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## America's Boating Club-Marco Island Holds Change of Watch

**Congratulations to Commander Bob Smith, AP and his new bridge. More photos and details on pages 9-11.**



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# Coming Events 2020

## February

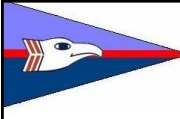
2/4	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
2/8	Cruise and Lunch, Capri Fish House	1200 p. 07
2/11-16	USPS Annual Meeting, Ponte Vedra, Florida	
2/12	Executive Board, Learning Center	0900
2/12	February Dinner Meeting, Yacht Club	1700 p. 12
2/16-23	D-22 Caribbean Cruise	
2/17	Silver Tridents Breakfast, Hoots	0830
2/18	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
2/22	Cruise & Picnic, Whitehorse Key	1100 p. 07
2/26	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04

## March

3/1	Naples Concert Band, Cambier Park	1400
3/3	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
3/7	Beach Clean Up, South Beach	0800
3/7	Cruise and Lunch, Dolphin Tiki Bar	1200 p. 07
3/11	Executive Board, Learning Center	0900
3/11	March Dinner Meeting, Yacht Club	1700 p. 13
3/14	Minnesota Twins vs NY Mets Baseball game	1300
3/17	Silver Tridents Breakfast, Hoots	0830
3/17	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
3/18	Fishing Contest	0800
3/21	Cruise and Picnic, Cape Romano	1200 p. 07
3/25	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04

## April

4/3-4	D22 Conference and Change of Watch, Punta Gorda	
4/7	Cards at Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
4/8	Executive Board, Learning Center	0900
4/8	April Membership Dinner	1700
4/11	Cruise & Picnic, Coconut Island	1300
4/18	Cruise and Lunch Port of the Islands	1100
4/21	Silver Tridents Breakfast, Hoots	0830
4/21	Cards at the Condo, Learning Center	1300 p. 17
4/22	Captain's Meeting, CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04



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Lt Marcy Marinelli, P

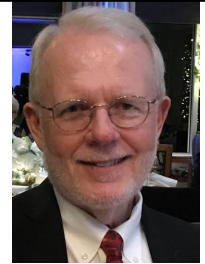
We are looking for someone to train with me this year for an eventual takeover of the Eagle's Eye in the future. It's important that we think about who else has particular skills that we can utilize to make sure that our award winning newsletter continues. Responsibilities this year would include sending out the monthly reminder postcards, training on Publisher, and proof-reading the Eagle's Eye each month.

If you have an interest in writing, are competent with computers and photography, can use Publisher (or can learn), and have a creative eye, please contact me at talkdoc52@msn.com or 240-606-1119 and we can talk further about this volunteer opportunity.



**COMMANDER**  
Bob Smith, AP

Now is the time to schedule your free vessel safety check for yourself and your friends. This year I am asking each member to get their 2020 VSC sticker EARLY in the year.



Our goal is to get all 66 vessels in our fleet inspected. I'm also asking each member to refer at least one friend to take advantage of this free safety enhancing opportunity. Please do your friends a favor and participate in our mission to promote safe boating in and around Marco Island. Call John Salotto now at (703) 864-5528.

Now is also the time to sign up for classes to enhance your boating skills. Many classes are still available so please contact the teachers now to reserve your spot. Though almost all of us have taken basic classes (America's Boating Course and Boat Handling, for example), how many of us remember everything we once learned in each course? I would like to encourage each of you to make use of your boating libraries to review course material and update your basic knowledge of boating skills and responsibilities.

Thanks to our Cooperative Charting Team for your on the water activities in January. You have made a great start to completing our status assessment of the 321 Aids to Navigation that point our way to safe passage on local waters. Thanks also to our Cooperative Charting leaders Cliff Winings and Carl Thieme, for your willingness to showcase our work through presentations to the Marco Island Yacht Club and to Collier County Coastal Zone Management officials.

I want to exhort all members to get out on the water in February to participate in both scheduled and unscheduled boating activities. Please come to our Cruise and Lunch to the Capri Fish House and to our Cruise and Picnic to White Horse Key. And let's invite each other to enjoy impromptu opportunities to cruise, go sightseeing, fishing, birding, etc. I extend an open invitation to all to join me on my ever recurring fishing expeditions. See you on the water!





