



# *the* **BAYLINES**

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## **Marco Bay Yacht Club**

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**Hello .... Member**

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

Another great busy month of fun boating and socializing with our MBYC family! We were fortunate to have great weather and good seas for most of March. On Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> we had our New Members party at the MIYC. We had a good time and great food. All in attendance complimented our venue and food served. Bob White provided a special treat as DJ extraordinaire for the night's festivities. Everyone was complementing our social chairs Marianne and Claudette for another great social event.

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Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> saw us sailing on the "Black Pearl" Marco's pirate ship. All in attendance had a great time dancing and drinking. We waved to all in the condos, restaurants, and houses along the route and many on shore waved back to us. It was a great evening cruise culminating in watching the sun set! The weather could not have been better, if you haven't done this cruise yet it is very worthwhile

and we plan on doing it again. On Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> we invaded Smokehouse Bay with the "largest raft up ever" per John Kernan. John, as we all know is never known to exaggerate anything. We had 8 boats, 1 jet ski, and 30 some people in attendance. The food was the best and very plentiful, no one went home hungry!

Our monthly Board meeting was held Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> at Mutual of Omaha Bank. Thanks to all the Board Members that attend and conduct our business, they make this a fun and very easy to run club. On Friday, a very special day (17<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick's Day!) we left with the long Range Cruisers to Pink Shell Resort and then Tarpon Pointe Resort until Friday March 24<sup>th</sup>. Over 10 boats and 20 people enjoyed the camaraderie, food, games, pools, side trips and generally had a great time.

This past Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> saw one of our best attended Monday Madnesses ever! CJ's and the Esplanade appears to be working out very well for us. We had a good time, and met with 3 perspective new members. Afterword many of us split into groups for dinner.

I truly appreciate not only your participation in our scheduled events, but most especially those volunteers among us that set these events up. Commodorable Marianne and Claudette for the fabulous New Members party. Shirley and Caroline for the Pirates Ship Cruise. John K., Larry & Rhona K. for our Raft up in Smokehouse Bay. Charlie, Brent, and Mike for our cruise to Pink Shell & Tarpon Pointe. Bill S. for setting up CJ's for our Monday Madnesses. Dianne K. for helping so many new members join, and her Public Relation efforts. Linda G. for her great job with our minutes. Also, our Board Members and Committee Chairs for the good job they do moving our Club along.

Sally, Rudi, & I appreciate the suggestions for celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary next year. Make any suggestions you may have to Sally. We are looking forward to an epic celebration and any old pictures or anecdotes you may have would be greatly appreciated by Sally.

**Your Commodore *Frank Mulligan***

## Past Event Articles:

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

### February Monday Madness



February 27 was just another typical chamber of commerce evening as members began to mingle around the Star Bar at CJ on the Bay for the February installment of Monday Madness. The Kernan's hosted their neighbors, Annette and Mark Staley, as prospective members. What a great crowd and what pleasure it is to meet new members and greet potential members. Don't miss the last Madness of the 2017 season. It will be fall before we next see many of our friends as they migrate north for the summer. See Y'all Monday April 24th, same time same place.

## Welcome Aboard Party



The Marco Island Yacht Club was the setting for the Welcome Aboard New Members Party on March 7, 2017. The evening started out with Happy Hour at the Burgee Bar overlooking the Marco River and the Jolly Bridge. It was a beautiful evening having cocktails and watching boats go by on the water. All the men were handsome in their club uniform and the women were festive in their dressy casual apparel. It was nice mingling and greeting the new members and visiting with the rest of the members who were attending. After a delightful hour at the bar socializing everyone headed upstairs to the Harbour Room where dinner was served.

Commodore Frank X Mulligan Jr welcomed everyone to the event. He called Cindy Brown and Marcia Orsolini up to the microphone. Betty Barter was unable to attend and help her committee due to illness. A fun game Of Heads and Tails commenced. You would think by now everyone would be pros but laughter was heard throughout the room. Everyone joined in and the money the ladies collected will go towards supporting the Power Squadron, the Civil Air Patrol, and Coast Guard Auxiliary.

