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Hello Member

Commodore's Message:

It's hard to believe that 2018 is already here. Where does the time go? This year we celebrate our club's 50th Anniversary. We had a great time at the Commodore's Ball on January 13th. I can't thank Past Commodore Frank Mulligan enough for a very busy and successful year last year. I can't thank our Co-Social Chairs Marianne Mulligan and Claudette Gelfand enough for a great "change of watch party", attended and enjoyed by more than 90 members and guests at Hideaway Beach Club with music by Cahula and Cream. All that attended had a fantastic time. We have another great year planned for you this year. A group of long-range cruisers, led by Mike Brown (assisted by Barry Gelfand and Brent Cook) boated to South Seas Resort on Captiva and then continued on to Boca Grande for the start of the 2018 boating season.

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"The Presentation of our Fleet", normally scheduled for the end of January, had to be postponed due to

navigational hazards in Collier Creek. It is now scheduled for March 3rd. On Monday January 29th we enjoyed our monthly Monday Madness event at CJ's. Since the weather didn't cooperate, CJ's staff moved us inside. While it was a little cramped, we had a great time. Again CJ's will be our Monday Madness venue this year, so come by boat, car or walk over and join us for some fun and friendship.

Thanks to all the Past Commodores in helping to make my term a smooth transition. Thanks to all the members who have helped and those who have made constructive suggestions for our future. I have a lot of ideas to share over this year and have an energetic Board and Bridge to make things happen. I welcome all of your thoughts and ideas to make 2018, our 50th Anniversary, a memorable year.

The Bridge and Board are focused this year on making real advances in new membership, fun activities to enjoy, new venues and events to make great memories for all of us in 2018. This is your Boating Club, and together there is nothing that we can't do.

As a final note, a Giant Thank You and Toast to our Past Commodore, Bridge, Officers and Committee persons, who spent a lot of time and energy so we could enjoy MBYC in 2017. I look forward to stimulating your interest in participating in more events, committee activities and soliciting your thoughts and suggestions on how to make 2018 a success.

Your Commodore *Rudi Landwaard*

Past Event Articles:

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[Commodore's Thank You Party](#)



The home of outgoing Commodore Frank Mulligan was the venue of the traditional Thank You Party for the Very Important Volunteers who keep the MBYC humming; making it the Fun Club of Marco Island. The weather outside was windy and cool but thanks to the several heaters Frank's lanai was nice and cozy.

The spread of authentic Italian food made it clear that no one was leaving hungry. Nor was there a shortage of desserts. New York cheesecake, key lime pie and an assortment of cookies were all hits.

If you are not already a VIV we urge you to contact a member of the bridge to identify where your talents can be used to ensure that MBYC remains the FUN Club of Marco.

Commodore's Ball



On Saturday, January 13, members of the MBYC gathered at Hideaway Beach Club as we welcomed our 50th Anniversary as a boat club. Our Gala Celebration started with a cocktail hour at 5:30 PM with our Commodore Frank Mulligan and Vice Commodore Rudi Landwaard welcoming our members as they arrived, handing each woman a rose and each man one of our specialty designed MBYC key chains. What a night was had by all. After cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were served, our Commodore Frank Mulligan rang 5 bells as it was 6:30 PM and time for dinner. As everyone sat for dinner, our outgoing Commodore Mulligan and incoming Commodore Landwaard gave a champagne toast for the 50th Anniversary.

“There are good ships and wood ships and ships that sail the sea,
but the best ships are friendships and may they always be”.