**SUNSHINE NEWS**

Please remember Wanda Burson on the death of her daughter and Francisco Garcia on the death of his father. Long time members Gerry Marks and Bryan Mordecai passed away. The following members are recovering from surgery: Jack Bliss, Carol Engstrom, and Pat Mogan. Send Jim O'Connell get well wishes.

Please let me know of anyone who is sick, injured or deceased. I will send a card in the name of the squadron.  
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**Captain's Meeting**  
**"Meet & Greet"**  
*everyone welcome!*  
**CJ's Gazebo Bar**  
**at the Esplanade at 1700**  
**on the 4th Wednesday**  
**of the Month**

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**Sonya Benson at**  
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**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
Lt/C Wanda Burson, S

The New Year is here and with that comes changes for all of us. On January 8th we had the Change of Watch bringing in many changes. Thank you, P/C Tom Morr for your great leadership this past year and we know that you will continue to be a source of support for us. Welcome to Commander Robert “Bob” Smith, AP we look forward to the coming year and all that it brings.



In the Executive Department we have had some changes. Lt Edward Bauer, S is the current and continuing General Safety Officer. Lt Ellen Filipiak, S is in charge of Marketing and Communications. Ways and Means will be headed up by D/1<sup>st</sup>/L Gene C. Burson, JN, Ways and Means Sponsor will be led by Lt Bernie Greichen. Our new Supply Officer is Lt Susan R. Bauer. We have our Co-Chairs for Vessel Safety Check Lt John J. Salotto and Lt Daniel J. Marinelli, P and Cooperative Charting by Lt Cliff L. Winings, SN. I want to thank the above for all the work that they do.

Last year Sonya Benson, Sheila Thieme and Dorothy Harkness did so much to make the department run smoothly; these ladies are owed a big Thank You from all of us.

I want to report on two of the above committees’ work thus far this year. The Marketing and Communication Committee, led by Lt Ellen Filipiak, S, is currently working to continue to expand participation in educational courses. Membership expansion through advertising, press releases and new information cards. They are also creating a “library” of safety articles and safety tips to share with local newspapers. This will continue to further our mission of having safe boaters and keep our Club in the public eye.

Cooperative Charting under the watchful eye of Lt Cliff L. Winings, SN reports we have 17 members assigned to eight survey teams. Our survey data will be published on the Aids to Navigation page of our website. Committee leaders will meet with Collier County Coastal Zone Management in Feb. to present results and recommendations. They plan to resume maintenance on PATONS in Feb. In the past Collier County Coastal Zone Management have used our survey information to plan their work.

Great Job everyone and looking forward to a New Year.



**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**  
Lt/C Steve Riley, S

As was announced in the January edition of the Eagle’s Eye, we scheduled a training session for first Aid, CPR and AED training on January 22<sup>nd</sup> at the MIFD HQ on Bald Eagle & San Marco Road. Participants in the aforementioned training received a Heartsaver, First Aid CPR AED certification card with a renewal date of 1/22/22. Anyone who would like to participate in this training but was unable to attend the 1/22/20 session should contact me and I will schedule another session in February to accommodate them.



It is thanks to Fire Chief Murphy’s assistance that we can receive this training, which our District 22 Commander Ted Reiss and your Bridge deem to be critical to your safety. In addition, you will learn how to operate the Squadron’s new portable Heartstart Defibrillator which henceforth will be on someone’s boat on all of our cruises to the 10,000 Islands. While I pray that this medical device will never be needed, I am determined to have the skill set to use it as well as to render First Aid as I did three weeks ago when my wife tore the skin off the top of her hand. There is no better feeling than being able to help a loved one, neighbor or friend in need during an emergency.

