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Hello Member

Commodore's Message:

I do not know how it happened but Christmas and the Holiday season are here. The Holiday Party at Hideaway is over with everyone who attended having a great time. November seemed to zip by with Monday Madness for October at CJ's and November at Bistro Soleil. Remember there is no Monday Madness in December.

A large group of boaters traveled to Faro Blanco in Marathon in mid-November for 4-6 nights. There were several couples who went along and stayed at the marina hotel. A good time was had for all except for the trip home which got pretty rough in the Gulf. All arrived home safely except Kernan's who lost their big boat. They went to Ft Lauderdale and put it up for sale.

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December is full of Holiday Cheer with the in water Boat parade on Saturday December 10 and the Street Parade Saturday December 17. In traditional

over achiever fashion; last year members of the club gathered to donate toys and 8 bicycles. This year already we have 46 bicycles ready and in hand to donate during the street parade. Also thanks to the Dotterweich's who volunteered their boat for the parade. Please do not forget to volunteer to help decorate and clean up after the parade. Unfortunately we do not have an entry for the boat parade this year; better luck in 2017.

I hope all of you have a wonderful Holiday season with family and friends and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!!!

Bob

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

Welcome Back



The Welcome Back Party this year was hosted by The Bistro Soleil restaurant on the 3rd of November. A total of 71 members in attendance were happy to see their returning friends from up north. Everyone mingled and enjoyed each other's company during happy hour. We added a new "twist" to this year's Party and played a game of Heads or Tails which was the brainchild of Betty Barter, Cindy Brown and Marcia Orsolini. Everyone joined in on the fun and we all had a few laughs. The money the ladies collected will go towards supporting the Power Squadron, the Civil Air Patrol, and Coast Guard Auxiliary. Prior to dinner Commodore Bob Boland called the annual meeting to order. The officers for the coming year were elected: Frank Mulligan Commodore, Rudi Landwaard Vice Commodore, and Sally Orth Rear Commodore. Bruce Kane will assume Sally Orth's position on the Board of Directors Class of 2017. The class of 2019, comprised of Cheryl Coffin, Bob Gagnon, Larry Sacher and Bill Schroeder was elected as presented. Alan Sandlin gave the invocation before dinner. The restaurant hosted a delicious sit down dinner consisting of three entree choices. A good time was had by all.....Welcome back everyone!

Marathon Key Cruise



Friday morning, November 11, seven MBYC boats made their way to Faro Blanco Resort and Marina in beautiful weather with beautiful seas...except for the many, many crab pots we had to dodge for much of the trip. The Herndons on TenneSea Waltz, Landwards on Sweet Lips, Schroeders on Divergent, Browns on Therapy III, Kernans on Wanderer V, and Skillerns on Sea Ya'll arrived safe and sound. The Skillerns brought the Dotterweichs and Orths with them and they stayed in the Hyatt Place Hotel right on the same premises with the marina. A few hours later Mike Carter and first mate Ava Dotti arrived aboard Miss Ava. They are new club members although Mike was a member back in the 90's. They had some guests with them as well.

Friday night we had a group dinner at Plaza Grill, a newly opened, very pretty restaurant with a Mediterranean flair. A wide variety of meals were offered and some of us opted for Tapas or sharing plates and tried much of that variety. All were excellent, the place was beautiful, the owner/chef and his family of staff were great as well. We will certainly be going back there on future trips.

On Saturday most of the women spent the afternoon in Islamorada, starting with lunch at Lazy Days, glass jewelry shopping at Seaside Glassworks which has become a yearly destination, several other shopping venues, and all returned with treasures, both for themselves and for holiday gifts. The morning started out disappointing when the rental van that had been ordered online was not available at the airport... actually no cars were available... but John Kernan came to the rescue and taxied down to Key West to pick up an 8 passenger for us. When we returned, the Sachers aboard Sachmo had arrived, and for Saturday night's dinner you could find

most of us at Keys Fisheries eating stone crab claws. I believe that Bob Herndon still holds the record for most claws eaten.

Sunday saw the departure of the Dotterweichs and the arrival of the Gelfands aboard My Turn along with their travelling guests, Commodore Bob Boland and Lynn Bedell. We were all glad to have so many MBYC friends along on this cruise. Almost all of our cruise destinations are planned to have local hotel/motel accommodations available either onsite or nearby and we enjoy having our club members with us, and all of our captains are happy to have others aboard for the ride.

On Sunday morning most of the captains departed on a trip to Key West to watch the Key West National Championship Super Boat Races while the ladies enjoyed a peaceful morning and an afternoon of Mah Jongg and Canasta. Dinner that night was at the Florida Keys Lobster and Steak House. Prior to dinner, the entire group congregated at the base of the Faro Blanco lighthouse for cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a sad goodbye to Wanderer V, although not to the Kernans who will remain very active members of Marco Bay Yacht Club. The Kernans were presented with a painting of Wanderer V by Debbie Schroeder and Dianne was presented with a necklace she had admired at the Glassworks, but that the ladies had conspired with the owner not to sell to her on our visit on Saturday.

Monday morning the Schroeders left for Marco and many of the rest of us enjoyed a delightful visit to the Dolphin Research Center on Grassy Key. It was very informative as well as entertaining. The staff, both those working with the dolphins and those in supportive roles, were amazingly knowledgeable, extremely upbeat and helpful in every way. It is evident that these young people thoroughly enjoy what they are doing. After finally getting their rental car, a challenge it seems on Marathon, the Orths departed for Marco after a visit to the Dolphin Center. As soon as we returned to the marina, Bob Boland and Lynn Bedell took off to walk to the Turtle Rescue Center for some more wildlife exposure.

