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	Coming Events 2015		
2-3 May*	Raft-up at Panther Key (optional overnight) *new date	1100	p. 07
09 May	Cruise & Picnic at Whitehorse Key	1100	p. 15
12 May	Ladies Lunch at Stonewall's	1130	p. 19
13 May	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	
13 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [Start off-season 2nd Wednesday of the month for the summer]	1700	p. 04
16 May	READY, SET, WEAR IT! LIFE JACKET WORLD RECORD DAY	0900	p. 18
26 May	Beach Clean-up (night)	1800	p. 19
27 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [Last Wed]	1700	p. 04
30 May	Cruise & Lunch at Port of the Isles—Optional Overnight	1200	p. 07
09 Jun	Ladies Lunch at Doreen's Cup of Joe	1130	p. 19
10 Jun	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [2nd Wed]	1700	p. 04
13 Jun	Cruise & Picnic at Cape Romano (BYOE)	1100	p. 15
19 Jun	Dinner at Eurasia + (dinner instead of monthly lunch)	1800	p. 21
24 Jun	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [Last Wed]	1700	p. 04
08 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [2nd Wed]	1700	p. 04
14 Jul	Ladies Lunch	1130	p. 17
17 Jul	Cruise and Lunch at Three60 Market	1200	p. 07
24 Jul	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island	1100	p. 07
29 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [Last Wed]	1700	p. 04
11 Aug	Ladies Lunch	1130	p. 17
12 Aug	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade [2nd Wed]	1700	p. 04
15 Aug	Cruise & Lunch at Capri Fish House	1200	p. 07
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27 Aug	Cruise & Picnic—Keewaydin Island BYOE	1100	p. 07
08 Sept	Ladies Lunch	1130.	p. 17
09 Sept	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900	
09 Sept	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at Esplanade [2nd Wed]	1700	p. 04
18 Sept	Cruise & Lunch at the Snook Inn	1200	p. 07
25 Sept to 01 Oct	Annual Birthday Cruise to Legacy Harbor, Ft. Myers & Cape Harbor (Fri to Thursday) + [30 Sept Capt. Mtg. @ CJ's	1700	p. 07 p. 04]
Coming in <u>Oct & Nov</u> : 16-17 Oct District 22 Fall Conference, Tampa 04-06 Nov District 22 C&R at South Seas on Captiva (see p. 21)			

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COMMANDER Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

It was a busy weekend at District 22 Spring Conference! It seemed almost non stop with Commander and Council meetings, District Conference, roundtables, seminars, fun, food, networking, and camaraderie with squadron members from the entire District. I thank our nine Delegates and three Alternates for attending and giving me much support.



I was pleased to hear about Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN's experience: "I went to the 'ask any questions roundtable' and was hoping to hear questions, but instead I had the opportunity to share a table for a one-on-one mini session with the developer of the DB2000 program, P/D/C Ken Guscott, JN; he showed me some shortcuts on getting around in the program. At another table, I was introduced to the national website which interfaces with the DB2000 program information. This allows us to get information on other squadron's members and officers if we need to know how to reach them. Example would be members I met there from other squadrons that are offering to share their knowledge and experience with me as well as introducing myself and offering them my help at anytime, if they should need it. Then I attended the Treasurer roundtable. Even though I have been the squadron treasurer for two years, I was able to learn more about what is part of my job and where I can obtain documents needed to file with various agencies. I have the name of someone I met at this session who is having trouble with their accounting program which is the same program our squadron uses, so I volunteered to help. I feel the interaction with other squadrons has nothing but advantages for all."

We garnered Certificates and Trophies galore at the Awards Luncheon and at the District Conference. On the National level we received Distinctive Communicator Awards 2014 for both our MISPS website and *The Eagle's Eye* Newsletter. At the District level we were honored with First Places and Trophies for the Outstanding Publications Award as judged outstanding by the National Committee and for the Graphics Award exhibiting excellence in overall design. Thanks to the dedication of Lt Cliff Winings, SN for our excellent website and to P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN for the outstanding newsletter and to all who contribute to make us excellent in communications.

At the Change of Watch on Saturday, D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN was sworn in as the District Assistant Treasurer. Congratulations!

The District also recognized us for Vessel Safety Checks. We received second place for completing the greatest number of VSC's based on Data 1 February each year; and in addition were awarded First Place and Trophy for Vessel Safety Check Improvement with the highest percentage increase from the previous year. Our improvement was 307%! Congratulations to Lt Tom Ryan, P and his entire team! Please see pages 12 and 13 in this issue.

The Brand Standards Manual and the proposed dues restructuring were discussed at all three meetings and is a complex issue. There was not adequate time to get all the issues on the table so an Ad Hoc Committee chaired by D/Lt Bill Boos, AP of Sarasota will be instituted. I have emailed Bill and volunteered to be on the committee.

