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# Marco Bay Yacht Club February 2021

## Hello .... Member,

#### **Commodore's Message:**

I am looking forward to serving the MBYC as your next commodore for 2021. The challenge we all have faced since last year is to try to stay healthy until we can all be vaccinated. Finally, vaccines have been created and we wait anxiously and patiently in hope that all can receive the vaccination.

Our goal, as your Commodore and Bridge, will be to guide us in a transitional year, as we deal with all the loss and disappointment from the pandemic, moving toward more normalcy in our lives.

We pride ourselves on being a social club - the fun club. It is very difficult to be social in person, but we have tried using Zoom to maintain our social connections. We were concerned about losing membership during the crisis, but thankfully only a few members left, and a few are joining to keep our membership stable. We will renew our efforts to

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Under the direction of Brent Cook, the big boats sailed and enjoyed some special times together in Boca Grande. Dr Paul Krueger organized a small boat trip to explore the backwaters of the Isles of Capri under the guidance of Capt John Kernan and his first mate ,Diane, as well as Capt Joel Fitzjarrald and his first mate, Sherry. Capt Frank Mulligan and first mate, Marianne, guided a contingency of small boats to Naples and the waters around Keewadin.

On the last Monday of January, two Monday madness events were held. One on Zoom and one at CJs Star Bar. Twenty-five members attended CJs and we hope that as more people get vaccinated and feel safe our numbers will increase. We are striving to find ways to reconnect members with each other for fun and play.

Mark your calendar, Saturday March 6 at 11 am at CJs Star Bar. We will have the Presentation of the Fleet. For those attendees, lunch will be on your own at CJs or another restaurant of your choice.

If you are coming by boat, please let me know so I can work out dock space with the dockmaster.

Margi and I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming events. Our next Monday madness will be on Monday, February 22, at 4:30 at CJs and on Zoom.

#### **Dr Robert H White**

#### **Commodore MBYC**

#### **Past Event Articles:**

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

## **Boca Grand - South Seas Cruise**





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On January 10th six boats set sail on a three-hour cruise. If that sounds familiar it was not on the SS Minnow. Rather it was Brent & Susan Cook on Cookin', Bill Schroeder on Divergent, Bob & Sandy LaMontagne on Karine, Dave & Jackie Cox on Hoosier Daddy IV, Dave & Mary Ellen Mount on Nauti Buoy and Larry & Judy Sacher on Sachmo.

Our initial destination was Boca Grande Marina for a four night stop. This is always a popular destination that normally attracts some land yachters and this year Chuck and Janice Hubscher joined us by car and stayed at The Gasparilla Inn.

Our normal group dinner at the Eagle Grill, scheduled for January 13th was cancelled by the restaurant when the chef tested positive for Covid. Not willing to give up our one group dinner, we were able to reschedule it for Scarpa's where we broke up into tables of 4 on their private porch. It was a fun evening with great friends and wonderful food.

Beside Mah Jongg and Mexican Train we also played the "Get a Vaccination Game" where the Sachers and Bill Schroeder scored big time with shots in Naples and Deltona.

On January 14th we bid goodbye to Bill Schroeder and the Sachers, who headed back home, while the rest of us headed down the ICW for a 12 mile ride to South Seas Resort where Cookin', Karine, Hoosier Daddy IV and Nauti Buoy were joined by Vern & Ann Graham on O Sea D.

Lunches by the pool, shopping, golf and tennis were added to the usual days of repairing boats and enjoying each other's company as common events during our 4 day stay. This year we got to add a "getting online for a Covid vaccination spot" but none of us had any luck with that.

The 10 of us enjoyed dinner at Doc Ford's for our one group dinner at Captiva but individually we also dined at RC Otter, Green Flash, The Bubble Room and on our boats. Hoosier Daddy IV had to depart one day early but the rest of us enjoyed a great return trip on calm seas on January 18th.

We'd love to have you join us on another of our adventures so take a look at the schedule for February, March, April and May and sign up for a cruise.

#### Brent, Cruise Leader

## January 2021 Monday Madness





We did it!! At least 25 of our MBYC members and guests reunited for a great time at CJ's for cocktails and conversation on Monday, January 25, 2021. This was our first "in person" Monday Madness since February 2020 as a result of Covid-19. Our members had the option of continuing with the newly formed Zoom Monday Madness get togethers or to gather at CJ's. We were thrilled to socialize in person as we continue to take all precautions

# **Isles of Capri - Naples Cruise**





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On January 27, with picture perfect weather, 33 people (including 6 potential members), 14 boats and one jet ski comprised the MBYC Day Fleet for the COVID appropriate and socially distant "Secrets of the Isles of Capri" Tour and a Cruise to Naples.

First, Joel & Sherry Fitzjarrald and Dianne & John Kernan led us through the Isles of Capri with VHF commentary. We now have tracks to every restaurant in the Isles, including "the world's only on-the-water McDonalds."

John created an Isles of Capri trivia contest was won by P/C Frank Mulligan answering 9 of 11 questions correctly.

Following the Capri tour, we took the inside route through the mangroves to Naples with a drive-by of Keewaydin Island led by P/C Frank & Marianne Mulligan aboard To Many Wakes which seemed quite appropriate with all the boat traffic. Frank provided a running commentary of "local knowledge" throughout the trip.

It was wonderful to be on the water and actually see all our MBYC friends without Zoom!

Paul & Frank

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#### Owen Lane Henning

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Naples - Owen Henning was born in Latimer, IA. in 1930. He began carpentry at age 13 beside his father, Lars. He graduated from Latimer High School in Iowa, and in 1949 he married his classmate, Juanita. They made their home in Latimer. Soon after, Owen and his brother Wayne took over the Henning Construction Company from their father. Owen eventually took over that business and built a grain handling system business as well. Owen took great joy in being on the water, and he found pleasure at his second home on Clear Lake, Iowa where he taught his children, grandchildren, and their friends to waterski. At age 54 he purchased a condo on Marco Island, Florida. He and Juanita spent winter months on the island where they boated and fished. He was active in the Marco Island all and Power Squadron, and served as boat safety chairman, boat inspector, and finally, Commander. They eventually built a permanent house on Marco Island and Owen joked that they move to a new place every 9 years, because "Juanita wants to redecorate by then!" Over the years,

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#### **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 2021	
March, 2021	Extended Cruise - Marina TBD :: Saturday, March 13, 2021
April, 2021	Extended Loop Cruise :: Saturday, April 17, 2021

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