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## **Marco Bay Yacht Club**

### **April 2022**

*Hello .... Member,*

### **Commodore's Message**

Ahoy from the Bridge.

We have had a number of activities these past weeks but unfortunately some had to be cancelled due to weather and other issues. The Day cruisers had to cancel the scavenger hunt due to weather but had a wonderfully successful trip to Everglades City. There were 60 attendees for lunch at the Rod and Gun Club, some traveling by boat and some by car. The boat ride was a bit bouncy but the cars had no problem!

The First Mates held a Mexican Train event but had to reschedule the Line Dancing to a future date. Bunco was held at Vice Commodore, Linda Gagnon's home and Beach Bracelet Jewelry Making will be held on April 28 hosted by Anna Hutchings. The First Mates, under the direction of Sally Orth, met again to discuss the plans for next season and have come up with

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some very exciting things to do. They will hold a rotating game event on Tuesday afternoons. They are looking into attending a play at the Marco Theater as well as the rescheduled Line Dancing. The big event would be a trip to the Dry Tortugas. They are looking to meet up with the Extended Cruisers in Key West and do a joint trip over to the Dry Tortugas. Look for more information as these and other plans become finalized.

We have June, July and September sponsors for the summer Dine Around. We still need someone to take August. Please let me know if you can sponsor August.

The Extended Cruisers had a great trip to Punta Gorda and Tween Waters in March. There were originally 10 boats signed up for this trip but due to mechanical issues and some unexpected family obligations there ended up being 4. Mother Nature was kind with sea conditions and weather and a good time was had by all. The final cruise for the season departs April 18th for a circumnavigation of south Florida. The boats will head up to Ft. Myers then across the state to the East Coast. From there, they will travel south to the Keys and then back to Marco. They are scheduled to return May 5. The schedule for next season is out and you can contact Brent Cook for more information or check the club calendar on the website.

Many of you will be heading to your northern homes soon and I wish you all safe travels. We are working on the date for our Welcome Back Party/New Member Party and will let you all know as soon as we have it nailed down.

Welcome to our new Members, David and Jeanette Petty, Steve and Sally Jones, Steve and Kathy Stark and David and Sylvia Doolittle. Great to have you aboard!

Don't forget we still have Monday Madness on the last Monday of the month at CJ's from 4:30 – 6:30 and the summer Dine Around. The men still meet for breakfast Thursday mornings at Hoots and Canasta will be held for a bit longer.

All in all, we have a great start to the coming year. Come and join us to "Boat and Play with Marco Bay"!

**Commodore**

***Sandy LaMontagne***

## Past Event Articles:

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

### [First Mates Mexican Train Dominoes](#)



On March 15th Lynn Tuttle, generously, hosted MBYC First Mates for a morning of Mexican Train Dominoes.

We had three tables at different levels. Cindy's table of experienced players played rapidly. Jo's table of four intermediate players benefitted from her experience. Lynn's table of new players progressed quickly and enjoyed the game. Most of all, it was fun to be together.

Everyone loved the game and many would like to play more. Starting in the fall we are planning a Tuesday afternoon game day. The thought is to rotate MyJongg, Mexican Train and Bunco. Should be fun!!

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### [Everglades City Cruise & Lunch at The Rod & Gun Club](#)



On Tuesday April 12th 60 members of the Marco Bay Yacht Club traveled from Marco Island to the Rod and Gun Club in Everglades City for lunch. We had 10 boats and six land yachts (cars) participate.



Two groups of boats traveled from Marco, the north group was led by John Kernan and the south group by Barry Gelfand. They met at the Coon Key Light and traveled together to the Barron River. We had our Commodore Sandy LaMontagne, Vice Commodore Linda Gagnon, and Rear Commodore Charles Erker, along with several Past Commodores, many members including six new members and a couple of guests in attendance.