The room was decorated in a Nautical theme with blue linens and nautical centerpieces. Commodore Frank X Muligan Jr. invited all the new members to the front of the room. He introduced our new members and asked each couple to give their boat names and a little bit about their backgrounds. It was a way for the old members to learn what brought the "new" members into our club. A red rose was presented to the new members by the Commodore. Welcome Aboard Don & Chris Pearl, Bert Crooks & Rosemary Bulat, Jerry Swiacki & Linda Turner, John & Elaine Hardy, and Mark & Michelle Senda. We also welcomed aboard new members Richard & Diana Clarke, Brooks Wood & Sandy King, Mike Carter & Eva Dotti, Bobby & Susan Costa, and Jack & Marilyn Buinsma who were unable to attend. The new members were seated with their sponsors who helped introduce them to other members at the table. We wish all the new members fair winds and following seas. We are happy to have them aboard and look forward to new friendships and will encourage them all to join us in all our activities so they may know why we are the "fun club".

Dinner was served following an invocation by Alan Sandlin. Alan always gives a very inspirational and thoughtful speech. A Caesar salad was served followed by a choice of Plum Glazed Short Rib or Chicken Marsala for the main course. Dessert was a Key Lime Tart with Midori Crème Anglaise. Everyone thought the food was delicious.

After dinner we had a special treat. Our own MBYC member Bob White offered his services to the club and was our DJ for the night. He had everyone up on the dance floor dancing and having a great time. Many people were requesting their favorite songs. He even played some 'Bruce for us Jersey people.

So welcome aboard all new members. We look forward to cruising and socializing with you.....and enjoying all fun activities the club has to offer. As the Commodore Frank X Mulligan Jr always says ..... One of the best things we ever did was finding Marco Island.....The second best was finding the club and all the new friendships we have made and all the cruising we have done. Who would think we would be this busy in retirement!

Marianne Mulligan, Social Chairperson

## Black Pearl Cruise



Sailing the Black Pearl sponsored by the Marco Bay Yacht Club First Mates left the dock on March 9th 2017.

A total of 28 pirates showed up for the fun adventure on the Black Pearl. The weather was great and the music was super. We were on board for roughly two hours sailing from Rose Marina to the Esplanade, around the bay and out to the Gulf. Dancing and cocktails and a beautiful sunset added to the memory.

Everyone had a good time.

Shirley Southard Carolyn Cachianes

## Raft Up in Smokehouse Bay



On Monday, March 13, Larry and Rhona Kalkstein hosted a raft up in Smokehouse Bay. The weather held up nicely and eight boats showed up, making this a world-record raft up for Marco Bay Yacht Club! Members in attendance included Bob Boland and Lyn Bedell, Mike and Cindy Brown, Brent and Susan Cook (who traveled on the Brown boat), Bobby and Sue Costa (who brought a cast of thousands with them, along with 100 pounds of food!), Dan and Lucille Dotterweich (who traveled on the Kalkstein boat), Joel and Sherry Fitzjarrald, Barry and Claudette Gelfand (Barry modeled his new Gilligan outfit!), Larry and Rhona Kalkstein, Jack and Cheryl Coffin with John and Diane Kernan, and Frank and Marianne Mulligan.

The food was delicious, and as is usually the case on raft ups, there was much too much food! Lots of doggie bags went home with the boaters. Music was playing, people were yakking, and it was an overall fantastic time. The boaters maneuvered skillfully, and as John Kernan noted, it was "a water ballet"! This sets the stage for, hopefully, many more raft ups hosted by members of the Club! Thanks from Rhona and me to all the participants for making our raft up a rousing success!

# **Pink Shell & Tarpon Point Cruise**



A brisk and steady northeast wind was blowing when 10 MBYC boats departed on Friday, March 17th for Pink Shell Beach Resort & Marina. In order to avoid higher seas further out, we ran up the coast about ½ mile out on an otherwise beautiful boating morning. Boats and their respective crew and guests included "Cookin'" with P/C Brent & Susan Cook, "Nauti Buoy" with Dave & Mary Ellen Mount, "Therapy III" with Mike & Cindy Brown, "Sea Ya'll" with P/C Charlie and Paula Skillern and guest Angela, Paula's sister, "Che Jac" with Jack & Cheryl Coffin, "Too Many Wakes" with Commodore Frank & Marianne Mulligan, "A Blast" with Rick & Linda Geschrei, "No Agenda" with Mark & Joanne Daugherty, "Divergent" with Bill Schroeder, and brand new members Bob & Sandy LaMontagne on "Karine". The LaMontagne's are very experienced cruisers, having completed the "Golden Loop". Joining the group by car, John & Janine Holm were guests on the Daugherty's boat "No Agenda".

