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FLARE DEMO Date: 2 February 2016 Location: Marco Island Yacht Club Time: 0945 for MISPS Members

Pre-registration requested. Bring your own hand-held flares and aerial flares and gun. (new or outdated)

Contact: Executive Officer Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN



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	Coming Events 2016				
02 Feb	Flare Demo at Marco Island Yacht Club	0945	(cover)		
09 Feb	Silver Tridents—breakfast (Past Commanders)	0830	— 		
09 Feb	Ladies Lunch at Petit Soleil in Old Marco	1130	p. 17		
09 & 23 Feb	Cards (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17		
10 Feb	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900			
10 Feb	CHANGE OF WATCH—aboard the Marco Island Princess	1630	p. 22		
15-21 Feb	USPS National Meeting in Orlando [see website for <i>Beacon</i> and in	nformat	tion]		
19 Feb	Cruise & Lunch to CJ's Esplanade, Smokehouse Bay	1200	p. 07		
24 Feb	Captain's Meeting at CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade	1700	p. 04		
27 Feb	Cruise & Picnic at Coconut Island	1100	p. 07		
	Silver Tridents—breakfast (Past Commanders)	0830	_ _		
08 Mar	08 Mar Ladies Lunch at the Philly Grille				
08 & 22 Mar	· Cards at Condo (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17		
09 Mar	MISPS Dinner Meeting at Shipps Landing	1700	p. 21		
11 Mar	Kayak Tour and Picnic at Rookery Bay	TBA	p. 07		
19 Mar p. 07	Digital Scavenger Hunt (Calusa Island Marina)		1000		
24 Mar	Cruise & Lunch to Bonefish Grill, Naples (Thursday)	1200	p. 07		
8-9 Apr	District 22 Spring Conference, Sheridan Tampa, East [Mark you	r calen	dar!]		
12 Apr	Silver Tridents—breakfast (Past Commanders)	0830	_ _		
12 Apr	Ladies Lunch at Kretch's	1130	p. 17		
12 & 26 Apr	Cards at the Condo (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17		
13 Apr	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS condo	0900			
13 Apr	MISPS Dinner Meeting at Shipps Landing	1700			
15 Apr	Cruise and Picnic at Panther Key	1100	p. 07		
22 Apr	Cruise and Lunch to Island Gypsy, Isle of Capri	1200			

COMMANDER Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

Well gang, this is it ... my swan song as your Commander. It has been one terrific year thanks to the incredible dedication and hard work of so many of our members. We are a totally volunteer body, relying on the goodness of our members to give their time and knowledge to



the goals of MISPS. Wikipedia defines volunteering as this: Volunteering is generally considered an altruistic activity where an individual or group provides services for no financial gain. Volunteering is also renowned for skill development, and is often intended to promote goodness or to improve human quality of life. Volunteering may have positive benefits for the volunteer as well as for the person or community served.

Many squadron members received a merit mark this year, 62 to be exact. Be sure to take a look at the list of names on p. 8 in the newsletter. These folks went above and beyond in their volunteering efforts to make our organization run smoothly and meet our goals this past watch year of Boating Education, Public Service Involvement and Fraternity. The talents of our members are staggering. Just look at our scrapbook cataloguing our activities. So many of you brought your background knowledge, your contacts, your enthusiasm to MISPS and I think made our organization way above the 5 Star classification as recognized by District last year.

I want to thank everyone for your contributions. You certainly made my life easier as your Commander. I always knew I could count on you for help, encouragement and an ear to bend. There are far too many people to name here—so take a look at the merit marks recipients; all of these members were my support team in making MISPS so successful. I could not have done it without you! Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

As we look ahead to the new Watch Year let us all pledge our efforts to continue the tradition of excellence. Support your new Bridge and their goals to make MISPS better than before. Be Involved!

See you at the Change of Watch!