Commodore Mulligan welcomed everyone in attendance including our special guests, Steve Stefanides of the Coastal Breeze & Janet Watson, P/C Ted Reiss & P/C Peggy Reiss representing the Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron, Deputy Commander & Mrs Robert Boone members of the Civil Air Patrol and V/C Jeffrey & Carol Comeaux with the Marco Island Yacht Club. Also present were P/C Esther Blais and Bill Carroll, former members who have moved away from Marco but came to celebrate the kickoff of our Golden Anniversary Year. He then introduced his Bridge, committee chairs and other members of the board. He gave special mention to Dianne Kernan and Paul Krueger for their service to the board as the Class of 2017. He gave special thanks to Dan and Deb Lowell for their work on the website and creating the rosters. He also thanked Mike and Cindy Brown's daughter Robyn for creating her phenomenal video presentation. Alan Sandlin gave an invocation and grace as dinner was now being served. The duo Cahlua and Cream played in the background while people were enjoying their dinner. As dessert was being served, Robyn played our special 50th Anniversary video. It started off with a photo gallery of our past Commodores. Next there were extensive photos of many of our long-range cruises, social events, day boat cruises and many other activities our members participated in during the year. Her presentation concluded with the clever “parody” using the names of many of our members' boats. At the conclusion of the video our Commodore stated, ‘This is why we are known as the “fun club”.

At this point Commodore Mulligan presented a \$500 donation to the Civil Air Patrol, The Power Squadron and Coast Guard Auxiliary on behalf of our members for their efforts in boating safety and education. Steve Stefanides, a special guest, then made a presentation on behalf of the

Christmas Island Style Committee to Bob Herndon for his many years participating in the boat parade with his "Tennessee Waltz" representing the MBYC.

After his cemetery joke, our current Commodore Frank Mulligan announced our incoming Commodore, Rudi Landwaard and his lovely wife Dorothy who were piped in by our Chaplain Alan Sandlin to a standing ovation. Commodore Mulligan presented Rudi Landwaard with his star bar flag of office and gavel. Rudi then introduced his bridge and presented Vice Commodore, Sally Orth and Rear Commodore Larry Sacher with their star bars and flag of office. Commodore Rudi Landwaard then presented P/C Frank Mulligan with the Commodore's gift and Commodorable Marianne with her gift.

Cahlua and Cream then started rocking and rolling and had everyone up on the dance floor dancing. Many members danced until the end of the night at 10PM. A great time was had by all celebrating the start of our 50th Anniversary.

South Seas - Boca Grande Cruise



On January 15th we had 8 boats (Cookin, Sea Ya'll, Nauti Buoy, Therapy III, Che Jac, O Sea D, Karine, And My Cherie) leave for South Seas Marina. Two Boats (My Turn and Swelltimes III) joined us the following day. The cruise on the 15th was a little bumpy, but all arrived safely. Unfortunately, a COLD front came in and we all determined we actually boated to the arctic circle. On Wednesday, the 17th, we all had dinner in the private room at the Green Flash. As per usual, the food and friendship were outstanding. Thursday we were to get a cabana and spend the day at the pool; however, mother nature had a different idea and we all decided to play games in a heated room instead. That evening we had a group dinner at Doc Fords where we celebrated Brent's Birthday and Susan's delicious cake.

Friday we had a delightful cruise outside to Boca Grande Marina. Swelltimes III and Sea Ya'll left to return back to Marco, and Divergent came direct from Marco to join us. We had 10 people (Hubscher, Geschrei, Brinkoetter, Herndon, and Mulligan) join us by car. We all shared golf carts and spent the next few days enjoying Boca and finally warmer weather. Sunday, the 21st we all gathered in the private dining room at the Eagle Grill to watch the Patriots beat Jacksonville for another ride to the Super Bowl, and enjoyed a wonderful dinner. On Tuesday we all headed back to Marco. Unfortunately, Mother Nature decided to raise her ugly head again by providing us with dense sea fog for the majority of the trip home. Good boating skills and radar did get us all home safely.

As usual, A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL.

January Monday Madness



We knew that sooner or later it was bound to happen. January blew in with a gale and mother nature dealt a nasty hand to our January Monday Madness. The combination of wind in excess of 20 MPH and temps in the 50's rendered the heaters ineffective and we retreated to CJ's dining room. There's the old saying that all good things end. Here's hoping for a chamber of commerce day for February Madness.

In spite of the weather, outside spirits were high and the conversation lively inside. Rudi held court at the Commodore's table and circulated through the crowd extending greetings. We were favored with a visit from P/C Joe and Sharon Doggett who braved the blustery weather traveling from North Naples to join us.