On Friday, after a brief ride on the Ft Myers Beach trolley, we all enjoyed a St Patrick's Day dinner at one on the group's favorite Ft Myers Beach restaurants, "Fresh Catch". Saturday morning, most of us enjoyed a great buffet breakfast in a private room at the resort restaurant "Jack's". On Sunday evening, the group enjoyed "Docktails" (food prepared and shared by club members) in one of the resorts meeting rooms, otherwise, our time at Pink Shell was taken up with pool time, beach walks, walks into and shopping in Ft Myers Beach, and of course afternoon Canasta and Mexican Train. On Monday, our last full day at Pink Shell, the Daughertys hosted a late afternoon celebration of Janine Holm's birthday with Pina Coladas and cake on the Daughertys boat "No Agenda". That evening, most of us ended up at Jack's for dinner and a beautiful sunset. Also on Monday, we said goodbye to the LaMontagne's and the Coffins and again early Tuesday morning to the Daughertys - all had schedules and obligations that required an earlier return to Marco.

On Tuesday, after a 4 night stay, we departed Pink Shell for an hour long cruise, mostly at idle in the Miserable Mile and approaches to Tarpon Point, to the "Tarpon Point Resort & Marina" in Cape Coral for a 3 night stay. Tarpon Point is a large, beautifully developed, multi-use development featuring a 19 story all suite Westin hotel, shops and restaurants, condos, and single family and carriage homes - all centered around a 200 slip marina on the north shore of the Caloosahatchee River, just off the ICC, in Cape Coral. Joining the MBYC cruise group for a total of 9 boats were "My Turn" with Barry & Claudette Gelfand, and "O Sea D" with Vern & Ann Graham who had come from Fisherman's Village in Punta Gorda.

Originally scheduled for Thursday, March 23rd, but advanced to Tuesday the 21st due to returning to Marco weather concerns, "Cookin'", captained by P/C Brent Cook and "Too Many Wakes", captained by Commodore Frank Mulligan, took most of us on a short late afternoon cruise to "Rum Runners", a bar and restaurant on the canals in Cape Coral. We all took in the sunset on the early evening return to Tarpon Point. The following evening, most of us strolled to "Pinchers" in the marina, where we enjoyed dinner and a celebration of the March birthdays of Dave Mount, Mike Brown, and P/C Charlie Skillern. After dinner, the Browns treated the cruise group to chocolate covered strawberries on the flybridge of their boat, "Therapy III". The final day featured ladies shopping (accompanied by wine!), general laziness, reading, pool time, and afternoon Canasta and Mexican Train. The weather intruded only on the final late afternoon with a few thunderstorms and brief periods of rain. On our last evening, most of the group enjoyed dinner - organized by Cindy Brown - at the Westin's Marker 92 Waterfront Bar & Bistro.

Departure day to Marco, Friday, March 23rd, featured "small craft warnings" and 18-20 knot winds from the east, but again, by hugging the coast on the southbound return to Marco, we cruised peacefully in 1 foot seas. "O Sea D" and "Therapy III" ran further outside, but reported only 1 & 2 to occasional 3 foot seas.

As usual, a wonderful and relaxing time was enjoyed by all in the MBYC cruising family.

# Future Event Flyers:

click on any Flyer Title on the website to open the Event and download the flyer

## Hollywood unknowns cast as Ginger and Howells in Gilligan remake

TMZ and Variety question producers' sanity



Ginger Grant 2017



Thurston and "Lovey" Howell 2017

**Lyn Bedell to play Ginger Grant:** Ms. Bedell is best known for her gut wrenching portrayals in sales and marketing videos for Xerox. While President of the National Women's Hall of Fame she removed all the ceilings especially the glass ones. Recently "rediscovered" by a noted Hollywood director and real estate client, who offered her a trip to "the coast," she opted to stay on Marco Island with semi famous architect Bob Boland. An accomplished sailor, Lyn proudly reports that she has never crewed on a vessel that sunk.

**Herndons cast as Thurston and "Lovey" Howell:** After many years traveling as a song and dance team across the South, Bob and JoAnn Herndon left the stage after Bob invented a process for turning gold into aluminum for the space program. He now serves as the lead groundings tester for Mikelson yachts. JoAnn, who frequently appears as a Dolly Parton impersonator, is now completing a life size clay statue of her husband. "Dolly, you've had the spotlight long enough, now it's my turn," said JoAnn.