Captain's Meeting "Meet & Greet" CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade at 1700

> 2nd and <u>4th</u> Wednesdays

of the Month



Reserve your chair!! Call Lt Wanda Day Burson at 239-777-1484 Or Email: daysdelight@comcast.net

Cruise & Lunch 19 February 2016 at 1200

CJ's on the Bay 740 North Collier Blvd

Lunch Reservations Call: Lt Wanda Burson at 239-777-1484 or Email: daysdelight@comcast.net

By Boat Call Cruise Captain: Lt Nick Rago, AP 860-798-4141



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Lt Tom Ryan, P held a meeting of the vessel examination team on 15 Jan 2015 to kick off the new year with the goal to increase the number of boats getting vessel safety checks. Four new examiners are going through the certification process, but there is room for more. Call Tom if



you would like to join the team. To date, we already have 63 boats examined in 2016. Call Tom if you need your boat checked. (See VSC article on p. 18)

Congratulations to all working on our most successful Wine and Hors d'Oeuvres Party fundraiser! A great number of our members participated under the leadership of Co-Chairs Lt Gene Burson, P and Lt Wanda Burson. (See pages 12 & 13)

The emergency flare training exercise is still a go for 2 Feb 2016. Some hiccups in the planning now have been straightened out. We have 30 MISPS members signed up to attend the event plus six MISPS instructors. Our members should be at the Marco Yacht Club by 0945. The Marco Fire Dept. plans to offer Fire Extinguisher Training later in the morning. If you want to participate and have not signed up, give me a call at 394-3484.

This will the last time I will be writing a column as Executive Officer. I want to thank all those who worked in the Executive Department. 1/Lt Jack Walsh, N has done an excellent job writing interesting safety articles for our newsletter. A special thanks to Lt Gene Burson, P who did double duty as Chair of the Ways and Means Committee (Co-Chair with Wanda for the Wine and Hors d'Oeuvres Party) and Chair of Public Relations with excellent results. Thanks to Lt Tom Ryan P, who devoted extra effort to heading the VSC team obtaining a record number of boats checked. Lt Sheila Thieme was efficient as supply officer with nice MISPS merchandise which she always brought to our meetings. I appreciate that P/C Carl Thieme, SN reinvigorated the Co-op Charting committee and also coordinated reporting of damaged or missing ATONS to the City of Marco. Again, many thanks to all in the Executive Department who did so much to make our squadron one of the best in District 22.

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Lt/C Rhonda McAuliffe-Gloodt, AP

Here we are in the middle of winter. No better place to be than Marco Island! I hope everyone is enjoying boating around Marco! I personally want to thank 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP for all her work in organizing the boating activities for our group this past year and everyone who participated as cruise captains to help make each



event run smoothly. We have boated around the Island visiting beaches and restaurants, along the way we enjoyed many different kinds of birds, saw dolphin and manatee swimming with their young all while enjoying being with our squadron friends.

P/C Owen Henning, AP and Lt James O'Connell have been dedicated Port Captains for Marco Island and Port of the Islands always available for anyone who has questions about navigating the waters in their area.

Lt Allan and Lt Joyce Epstein have spent many hours finding interesting speakers for our dinner meetings. We have all enjoyed the variety of speakers this past year! Lt Sara McFadden, S did a superb job with membership recruitment and increased our membership before retiring; our current Membership Chair Lt Pam Sander, JN continues to get new, cyber and associate members. Thanks to both for a job well done. Special thanks to Lt Dorothy Harkness, S for collecting the monies for our dinner meetings and letting the restaurants know how to plan the many meals. Dorothy also does an enthusiastic job with the ladies lunch and cards.

Lt Wanda Burson stepped right up to the plate as Lunch & Captain's Mtg. Chair to organize the tables for CJ's and make arrangements with restaurants for our monthly luncheons. Lt Gene Burson, P has been a fire ball when it comes to publicity; our squadron has received some well-deserved recognition thanks to Gene!