Did I mention fun? Look at the pictures of all of us at the Derby Night. Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN ramped it up to a new high attending the dinner and games in her horse costume with husband Lt Jim O'Connell, P as trainer. We didn't win but sure had fun and laughs! Andy Battaglia won the prize for having the best hat and the rest of us were decked out in our jockey "22" helmets courtesy of Teri ... we were outstanding!

The next Conference at the Sheraton Tampa East is in the Fall, 16 & 17 October. We are tasked with joint hospitality with Boca Ciega and Naples. Mark your calendars! I came away from the conference with the knowledge that MISPS is an excellent Squadron and it is the terrific members that make it so.

Let's enjoy the summer and go boating.!

Captain's Meeting
CJ's Gazebo Bar
at the Esplanade
at 1700 2nd &
Last Wednesdays
of the Month

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER LT/C William J. Hughes, JN

Thirteen of our squadron members have just returned from the two day District 22 Spring Conference held on 17 and 18 April in Tampa. Delegates were: Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, Lt/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP, P/C Ted Reiss, SN, Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN, 1/Lt Lori Williams, S, P/C Jim Olmes, SN, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, P/C



Andrea Battaglia, SN, and Peggy Harsch. Alternates: Lt Sheila Thieme, Jerry Williams, S and Lt Jim O'Connell, P. District 22 consists of 18 squadrons located on the west coast of Florida stretching from Crystal River, about 70 miles north of Tampa, to Marco Island on the southern end. District Conferences are held twice a year with the Fall Conference slated for 16-17 October again in Tampa.

The annual District 22 C & R will be 4-6 November 2015 at South Seas Resort & Marina, Captiva Island. D/22 has reserved marina slips at a good price, so make your plans now! (see page 21 for more info)

Vessel Safety Checks have slowed down somewhat as the winter season ends. Examinations total 175 to date but there are a number of rental companies with boats and jet skis that will be examined over the summer.

P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Co-Op Charting Chair, made a great presentation to the City's Waterway Commission chaired by Jim Timmerman. The presentation was well received. Our cooperative charting results will be expanded to include City, County and the Coast Guard as direct recipients of the results as well as through D/22 to USPS national headquarters. (see page 19)

The City of Marco will issue MISPS a Proclamation on 11 May recognizing National Safe Boating Week. It will be at City Hall before their meeting. Let's try to get many of our MISPS members present for the photo event.

Look for Publicity Chair Gene Burson's article on the *Wear it! Campaign* on page 18 this issue. We hope to be a part of a world record number of people photographed wearing life jackets on 16 May. Mark your calendars and plan to show up at **Rose Marina at 0900 sporting your life jackets**; and workers at 0830.

On 26 May, MISPS will sponsor our first Night Beach Cleanup (1800 - 2000). This is after Memorial Day weekend so there will be trash to pick up. (p. 19)

(article on the Spring Conference continued on page 12)



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER LT/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP

This was my first D/22 Conference and I attended two roundtables. The first was Boating Activities where I learned that anyone who is planning a cruise should check out the website ActiveCaptain.com; they have updated prices for gas at the Marinas plus more info to help plan your trip. The second table was on the MMSI



Radio. It appears that most people do not have their MMSI radio connected with their GPS. This is very important because if not connected, in an emergency the radio can not give your Lat/Long. I feel this is something to which we need to pay special attention! On the fun side, at the Derby themed dinner, Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN in her horse outfit and Lt Jim O'Connell, P along with others competed in "races" (one was "horse" 2nd person "jockey" who rolled the dice to see how many spaces to move to win the race). After the dinner, our Commander invited us all for a drink. We pulled chairs around in a circle and had an enjoyable visit. We truly have a great squadron!

Wanda Day will be in charge of the squadron lunches and CJ's "Happy Hour" reservations while Lt Hope Mena is up north. Wanda has much experience with this and will be a great help!

Peggy Harsch organized the trip to Key West. She had a group of 21 members of which 4 members were from the Naples squadron. The weather was glorious and everyone had a great time! (see page 22)

Although many members have left and gone north for the summer, the full year members have many things scheduled for the months of May and June! Our next event, the day & optional overnight raft up at Panther Key on Saturday, 2-3 May should be loaded with fun! Enjoy your summer!

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EDUCATION OFFICER P/C Edward Reiss, SN-IN

Winter educational program is almost over. Most have already received their passing scores. Congratulations to the following members who passed: **Seamanship** - Lt Gene Burson, John Maciolek, Jerry Martin, Jo Martin, Mike McFadden, Lt Sara McFadden, Joe Mena, Thomas Morr, Fred Schoen, Darrell Zofcin and to their instructor



Lt Bob Belliveau, SN; **Piloting** - Lt Tom Ryan, Frank Partridge and to their instructor Lt Lee Harkness, AP; **Marine Electrical Systems** - Richard Kelso, AP, Erich Lademann, Lt Rudolf Landwaard, JN and Dennis Trego, N; **Engine Maintenance** - Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, and Erich Lademann and to their instructor Lt Tony Simms, P; **Sail** - Dennis Trego, N, and P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN and to their instructor Lt Bob Belliveau, SN. Congratulations to all those who attended the seminars (no tests required) on Charting/GPS, VHF Radio, Mariner's Compass, Rules of the Road and Anchoring with instructors P/C James Olmes, SN, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Lt James Fahrbach, P and P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN. Tests results are not yet available for **Junior Navigation**.

