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Commodore's Message:

It is hard to believe February is over already and we are heading into March. March holds many new upcoming events and we hope you will plan to join us. This week kicks off on March 4th with the Fleet Captains Auction followed by the Scavenger Hunt on Saturday March 5th. Please check the event calendar for all upcoming events and plan to take advantage of the diversity of activities available by participating. We would love to have you.

February had a host of fun events; the Cruise to Sarasota and surrounding destinations is over and the report is everyone had a great time. There seemed to be a lot of impromptu parties and celebrations including Mike and Cindy Brown's 50th anniversary and party on with John Kernan's 70th birthday. First Mates had their Paint and Wine event. Rumor has it there will be an art auction in our

future. Thanks to Sally Orth for a fun First Mates event. February Madness was held at Bistro Soleil. Everyone had great time and it is also a place to catch up on upcoming events and the stories of past events. Do not forget to join us the last Monday of the month for Monday Madness.

As most of you know the MBYC has a focus on adding new members and so far in February the Board approved five new members; Linda Turner and Jerry Swaicki, Bert Crooks, Don and Chris Peart. We welcome all and hope you will join us in the upcoming events. As part of our new welcome program Paula Skillern (co-chair of the new member committee) will act as our ambassador to help introduce our new members and make them welcome to the club. We are excited to have our newest members and hope all of our members will bring their friends as potential new MBYC members.

Thank you!

Your Commodore, *Bob*

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

January Monday Madness



January was the first month at our new Monday Madness venue, Bistro Soleil Restaurant, at the Old Marco Inn. What a great setting. Folks seemed to be glad that the holiday season was past and were looking forward to the upcoming club events. With no Madness in December that was lots to catching up to be done. Bob navigated his first Monday Madness with flying colors. Sally announced a number of upcoming First Mate's events. Once again Paula walked away with a winning raffle ticket. Did I hear a rumor that it might be a good idea to disqualify her from next month's drawings to give the unlucky members a chance?

Bradenton Cruise



On February 12th Cookin', Nauti Buoy, Therapy III, Sea Ya'll, MY Turn, Sachmo, TenneSea Waltz and Wanderer V left Marco in nice seas for Palm Island Marina at Cape Haze. This was our first stop on a four-marina tour that extended north to Bradenton. As luck, and a little help from Mike Brown : would have it, at the last minute, we were all able to scoot under the new Gasparilla Bridge even while the old bridge was being removed. Docktails were in order our first night there, followed by dinner at Leverock's and a Valentine's night water-taxi ride to Rum Bay Restaurant on Palm Island where the Browns' daughters treated everyone to dessert.

On Monday, the 15th, the 8 Palm Island boats headed north up the ICW to Marina Jack in downtown Sarasota where we were joined by Divergent and Che Jac who made the one-day trip up from Marco to be part of the fun. On Tuesday evening the majority of boaters dined at Hyde Park Steakhouse, which is always a Sarasota favorite. Wednesday was undoubtedly the highlight night of the entire cruise as all the boaters : and many "land yachters" from Marco, gathered at a private surprise party, thrown by Dianne Kernan, to celebrate John's 70th Birthday and the Browns' 50th Wedding Anniversary. In addition to outstanding music by Billy Dean and Dawn, and a great birthday "walker" presentation by Bob Herndon, the biggest surprise of the night was the unexpected attendance by Kernans' daughter Amy and her friend Nicole, along with the surprise attendance of the Browns' daughters, Robyn and Tracey along with their significant others, Chris and Steve. What a fantastic evening enjoyed by over 40 guests! A special thank you to Dianne for putting on this terrific event.

On the 18th we wished Bill Schroeder safe travels back to Marco Island and then

did the same to the Herndons on the 19th as the other 8 boats made their way up the ICW and the Manatee River to the Twin Dolphin Marina in Bradenton. This was a new stop for the club and one most of us enjoyed. Unfortunately, Claudette had to make a trip to the local ER for the flu and a number of others came down with "cooties" as Dianne called it. Although a number of us were "under the weather", we enjoyed another "Docktail Party" our first night in the marina and the Dinner/Theater production of Chess on the 2 night.

Our final leg, of the cruise began on the 22nd as we all headed out Tampa Bay into the Gulf and made our way the 44 miles to an abbreviated stay at the Crow's Nest just inside the Venice Inlet. The seas on that short trip were among the top 3 best seas ever with about 4" waves. Knowing it was only going to be an overnight stop, we departed Twin Dolphin early so we could get docked in Venice in time to make lunch at the Soda Fountain Shop. The ladies explored the downtown Venice shopping district after lunch, and then everyone gathered for a final group dinner at the Crow's Nest where we split into a "healthy" table of 8 and a "sick" table of 8.