I would like to thank our Commander Peggy Reiss, JN-IN for guiding the Squadron through such a successful year! P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN has been instrumental in delivering excellent boating education for all of us! Nobody delivers a better newsletter than P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN and all the behind the scene work that Lt Cliff Winings, SN does for our squadron is greatly appreciated.

With all the talent in the Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron, the 2016 year is assured to be successful.

Image: tealEDUCATION OFFICERFP/C Edward Reiss, SN-IN

Education classes are in full swing with PILOTING, ADVANCED PILOTING, SEAMANSHIP, and WEATHER courses underway. Marine Electronics, Charting, GPS, and Partner in Command seminars already completed in January. The January ABC class had 21 students.



This is more than I have ever seen during my time in Marco. Publicity has certainly enhanced the image of MISPS.

What is next while courses continue? Seminars! Anchoring, VHF Radio, Powerboat Handling, Paddle Smart, Rules of the Road, Mariner's Compass and another Charting/GPS seminar round out February and March. What challenge is in your future? Instructors are geared up for your questions. Let us know your interest by signing up early or suggest other topics. Check out the times on our web page. Maybe your neighbor might be interested!

In the near future we hope to have a virtual trainer in the classroom. One was demonstrated at the last District 22 session which showed great promise. Unlike the previous trainer, with the new one if you run aground or hit something the boat will stop moving or sink. (There will be a reset button.) Another big difference is that while docking, the boat will have momentum and keep on moving while the shift lever is in neutral. Plans are to have the system available free to our members and possibly incorporate it into the ABC course and Advanced Powerboat seminar.

Speaking about advanced power boat handling-who can help me help new boaters safely operate their boats on the water? I'm looking for several people to spend a few hours with our new boaters to build up their skills and confidence levels from start of engine to shut down. In a few hours we should be able to address docking, anchoring and pivot turns after a short classroom session (or two). You do not need to be a certified USPS instructor (but if that is of interest an Instructor development class can be set up for you). Ψ

SAFETY OFFICER Lt Jack Walsh, N

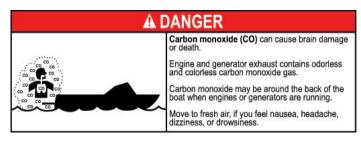
Recreational Towing Safety

There are quite a large number of recreational devices which are designed to be towed behind a power boat. These include simple rafts or inner tubes, as well as wakeboards, wake skates and kneeboards, all with special



tow rings and lines. Because of their popularity, towable devices call for special care and attention to ensure the safety of the rider. First and foremost an appropriately sized personal flotation device should be worn at all times. An observer dedicated to keeping a watch on the rider and communicating with the helmsman should be present at any time recreational towing is in progress.

All personnel should be prepared for the unexpected such as towlines coming loose or hidden obstructions that can lead to injury to the rider or damage to the boat. Another hidden danger is the exhaust from a gasoline-powered tow boat. According to the Center for Disease Control, open-air carbon monoxide exposure to exhaust from gasoline-powered generators on houseboats can cause serious illness and death; however, CO poisoning resulting from direct exposure to CO in the exhaust of a ski boat or recreational towing boat can also occur. Ambient CO concentrations have been measured as high as 27,000 parts per million (ppm) in the stern of boats involved in CO-poisoning fatalities. The World Health Organization has set a ceiling limit on a person's exposure to CO at 87 ppm during a 15-minute interval. We need to be extra careful of that while towing the kids or grandchildren to make sure that they are nowhere near the source of emissions while you're idling and helping them get ready for an afternoon of fun or when you're hauling them onto the swim step after they're finished.



Let's go boating and be safe.