Due to the enthusiasm from the Seamanship class, the **Piloting** course will be offered starting on 7 July this summer. I will be the instructor. Please confirm with me that you plan to attend so that appropriate manuals are ordered.

A course in CPR/AED/First Aid is scheduled for early May. Thirty members signed up. If you would like to attend a future class let me know.

The initial plans for the Fall and Winter courses are already underway. Some changes from the past six months are being considered. One is to have more on the water training. For that, instructors are needed who are comfortable instructing our members on how to operate a small boat — whether it is their own boat or a rental boat. Who can help me with this project? I plan to have one or more training sessions with the instructors so we all know what is in the program. Typically we will have a two or three hour classroom seminar prior to spending about three to four hours on a boat (not necessarily on the same day). The purpose is to have our members learn how to operate their boat while docking, undocking, anchoring, starting, stopping, turning and other maneuvers. (continued)



SAFETY OFFICER 1/LT Jack Walsh, N

How do weather fronts affect us as boaters

A front is simply a line of demarcation between two air masses of different temperatures. Fronts can be cold or warm. Because fronts represent a significant change in the temperature of the air, they can bring high winds and



dangerous weather conditions as they pass. A cold front is the leading edge of a cold air mass that is moving forward and under a retreating warm air mass. The cold air is denser (heavier) than the warm air so the mass of cold air forces the warm air in front to rise rapidly resulting in clouds ahead of the front. As the warm air rises rapidly typically cumulonimbus cloud formations occur. The rapid rise of warm air creates a tremendous static electrical energy build-up, and results in the classic anvil topped thunderheads. The leading edge of a cold front can produce violent weather. A strong cold front can generate high winds, severe thunderstorms, and tornadoes. It is the squall line ahead of the front that presents the most hazardous weather conditions to boaters and fishermen. Wind gusts greater than 50 knots with rapidly changing direction are likely. So when a cold front is forecast to be approaching, if you are boating it is wise to start looking for a safe harbor.

Behind the cold front there is usually a warm front which occurs when the leading edge of a warm air mass overruns the retreating edge of a cold air mass. There will usually be widespread rain in the form of drizzle or light steady rainfall. Warm fronts are not usually the cause of severe or violent weather. Instead they are associated with fog and relatively stable and more humid air. They are usually accompanied by winds out of the southwest.

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER continued:

Also, are there members who would like to become classroom instructors for any of our educational opportunities? If so, I will set up a class called Instructor Development to get you certified.

Please share with me your thoughts on what courses and seminars are of interest to you. In the meantime let's have fun, be safe and go boating.



Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities



If you would like to participate in any of these trips, but don't have a boat, let the Cruise Captain know and the captain will try to work out a ride sharing agreement with another member.

or call Boating Chair: 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP at (239) 394-0459 Email: kreynol@aol.com
** Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants:

Lunch Co-Chair: Lt Wanda Day at 239-777-1484 or Email: daysdelight@comcast.net

Dates 2015	Destination	Cruise Captain	Phone
2-3 May	Raft-up Panther Key Raft-UP (date change) BYO	E Lt/C Carol Einhart,	AP 207-4323
09 May	Cruise & Picnic at Whitehorse Key, 1100 - BYOE	Bryan Mordecai, Al	642-1006
30 May	**Cruise & Lunch to Port of the Islands, 1200 (optional overnight)	Lt Jim O'Connell, I	2 393-0651
13 June	Cruise & Picnic at Cape Romano, 1100 - BYOE	P/C Andy Battaglia,	SN 642-5721
17 July	**Cruise & Lunch to Three60 Market, 1200	Fred Schoen, S	394-3884
24 Jul	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island, 1100	Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP	402-216-3326
15 Aug	**Cruise & Lunch to Capri Fish House, Isles of Ca	apri, 1200 Lt/C Gloodt, AP	402-216-3326
27 Aug	Cruise & Picnic at Keewaydin Island, 1100 - BYO	E Lt/C Bill Hughes, J	N 394-3484
18 Sept	**Cruise & Lunch to Snook Inn, 1200	P/C Tippy Cavanagh	, SN 393-9158
25 Sept-1 Oct	Legacy Harbor/Cape Harbor "Birthday Cruise"	P/C Lee Harkness, A	P 642-3575
10 Oct	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island, 1100 - BYOE	P/C Andy Battaglia,	SN 624-5721
23 Oct	**Cruise & Lunch to Little Bar, Goodland, 1200	P/C Carl Thieme, SN	970-2177
04-06 Nov	D/22 Cruise & Rendezvous at South Seas Resort,	Captiva (see p. 21) T	BA
19 Nov	**Cruise & Lunch to Marco Island Yacht Club, 12	Jim Ferry, P	394-4884
5 Dec	Evening Raft-up for M. I. Boat Parade, Smokehou	ise Bay Lt/C Gloodt, AP	402-216-3326
<u>2016</u>			
15 Jan	**Cruise & Lunch to Old Marco Lodge, Goodland	l, 1200 1/Lt K. Reynolds,	AP 394-0459
19 Feb	**Cruise & Lunch at CJ's, Esplanade, 1200	Lt Nick Rago, AP	860-798-4141