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\_\_\_\_\_ will be there on April 18 with \_\_\_\_\_ number of guests

We need a ride \_\_\_\_\_ We will bring an appetizer \_\_\_\_\_ or a dessert \_\_\_\_\_

Here is our check for \$10 per person totaling \_\_\_\_\_ payable to MBYC

**Return this and your check to: John Kernan, 1430 Cutler Ct.,  
Marco Island 34145**

## Netflix options first season of Gilligan remake

New series to replace "House of Cards" in 2018



Mary Ann 2017



The Professor 2017

**Judy Sacher is the new Mary Ann:** Ms. Sacher has over 30 years in Special Education helping handicapped children and even longer helping one handicapped, bearded adult. She has also posed with Adele in "before" and "after" photos for Weight Watchers. An expert trainer of small lion hunting dogs, Judy is now contemplating a run for the Marco Island City Council in 2018, or the role of Dorothy in the latest remake of the Wizard of Oz.

**Bill Schroeder signs on as the Professor:** Now recovering from hand surgery caused by too much saluting while he served in the Swiss navy, "Hollywood Hunk" Bill Schroeder is taking on the challenging role of the Professor. Rumored to have been for many years the Finance Vice President of the Sons of Anarchy, biker Schroeder now organizes cycle rallies for the Girl Scouts. A native of Detroit he once auditioned to be one of Gladys Knight's Pips.

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# Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:

## 50th Anniversary Committee



## AHOY ALL MBYC CAPTAIN'S AND FIRST MATES

The MBYC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee  
Is compiling an anecdotal history of our club.  
We would love to hear any stories you have that you  
feel would be fun to share with our membership.

It would be great to tell the history of  
MBYC through stories of events and traditions that  
have happened throughout the past 50 years.

We are also looking for any pictures you would like to  
share. We are going to put together a video to play at  
some of our events next year, our 50<sup>th</sup>.

If you have stories or pictures to share contact  
Sally Orth at 262-939-1340 or [slorth@aol.com](mailto:slorth@aol.com).

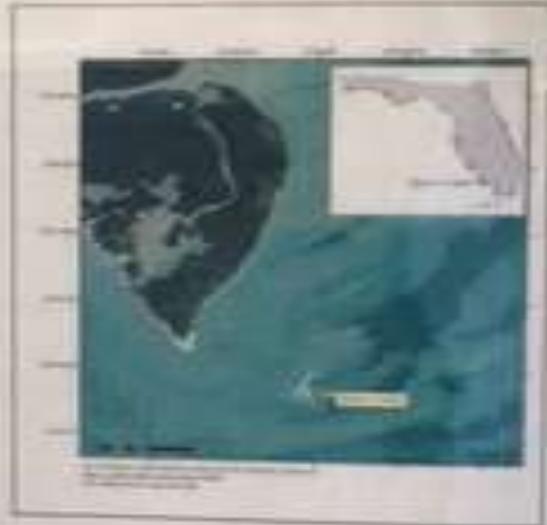
This will be a great way for all of us to celebrate the  
rich history of MBYC on Marco Island and all the places  
we have traveled as a club.

**NOTICE Second Chance Shoal**

# NOTICE

The shoals near Cape Romano known as "Second Chance" have been designated as an official CRITICAL WILDLIFE AREA by the FWC.

- The sandbar is **closed to public access**
- No vessels or people, swimming or wading
  - **March 1 - August 31 ANNUALLY**



Q: When did this happen?

A: The designation became official in December, 2015.

Q: Will the shoals be closed permanently?

A: No. The emergent portion of the shoal, which is the sandbar known locally as "Second Chance," will be closed for nesting season from March through August, annually.