Looking forward into February, we have scheduled a cruise to the Capri Fish House at 1200 hours on the 8<sup>th</sup>, a cruise & picnic to White Horse key on the 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1100 hours and a Captain’s meeting at CJ’s at 1700 on the 26<sup>th</sup>. The USPS Annual Meeting is at Ponte Vedra from 2/9 to 2/15 and the D-22 Caribbean Cruise from 2/16 to 2/23. The Squadron membership meeting will be at the MIYC at 1700 on the 12<sup>th</sup> following the Executive Committee meeting at the Learning Center commencing at 0900 hours.





## EDUCATION OFFICER

Lt/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN



## SAFETY OFFICER

Lt Ed Bauer, S

January is the busiest month of the year for our educational program..

Our third session of ABC started up on January 6 with 17 students in attendance. Instructors John Maciolek, Bill Krepplein, Peggy Reiss and Kathleen Reynolds do an incredible job of teaching the four chapters of this course. Andy Battaglia assists on the night when the students learn knot tying, and Ted Reiss is always available for assistance whenever needed.



Gene Burson started our new Marine Navigation class on January 10 with five students. For all the old-timers out there, this is the new version of Piloting. This class will run for nine sessions.

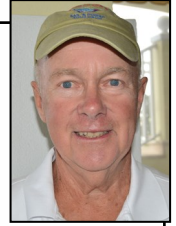
Following the ABC course, Rhonda Gloodt and Carl Thieme taught our very popular two-night Charting/GPS seminar. As safe boaters we know that it is essential to know how to read and use nautical charts. The charting section of this seminar covers what is both above and below the water on charts, aids to navigation, latitude and longitude and planning a course. The second night GPS part uses a GPS provided by West Marine and includes waypoint navigation, what the buttons on your GPS do, what the screens show, how to use the key functions and how to navigate a safe course.

Jim Olmes presented his VHF/DSC radio seminar on January 30. This seminar explains the basic operations of your VHF radio. Setting up your radio with DSC (Digital Selective Calling) is simple and could save your life. It enables your radio to quickly send out a formatted digital distress call to the Coast Guard and all DSC radios near your location.

The 2019 Boat Handling course and seminar series was finally made available on December 30. This new course replaces Seamanship and Boat Handling 2016. Ed Bauer and Nick Rago are the instructors and will start up our second session on January 28. It includes six sections. They can be taken as a course or separately as seminars and include rules of the road, confidence in docking and undocking, boating with confidence, anchoring with assurance, emergencies on board, and knots and line handling.

I hope that many of you took advantage of our informative course offerings. Stay safe on the water and happy boating!

### Stay Safe Riding Your PWC



Riding a personal watercraft is a thrill most people don't forget. Skipping across the water at 60 mph is a definite rush. With all this power and speed though, comes a fair amount of responsibility to oneself and everyone in the vicinity. Below follow some suggestions for a good ride.

Wear an appropriate life jacket. It doesn't detract from the "cool factor" and is required by law. Protective footwear is also a good idea.

Attach the kill switch. Clip it, loop it, hook it. However you attach it, make sure the lanyard is attached to your person.

Protect your eyes. Goggles, sunglasses, it doesn't matter as long as you use them. Eyes tear up at high speed when you are covering 85 feet per second. Don't wear your favorite pair unless they float.

Ride standing up, at least for a while. Riders legs absorb most of the shock, especially when standing.

Observe personal space. Don't get too close to other riders and make sure they are not getting too close to you. Stopping short is not an ability of PWC's.

Know the PWC. Get comfortable with the watercraft – squeeze the throttle. How does it take off/- usually too quickly! Start slowly and get used to your machine.

Wear sunscreen. Who wants to ride a jet ski for only a few minutes? Nobody. Protect your skin. You will be out there for a long time and water intensifies the sun's rays. Don't forget plenty of drinking water – stay hydrated.

Keep the intake clean. Avoid sucking sand and unwanted debris into the intake by touching bottom as you approach a beach. Walk your PWC to and from shore.

Don't overload your ride. A severely overloaded machine will be more difficult to control and more likely to tip over.

Carry a portable GPS as well as your cell phone or VHF radio should you get lost in the mangroves, run out of fuel, or need assistance. Most new PWC's have plenty of storage. Do you have an inland visual distress signal; black & orange flag?