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Merit Mark Celebration at CJ's 25 March

Congratulations! All of us in the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron want to thank you, as one of our members who received a merit mark, for the time and effort you put into making us the best squadron in District 22. To celebrate that achievement, a small gift was handed out to each MISPS member who earned a merit mark in 2014. The gift entitled one to a beverage or two at CJ's on Wednesday, 25 March or if not in attendance, may use the small token gift at the Captains Meeting at CJ's scheduled for 26 April. We hope this will become an annual event to recognize the essential contribution of volunteer time and effort that have made MISPS the great organization it has become.

By P/C Carl Thieme, SN

A "Merit Mark" is awarded by the Chief Commander to a member for substantial personal effort in furthering the interest, programs and objectives of USPS, its districts and squadrons. It is a coveted award; it is by and large the only official recognition members receive for their efforts. Only one merit mark may be awarded in a year to a member ... no matter how extensive the contribution.

When a member earns 5 Merit Marks, he or she is recognized as a **Senior Member**.

If a member earns 25 Merit Marks, he or she is recognized as a **Life Member**.

2014 Merit Marks	Total
New Life Member:	
Lt Robert Belliveau, SN	25
New Senior Members:	
Barbara Taylor, S	5
Samuel Taylor, S	5
P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN	5



52 members met at CJ's for the MM celebration, received their "gift" and had a pleasurable time!

Sam Taylor, S, Mary Kayhart & Lt Bill Kayhart;

Betty Richardson, Barbara Taylor, S & Lt Sheila Thieme

2014 Merit Marks	Total
P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN (LM)	27
Maurice Bishop	1
P/C Patricia Cavanagh, SN	15
Doug Curnutte	2
David Dumas	6
Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP	4
Lt Alan Epstein, S	8
Lt Joyce Epstein	7
Lt James Fahrbach, AP	2
James Ferry, P	10
Lt Dorothy Harkness, S	15
P/C Lee Harkness, AP	21
Peggy Harsch	2
Lt Juanita Henning. S	20
P/C Owen Henning, AP	22
Lt/C William J. Hughes	3
Mary Gardner Kayhart	4
Lt William Kayhart, P	4
Jann Kenyon	1
P/C John Krehbiel, SN (LM)	27
Lt Rudolf Landwaard, JN	8
Lt/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP	1
Lt Sara McFadden, S	1
Anne Moore, S	11
P/C Steven Moore, S	12
Bryan Mordecai, AP	11
Lt Charles R. Mueller, S	15
P/C John Noffze, S	15
Lt James O'Connell, P	6
Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN	3
P/C Erin Olmes, JN	12
P/C James Olmes, SN	12
Max Peterhans	1
Deborah Rago	2
Lt Nicholas Rago, AP	2
Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN	18
P/C Edward Reiss, Jr., SN-IN	18
Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP	2
P/C Robert Richardson, AP	17
Ann Marie Ryan	3
Lt Thomas Ryan, S	4
Lt Pam N. Sander, AP	1
Lt Roy Sander, AP	1
P/C Carl Thieme, SN	9
Lt Sheila Ann Thieme	7
1/Lt John Walsh, N	1
Martin Wilhelm, AP	1
P/Lt/C Charles Wilson, JN	4
Lt Cliff L. Winings, SN	7
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Lt Jim O'Connell, P, Lt Rudi Landwaard, P and Mary Dickens



Pat Mogan, Ed & Sue Bauer and Lt Wanda Day ... new Lunch Chair



Merit Mark Celebration at CJ's 25 March & Happy Hour

Jerry Williams, Mike Dickens and Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN



Gerry Marks, P, Bob Marks, JN & granddau. Kim Jones McCabe—wk. on PHD



New mbrs. Mick & Barbara Haldeman with P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN



Rick Kelso, AP, P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN and VSC Chair Lt Tom Ryan, S



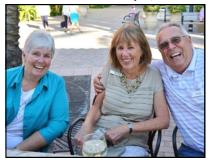
Lt Pam Sander, AP, Lt Roy Sander, AP and Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN



