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Commodore's Message:

I hope you all had wonderful Thanksgivings. Don and I had a great weekend with our family. One evening at dinner I was explaining Marco Bay Yacht Club to our son's partner. Sharing stories of boat trips, parties and how you can have a Yacht Club without a building when our son interrupted and said "but Mom the best part is the people, everyone you have introduced me to has been so warm and friendly, you and Dad are very lucky to have found such a great club." I of course agree with him!

November was a very active and fun month for MBYC.

We started with the Wear It Campaign, to encourage boating safety on Marco waters. A nice group of our members showed up for the photo with all the Marco boating groups donning their life jackets. Thanks to all that participated.

Our Welcome Back Dinner and Annual Meeting at Bistro Soleil on the 5th was a big success. Paula Skillern did a fabulous job of planning this event. The ballroom was full of MBYC members catching up after the summer. The staff at Bistro Soleil did a great job with both the food and service. Betty Barter and Cindy Brown led us in a fun bingo game raising money for our annual donations. The last of our Ship's Store stock was available at drastic reductions, everything that was left after this evening was donated to relief in the Bahamas.

During the Annual Meeting we elected the 2022 Class of Board Members (Marianne Mulligan, Charlie Erker, Bert Croks and Bill Schroeder) and our new Rear Commodore, Sandy LaMontagne.

Congratulations to them all and thank you for your willingness to share your time and energy.

Caroline Cachianes planned a great event for the First Mates at Seasons 52 on November 11th. There were 17 of us that enjoyed a cooking demo by Chef Tommy and enjoyed a lovely lunch. See pictures and story below.

On the 13th we held a Wild Goose Chase. It was great fun, even though we had to take the chase to the road due to bad weather. Hubschers and the Wilsons were the big winners. See story below.

Don and I are headed to, hopefully, a snowy Christmas in Wisconsin. Sadly, we will miss the Christmas Island Style Boat and Street Parades.

I know you will all have a great time decorating MBYC's entries in both parades. Thank you to Charlie Erker for stepping up and organizing the Street Parade float and to Rudi Landwaard for the Boat Parade entry.

Watch for eblasts with information about decorating the floats and participating in the parades. HAVE FUN!!!

Wishing you all a blessed Holiday Season. See you in the New Year!

Commodore *Sally Orth*

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

October Madness



Larry was the unknown whistleblower. The rest of us were just in costume. Great turnout. See what you missed if you didn't participate.

Welcome Back Party 2019



This year's Welcome Back Party and Annual Meeting was held on November 5th at Bistro Soleil. We had over sixty members filling the Ballroom catching up after the summer and welcoming our more northern and summer traveling members back to the Island.

The staff at Bistro Soleil did a fabulous job. The food and service were excellent.

After cocktails, the first order of the evening was our Annual Meeting led by Commodore Sally Orth. We elected the Class of 2022 Board Members and Rear Commodore.

Class of 2022

Marianne Mulligan

Bert Crooks

Charlie Erker

Bill Schroeder

Rear Commodore

Sandy LaMontagne

Larry Bielawski was elected to fill Sandy's remaining term on the Board in the class of 2021.