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities



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

Dates 2010	6 Destination		Cruise Captain Phone
19 Feb	**Cruise & Lunch at CJ's, Esplanade	1200	Lt Nick Rago, AP 860-798-4141
27 Feb	Cruise & Picnic Coconut Island	1100	Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP 402- 216-3326
11 Mar	Kayak Tour & Picnic, Rookery Bay	TBD	P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN 213-8686
19 Mar	DIGITAL SCAVENGER HUNT Start Point: Calusa Island Marina, Goodland	1000	P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN 213-8686 P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN 213-8722
24 Mar	**Cruise & Lunch, Bonefish Grill, Naples (Thurs)	1200	ТВА
15 Apr	Cruise & Raft-Up, Panther Key	1100	Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN 393-0651
22 Apr	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy, Isle of Capri	1200	TBA

MISPS 10th Annual Scavenger Hunt If you haven't participated in this fun event, now's your chance! Those who have, will enjoy it again. P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN & P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN **Co-Captains:** Date: Saturday, 19 March Start Time: 1000 **Starting Place:** Dock at Calusa Island Marina. Pick up a packet of rules, instructions and list of items to find. Finish Time: Hunt ends anytime BEFORE 1600! Drop off your memory card (containing your pictures) with your packet of completed forms at 1600 to Co-Captains at screen room at Calusa Marina Boat, digital camera, VHF radio, cell phone, GPS, usual boating stuff Equipment (sun glasses, head cover, sunscreen, water, and food if required, etc.). Needed: 1800 at the Screen Room at the Calusa Marina. All participants are Party: invited to attend, to enjoy pizza, soda, beer, wine & celebrate winners. All photos must be taken from your boat during the hours of the hunt Rules: (1000 - 1600) All items photographed must be readily identifiable by the scorer. Multiple photos of the same item are acceptable. ALL PARTICIPATING BOATS MUST BE REGISTERED BY WED. 16 MARCH

2015 Merit Marks

Participation and volunteering for various positions and duties is the backbone of the squadron. Without tasks performed well, enthusiasm and involvement our squadron could not be such a success. One way of saying thanks is being given a merit mark.

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 (LM).

Congratulations as one of the 62 members in 2015 who received a merit mark. All of us in the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron want to thank you for the time and effort you put into making us the best squadron in District 22!

New Senior Members:

Lt/C Carol Einhart, AP	5
Lt William Kayhart, P	5
Lt Thomas Ryan, P	5
P/Lt/C Charles Wilson, JN	5



When a member earns 5 Merit Marks, he or she is recognized as a Senior Member. A Senior Member is allowed to display the above mark below their insignia of grade.

2015 Merit Marks	Total
P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN (LM)	28
Lt Robert Belliveau, SN (LM)	26
Lt Gene Burson, P	1
Lt Wanda Day Burson	1
P/C Patricia Cavanagh, SN	16
David Dumas	7
Lt Alan Epstein, S	9
Lt Joyce Epstein	8
Lt James Fahrbach, AP	3

Jay Fernandes	1
Linda Fernandes	1
James Ferry, P	11
Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP	2
Lt Dorothy Harkness, S	16
P/C Lee Harkness, AP	10 22
Peggy Harsch	3
Lt Juanita Henning. S	21
P/C Owen Henning, AP	23
Lt/C William J. Hughes, JN	4
Richard Kelso, AP	1
Jann Kenyon	2
P/C John Krehbiel, SN (LM)	28
Lt Rudolf Landwaard, JN	9
Lt Sara McFadden, S	2
Patricia Mogan	1
Anne Moore, S	12
P/C Steven Moore, S	13
Bryan Mordecai, AP	12
Thomas Morr, P	1
Lt Charles R. Mueller, S	16
Barbara Murphy	10
Michael Murphy	1
P/C John Noffze, S	16
	10 7
Lt James O'Connell, P	
Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN	4
P/C Erin Olmes, JN	13
P/C James Olmes, SN	13
Deborah Rago	3
Lt Nicholas Rago, AP	3
Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN	19
P/C Edward Reiss, Jr., SN-IN	19
Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP	3
P/C Robert Richardson, AP	18
P/C Richard Rogers. P	17
Ann Marie Ryan	4
Lt Pam N. Sander, JN	2
Lt Roy Sander, JN	2
Barbara Taylor, S	6
Samuel Taylor, S	° 6
P/C Carl Thieme, SN	10
Lt Sheila Thieme	8
Dennis Trego, N	2
5,	2
1/Lt John Walsh, N Martin Wilhalm AB	2
Martin Wilhelm, AP	
Lt/C Lori Williams, S	1
Jerry Williams, S	1
P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN	6
Lt Cliff L. Winings, SN	8