Jann Kenyon & Ann Marie Ryan



Lt Gene Burson, S and P/C Lee Harkness, AP



Phyllis Mueller, Lt Dorothy Harkness, S and Lt Bob Mueller, S



Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN and Dave Dumas



Lt Sara McFadden, S, Henry Stanley, Lt Pam Sander, AP and Peggy Harsch



Bob & Linette Noffsinger



Sandy Partridge and new member Frank Partridge, P



Marji & Charlie Gentry, JN and Pat & P/C Al Jansen, AP



Ray Boller, AP & Debbie Boller



P/C Andy Battaglia, SN (LM) & Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

Captain Robert Corriveau, USCGAX introduced by Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN



Jim & Bonnie Powers guests of new mbrs. Joe and Hope Mena

11 April—General Meeting

The April general membership meeting began with a quarter hour social with 60 members attending, and followed by the Bridge reports, announcements and details of upcoming events. Two new members, Mick and Barbara Haldeman were sworn in by Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN and welcomed to the squadron. A delicious dinner of ham, seafood Newberg plus the accompaniments catered by Kretch's was served. After dinner, Commander of Marco Island Civil Air Patrol, Captain Robert Corriveau

was introduced by fellow CAP member Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN. Capt. Corriveau gave some CAP history including that it started as volunteers helped with airplanes in 1941 and in 1948 recognized as an auxiliary of the Air Force. In 1981 the Marco Island Squadron was established. After 9/11 CAP planes were some of the first to fly. Aerial photos were taken by CAP of the BP oil spill for FEMA. Power point slides were shown of CAP flying over Marco's geographic location and adjacent wilderness areas of the Everglades and the 10,000 Islands which are heavily used by kayaks, canoes and boats and is why CAP Coastal Patrols are so important. We thank and appreciate Cap's service and Capt. Corriveau for his informative oration. Next month starts our 2 meetings a month at CJ's!





Lt Wanda Day, Lt Gene Burson, S, Lt Bob Mueller, S & Phyllis Mueller



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Lt Tom Ryan, P, P/C Lee Harkness, AP and P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN



Jerald Martin, S, Lt Dorothy Harkness, S (meeting coordinator) and Jo Martin, S



P/C Al Jansen, AP, Robert Townsend, S, Paula Townsend, Marji Gentry, Charlie Gentry, JN and Pat Jansen



Jim & Pat Mogan with Lt Sheila Thieme and Gerry Corriveau



Erich Lademann with 50/50 tickets, Lt Nick Rago, AP (Raffle Chair) & Diane Lademann

Blue Chip with Charlie Gentry, JN at the helm came via the Gulf from Caxambas Pass area

Erich, Marji, Charlie, Diane, Al, Pat and Bob crew of Blue Chip



Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP, 1/Lt Kathleen Revnolds, AP-her brother-in-law and sister



Geoff Muther, Kathleen Douglas-Muther and Lt Sheila Thieme



Joyce & Arlon Sandbulte, Rhonda, Peggy Harsch, and Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN

Cruise & Lunch at Island Gypsy

On 24 April, 39½ members and guests with 3 boats, Blue Chip with Charlie Gentry, JN at the helm, Lucky Dog (see EE cover) with Lt/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP at helm, and Gene Burson's boat—2 others turned back due to wind; others drove to the Island Gypsy Café. Canals were smooth, but the Gulf quite rough. The food was delicious and our service fantastic as members enjoyed camaraderie and delighted in a seasonable sunny day. Also, several commented on finally getting a parking space at the grocery store since most snowbirds have left. Instead the usual 39,000 in the winter, this year we had a record of about 60,000 on Marco!



Rick Kelso, AP, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN, Mona Kelso, and Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN



New members Ed and Susan Bauer, Lt Gene Burson, S and Lt Wanda Day co-chair of squadron lunches & CJ's



Derrick (guest) with his father MISPS member Mehdi Ressallat





Sheila Miles and son Troy Miles, S with his service dog

Rhonda & Kathleen!

P/C Carl Thieme, SN Mehdi Ressallat, Lt Sheila Thieme, and Carl's sister Ginny Rushing



Debbie Rago, Lt Nick Rago, AP, dau. Ellen, grandson Max (23-mo. Old), & daughter-in-law Emily from Putney, VT



P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN (LM) and Bryan Mordecai, AP



D/22 Spring Conference—April 16-17

At the District 22 Spring conference, the first session on Friday, 16 April was the Squadron Commander's Meeting where the Commanders held a roundtable discussion about issues impacting their Squadrons. An audience limited primarily to Executive Officers, Administrative Officers and other squadron bridge members

were present along with some district officers as well as the National Commander's representative. These people were not to have verbal input (they could give their Commanders a written note). District and National people were there for clarification and to listen to the discussion. Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN was at the meeting and participated in the interesting discussion. That afternoon, attendees at the District Council Meeting met to discuss business and the District Officers and Squadron Commanders voted on issues. After the meeting, members enjoyed socializing at a hospitality suite and then dinner including a Derby contest with many in derby outfits.