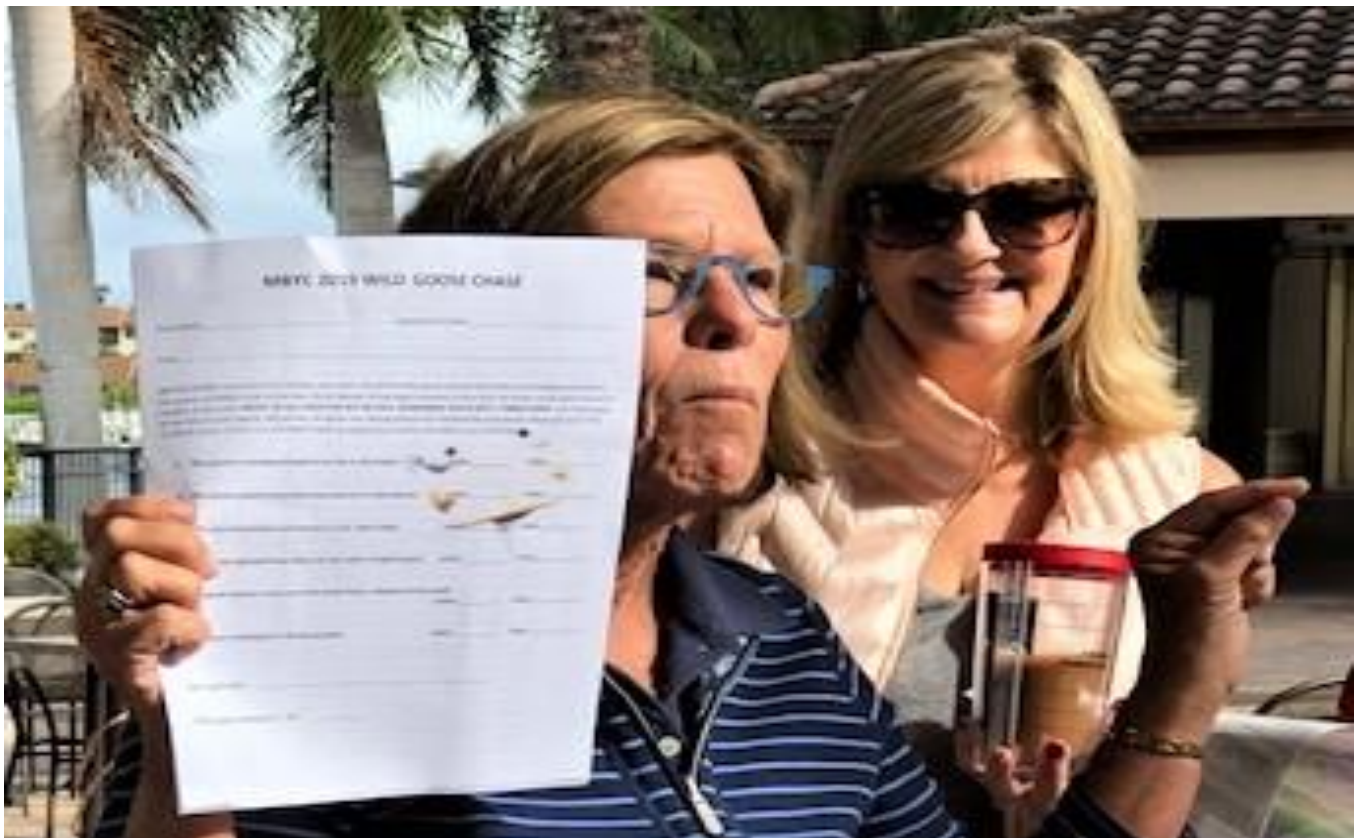
After the meeting it was time for some fun Betty Barter and Cindy Brown led us in a very fun take on a Bingo Game. The money raised from the purchase of Bingo Cards will be used to help fund our annual donations to the Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Civil Air Patrol. Alan Sandlin was the winner!

Our Chaplin Alan Sandlin delivered an inspiring grace and dinner was served.

It was a great way to kick off our 2019-2020!

Social Chair Paula Skillern

Wild Goose Chase 2019



We held our Wild Goose Chase on November 13th. The Wild Goose Chase was cancelled in March because of rough seas and this Chase was no different, the winds were strong and the weather was chilly so we took the Chase to the road. Instead of boarding boats six teams climbed into their cars and searched for the Geese all over the Island. 43 of us met for lunch at CJ's after the Geese were tracked.

Four of the teams found all the Geese. So it came down to the team that picked the closest number to the tie breaker number and the winners were the Wilsons and the Hubschers. They were awarded, what else, a bottle of Grey Goose Vodka! The other three teams that found all the Geese were the Kernan team including the Erkers and the Dotterweichs, the Tuttle team including the Bailies and the Tuttles and the Krueger team including the Landwaards and the Sachers.