Lunch was served on the screened in porch of the Historic Rod & Gun Club overlooking the Barron River. Frank Mulligan, the trip organizer, gave a brief welcome to everyone and later our Commodore Sandy LaMontagne addressed those present. A good time, with good food and great friends, was had by all.

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## [Monday Madness March 2022](#)

Could this be Madness?

Yes! On the last Monday of each month, the Marco Bay Yacht Club celebrates Monday Madness st



the Esplanade between 4:30-6:00. It's a great opportunity for members, prospective members, and guests to socialize and enjoy their favorite beverages. And as you can see from the look on Bob Gagnon's face, it can also be profitable due to our 50-50 raffle. This month's winners were Bob Gagnon \$20, John Taylor \$30, that he donated it back to club, and Claudette Gelfand \$40.

The April Monday Madness is April 25. Hope to see you there. It will be the last opportunity so see some of our seasonal members who will be rotating north for the summer. See you there.

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## [Burnt Store -Tween Waters Cruise Trip Report](#)



The first stop on our March cruise was at Burnt Store Marina in Punta Gorda where Cookin' (Brent & Susan Cook), My Cherie (Jerry & Cherie Hoover), Karine (Bob & Sandy LaMontagne) and Divergent (Bill Schroeder) enjoyed a fun three-night stop.



All 4 of us were docked together on F dock, which was conveniently located right in front of the dockmaster's office, the restaurant and The Trading Post Store.

Dinner was outside overlooking the marina the first night, inside overlooking the marina on the second night and our final night was a pizza party on the deck of The Trading Post.

Daytime was filled with long walks around the complex and a number of games of Mexican Train.

Bill had to leave us for our second three-night stop which was at Tween Waters where we celebrated St. Patrick's Day with dinner at the Old Captiva House. At dinner we got to watch the sunset and a number of us saw the "Green Flash", some for their first time.

Biking to town and also to dinner at the Green Flash Restaurant was another of our adventures on Captiva.

The final day we all had a fun time playing Jenga that was loaned to us by the Daughertys.

Our next cruise is 17 nights as we travel across the state, down the east coast and home thru the Keys.

Brent

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## MARCO BAY YACHT CLUB FIRST MATES

The Marco Bay Yacht Club's First Mates committee, chaired by Past Commodore Sally Orth, met on Commodore Sandy LaMontagne's boat to discuss upcoming events. There are still several events to happen before the end of this season and they are getting a jump on planning activities for the next season. The committee is very excited about the plans they have and next year will have a full calendar of events from card and dice games to field trips. Maybe, even an overnigher to the Dry Tortugas, to coincide with our extended cruising group. Typically, these events are geared toward our female members but occasionally events are planned that would appeal to both our male and female members. For more information about our club, contact our membership chair, Judy Sacher at [Judy.sacher@aol.com](mailto:Judy.sacher@aol.com) or 239-777-4604.



# Events Calendar > [Click Here](#)

**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.**

MON April 18, 2022 - May 5, 2022  
**18 Mini Loop Cruise**

MON April 25, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**25 Monday Madness at CJ's**

THU April 28, 2022 @ 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
**28 First Mates – Beach Bracelet**

Join MBYC's First Mates  
and Create  
a Beaded Beach Bracelet with Clasp



Thursday April 28, 2:00 p.m.  
R.S.V.P. to Anna Hutchings

Maximum 10 persons  
Cost \$15.00  
Look to your email for an eBlast with details

## May 2022

TUE May 10, 2022 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**10 Board Meeting**

MON May 23, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**23 Monday Madness at CJ's**

MON May 30, 2022 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**30 Memorial Day**

## June 2022

MON June 27, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**27 Monday Madness at CJ's**

## July 2022

MON July 4, 2022  
**4 Independence Day**

MON July 25, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**25 Monday Madness at CJ's**

## August 2022

MON August 29, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**29 Monday Madness at CJ's**

## September 2022

MON September 5, 2022  
**5 Labor Day**

MON September 26, 2022 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
**26 Monday Madness at CJ's**