Have a Vessel Safety Check performed by a certified inspector. Contact John Salatto @703-864-5528 to arrange for an inspection.



Some content from *Boating World*.



# Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities



Boating Chair: Lt Nick Rago, AP at (860) 798-4141  
 Boating Assist. Chair: Dan Marinelli (240) 606-1119



**\*\* Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants  
 Sonya Benson at 414-617-5718 Or Email: sbensonwi@gmail.com**

**Before cruising, make sure you have your vessel safety check!**

- 8 February Cruise & Lunch, Capri Fish House 1200 Bob Gloodt 402-850-8508
- 22 February Cruise & Picnic, Whitehorse Key 1100 Kathleen Reynolds 781-820-7003
- 7 March Cruise & Lunch, Dolphin Tiki Bar 1200 Don Cates 217-370-6659
- 21 March Cruise & Picnic, Cape Romano 1200 Rhonda Gloodt 239-450-7089
- 11 April Cruise & Picnic, Coconut Island 1300 Nick Rago 860-798-4141
- 18 April Cruise & Lunch, Port of the Islands 1100 Ted Reiss 239-213-8722

If you'd like to go on one of these trips, but don't have a boat, contact the cruise captain who can connect you with someone willing to give you a ride!

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## Course Schedule Winter 2020

Course	Public	Day of Week	Time	Start Date	Days	Instructor/Contact
<b>Advanced</b> (Prerequisites may apply)						
Boat Handling	Yes	TU & F	1800	3/31/20	7	Lt Nick Rago, AP 860-798-4141 Lt Ed Bauer, S 540-463-2018
<b>Public Boating</b>						
America's Boating Course	Yes	M & TH	1800	2/3/20	5	1/Lt John Maciolek, AP 732-496-4595
America's Boating Course	Yes	M & TH	1800	3/9/20	5	1/Lt John Maciolek, AP 732-496-4595
<b>Seminars</b>						
Charting/GPS	Yes	TU & W	1800	2/18/20	2	P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN 239-450-7089 P/C Carl Thieme, SN 239-970-2177
Partner in Command	Yes	SAT	1000	2/22/20	1	TBD
Hurricane Preparedness	Yes	TU	1000	4/7/20	1	D/Cdr Ted Reiss, SN-CN 239-213-8722 P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN 239-450-7089
Hurricane Preparedness	Yes	TU	1800	5/5/20	1	D/Cdr Ted Reiss, SN-CN 239-213-8722 P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN 239-450-7089
<b>Vessel Trainer</b>	REQUEST ONLY					1/Lt John Maciolek, AP 732-496-4595
<b>On-the-Water Training</b>	REQUEST ONLY					D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN 239-213-8722

### ABC CLASS LEARNS KNOT TYING

At a recent ABC class, D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, D/Lt/C Andrea Battaglia, AP, and D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN, assisted the instructors in teaching the students how to tie knots correctly. Thanks for your help!



Photos courtesy of John Maciolek



## CHANGE OF WATCH

On Wednesday, January 8, 2020, America's Boating Club-Marco Island conducted its' 50th Change of Watch ceremony. D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN served as mistress of ceremonies. D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN swore in Commander Bob Smith, AP and his new bridge. We were joined by D/Lt/C Sam Bonilla, AP from Ft. Myers and his wife Millie, AP. The change of watch ceremony recognized Lt John Maciolek, AP, who received the Excellence in Teaching award from USPS, as well as the accomplishments of Past Commander Tom Morr, P and his bridge. The ceremony then welcomed Commander Smith and his bridge. The new bridge received their flags and took the oath of office.