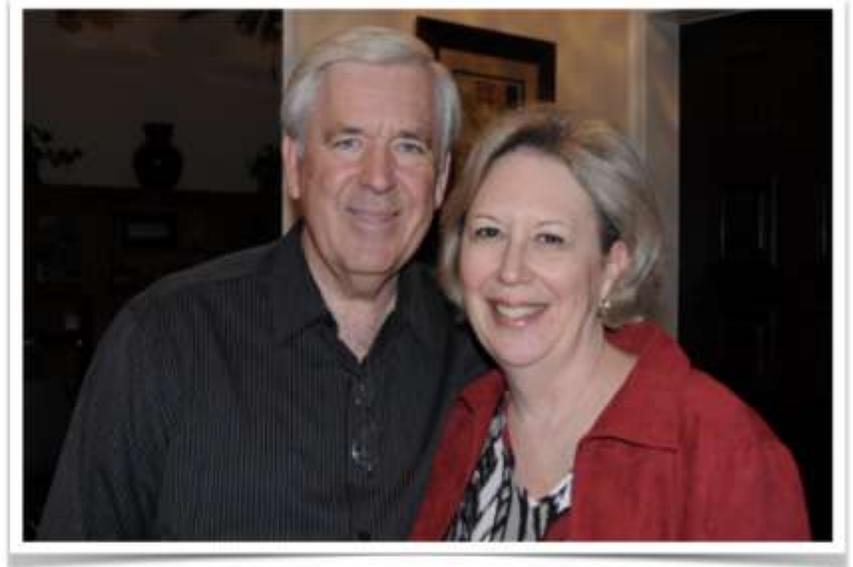
Q: How do human activities impact the area?

A: People walking, shelling, fishing, or observing birds near the breeding colony will cause the birds to flush.

Q: How is the area impacted by boaters?

A: People fishing from their boats, or operating any watercraft near the nesting area at any speed can cause disturbance.

## Member Moments



# A Big Thank You to Dan and Deb Lowell

This has been another fun year for our club and in thinking of the past events, looking at the Baylines from previous months filled with pictures and stories from the Day Boaters, Dinners, Long Trip Boaters, official club events and a few just fun crazy happenings it occurs to me that a huge thank you is in order.

I am sure you are all aware that Dan and his team are photographers at all events and trips. That is just a small part of what the Dan and Deb team do. Deb and Dan spend untold hours compiling our member roster. In order to do that they must get all the member information in proper form from various areas in our club website which is no small task. Dan also is our webmaster who I call every time I have a question or problem. Sorry for all the Calls!

For members that may not know the Lowells, I have included a recent bio. Please take the time to let them know how much we appreciate them next time you see them!

Dan and Deb ran DPN, a successful software development company, based in Las Vegas, Nevada and specializing in residential real estate broker management solutions for medium to large brokers nationwide. After selling the company in 2003, we continued to manage it until it was sold again a week prior to our retirement in 2008. We bought our home on Marco Island in August of 2006 with the plan to spend more time here once we retired. Dan is a native of Shelbyville, TN. As a teen his family moved to Winter Haven, in central Florida where he lived until college graduation when he joined the US Air Force. He was stationed at Nellis AFB, Las Vegas where remained after his tour of duty. Deb was born in Reno, Nevada and moved to Las Vegas where she became an integral part and partner in DPN. Between the two of us, we have 4 living children and 6 grandchildren, scattered across the US. We spend much of our time visiting them. Dan is an avid photographer. We both love to travel and enjoy spending time with friends and family. We especially enjoy our time on Marco and the wonderful friends we've made through MBYC.

## 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.*

2017	
April, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 11, 2017</li> <li> Keys Hopper Cruise :: Friday, April 14, 2017</li> <li> Easter Sunday :: Sunday, April 16, 2017</li> <li> Escape The IRS on Gilligan's Island :: Tuesday, April 18, 2017</li> <li> Mad Monday :: Monday, April 24, 2017</li> </ul>
May, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 09, 2017</li> <li> Mad Monday :: Monday, May 22, 2017</li> </ul>
September, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Labor Day :: Monday, September 04, 2017</li> </ul>
October, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, October 10, 2017</li> <li> Cruise to Legacy Marina :: Friday, October 20, 2017</li> <li> Cruise to Pink Shell Marina :: Tuesday, October 24, 2017</li> </ul>
November, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, November 07, 2017</li> <li> Cruise to Faro Blanco Marina :: Monday, November 13, 2017</li> <li> Thanksgiving :: Thursday, November 23, 2017</li> </ul>
December, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Holiday Party :: Friday, December 01, 2017</li> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, December 12, 2017</li> <li> Hanukkah Begins :: Tuesday, December 12, 2017</li> <li> Christmas :: Monday, December 25, 2017</li> <li> No Mad Monday :: Sunday, December 31, 2017</li> </ul>



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