The second day of the conference brought workshops, a roundtable discussion and presentations on various subjects such as Boating Activities, Education, Secretary Duties, Treasurer Duties, Kayaking, Cooperative Charting, etc. that were held in the morning. I attended a session on "How to Get Answers to USPS Questions Online" and learned that much information can be obtained through the National USPS website. At a second session entitled "Are your By-Laws current?" I found we may have more work to do here but are in better shape than some squadrons. These sessions were followed by the Awards Luncheon and later the District Conference where more awards were presented. The Conference discussed and voted on issues and a new slate of officers. Each squadron had one vote for their commander plus a number of additional votes depending on the squadron size. We had a total of 10 votes. Following the Conference was additional socializing and the day concluded with dinner and the District Change of Watch. I wrote the above discussion primarily for our newer members so that they get an understanding of the proceedings at District 22 meetings. — By Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN (photos by Andy B.)

[See Bridge Reports for more Spring Conference details.]



P/C Andy Battaglia, SN (LM), P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN. Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN & Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN



Cdr Reiss & P/C Jim Olmes, SN



Lt/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP, P/C Andy B, SN, Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, P/C Ted Reiss, SN, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Peggy Harsch, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, Lt Sheila Thieme, & 1/Lt Lori Williams, S



Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN and her "trainer" Lt Jim O'Connell, P Certainly attention-getting at the Derby!



The "Derby" theme was lots of fun with many members dressing for the occasion. The hat of P/C Andy Battaglia, SN was adorned with an abundance of flowers and took first place for women's hats. See Teri's handmade "22" derby cap by nametag!

D/22 Spring Conference—April 16-17



At the conference our squadron received a number of awards: Crystal River 2nd place for completing the greatest number of VSC's based on data 1 Feb. each year; Crystal River 1st Place Trophy for VSC Improvement with the highest % increase from previous year; 1st Place Fort Myers Publications Trophy (best publication); Peace River Graphics Trophy (excellence in overall design, etc.); National Communications Awards for *The Eagle's Eye* & for the Website; Ed. Fund Cert. of Merit & Life Member Plaque for Lt Bob Belliveau. SN.



(top) Nat'l. Rep. R/C Bob Keller, SN helping P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN hold the publications trophies! (L) Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN & Lt Jim O'Connell, P as horse & trainer; (R) Teri advancing number of boxes as shown on dice for "races"



Delegates/Alt. at the Spring Conference: Lori, Bill, Peggy, Sheila, and Carl



Delegates/Alt. at the Spring Conference: Cdr Peggy, Ted, Teri, Rhonda, and Jim. >

Andy B. & Cdr Peggy in costume for the Derby themed < Friday night dinner.



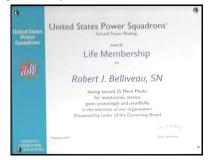
National Rep. R/C Bob Keller, SN helping Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN hold the VSC trophy and certificate; (Rt) Peggy with Lt Bob Belliveau, SN's Life Member plaque presented by R/C Bob Keller, SN.



D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia., SN with the flag of office for Assist. D/Treasurer



















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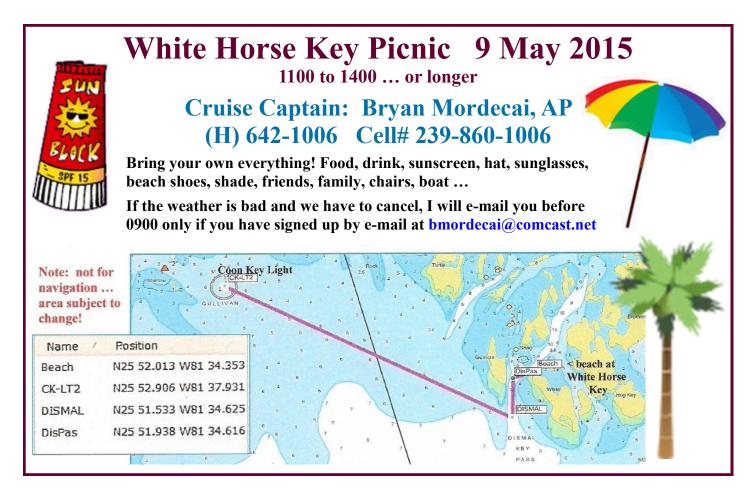
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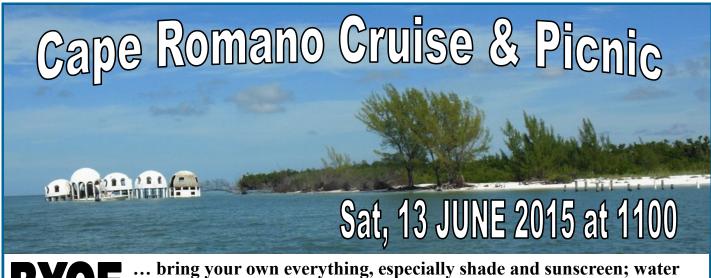
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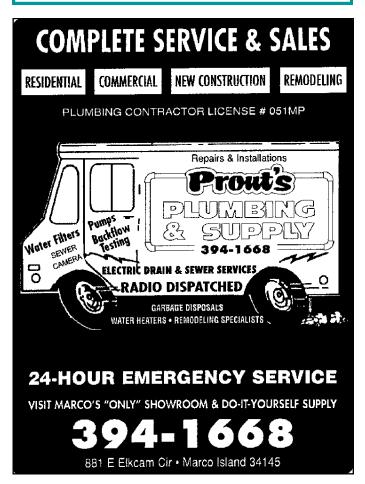
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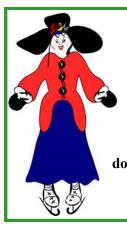
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Robert Gloodt