Squadron Lunch at Old Marco Lodge

On 15 January, twenty-nine met at the Old Marco Lodge in Goodland for an "off the menu" lunch. It was cloudy and dark when we arrived with wind 15-25 knots and small craft warnings, so no one came by boat. The food, including a great salad bar, was tasty. While we ate, the huge TV over the bar had a special weather program showing tornado warnings in Ft. Myers area and lots of "red" indicating a big storm heading our way. Conversations were enjoyable and we all had a nice visit. Just as we were paying the tab, the rain stated to pour and wind significantly increased; we had a great time anyway.



Marji Gentry, P/C Al Jansen, AP, Pat Jansen, Charlie Gentry, JN and 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP



Rick Kelso, AP, Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN and Mona Kelso



Bryan Mordecai, AP, P/C Bob Richardson, AP, P/C Steve Moore, S, Anne Moore, and Betty Richardson



Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Lt Sheila Thieme, and Peggy Harsch



Lt Wanda Burson, Barbara Haldeman, Mick Haldeman and Lt Gene Burson, P



P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN, Ed and Susan Bauer



Bob Gloodt, Karen Morr, Tom Morr, P and Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP

13 January Dinner Meeting



New Associate members Rick & Jenn Reed, Susan Bauer, and Lt Wanda Burson



Lt Bob Mueller, S, daughter from IL Leigh Ann Eshelman & Phyllis Mueller



Barbara & Mick Haldeman buying 50/50 tickets from Debbie Rago





Barbara Taylor, S and P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN



Collier County Commissioner Chairman Donna Fiala who represents District 1 serving Marco Island, Cdr Reiss, JN-IN and Chief Hearing Examiner Mark Strain.

The 13 January MISPS dinner meeting had a substantial increase in attendance with 73 members. Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN welcomed members, Bridge reports were given and our Treasurer Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN presented the budget for 2016, which was accepted by the membership. An appealing dinner of broiled salmon and dill sauce and chicken Picatta with sides, catered by Kretch's was served buffet style, plus apple pie with ice cream and coffee were served tableside. Lt/C Rhonda Gloodt, AP introduced the evening's speakers, Collier Co. Commissioner Donna Fiala who represents District 1 serving Marco Island and Mark Strain who is the first and only Hearing Examiner in Collier County; he has "independent" oversite to ensure recommendations are based on the ordinances and records compiled at public hearings and not on political considerations. One of the biggest accomplishments was Collier Co. getting \$25 million from Stimulus money for the S.S. Jolley Bridge second span for the "shovel ready" project plus \$5 million from Collier Co. Collier County has 11/2 million acres inc. 3 major cities of Naples, Everglades City and Marco Island plus a large preserve area covering 81% of the county forming a natural barrier to over population. Our speakers enlightened us about future development in the SR 951, 41 and I-75 areas pertaining to road and stores/businesses that will be located there. We thank Commissioner Fiala and Mr. Strain for a very interesting program. 50/50 was drawn with Lt Pam Sander, JN and Charlie Gentry, JN winners and meeting was adjourned before Marco midnight.

(left) Lt Sheila Thieme, Program Chair Lt Allan Epstein, S, & Peggy Harsch; Lt/C Lori Williams, Linda Fernandes, Lt Jim O'Connell, S, & Jerry Williams; Sam Taylor, S and Anne Moore, S; (right) D/1st/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN (LM) and Joyce Martindell; (below) Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN & P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN









13 Jan.



Admin. Officer-elect Tom Morr, P and 2016 Boating Activities Chair Dave Demas



Ed Bauer, Lt Gene Burson, P and Susan Bauer



Lt Cliff Winings, SN & Joyce Winings Thanks for sponsoring meeting room!