Thank you to Mark and Annette Staley and Sally and Don Orth for planning a fun event. Thanks also to Linda and Al Saunders for some of the clues from the March Chase

Marathon - Key West Cruise Report

Marathon & Key West 2019 Cruise Trip Report

On Thursday, November 14th, six boats including **Cookin'** (Brent & Susan Cook), **Nauti Buoy** (Dave & Mary Ellen Mount), **Karine** (Bob & Sandy LaMontagne along with Karen & Bri), **My Cherie** (Jerry & Cherie Hoover), **Wild Hawk** (Bruce & Debbie Boyer along with Bill & Kim Hillyer) and **Divergent** (Bill Schroeder) all arrived at Faro Blanco Marina on Marathon.

The ride south was a bit bumpy with 3' – 4' seas but with Karine in the lead we had a reasonably good ride for the five boats that left Marco that morning. Wild Hawk left a bit later and with their speed arrived first.

On our arrival day we were joined by Mike and Cindy Brown who came by car and on Friday, also coming by Land Yacht, were John & Dianne Kernan, Claudette & Barry Gelfand, Bob & Jo Herndon and Bob Boland and Lyn Bedell. Arriving on Saturday were Al & Ginny Rapp. With our boaters, and Land Yachters, we had a total of 28 people.

There was no one single group dinner but we did sample The Butterfly Café at Tranquility Bay Resort, Lazy Days, The Lighthouse Grille, Keys Fisheries and Florida Steak & Lobster House so there was no shortage of fun places to eat.

With 5 of the 6 boaters headed to Key West we did delay our Faro Blanco departure by one day to allow the seas to calm down a bit after some pretty gusty winds on Marathon for a few days. The Boyers and Hillyers, on Wild Hawk, stuck to the schedule and returned to Marco on Sunday.

In nearly flat seas the Key West boaters arrived at The Galleon shortly after noon on Monday. We were joined in Key West by the Browns and Rapps who both said there were no waves on US-1.

As has become a tradition, we all dined at Two Friends our first night in town to take advantage of their \$19.95 lobster tail special. In fact, we hit it again for a breakfast and another lobster tail night before we left town.

As always, we enjoyed the sights and sounds of Key West including museum tours, a ride on the Conch Train and a stop at most of the shoe stores on Duval Avenue. Two Friends, Commodore Club, Hard Rock Café & Onlywood Grill were all dining stops during our stay.

Our seven-night stay in Key West got cut to just five nights due to our one day delay arriving and deciding to leave one day early because of reasonable sea conditions for the return home. Our return was in 2'-3' seas from the east dropping to 1'-2' and then 1' or less as we went north. Once again we put the "big dog" Karine in the lead and let her knock it down for us smaller boats.

All in all it was another great cruise with those that came by boat and those that joined us by car.

Brent
Cruise Leader

November Madness



It was a cool evening but CJ's made sure we had a spot in the sun. There were a little over 30 members there, which is great considering it was Thanksgiving week and many of us had houseguests. As always, it was a very congenial group. Heckenlaibles were there with all three of their sons, it is always fun when members bring family for us to meet!

Future Event Flyers:

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

Save the Date Pirates

Save the Dates

February 5, 2020, Rain Date, February 6

Retired Pirates of the Caribbean



Join the aging pirates and their crews as they gather near Marco Island for one last day of debauchery before retiring. Crews will compete against each other in various age-appropriate, pirate themed events. The event is organized by the AARP, the American Association of Retired Pirates.