Jo Martin, S

Troy Miles, S

Karen Morr

P/C James Olmes, SN

Bernadette Reid

Anthony Simms, P

Victoria Simms, P

Reinhard Westphal

Martin Wilhelm, AP

P/Lt/C Charles Wilson, JN

[If we missed you, please let me know]



"CAPTAIN TED'S CORNER" P/C Edward Reiss, SN-IN

- 1. A patient in shock should NOT be placed in which position?
 - a. On their side if unconscious
 - b. Head down and feet up, no injuries to face or head



- c. Flat on their back with head and feet at the same level
- d. Arms above their head
- 2. Which shallow water effect will increase dramatically if you increase your ship's speed past its "critical speed"?
 - a. Squatting
 - b. Smelling the bottom
 - c. Sinkage
 - d. Bank cushion
- 3. INLAND ONLY You are on board the stand-on vessel in a crossing situation. You sound a one blast whistle signal, and the giveway vessel answers with a two-blast signal. You should then sound the danger signal and
 - a. maintain course and speed
 - b. come around sharply to port
 - c. maneuver around the stern of the other vessel
 - d. stop and back your vessel if necessary until signals are agreed upon
- 4. The direction of the surface wind is
 - a. directly from high pressure toward low pressure
 - b. directly from low pressure toward high pressure
 - c. from high pressure toward low pressure deflected by the earth's rotation.

VN2MEK8: 1.d, 2.a, 3.d, 4.c



National Safe Boating Week Week of 16—22 May

READY, SET, WEAR IT! LIFE JACKET WORLD RECORD DAY – Saturday 16 May 2015



Don't Just Carry a life Jacket --- Wear IT!

On 11 May the Chair of Marco Island City Council, Larry Sacher, will present Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN with a Proclamation for week of 16 - 22 May declaring National Safe Boating Week on Marco Island.

The National Safe Boating Council is sponsoring a major campaign that lasts all year long, the <u>Ready, Set, Wear IT!</u> Campaign. This campaign is making boaters aware that they, their families and friends, should always wear a life jacket whenever on the water. Eighty Four percent (84%) of all boating accidental deaths on the water have been when people are not wearing a life jacket. For more information about the <u>Ready, Set, Wear IT!</u> Campaign, go to <u>www.ReadySetWearIT.com</u>.

This year the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron has accepted the responsibility to rally the safe boating organizations of SW Florida into a unified voice to wear a life jacket when on the water. The organizations are encouraging their memberships and individuals to wear their life jacket and come to Rose Marina, 951 Bald Eagle Dr., Marco Island, on 16 May at 0900 am to be part of setting a new World Record for most life jackets worn at one time. The group assembled at Rose Marina will be one site among hundreds of sites all over the world participating in setting the record. The current world record is nearly 7,000 participants.

Current supporters include:

City of Marco Island (MI), MI Police, MI Fire-Rescue, MI Civic Association, Rose Marina, *Marco Eagle*, *Coastal Breeze*, and *The Sun Times* newspapers, Radio Station WVOI, Eye on Marco, FL Dept. of Environmental Protection at Rookery Bay, Team OCEAN at Rookery Bay, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, United States Coast Guard−Auxiliary, and the United States Power Squadrons™.

BREAK A RECORD – WEAR IT!

Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron, in cooperation with the National Safe Boating Week, 16-22 May wants Boaters to Always 'Wear It!'

We want YOU to Participate!

Wear Your Life Jacket and come to Rose Marina, 951 Bald Eagle Dr., on Saturday, 16 May at 0900

[workers arrive at 0830]

There will be a sign up sheet and a group photo taken to officially enter us into the new World Record with all of the other sites around the world.

