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## **Marco Bay Yacht Club**

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Weather got the best of us again on March 6<sup>th</sup> and we had to cancel the Wild Goose Chase. It was a cold and windy day but we still met for lunch at CJ's and had a great time. Al and Linda Saunders and Mark and Annette Staley did a wonderful job of organizing the event. We didn't get to search for the geese but the clues are set and ready for another season.

On March 11<sup>th</sup> the First Mates had a guided tour of the Naples Botanical Gardens. The tour was very beautiful and interesting, I for one learned a lot. After the tour we had a very nice box lunch. Carolyn Cachianes did a great job of organizing the day.

Monday Madness on the 25<sup>th</sup> was well attended.

Our Welcome Aboard new member's dinner was on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Marco Island Yacht Club. We welcomed five of the nine new couples at the dinner.

Before dinner Betty Barter and Cindy Brown raised money for our donations fund with a fun game of heads and tails. Our Vice Commodore/ DJ Bob White entertained us all after dinner. Paula Skillern with the help of Sandy LaMontagne did a great job of putting it all together. See photos and story below.

This month I attended a Water Quality Workshop hosted by the City Council and it was very eye opening for me. As boaters on Marco Island this is a concern for all of us. The City Council is doing several studies to help determine the causes of our water issues and ways to improve our water quality. One of our members, Rick Woodworth, is chairman of the Waterways Advisory Committee and he has a wealth of information on this issue if you have any questions about it he would be happy to answer them. There will be another Water Quality Workshop and I'm sure Rick will let us know when.

I am looking for volunteers to plan this summer's Dine Arounds. Dine Arounds happen once each month with the hosts choosing a restaurant and making the reservations. Sachers are already planning one for July so we still need someone for May, June, August and September. Email me or

give me a call if you are interested in planning some fun!! [slorth@aol.com](mailto:slorth@aol.com) or [262-939-1340](tel:262-939-1340).

Hope everyone has a great April! Our Mini Poker run is on April 3<sup>rd</sup> and long range boaters set off for the Keys [on April 11<sup>th</sup>](#). First Mates are playing Bingo on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

This months Monday Madness, [on April 29<sup>th</sup>](#), will be held at Paradise Found (the Old Marco Lodge) in Goodland. CJ's has an event that night and can't accommodate us.

The Nominating Committee will be meeting in early May. If you have any suggestions for Board of Directors or Rear Commodore please let me know. The Rear Commodore must have served on the Board for at least one year.

Boat and Play With Marco Bay!!

**Commodore**  
***Sally Orth***

## Past Event Articles:

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

## Tampa Cruise





On February 12th, one day ahead of schedule (due to pending rough seas), five boats including Cookin' (Brent & Susan Cook), Nauti Buoy (Dave & Mary Ellen Mount), Therapy III (Mike & Cindy Brown), My Cherie (Jerry & Cherie Hoover) and No Agenda (Mark & Joanne Daugherty), made an unscheduled stop at Pink Shell Marina. It's a good thing we went early because seas on the 13th turned out to be unfriendly.

On the 13th back on schedule all of us except the Daughertys (who stayed at Pink Shell) traveled the ICW up to Boca Grande Marina. Cookin' went on one engine due to a crack in the starboard seawater strainer but a new one was waiting at Boca Grande. Therapy also encountered a problem that day with a broken bolt that leaked coolant into the bilge but was able to get that problem repaired by a local mechanic during our overnight stay.

As Nauti Buoy and My Cherie were departing Boca Grande, My Cherie damaged two props in the channel and had to return to the dock for installation of his spare props, while Nauti Buoy continued toward Sarasota. Therapy III was next to depart Boca Grande for Sarasota but ran aground south of Venice. Fortunately Cookin' and My Cherie were a bit behind him and were able to rock Therapy off the sand so they could continue on to Sarasota but only on one engine due to damage to one prop.

The Brown's daughter, Robyn, made a surprise appearance in Sarasota to join her parents in celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary. We were in Sarasota for 5 wonderful days of shopping playing games and eating including Valentine's Day dinner at Patrick's and a return visit to Hyde Park Steakhouse.

On the 19th we left Sarasota for a brand new club destination to the marina at the Tampa Convention Center, which was 25 miles northeast of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge up Tampa Bay. Our group took 4 of the 8 transient slips at this brand new floating-dock marina and the other 4 remained empty so we had it all to ourselves. While there was construction going on nearby, it was a great stop with outstanding views of the night lights of downtown Tampa. Our entire group took a water taxi ride up the river where we had lunch at the northern most stop only to find out there was no room on the return boat so our trip back to our boats was one of our dozen Uber rides. Fortunately the water taxi operator refunded our ticket cost so we could pay Uber.

We were blessed to be joined in Tampa by land-yachters, Skillerns and Orths, who spent two nights next door at the Marriott. We enjoyed a group

dinner with them at Columbia Restaurant (thanks Paula for making those plans) and all dined at Bern's Steak House one night but at two different times. Charlie and I also continued the Club's early coffee tradition by meeting two mornings at the Marriott, one of which we were joined by Sally.

On the 22rd we headed out in calm seas for the 63 mile ride down to Venice and the Crow's Nest Marina, which included a private dining room dinner at the Crow's Nest Restaurant and a lunch at the Venice Fountain Shop where several of us enjoyed their favorite "Black Cow Soda". On our last night of this great cruise we were treated to a home cooked meal onboard Therapy III. Before you are shocked, no Cindy did not cook; Robyn did -- and made a great pasta chicken dish. The others all brought dishes to pass and it was a great end to a fabulous cruise.