Day Fleet

Save the Dates
2019-2020 MBYC Day Fleet Calendar
Please note date change for
Senior Pirates of the Caribbean



October 15, 2019. Naples Boat Trip & Luncheon. Luncheon rain or shine.
Event Leaders: Barry and Claudette Gelfand

November 13, 2019. Wild Goose Chase. Rain date for Wild Goose Chase is November 14. Luncheon is November 13, rain or shine.
Event Leaders: Commodore Sally & Don Orth, Mark & Annette Staley

February 5, 2020. Senior Pirates of the Caribbean. A pirate themed competition. Rain date is February 6.
Event Leaders: Paul and Lydia Krueger

March 4, 2020 Multi-Navigate Marco with Lunch & Dance Party at Paradise Found. Party is rain or shine. Rain date for Multi-Navigation is March 5.
Event Leaders: John & Elaine Hardy, Music by our own R/C Bob White

March 24-25-26, 2020 Everglades City Cruise and Overnight
Frank and Marianne Mulligan, Alex & Marcia Orsolini, Betty Barter

THANKS to the entire **MBYC Day Fleet Committee**; it was their work that made this schedule possible: Jack Bruinsma, Rose-Mary Bulat & Bert Crooks, Carolyn & John Cachianes, Lucille & Dan Dotterweich, Bob Gagnon, Barry & Claudette Gelfand, John & Elaine Hardy, Dianne & John Kernan, Lydia Krueger, Jim Lane, P/C Frank & Marianne Mulligan, P/C Marcia & P/C Alex Orsolini, P/C Bob Boland & Lyn Bedell, Commodore Sally & Don Orth, P/C Al & Linda Saunders, Nanette Schaller, Marjorie Tessier & Bob White, Mark & Annette Staley, Bob & Lynn Tuttle,

MBYC Long Range Cruises for 2019-2020

MBYC 2019 – 2020 Extended Cruising Schedule

The cruise team would like to invite you to join us on one or all of the 2019 – 2020 cruises.

October 21 – 25 to Legacy Harbour Marina
October 25 – 29 to Pink Shell Marina

November 14 – 17 to Faro Blanco Marina
November 17 – 24 to The Galleon Marina

January 8 – 12 to South Seas Marina
January 12 – 16 to Boca Grande Marina

February 12 - 13 to Boca Grande Marina
February 13 – 18 to Marina Jack
February 18 – 22 to The Vinoy Marina
February 22 – 24 to Crow's Nest in Venice

March 14 - 18 to Pink Shell Marina
March 18 – 22 to South Seas Marina

April 15 – May 6 on Mini Loop Cruise

In many cases, hotel accommodations, at the marina or nearby, are available for anyone wishing to come either by small boat or by car so try to join us.

To sign-up please contact Brent Cook at: Brent@Brentcook.net

The MBYC Cruise Team

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.

2019	
December, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Marco Island Street Parade :: Saturday, December 14, 2019 █ Marco Island Boat Parade :: Saturday, December 21, 2019 █ Chanukah Begins :: Monday, December 23, 2019 █ Christmas :: Wednesday, December 25, 2019 █ No Monday Madness :: Monday, December 30, 2019
2020	
January, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ New Year's Day :: Wednesday, January 01, 2020 █ Cruise to South Seas Marina :: Wednesday, January 08, 2020 █ Cruise to Boca Grande Marina :: Sunday, January 12, 2020 █ Commodore's Ball :: Saturday, January 25, 2020
February, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Presentation of the Fleet :: Saturday, February 08, 2020 █ First Mates Bingo :: Monday, February 10, 2020 █ Cruise to Boca Grande Marina :: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 █ Cruise to Marina Jack :: Thursday, February 13, 2020 █ Cruise to Vinoy Marina (Weather Permitting) :: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 █ Cruise to Venice :: Saturday, February 22, 2020
March, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Welcome Aboard Party at ICC :: Sunday, March 08, 2020 █ Cruise to South Seas Marina :: Saturday, March 14, 2020 █ Cruise to Pink Shell :: Wednesday, March 18, 2020
April, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ First Mates Bunko :: Monday, April 06, 2020 █ Lake 'O' Loop Cruise :: Wednesday, April 15, 2020
November, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ First Mates & Spouses Mini Golf :: Friday, November 06, 2020 █ Welcome Back Party at Bistro Soleil :: Tuesday, November 10, 2020
December, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> █ Holiday Ball at ICC :: Sunday, December 06, 2020

Saturday, December 7, 2019



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