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Marco Bay Yacht Club

December 2024

Hello Members!

Commodore's Message

Marco Bay Yacht Club is in full swing, and our event calendar has been busy. In November Day Fleet participants cruised around the island and met at Paradise Found for lunch. This event was well attended and the conditions on the water were pure perfection. Nicely done Captain Steve Stark.

Our long-range cruisers, led by Captain Brent Cook, enjoyed their voyage to Pink Shell. Fortunately, the weather did not interfere with the outing, but it was closely watched before the event.

Our PWC group had both fast and slow rides in November. R/C Bob Gagnon was able to introduce a few new riders to the back waters this month. Peter

and Stephanie Cosola and Kelly Rogers and Jim Barker enjoyed their first outing in the mangroves.

The Social Committee produced another successful event for our Holiday party at the Island Country Club. The food, service, and entertainment were all top notch and the ambiance was perfect. Thank you, Mary Shaw, Anne Vanic, Maria Adamson and Sandra Fuhrman, for another wildly fun party!!

Kate Lipkin has agreed to be our next Membership Chairperson. I welcome her to the team and look forward to her assisting sponsors with many new members joining the club. Thank you, Judy Sacher, for serving the club in this role for many successful years!

Please join us every month for Monday Madness on the last Monday of each month. We will be there on December 30 th and I hope to see you there. This month we had a great crowd!

Check out our calendar for the January activities. We have a beach picnic on January 21 and a long-range cruise to Boca Grande starting on January 9. The Change of Watch/Commodore's Ball is scheduled for January 23 rd at Hideaway. I know that will be a very special event.

I wish each of you very Happy Holidays and a Safe and Healthy New Year!!

Safe Boating,

Linda Gagnon
Commodore

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

[Meals of Hope 2024](#)



Twenty MBYC members participated in a meal packing event at Marco Island Charter Middle School on Saturday, November 9th.

Members wore MBYC shirts/hats to represent the club.

The overall goal of the event was to pack 200,000 meals.

Our team packed 1,393 meals in roughly two hours.

This event's meals were distributed to the following SWFL food banks and pantries:

- Harry Chapin Food Bank
- Feeding America Food Bank
- 15 Meals of Hope Mobile Food Pantries

Welcome Back & New Member Party 2024



Our Welcome Back/New Member Party was a huge success. Most members dressed up as flappers and gangsters and danced the night away to the Z Street Speakeasy band. We welcomed new members and long time members as they gathered for a memorable evening of wonderful food, drinks and most importantly camaraderie. Our three raffle baskets which included a Speakeasy Basket, MBYC Basket with swag, and a Date Night Basket made \$770.00 which is the most money made at this event thanks to our generous members. It was truly a magical night enjoyed by all.

Circumnavigate Marco Island 2024



Mother nature, contrary to several preceding events, smiled and gave us near perfect day for boating.

MBYC cruisers from the Caxambas area, meet Steve Stark in the Gulf near the Cape Marco towers for a 10:30 departure to the North.

Steve Stark, and boaters joining from the Caxambas area, met up with boaters from the northern portion of the island at the Jolly Bridge around 11:00 before heading to Paradise Found for a 11:45 lunch.

Upon arrival the flotilla was welcomed by Brent Cook and other land cruisers, who had arrived early, assisted boaters with docking at the restaurant. The flotilla consisted of

Mini-Me	Mike & Maria Adamson
Paradocs	Howard & Kate Lipkin
Summertime	Barry & Claudia Gelfand
Jack Bruinsma	JacLyn
Muddy Water	Jeff & Pattijo Wilson
Barletta	Todd & Cari Humphrey

After a delicious lunch boaters continued on, navigating around the southern portion of the island with Steve, before heading home.

Monday Madness November 2024



November brought back perfect autumn weather to Marco, along with more seasonal members. The Herndons, Engstroms, Taylors, Whites, Hubschers, Grahams, and Wilsons joined us, the year-round members, for a wonderful time sharing stories about our summer adventures.






Deb Lowell, channeling Betty Barter's enthusiasm, was actively selling 50/50 raffle tickets. Marcia Orsolini won first place with a prize of \$40, Jo Herndon took second place with \$30, and Vern Graham secured third place with \$15.

Be sure to mark your calendar for this month's Monday Madness on December 30 at 4:30 PM at the Star Bar, CJ's on the Bay.

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.

The screenshot shows the website's navigation bar with links for Organization, Activities, Events, News & More, Membership, and Contact Us. The main content area displays a calendar for December 2024 with the following events:

- THU 19** December 19, 2024 @ 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
First Mates – Mexican Train
Host: Sally Orth

- THU 19** December 19, 2024 @ 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Poker
Host: To be added to the Poker List, contact Frank Mulligan

- FRI 20** December 20, 2024 @ 12:15 pm - 4:00 pm
Canasta
Host: Judy Sacher

Host Judy Sacher
RSVP required for each event
- THU 26** December 26, 2024 @ 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Poker
Host: To be added to the Poker List, contact Frank Mulligan

- FRI 27** December 27, 2024 @ 12:15 pm - 4:00 pm
Canasta
Host: Judy Sacher

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January 2025

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January 2, 2025 @ 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Poker

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January 3, 2025 @ 12:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Canasta

Host: Judy Sacher



Host Judy Sacher

RSVP required for each event

THU
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January 9, 2025 - January 14, 2025

Long Range Cruisers – Boca Grande



THU
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January 9, 2025 @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Monthly Board Meeting

We will meet in person in the New Life Community Church Social Hall, 489 W. Elkcam Circle, Marco Island and via Zoom.



TUE
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January 21, 2025

Day Fleet – Beach Picnic

Host: VC Paul Schneeberger



THU
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January 23, 2025 @ 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Commodore's Ball

Commodore's Ball & Change of Watch @ Hideaway





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January 27, 2025 @ 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Monday Madness

CJs By The Bay



February 2025

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February 3, 2025 - February 7, 2025

Long Range Cruisers – Tween Waters



FRI
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February 7, 2025 - February 11, 2025

Long Range Cruisers – Pink Shell Ft Meyers



TUE
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February 11, 2025 @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am

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THU
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February 20, 2025

Day Fleet – Port 32 Naples

Host: Steve Stark



March 2025

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March 3, 2025 - March 8, 2025

Long Range Cruisers – Marina Jack Sarasota



SAT
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Long Range Cruisers – St Pete Municipal Marina



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March 12, 2025 - March 14, 2025

Long Range Cruisers – Crows Nest Venice



April 2025

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April 9, 2025 @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am

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THU
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April 10, 2025

Day Fleet – Chokoloskee

Host: Steve Stark



May 2025

TUE
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May 13, 2025

Day Fleet – Three 60 Market

Host: Barry Gelfend