On Monday afternoon both men and women could be found taking over the room in the marina building for games once again. It is a great location with the bar and the restaurant adjacent to it, should one feel the need of refreshments. Dinner Monday night was enjoyed by 10 of us at Frank's Italian Grill, while several others opted to eat onboard or at the marina restaurant, the Lighthouse Grill.

Tuesday morning the Herndons and Carter/Dotti's took off for Marco and

the Kernans took off to take Wanderer V, on her final voyage with them, to Fort Lauderdale. It was a cloudy, rainy day and a lazy one for some of us, while the Gelfands, Boland/Bedells and Dorothy Landwaard taxied up to the Seaside Glassworks which they had missed on Saturday (except for Dorothy who was having buyer's remorse that she had left a lovely bracelet unpurchased when she was there previously). Most of us did manage to get to dinner in the Lighthouse Grill for our final night.

Wednesday, departure day, dawned sunny but a bit windier than expected and with seas somewhat more unsettled than had been reported, as we found out when the final five boats left to return to Marco. It was a bouncy, wet, salty trip loaded with crab pots and while Sweet Lips had some minor issues, all returned to Marco without mishap.

I think all who participated will agree that this was another successful MBYC cruise and we hope that others will join us on future cruises.

This contributor would be remiss if she didn't mention that she can't wait for Brent Cook to recuperate from his double knee surgery and return to planning the logistics of most of the long range cruises, a task he excels at like no other. We are lucky to have him as a member of the Cruise Team and wish him a speedy recovery and return to cruising.

Cindy Brown

Future Event Flyers:

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MBYC 2017 Cruise Schedule

Your cruise team is excited to present the 2017 cruise schedule thru May.

January 16 - 20 to South Seas Marina
January 20 – 24 to Boca Grande Marina

February 15 - 17 to Palm Island Marina
February 17 – 20 to Marina Jack
February 20 – 24 to The Vinoy in St Pete
February 24 – 27 to The Crow's Nest in Venice

March 17 - 21 to Pink Shell Marina
March 20 - 24 to Tarpon Point Marina

April 20 – 24 to Hawk's Cay Marina
April 24 – 30 to Faro Blanco Marina
April 30 – May 3 or 6 to The Galleon & Conch Harbor

The cruises are set up so that you can partake in 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 cruises and let us know if you are interested in joining any of them so we can add you to the list of fun.

In most cases, hotel accommodations, at the marina or nearby, are available for anyone wishing to come by small boat or by car.

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 Brent Cook at: Brent@Brentcook.net or Mike Brown at: mikebrownvd@gmail.com.

Your MBYC Cruise Team



Commodore Bob Boland & Lyn Bedell

Cordially invite you to

The Marco Bay Yacht Club

Commodore's Ball – Change of Watch

Hideaway Beach Club

Saturday, January 14, 2017

5:30 PM – Cocktails

6:30 PM – Dinner

Menu

Butler Passed Hors d'oeuvres

Filet Mignon & Shrimp stuffed with Crabmeat

Potato & Vegetable

Bananas Foster's Station and Ice Cream, Coffee and Tea

Member's Cost \$70.00

Guest Cost \$85.00 (excluding Family Members)

Cash Bar (tax & gratuity included in drink prices)

Valet Parking included in cost

Dress Code – Black Tie or Club uniform

Entertainment by Myles Loud

Name: _____

Please send me with _____ *(we will try to honor requests, but not guaranteed)*

of Members attending _____ *# of Guest attending* _____ *Total Enclosed* _____

Make checks payable to MBYC – no checks accepted after January 8, 2017

Send reservation and check to: Marianne Mulligan, 832 S. Heathwood Dr., Marco Island FL 34145

Events Calendar :

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

2016	
December, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Boat Parade :: Saturday, December 10, 2016 █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 █ Street Parade :: Saturday, December 17, 2016 █ Hanukkah Begins :: Saturday, December 24, 2016 █ Christmas :: Sunday, December 25, 2016 █ No Monday Madness :: Monday, December 26, 2016

2017	
January, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ New Years Day :: Sunday, January 01, 2017 █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 █ Commodore's Ball :: Saturday, January 14, 2017 █ South Seas (Captiva) Cruise :: Monday, January 16, 2017 █ Boca Grande Cruise :: Friday, January 20, 2017 █ Presentation of the Fleet :: Saturday, January 28, 2017 █ Mad Monday :: Monday, January 30, 2017
February, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, February 14, 2017 █ Palm Island Cruise :: Wednesday, February 15, 2017 █ Marina Jack (Sarasota) Cruise :: Friday, February 17, 2017 █ The Vinoy (St Pete) Cruise :: Monday, February 20, 2017 █ Crow's Nest (Venice) Cruise :: Friday, February 24, 2017 █ Mad Monday :: Monday, February 27, 2017
March, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 █ Pink Shell (Ft Myers Beach) Cruise :: Friday, March 17, 2017 █ Tarpon Point Cruise :: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 █ Mad Monday :: Monday, March 27, 2017
April, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 █ Easter Sunday :: Sunday, April 16, 2017 █ Keys Hopper Cruise :: Thursday, April 20, 2017 █ Mad Monday :: Monday, April 24, 2017
May, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 09, 2017 █ Mad Monday :: Monday, May 22, 2017



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