenger Hunt!  
Jo & Doug Baillie**

## Tarpon Point-Pink Shell Trip Report

On March 11<sup>th</sup> six boats, Cookin', Nauti Buoy, No Agenda, Sweet Lips, Sachmo and Too Many Wakes Boated up to Tarpon Point Marina at Cape Coral. Unfortunately, our Cruise Leaders, the Skillerns, were land-locked with a mechanical issue on their boat and were unable to join us. The weather was great on our departure day and we had following seas of only about one foot. This was the maiden MBYC Cruise for Mark and Joanne Daugherty on No Agenda who said they couldn't wait to cruise with us again!

Since our last cruise to Tarpon Point improvements have been made at the marina and the Dockmaster was among the best we have had. The six of us were all docked in a row along the face side of their new floating dock which is straight out from the hotel bar and pool. It was a great place to be docked and the Dockmaster even provided tables and chairs for our Docktail Party right on the dock beside Nauti Buoy. The entire marina staff was excellent.

Also new to the Tarpon Point Marina are two new restaurants, one Italian that we did not make it to and the other is a new Pinchers restaurant that we all enjoyed. In addition, and I believe a first for MBYC, the 12 of us boarded Too Many Wakes for an evening boat ride to Rum Runners for dinner. We returned right at dark to find the Dockmaster holding our slip so that no one docked in our spot while we were at dinner.

As always, the girls played cards while the men played Mexican Train and before you knew it our four days were up and we bid goodbye to No Agenda and Too Many Wakes who headed back to Marco on the 15<sup>th</sup> while the other 4 of us headed on to Pink Shell. The only problem was it was very foggy that morning so our departure was delayed a bit and then we still encountered fog at the Sanibel Bridge but found our way to Pink Shell by going slow and using our radar.

The Grahams arrived at Pink Shell from Fisherman's Village at the same time the Tarpon Point boats arrived and the Browns and Hubschers were also meeting us that day at Pink Shell. The Browns rode in about 15 miles of fog that morning while the Hubschers waited it out by ducking into Hamilton Harbor for lunch.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> we were joined at Pink Shell by the Geschreis, on A-Blast, making a total of 8 boats at Pink Shell. Once again, the Dockmaster was able to dock us all together making for a great time.

Docktails, cards and lying around the pool were the order of the day for our four days at Pink Shell. While we were there we also managed to find a few places to eat including the pool for lunch, Docktails the first night, Pastabilities, Fresh Catch and Bongos the other three nights and a few people even managed to eat on their boats a time or two.

Other boaters from Marco were also spotted on the dock at Pink Shell so we took advantage of the opportunity to promote membership in MBYC by inviting a few guests to join in our fun. Hopefully, we made a good enough impression to result in a membership application down the road.

It was another great MBYC cruise and we are already looking forward to the next one!

Brent

Co-Leader with Charlie Skillern

## Future Event Flyers:

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

### First Mates Extreme Escape



## Join MBYC First Mates

Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>  
at 5:30 p.m.

for a fun and challenging evening;

Escape is a brand new entertainment game in the heart of Marco Island. Your goal is simple; you have 60 minutes to "Escape" from one of our real life escape rooms. Our rooms are filled with riddles, mind tricks and puzzles that if conquered will set you free.

Think you have what it takes to escape.....THINK AGAIN!

The cost is \$29.50

After our escape plan to join us for dinner to talk and laugh about our adventure. (dinner location to be announced later)

Space is limited to 24 of us please rsvp by March 21<sup>st</sup>

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Make your check payable to MBYC for \$29.50 and mail to Sally Orth, 1011 Swallow Ave. #208, Marco Island 34145 by 3/21

Name \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like wine, soda, water to fortify yourself during your escape you are welcome to bring it.

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## White Horse Key Day Cruise



### MBYC Day Trip To White Horse Key Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

### **Note the Change of Date**

For those who need help finding this spot we will rendezvous at 10:00 at Coon Key and proceed from there.