Lts Pam (JN) & Roy Sander, JN Membership Chair / Exec. Committee



Ann Marie, S & Lt Tom Ryan, P our VSC Chairman



Pat Mogan, Bob Gloodt and 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP



Judy Crook & P/C Dick Rogers, P



Pam Clune and Tim Clune, S



Exec. Officer-elect Rhonda Gloodt, AP & Bob Gloodt



Mary Carleen & Jim Ferry, P



P/C Lee Harkness, AP and Lt Dorothy Harkness, S





Bryan Mordecai, AP and P/C Owen Henning, AP



Jim Mogan and Pat Mogan



Charlie (JN) & Marji Gentry Cdr Reiss & Teri O'Connell, JN



P/C Steve Moore, S & Lt Nick Rago, AP



Pat & P/C Al Jansen, AP, Mike & Barbara Murphy and P/C Carl Thieme, SN



Wine and Hors D'Oeuvres party **MISPS' most successful fundraiser to date!**



Everyone can look back at the Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party and say it was one of the hardest and most satisfying volunteer projects that they have ever worked on. We had more guests show up than ever before, more raffle prizes, more 50/50 drawings, just more of everything, even work. We needed more pizza to fill in for hors d'oeuvres, more people to keep the area clean, and more wine and beer than anyone would have guessed. The chair people came through making their function look easy because of the great working volunteers. I would say that the Party was one of the most pleasurable nights for our guests and the members of Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron.



The Marco Island businesses and MISPS members donated a variety of items and services that everyone can enjoy. Commander Peggy Reiss was the emcee for the evening announcing the businesses that donated items and the winners of the raffles. Everyone was delighted with the new overhead projection of the winning tickets. Raffle winners came to the stage more quickly to receive their raffle bundle. In between announcing raffle winners, the Commander urged our guests to become members of the Squadron, take boating classes, and to sign up for a FREE Vessel Safety Check. (see cover)





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M. C. Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

RAFFLE 7 tickets - \$10 21 tickets - \$20 tickets - \$30

Most of all, Wanda and I want to thank the Chairs for their time and talents, along with their crews, who worked so hard to collect donations, decorate the hall, provide hors d'oeuvres, sell tickets, etc. The chairs were: Membership Table, Pam Sander; Vessel Safety Check, Tom Ryan; Clean Up, Barbara and Sam Taylor; Decorating/Setup, Andy Battaglia; Supplies and Wine, Tippy & John Cavanagh; Wine Runners, Nick & Debbie Rago; Mailing Letters, Tippy Cavanagh; Publicity/Acct. Rpts, Kathleen Reynolds; Kitchen, Pat Mogan; Welcome Table, Jim & Betsy Fahrbach; Greeter/Emcee, Cdr Peggy Reiss; Dining Rm. Runners, Sheila Thieme; Coffee, Anne Moore; Beer/Soda/Water - Buy/Serve, Bob Mueller; Silent Auction, Wanda Burson; Raffle/Silent Auction Donations, Bill Hughes & Peggy Harsch; Sell Raffle Tickets, Barb & Sam Taylor; Sell 50/50 Tickets, Sue & Ed Bauer; Raffle Distribution, Ann Marie Ryan & Rhonda Gloodt; Pourers of the Grape, Lee Harkness; Call Reminders, Dorothy Harkness; Trash, Bryan Mordecai; Banking/Recording Data, Teri O'Connell. Because of everyone's hard work, we have a financially viable Squadron for the new Bridge to go forward in the next year with a full slate of boating classes and support our MISPS condo. This is our only fundraiser of the year! Thanks once again to all those who worked on making the 2016 Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party the GREAT success that it was. — (text by Lt Gene Burson, P)







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Lt Wanda Burson & Lt Gene Burson, P the co-chairs of Ways & Means with (front) Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN

Pouring rain drove us inside at CJ's, where 21 members gathered in a cozy corner of the restaurant. Many streets were flooded in what seemed like an all-day deluge and supposedly this is our "dry" season! Much talk and excitement about the upcoming wine party and Chair Lt Gene Burson, P was there with his clip board, collecting ticket money, checking on jobs, etc.