Sally Orth diligently canvassed the crowd pedaling tickets to the 50-50 drawing. Vern Graham was the lucky first place winner and Sherry Fitzjarrald the second place winner.

The MBYC 2018 Rosters were distributed to members who attended the Commodore's Ball. Unclaimed rosters are available for pickup at the Ships Store table at Monday Madness. If you haven't claimed yours this is the perfect reason to come to the next Monday Madness. Just look for Sherry. She's eager to get your Roster to you.

Looking forward to seeing you on February 26 for next Monday Madness.

Future Event Flyers:

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

MBYC 2018 Extended Cruise Schedule

MBYC 2018 Extended Cruising Schedule

The cruise team (Mike, Brent, Barry & Charlie) would like you to consider joining us on one of our February thru May 2018 cruises.

February 19 - 20 to Boca Grande Marina

February 20 – 26 to Marina Jack

February 26 – 28 to Pink Shell Marina

March 16 - 19 to South Seas Marina

March 19 – 22 to Naples Sailing & Yacht Club

April 16 to May 10 to Palm Coast

(This cruise has two return date options)

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 some who wish to extend for several days.

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

While cruises will be led by various Team Members, to sign up for a cruise please contact 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 our beautiful water.

The MBYC Cruise Team

Photo Scavenger Hunt



MBYC Photo Scavenger Hunt

Photo Scavenger Hunt & Luncheon Thursday, March 8, 2018

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!** Boats should monitor on **Chanel 72**. Dock Master **Ron or Joe Channel 16**

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. Cost is \$20.00 for lunch (Tax & gratuity included.) The entry fee is \$5 per adult.

1Cobb salad/shrimp; 2Philly cheesesteak sandwich/fries; 3Fish sandwich/Fries; 4Grilled Chicken sandwich/fruit

Winners will be announced and cash prizes awarded after lunch.

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



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 \$20 = _____

TOTAL = \$

Please return this form and indicate how many people will be on your boat **no later than Fri., March 2, 2018.**

COMING BY CAR: Indicate number of **reservations by 3-2-18** (No \$5.00 entry fee required.) X \$20= \$

NO LAST MINUTE WALK-INS PLEASE

Make check payable to MBYC and mail to:

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

First Mates Adventure



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from: Carolyn Cachianes and Shirley Southard

Marco Bay Yacht Club

Please join our **First Mates first adventure!!**

Seasons 52 Naples

(next to Mercado Shopping Center)

Luncheon and Demonstration given by head Chef Tommy (an amazing teacher)

Date, March 12 at 11:30

We will carpool....meeting place TBD at 10:30

\$35 all inclusive

Please mail your check made out to:

Carolyn Cachianes, 450 Cottage Ct, Marco Island 34145

To reserve your spot for a fun filled day, please send your check asap

Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:



Marianne Mulligan turning over the file to the Sally Orth of the Social Committee.

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.*

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February, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 ■ Valentine's Day :: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 ■ Cruise to Boca Grande Marina :: Monday, February 19, 2018 ■ Cruise to Marina Jack :: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 ■ Cruise to Pink Shell Marina :: Monday, February 26, 2018 ■ Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, February 26, 2018
March, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Photo Scavenger Hunt :: Saturday, March 03, 2018 ■ Presentation of the Fleet :: Saturday, March 03, 2018 ■ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, March 13, 2018 ■ Cruise to South Seas Marina :: Friday, March 16, 2018 ■ Cruise to Naples Sailing & Yacht Club :: Monday, March 19, 2018 ■ Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, March 26, 2018
April, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 10, 2018 ■ New Member Party :: Wednesday, April 11, 2018 ■ Cruise to Palm Coast & Keys :: Monday, April 16, 2018 ■ Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, April 30, 2018
May, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 08, 2018 ■ Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, May 21, 2018 ■ Memorial Day :: Monday, May 28, 2018
December, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Holiday Party :: Saturday, December 01, 2018



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