(For those of you wanting to find it yourself it is about 3 miles at a bearing of 125 degrees from Coon Key)

Bring your own drinks, chairs, a side dish and something to throw on the grill.

RSVP to Bruce Kane [w.kane@me.com](mailto:w.kane@me.com)

## Golf Tournament

|  
Donald Trump, Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, Ted Cruz and John Kasich  
Are not invited but **YOU** are to the  
**FOURTH ANNUAL MBYC  
MINI GOLF INVITATIONAL**



**On Friday, May 6, 2016**

Protest are not expected

**A SEMI HUGE TROPHY WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE WINNER**

Sorta fabulous prizes will also be awarded for another great trivia quiz  
5:30PM Prematch Cocktails and Barbeque at the Kernan's Clubhouse

**1430 Cutler Court**

Then off to the Marco Mini Golf on Winterberry Drive

All inclusive price of \$25.00 per person: includes dinner, greens fee club and ball.

**Don't miss this exciting sporting event.**

**Please RSVP to Dianne Kernan at 239 389-0314 or  
[dianne@diannekernan.com](mailto:dianne@diannekernan.com)**

**Mail check payable to: Dianne Kernan, 1430 Cutler Ct, Marco Island, FL 34145**

## MBYC 2016 Extended Cruise Schedule

Listed below are the remaining extended cruises for the first half of the 2016 cruise season. There are only three more extended cruises this season. All of the dates and marinas have been finalized for the cruises listed below:

March 11 - 15 to Tarpon Point Marina

March 15 – 19 to Pink Shell Marina

April 13 - 28 on Loop Cruise across Lake Okeechobee and thru the Keys

May 11 -15 to Legacy Harbour Marina

All of the 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.

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: [mikebrownvd@gmail.com](mailto:mikebrownvd@gmail.com) or Brent Cook at: [Brent@Brentcook.net](mailto:Brent@Brentcook.net). 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 waters.

Looking forward to cruising with you.
























Your MBYC Cruise Team

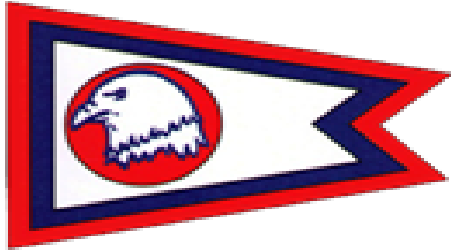
## **Events Calendar :**

*click on the [Events Calendar](#) link above to 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.*

April, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> First Mates - Extreme Escape :: Monday, April 04, 2016</li><li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 12, 2016</li><li> Loop Cruise :: Wednesday, April 13, 2016</li><li> White Horse Key Day Cruise :: Saturday, April 16, 2016</li><li> First Mates - Yoga :: Monday, April 18, 2016</li></ul>
May, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Golf Tournament :: Friday, May 06, 2016</li><li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 10, 2016</li><li> Last Hurrah Cruise to Legacy Marina :: Wednesday, May 11, 2016</li><li> Memorial Day :: Monday, May 30, 2016</li></ul>
July, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> 4th of July :: Monday, July 04, 2016</li></ul>
September, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Labor Day :: Monday, September 05, 2016</li></ul>
October, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Halloween :: Monday, October 31, 2016</li></ul>
November, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, November 08, 2016</li><li> Welcome Back Party :: Thursday, November 10, 2016</li><li> Thanksgiving :: Thursday, November 24, 2016</li><li> Monday Madness :: Monday, November 28, 2016</li></ul>
December, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Holiday Party at Hideaway :: Thursday, December 01, 2016</li><li> Boat Parade :: Saturday, December 03, 2016</li><li> Street Parade :: Saturday, December 10, 2016</li><li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 13, 2016</li><li> Hanukkah Begins :: Saturday, December 24, 2016</li><li> Christmas :: Sunday, December 25, 2016</li><li> No Monday Madness :: Monday, December 26, 2016</li></ul>



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