We were happy to see our member Howard Clement from Michigan who will be building a new home on Key Marco on the lot right next to the historic Captain Horr's house; imagine Howard and Teri describing the location of their home. For your info, people are allowed to enter the gated Key Marco to see historic sites. A little background; Captain John Horr was a Civil War veteran (Union) and in 1876, he was appointed to the Office of the Collector of Customs as a clerk in Key West. While working in Key West, he purchased an island (later named Horr's Island and now called Key Marco) and established a prosperous pineapple plantation and packing business there to supply his wholesale grocery business in Key West. A residence was built for the Captain in 1877 and a school to accommodate the growing number of residents. He retired to Ohio and eventually sold Horr's Island in 1923 for the sum of \$10,000.



Associate member Rick Reed from the Cape Cod Sail & Power Squadron joined the group; think about all our inches of rain and how much snow that would be in Massachusetts. We stayed nice and dry inside and there was just a misting of rain when we left.

Associate member Rick Reed from MA, Bob Noffsinger, S and Linette Noffsinger





Bryan Mordecai, AP, D/1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN & Howard Clement



Lt Dorothy Harkness, S and P/C Lee Harkness, AP



Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, Lt Sheila Thieme, Lt Gene Burson, P and P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN



Lt Bob Mueller, S, P/C John Noffze, S & Beverly Noffze, Debbie Rago and Lt Nick Rago



Barbara Taylor, S and Sam Taylor, S



Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN and Peggy Harsch





"Ladies Luncheon" at 1130 2nd Tuesday of the month

Order off the menu and each lady will be billed individually.

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luncheon for reservations.

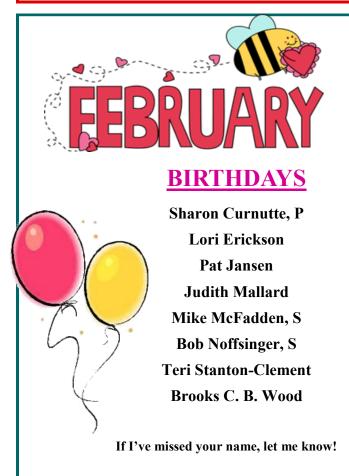
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Cards dates will be on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1300.





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

1. BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND You are underway in fog when you hear a signal of three strokes of a bell, a rapid ringing of the bell, and three more strokes of the bell. This signal indicates a vessel _____.



a. at anchor, giving warning

b. aground

c. at anchor, greater than 100 meters

d. not under command at anchor

2. BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND While you are underway, navigation lights must be displayed on your vessel _____

a. during all periods of restricted visibility

b. at all times

c. at night only when other vessels may be in the area

d. at night only when vessels are detected on radar

3. During a period of "whiteout", you should expect which of the following?

a. Snowfall or blowing snow

b. Lack of ability to estimate distance

c. Harsh contrast between sun-

illuminated snow cover and the background

d. Hazy horizons with extensive mirage effects

4. Which condition represents the appropriate time for setting off distress flares and rockets?

a. Only when there is a chance of their being seen by rescue vessels

b. At half hour intervals

c. At one hour intervals

d. Immediately upon abandoning the vessel

VNRMERS: 1, b, 2, a 3, b, 4, a

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(Reprinted from USGC Aux. website)

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What's in it For Me?

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If your boat does not pass, no report is filed. Instead, you are provided a written report that aids you in correcting any discrepancies noted. Often, a quick trip to the local marine store is all that is necessary to obtain missing safety items and easily pass a reinspection. And if you show your examiner-signed VSC report, you may receive a discount on your missing or discrepant items.