With 3 out of the 4 Tampa-bound boats having had a mechanical or navigational issue (translation... running out of the channel), Nauti Buoy was feeling left out but did discover when docking back on Marco that his inverter had gone out and the refrigerator was not working. That discovery made it a full 100% boat problem trip but hey as we say, "it's a boat".

Brent  
Cruise Leader

## First Mates - Botanicals Gardens



First Mates in the botanical gardens in Naples on March 11.

With a bright sunny day the First mates toured these magnificent gardens with a guide. Followed by lunch in the garden. Beautiful day for our First Mates!!

First Mates  
Carolyn Cachianes



## Legacy - 'Tween Waters Cruise



On Friday, March 15th six boats including Cookin' (Brent & Susan Cook), Nauti Buoy (Dave & Mary Ellen Mount), Therapy III (Mike & Cindy Brown), Karine (Bob & Sandy LaMontagne) and O Sea D (Vern & Ann Graham) and Divergent (Bill Schroeder) arrived at Legacy Harbour Marina in Ft Myers.

That evening 10 of us attended the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater for a buffet dinner and their production of Guys and Dolls. We had a great time socializing at dinner and enjoyed the play. It was also another opportunity to use our Uber apps!

The following day, Saturday, the Browns were joined by 2 of their daughters, Tracy and Robyn. It's always fun to have the Brown girls along because they add youth and vitality to the group and, just like Dave Mount.....NOT, a great ability to accomplish almost anything on their smart phones.

Other highlights included, lunch at Joe's Crab Shack, dinner at The Veranda, dinner at Firestone, breakfast at First Watch and several shopping outings downtown as well as late night runs to Starbucks.

We were scheduled to depart Legacy for Tween Waters on Tuesday but a poor weather forecast, with rain and rougher seas, forced Bill Schroeder home a day early on Monday and kept the rest of us at Legacy an extra day until Wednesday.

Finally on Wednesday morning Cookin', Nauti Buoy, Karine and O Sea D departed for the one hour ride to Tween Waters and Therapy III departed for home.

Approaching Tween Waters, amissing channel marker, and shallow water, found Cookin' and Nauti Buoy kicking up some sand from the bottom while O Sea D and Karine watched us and decided a path closer to the "Greens" was deeper water. A quick dive under Nauti Buoy showed all the bottom did was polish the props.

Tween Waters have improved their docks with new decking and finger piers so those were a nice improvement. One thing that had not changed was the great burgers poolside which a number of us enjoyed.

Our three day stay turned into two days when we had to layover at Legacy but we all enjoyed our time there and had a great farewell dinner at the new The Canoe and The Kayak restaurant that is water-side near the docks.

Three out of four of us cruised home on Friday the 22nd while Vern and Ann stayed at Tween an extra day.

Brent  
Cruise Leader



# Monday Madness March





About 35 people joined us for Monday Madness on March 25th at CJ's.

As always a good time was had by all. Bonnie Pilat had really good time; she won the 50/50 twice!

Next month Monday Madness will be held at Paradise Found in Goodland. CJ's has a big event and can't accommodate us.

Sally Orth  
Commodore

## Welcome Aboard Party



The Welcome Aboard New Member Party was held on March 28th at the Marco Island Yacht Club. The evening began at 5pm with cocktails and our 50th Anniversary video playing for all to enjoy. Thank you Mike Brown for setting up the video equipment. After cocktails we were seated and Commodore Sally Orth welcomed everyone. Sally introduced the Bridge, Board and Committees to the those present. The new members were introduced and asked to say a few words about themselves. Each lady was presented with a red rose and the couples each received two of our 50th anniversary champagne flutes containing nautical blue and white mints. We welcomed aboard Charles and Holly Erker, Jeff and Patti Jo Wilson, Glen and Theresa Perkins, Hermann and Darlene Schultz and Dan and Connie Woodworth. They were encouraged to participate in the Club activities and events to "Boat and Play with Marco Bay". We were sorry our other new members were not able to attend. Bill and Kim Hilyer, Doug and Barbara Hess, Benny and Jeanie Tincher and Rick and Valerie Woodworth you were missed!

Dinner was served after our Chaplain, Alan Sandlin's Inspirational prayer. Our dinner meal consisted of a wedge salad, choice of MIYC's surf & turf, lemon sole, or a vegetarian eggplant entree, followed by flourless chocolate cake.

After dinner we were entertained by our fabulous DJ Bob White. He started us out with an enjoyable game of music trivia. Our members do not lack in their competitive spirit. The fun continued with music and dancing. Thanks Rear Commodore for another year of playing our favorite tunes. It was a lot of fun!

Welcome Aboard to all our New members.

Paula Skillern, Social Chair

**Future Event Flyers:**

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

**COMING SOON !**









**FUN, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP**

**SUMMER DINE AROUND**



**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.***

Events for	
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April, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, April 09, 2019</li> <li> Cruise to Faro Blanco Marina :: Thursday, April 11, 2019</li> <li> Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, April 29, 2019</li> </ul>
May, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Mother's Day :: Sunday, May 12, 2019</li> <li> Board Meeting :: Tuesday, May 14, 2019</li> <li> Monday Madness at CJ's :: Monday, May 20, 2019</li> <li> Memorial Day :: Monday, May 27, 2019</li> </ul>
June, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Father's Day :: Sunday, June 16, 2019</li> </ul>



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