**P/C Tom Morr, P thanks the membership**



**D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN swears in Commander Bob Smith, AP**



**D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN and D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss were master and mistress of ceremonies**



**D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN awards Outstanding Educator Certificate to 1/Lt John Maciolek, AP**



**The New Bridge—1/Lt John Maciolek, AP, P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN, Lt/C Meg Smith, AP, Lt/C Steve Riley, S, Lt/C Wanda Burson, S, Commander Bob Smith, AP, Lt/C Lindsay McFadden, S, 1/Lt Bill Kreppein, S and 1/Lot Mary Kreppein, S**



**The new bridge receives their officer flags**

## CHANGE OF WATCH, Continued



**Barbara & Lt Mick Haldeman, S**



**P/C Bill Hughes, JN & Jennifer Jewett**



**Commander Bob Smith, AP & Lt/C Meg Smith, AP**



**Friends of Commander Smith flew in from New Jersey to surprise him at the Change of Watch**



**Lt Colleen & Scott Singer**



**Lt Dorothy Harkness, S & D/Lt/C Andrea Battaglia, SN**



**P/C Dick Rogers, P & Judy Crooke**



**Lt Don Cates & Lt Sonya Benson**



**Lt Susan & Lt Ed Bauer**



**Julie & Lt/C Steve Riley, S**

**CHANGE OF WATCH, Cont.**



**D/C Ted Reiss, SN & D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN**



**P/C Tom Morr, P, D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN & Commander Bob Smith, AP**



**Lt Nick Rago, AP & Debbie Rago**



**Jann Kenyon & Lt Cliff Winings**



**Lt John Salotto & Lt Don Cates**



**Lt Marcy Marinelli, P & Lt Dan Marinelli, P**



**Lt Sheila Thieme & P/C Carl Thieme, SN**



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**1/L Mary Kreppein, S & 1/Lt Bill Kreppein, S**



**Millie Bonilla, AP & D/Lt/C Sam Bonilla, AP Ft. Myers Power Squadron**



**Mary Carleen Ferry & Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP**



**Commander Smith, AP & Lt/C Lindsay McFadden, S**

# FEBRUARY DINNER MEETING



## MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2020

## MARCO ISLAND YACHT CLUB

1400 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island

1700 (5:00 PM) – SOCIALIZING

17:45 (5:45 PM) –MONTHLY MEETING

18:15 (6:15 PM) DINNER FOLLOWED BY SPEAKER

### SPEAKER:

To Be Announced

### MENU:

\$40 per Person Choose One Dinner per Person:

Iceberg Wedge with Ripened Tomato, Crumbled Bacon and Gorgonzola Dressing  
Chicken Cordon Bleu Filled with Smoked Ham, Gruyere Cheese and  
Spinach and Nutmeg Cream

Or

Black Plum Short Rib with Thyme Pink Peppercorn Sauce  
Roasted Red Potato with Rosemary and Olive Oil

Or

Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan  
Strawberry Fruit Trifle



### Adult Beverages Available for Purchase

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**PLEASE RESPOND BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Tel# \_\_\_\_\_

Menu choice: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Short Rib \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

No. attending @ \$40 \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

# MARCH MONTHLY DINNER MEETING



## MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020

## MARCO ISLAND YACHT CLUB

1400 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island

1700 (5:00 PM) – SOCIALIZING

17:45 (5:45 PM) – MONTHLY MEETING

18:15 (6:15 PM) DINNER FOLLOWED BY SPEAKER

### SPEAKER:

To Be Announced

### MENU:

\$40 per Person Choose One

Dinner per Person:

Mingled Greens, Cucumber, Tomato, Red Onion with Lemon Sherry  
Vinaigrette

Chicken Marsala – Pan Sautéed with Mushrooms,  
Rosemary and Marsala Wine Sauce

Or

Lemon Sole Medallions filled with Roasted Squash Caponata,  
Sambuca Dill Cream, Portabella Risotto

Or

Vegetarian: Portabella Ravioli Tower  
Tiramisu



Adult Beverages Available for Purchase

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## PLEASE RESPOND BY FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020

MAIL CHECKS PAYABLE TO MISPS TO:

DOROTHY HARKNESS

1651 BARBADOS CT.

MARCO ISLAND, FL 34145

642-3575

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Tel# \_\_\_\_\_

Menu choice: Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Sole \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

No. attending @ \$40 \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

## 2020 Roster and Fleet List Available

If you haven't already picked up your 2020 Roster and Fleet List, Peggy Reiss will have them available for pick up at the Squadron's Learning Center on Monday, February 3rd from 3:00-5:00 p.m. If you're not able to pick up your roster on February 3rd, please contact Peggy Reiss to schedule an alternate date and time to get your roster. Peggy can be contacted at [peggy.reiss@yahoo.com](mailto:peggy.reiss@yahoo.com) or 239-213-8686.

