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Hello Member!

Commander's Message

Looking forward to renewed hope that the virus will continue to subside and we will get back to our normal schedule of MBYC activities!

The virus this past year changed everything. We all were finally able to get our vaccinations and we thought that the worst was behind us. Those of us who travelled for the summer felt confident when we left Florida that the fall would bring back a sense of normalcy for all.

Unfortunately, with the outbreaks of the Delta variant, we struggled once again to protect ourselves and our families as many look forward to booster shots in the coming weeks and months.

Last spring, we had begun to schedule gatherings and had reasonably good participation. We continued to hold Board Meetings via Zoom, as that seemed to work best for all. Boat trips, Monday Madness and other activities were held and plans were moving forward for the 2021-2022 season.

We were most fortunate to attract seven new members and one member rejoined the club. We have scheduled our New Member/Welcome Back Party for November 7, 2021. The response at this point has been overwhelming. More than 60 members have committed to attend this special event. We look forward to a great evening as we come together again to celebrate, dine and dance.

Prior to the end of last season, we began to plan boating activities. On Tuesday April 6th boaters traveled by car and boat to Everglade city for lunch. The day was beautiful with calm seas and everyone enjoyed the experience. Special thanks to Paul Krueger and Frank Mulligan for putting this trip together.

Other updates include permanent new docks being built on Marco Island and maybe on the Isles of Capri. As more boaters are headed our way, we hope they may consider joining our club as well.

Brent Cook and Paul Krueger have finalized the cruising schedules for the coming year. Please add these to your calendar and make plans to join us for these trips. As many of our seasonal members return to join our year-round residents, we will kick off the season with our New Member/Welcome Back Party. We will continue our Monday Madness at CJ's which have enjoyed good participation throughout the summer. Larry and Judy Sacher also hosted a very successful August Dine Around at Bistro Soleil in August.

Save the date for our Holiday Party scheduled for December 5, 2021 aboard the Marco Princess. The Commodores Ball will be held at the Lely Resort February 6, 2022. More details to follow for both of these events.

Margi and I look forward to returning to Isles of Capri in a few weeks. It was a beautiful summer on Cape Cod, but we are always anxious to get back to our life in Florida, as the cold weather returns up north in the fall. We were blessed with visits to spend time with children and grandchildren and were fortunate to get our booster shots last week. We are ready to head south.

**Commodore
Robert White**

The Nominating Committee is proud to present the following slate of Bridge and Board nominations to be voted into office at the Annual Meeting on November 7th.

For Rear Commodore

Charlie Erker

For Class of 2023 Board Members

Paul Schneeberger

Stan Pilat

For Class of 2024 Board Members

Dave Cox

John Taylor

Past Event Articles:

see all of the Event Picture Portfolios on the website

August 2021 Dine Around

In spite of the effect of the pandemic and a 100 years flood that descended upon the island at the appointed dinner hour, 17 of our members enjoyed a great meal at Bistro Soleil this past weekend, followed by some entertaining music from Dan Vass in the lounge. Among the participants: Linda Turner; Herb and Ginny Jermanok; Bill and Debbie Schroeder; Allen and Linda Sandlin; Bob and JoAnne Herndon; Rudi and Dorothy Landwaard; Charlie and Holly Erker; Dan and Deb Lowell; and Judy and Larry Sacher who were the hosts for the evening.



Monday Madness Summer 2021

We don't have images from all of the summer Monday Madness events. However we did manage to capture a few images from most of them.

Many of the our year around members took the occasion of the hot summer months to head to parts unknown to visit family and friends while others decided to explore the world visiting places like the exotic Greek isles and Iceland, in spite of all the COVID restrictions.

It appears that some of our winter members decided to come south earlier this year to get away from lockdowns in their home state. PC Brent Cook made it back for the September Madness.

We're looking forward to a great turnout for the next Madness to be held this coming Monday October 25, 4:30 PM, same venue.



Future Event Flyers:

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

MBYC 2021 – 2022 Extended Cruising

The cruise team would like to invite you to join us on one or all of the 2021 – 2022 cruises.

October 25-29 to Pink Shell Marina

November 11 – 15 to Hawk's Cay Marina

November 15 – 21 to The Galleon Marina

January 9 – 13 to Boca Grande Marina

January 13 – 17 to South Seas Marina

February 9 – 14 to Marina Jack

February 14 – 18 to The Vinoy Marina

February 18 – 21 to Crow's Nest in Venice

March 14 - 17 to Burnt Store Marina

March 11 – 21 to Tween Waters Marina

April 18 – May 5 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

Articles, Announcements, & Club Notices:

Shoaling

As many of you know, there has been much concern about the shoaling in the channel coming into the Marco River from the Gulf. Over the last 6 months or so, I have been in contact with the Army Corp of Engineers regarding this. I was told that they would be sending out a crew to do some soundings in the area since they hadn't been done since 2012. They also said that they would put a request in for dredging in next year's budget to address the shoaling. The crew did go out in May of this year and did new soundings. They have just recently published these results on their website at the following link.

<https://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/Civil-Works/Navigation/Hydro-Surveys/>

Scroll down to "Naples to Big Marco Pass" and pages 2-5 show the area coming in to Marco and Isle of Capri. I understand that markers have been moved to reflect this new survey but I have not confirmed it myself. I will do that when I return to Marco around Nov 4th.

There are apps that you can use to show this information, in color, on the charts as you travel. I use one of those apps all the time and have found it to be extremely helpful. After updating, it now shows where the deeper water is coming into Marco.

When there is any further information available regarding potential dredging, I will update you.