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COMMUNITY COOPERATION



Vice Flotilla Commander Doug Bartlett, Flotilla Commander Keith Wohltman, Distinguished guests representing MISPS: P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN and Lt/C Bill Hughes, JN

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron received an invitation to attend the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 95 of Marco Island, District 7, Division 9 for their 49th Annual Change of Watch on 16 January. Same night Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN and P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN were guests at the Marco Bay Yacht Club Change of Watch. Our organizations promote boat safety and it is a pleasure to work together.

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LADIES MONTHLY LUNCH: 12 January at Su's Garden (L-R) Beverly Noffze, Mary Whaley, P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN, Joyce Martindell, D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN, Mary Carleen Ferry, S, Anne Moore, S and Lt Dorothy Harkness, S Chair of LL





Cdr Peggy Reiss, JN-IN received the "Best Lighting display" award from the City's Christmas Marco Style Committee at an after event affair.

Susan Bauer, Joyce Martindell, Lt Dorothy Harkness, S and Bryan Mordecai, AP



Cards at the condo on 12 January was attended by 14 eager members to play card games of hand and foot (canasta)



Lt Pam Sander, JN, Vini Just, Barbara Haldeman and P/C Andrea Battaglia, SN





Beverly Noffze, Lt Wanda Burson, Lt Gene Burson, P, P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN, Mary Whaley, and Mary Carleen Ferry, S



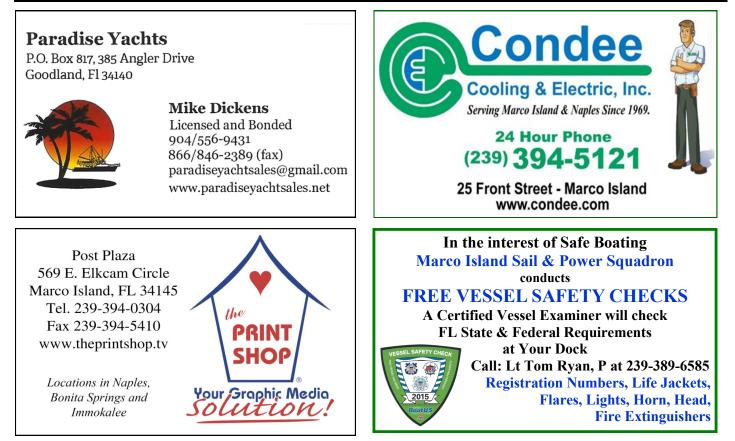
"TICKET TEARING PARTY" for the W & H party fundraiser raffle: Joyce Sandbulte, P/C Carl Thieme, SN, P/C Ted Reiss, SN-IN, Lt Gene Burson, P, Arlon Sandbulte, Sam (S) & Barbara Taylor, S (hosts), D/1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN and Lt Sheila Thieme; after job was finished wine and pizza were served thanks to the Taylors.

Education Schedule February & March 2016

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	SAT	0930	MAR5	1	P/C TED REISS, SM SEVERAL C	N-IN 239-213-8722 & DTHERS,
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MARINER'S COMPASS	TUE	1800	MAR 20	1	P/CJIM OLMES, S	SN 239-394-5415
CHARTING/GPS	WED & TH	1800	MAR 23	2	P/CJIM OLMES, S CDR CARL THIEM	6N 239-394-5415 & E, SN
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SPEAKER:

Keith Dameron "Collier County Scam/Fraud Problems"

MENU:



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Wednesday, 10 February 2016

4:30pm - 5:30 Boarding, Cocktails (credit card/cash bar) 5:30 pm - 7:30 Prívate Sunset Dínner Cruíse 7:30 pm - 8:00 Dockside- Change of Watch

Buffet Dínner Menu:

Caesar Salad, Rolls Carved Prime Rib Lemon Pepper Mahí Mahí Garlíc Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Almondine Key Lime Pie Coffee

(Salad, dessert and coffee served tableside)

Admission: \$60.00 per person Attire: Dressy casual, Uniforms optional

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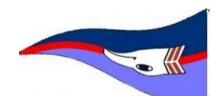


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