With high winds and rough seas forecast for Wednesday and Thursday, we scooted out of Venice early Tuesday morning for a fairly mild ride in the Gulf back to Marco. At about the half-way point, the smaller boats decided to let the "big dog", known as Therapy III, knock the seas down to size by riding back to Marco close behind him. As a "fast" boater myself, it was hard to go 18 kts but the smoother ride was well worth the extra time.

We had expected to have Ray Rosenberg and Linda Spell, in their new boat, Hunky Dory, join us for their first MBYC cruise as they came across the state from Stuart but, unfortunately, as most boaters experience, a breakdown in Ft. Myers kept them from catching up with us. We look forward to having them join us in April.

All in all, even with a few breakdowns, a number of sick boaters, and some unexpected rough seas at the end, it was another great cruise and wonderful time together on an MBYC Cruise.

Brent
Cruise Leader

Spirited Painters



On Monday, February 8th nineteen MBYC First Mates spent a fun evening exploring our artistic talents. We sipped a little wine, played with paint and we all walked away a little happier, with our masterpieces in hand.

Future Event Flyers:

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

Scavenger Hunt



MBYC Photo Scavenger Hunt

Photo Scavenger Hunt & Luncheon Saturday, March 5, 2016

Start time and place: 9:30AM in front of the **Marco Island Yacht Club on the Marco River**. Look for the Baillie's boat, *Splish Splash*. You will be able to pick-up your "PACKET" from your boat and then get started on **MBYC PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT!** (Join the fun and bring your grandchildren if you wish!)

Bring with you on your boat: **Cell phone to take photos** and Pens or pencils.

Docking and Lunch: Dock at the **Esplanade** and lunch at **CJ's On the Bay** no latter than 11:30AM.

Send your check for the food and entry fee. There is a choice of 4 items to order including one non-alcoholic drink & cookie dessert. Cost is \$19.00 for lunch (Tax & gratuity included.) The entry fee is \$5 per adult.

1 Caesar salad & grilled chicken; 2 Knuckle sandwich & fries; 3 Fish sandwich & Fruit; 4 Chicken salad sandwich & fruit

Winners will be announced and cash prizes awarded after lunch.

All ties will be settled by a 7 card Stud Poker Game!



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COMING BY BOAT: Boat Name: _____ Captain: _____

A. \$5.00 per ADULT entry fee # of Adult Participants X \$ 5 = _____

B. Menu: 1. Salad _____ 2. Beef _____ 3. Fish _____ 4. Chicken _____ # Lunches X \$19 = _____

TOTAL = \$

Please return this form and indicate how many people will be on your boat **no later than Wed., Feb. 27, 2016**

KIDS MENU will be available to be paid individually at the restaurant. # of kids attending? _____

COMING BY CAR: Indicate number of **reservations by 2-24-16** (No \$5.00 entry fee required.) X \$19= \$

NO LAST MINUTE WALK-INS PLEASE

Make check payable to MBYC and mail to:

Douq Baillie, 1539 Kingston Ct., Marco Island, FL 34145 (239-394-6700)

First Mates Extreme Escape



Join MBYC First Mates

Monday, April 4th
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 21st

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.

White Horse Key Day Cruise



MBYC Day Trip To White Horse Key Wednesday, April 13th

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

[MBYC 2016 Extended Cruise Schedule](#)

MBYC 2016 CRUISING 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 or Brent Cook at: 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

Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:

None at this time...

Events Calendar:

Go to the website Calendar,

then click on Event date to open the Event info & Flyer.

Flyers opened from the website Calendar will be printable.

March, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fleet Captain's Auction :: Friday, March 04, 2016 Scavenger Hunt by Boat :: Saturday, March 05, 2016 Board Meeting :: Tuesday, March 08, 2016 Tarpon Point (Group 1) Cruise :: Friday, March 11, 2016 Pink Shell Cruise :: Tuesday, March 15, 2016 Easter Sunday :: Sunday, March 27, 2016 Monday Madness :: Monday, March 28, 2016
April, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Mates - Extreme Escape :: Monday, April 04, 2016 Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 Loop Cruise :: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 White Horse Key Day Cruise :: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 First Mates - Yoga :: Monday, April 18, 2016
May, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 Last Hurrah Cruise to Legacy Marina :: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 Memorial Day :: Monday, May 30, 2016
July, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4th of July :: Monday, July 04, 2016
September, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labor Day :: Monday, September 05, 2016
October, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Halloween :: Monday, October 31, 2016
November, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, November 08, 2016 Welcome Back Party :: Thursday, November 10, 2016 Thanksgiving :: Thursday, November 24, 2016 Monday Madness :: Monday, November 28, 2016
December, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holiday Party at Hideaway :: Thursday, December 01, 2016 Boat Parade :: Saturday, December 03, 2016 Street Parade :: Saturday, December 10, 2016 Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 13, 2016 Hanukkah Begins :: Saturday, December 24, 2016 Christmas :: Sunday, December 25, 2016 No Monday Madness :: Monday, December 26, 2016



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