[coffee will be available]

The National Safe Boating Council and the Canadian Safe Boating Council are jointly sponsoring National Safe Boating Week, 16–22 May 2015. The organizations want to remind boaters to be safe on the water and to always wear a life jacket. For more information about the safe boating campaign, go to www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com

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(Miscellaneous)

MISPS Cooperative Charting may help Waterways Advisory Committee

By P/C Carl Thieme, SN

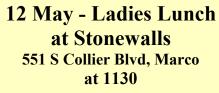
At the invitation of Chairman Jim Timmerman, P/C Carl Thieme of MISPS made a Power Point presentation to the Marco Island Waterways Advisory Committee about the current state of disrepair of the Aids to Navigation [ATON's] both within and around Marco Island. During the presentation P/C Thieme gave a brief overview of the seven key elements of the United States Power Squadrons® Cooperative Charting Program and indicated that Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron (MISPS) would be focusing its efforts on one element in the near future, finding and reporting damaged or missing Aids to Navigation. The presentation included a series of photographs of damaged or missing ATON's on the Big Marco River, in Caxambas Pass and around Coon Key light. P/C Thieme was then able to show the Waterways Advisory Committee what the ATON's should have looked like using the information contained in the Waterway Signs Inventory. The program was developed in (cont)





Commander Peggy Reiss, JN-IN speaks to the Sunrise Rotary about the educational, civic service, and social activities of Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron. The Rotary donated 20 oral polio vaccines in our name as thanks. 24 Mar 2015

CO-OP CHARTING cont: 2006 by Lt Bryan Mordecai, AP and P/C Jim Olmes, SN. The program contains detailed information about all waterway signs, including ATON's, in and around Marco Island. In his concluding remarks P/C Thieme offered some thoughts on how MISPS's Cooperative Charting Program, could provide critical information to the Committee, M. I. Public Works Dept., other county, state and federal agencies who are responsible for the placement and maintenance of the Aids to Navigation in and around Marco Island. P/C Thieme agreed to meet with Chair Jim Timmerman to discuss how MISPS could disseminate its findings to the committee and agencies responsible for the location and repair of the aids to navigation that all mariners are so dependent on. A second topic of discussion with Chair Timmerman was how local boaters and local boating groups could supply observations of damaged or missing ATON's to Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron's Cooperative Charting Committee.





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P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Peggy Harsch ,and right of display—Ted, Peggy & Bill; (below) Wanda Day & Lt Gene Burson, S



EXPO

Meet and Greet at Annual Chamber of Commerce Event

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron was one of about 30 businesses and organizations participating on 6 April 2015 at the Expo attended by about 300 people. Almost all the vendors offered door prizes, with MISPS offering a free ABC course and two seminars. Our booth was monitored by 8 members, with about 14 more squadron members attending. Our squadron was definitely noticed, especially with members roaming the room wearing our inflatable life preservers. After this event the *Marco Island Eagle* newspaper had a full page write-up and included a photo of Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN sporting a PFD and holding a sextant. We thank PR Chairman, Lt Gene Burson, S for making the arrangements and coordinating this event.



Sandy—winner of MISPS raffle for ABC course, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN Chamber President Dick Shanahan, Cdr Reiss drawing another ticket as P/C Ted Reiss, SN-In holds raffle jar.



Frí, 19 June 2015 ... DINNER

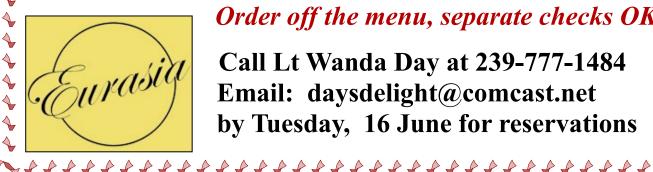
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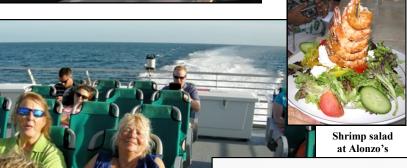
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Key West Cruise

On 11 April, twenty-one squadron members (4 from Naples and 17 from Marco) took the Key West Express day cruise to Key West. The water was smooth and the weather warm, but not too hot. Upon arrival, members divided into small groups for sightseeing, the Conch Train ride or for lunch. The ambiance around Duval Street with many shops, bars and restaurants is fun, but my favorite was the visit to President Truman's "Little White House"; our tour guide was really informative. Great trip!



Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN with Lt Gene Burson, S and Wanda Day





New members Mick and Barbara Haldeman inside cabin seats



West "Big Cat" Express cruise from Marco Island to Key West (about 3 hour ride).

(right) Henry Stanley, Peggy Harsch and Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN outside the Harry S. Truman Little White House ... ready for the tour.



Henry Stanley, Peggy Harsch, Jann Kenyon, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, Mike Dickens, Cdr Reiss, JN-IN, Lt/C Einhart, AP & Mary Dickens



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Peggy Harsch, Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN and Henry Stanley

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