Sandy LaMontagne

Safety Ladder

My neighbor installed this safety ladder and I was very impressed. I contacted the company in Lantana, FL and got a price. For a 6 step ladder it is \$629 and for a 7 step it is \$689. The 7 step weighs about 65 lbs.

Please take a look at the video on www.floatstep.com

I thought this would be something that we could send out to the members and buy in bulk. Let's see if there is any interest.

What do you think ?

Herb Jermanok

Boating Programs (1)

Did you know that FREE Vessel Safety Checks are offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary?

Make sure your boat has the safety equipment to meet required Federal, State and Local regulations. Call today for a complimentary Vessel Safety Check. Your boat will be inspected by a certified Vessel Examiner. Any missing equipment that is required or recommended changes will be pointed out. You can use this opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your boat or boating in the local area. When your boat passes the safety check, you will receive a decal that can be displayed on the side of the boat.

To schedule your FREE Vessel Safety Check, please call: **John Moyer**

Jmoyer1528@aol.com

[239-248-7078](tel:239-248-7078)

Joining The Coast Guard Auxiliary

If you are looking for a meaningful way to give back to your community, consider the US Coast Guard Auxiliary on Marco Island.

We perform essential duties for the Federal Government in support roles for the United States

**Interested in joining Flotilla 95?
please call Joe Grazzini at
239-272-9493 or
ciscojmg@hotmail.com**

To sign up for a course or to receive additional information on costs for any of our programs, please contact:

Joe Riccio

(239)-384-7416 or

CGAUXCOURSES@GMAIL.COM

Please provide the name and date of the class you would like to attend. You will be contacted and course registration information will be sent to you.

**All programs are held at the
USCG Auxiliary Station
Flotilla 95, at:
Caxambas Park
905 Collier Court
Marco Island, Florida 34145**



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Web Site: USCGAuxMarco.org

BOATING PROGRAMS



2021 - 2022

**United States
Coast Guard Auxiliary
Flotilla 95
Marco Island, FL**

**Program Information
& Registration
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Boating Programs (2)

Boating Skills & Seamanship (BS&S)

This course covers a variety of important topics and provides information to help attendees become better boaters. Topics covered include: Rules of the Road, "Highway" Signs, Equipment, Boat Handling, Boating Laws, Safety, Navigation, Radio, Lines & Knots and Weather. The course meets twice a week, on Mondays and Thursdays, for 4 weeks.
Course Text Book Provided

Class time: 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Oct 18 - Nov 11, 2021
Jan 10 - Feb 3, 2022
March 7 - March 31, 2022

Paddlecraft Safety (PS)

More than 23 million Americans participate in paddlecraft activities. The popularity of this sport has grown rapidly in recent years. But, along with the growing popularity, there has also been an unfortunate increase in the number of paddlecraft-related accidents, injuries, and fatalities.

To help reduce your chances of becoming a statistic, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 95, on Marco Island, is offering a Paddlecraft Safety Training Course. This course will be taught by a USCG Certified Instructor who has over 30 years of Canoe and Kayak experience both in the 10,000 Islands and the Pacific Northwest.

Course starts at 5 PM

Oct 7, 2021 - Jan 6, 2022 - Feb 24, 2022

Boaters Local Knowledge Marco Island Area (BLK)

This course provides practical information on how to navigate various waterways in and around Marco Island. Aerial and on-water photos are used throughout the course and allow attendees to actually see the areas they will be taking their boats through. This course is recommended for new, novice, and intermediate boaters, or boaters who are new to this area.

Top Spot Chart #N204 or #41F is required for use during the class. Please be sure to bring one of these charts with you

Course starts at 5 PM

Oct 27, 2021

Nov 10, 2021

Dec 8, 2021

Jan 12, 2022

Feb 9, 2022

Mar 9, 2022

Please note that due to COVID-19 and space limitations in our classroom, registration for each class is limited.

Boater's Local Knowledge Backwater Edition (BLK-BW)

This course begins where Boater's Local Knowledge (BLK) ends, and provides those who want to explore the backwaters of the 10,000 Islands with the information they will need to safely navigate in this unique area. Geography, tides and other key factors that have a major impact on navigation in these waters are thoroughly discussed. Aerial photos are used extensively to aid boaters in knowing where to go...and where not to go. Actual routes into the 10,000 Islands are reviewed in the class. This course is recommended for intermediate boaters and above. Taking the BLK course prior to taking the backwater course is recommended, but not mandatory.

Top Spot Chart #N204 is required for use during the class. Please be sure to bring this chart with you

Course starts at 5 PM

Oct 28, 2021

Nov 11, 2021

Dec 9, 2021

Jan 13, 2022

Feb 10, 2022

Mar 10, 2022

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.

< > Today Now - February 1, 2022	
October 2021	
MON 25	October 25, 2021 - October 29, 2021 Pink Shell Cruise
November 2021	
TUE 2	November 2, 2021 Return to Market 360
SUN 7	November 7, 2021 @ 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Welcome Back/New Member Party at Lely Players Club
TUE 9	November 9, 2021 @ 10:00 am - 11:30 am Board Meeting
THU 11	November 11, 2021 - November 21, 2021 Cruising the Keys
December 2021	
SUN 5	December 5, 2021 @ 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm Holiday Party Aboard the Marco Princess
TUE 14	December 14, 2021 @ 10:00 am - 11:30 am Board Meeting
January 2022	
TUE 4	January 4, 2022 A Quiet Day on a Beach
SUN 9	January 9, 2022 - January 13, 2022 Boca Grande Cruise
TUE 11	January 11, 2022 @ 10:00 am - 11:30 am Board Meeting
THU 13	January 13, 2022 - January 17, 2022 South Seas Cruise
February 2022	
TUE 1	February 1, 2022 Scavenger Hunt & Luncheon at CJ's