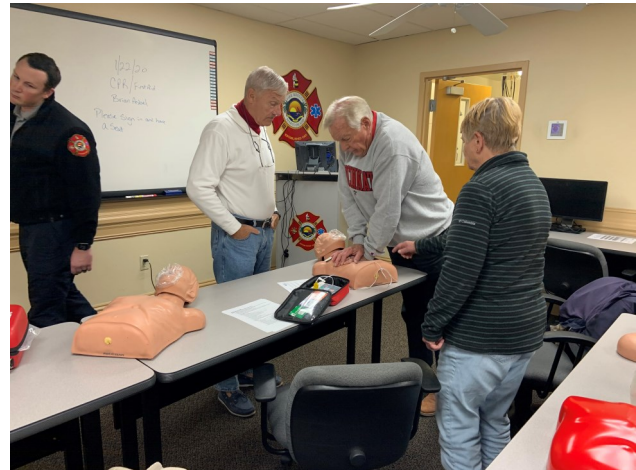
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Miscellaneous news from America's Boating Club-Marco Island



## ABC-MI MEMBERS LEARN CPR, FIRST AID AND AED USE

A number of members of America's Boating Club-Marco island participated in a first aid, CPR and AED training at the Marco Island Fire Department on January 21st. Arranged by Chief Mike Murphy and coordinated by Lt/C Steve Riley, P, the training was very helpful. We now have a cadre of individuals who are trained in these important skills so that in the event of an accident or injury at a club event we will be able to provide first aid.



## WINE AND HORS D'OEUVRES FUNDRAISER

As this edition of the Eagle's Eye goes to press, a number of ABC-MI members are busily getting ready for the Wine and Hors d'Oeuvres fundraiser on January 31st. At a recent meeting, the volunteers tore raffle tickets and prepared for the silent auction. Be sure to bring your appetizer to San Marco Parish Hall by 3:00 in the afternoon. The party starts at 5:00 and runs through 7:30. Be sure to stop by and enjoy some delicious food, bid on some of the fabulous silent auction items and take part in the raffle. See you there!



Volunteers tearing tickets for raffle—photo courtesy of Meg Smith

## NAPLES ZOO TRIP

On Saturday, January 4th, a group of America's Boating Club-Marco Island members journeyed to the Naples Zoo and enjoyed a day of education and fellowship. Thanks to Wanda Burson for organizing the event and for Andy Battaglia for taking photos that day. In case you missed the trip and want to visit the zoo, admission is free the first Saturday of the month for Collier County residents. Proof of residency is required for admission.



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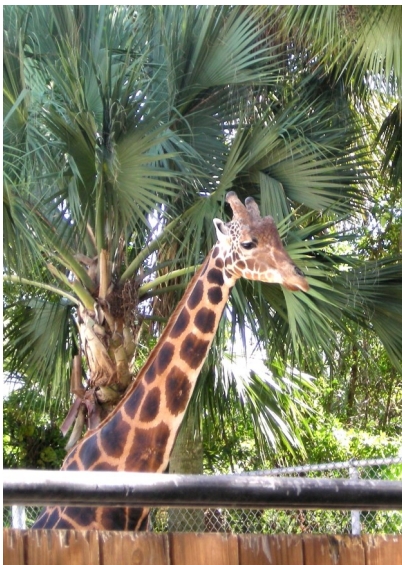
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The giraffes are always a big attraction



Beautiful banyan tree

## Cruise and Rendezvous to CJ's

On Saturday, January 18th, a group of ABC-MI members cruised to CJ's on the Bay for a lunch. Thanks to Cruise Captain P/C Gene Burson, JN for organizing the event. A good time was had by all! Thanks to Andy Battaglia for the photos!



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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to the following ABC-MI members who are celebrating this month!

John Martin 2/1  
Michael Rehtin 2/1  
John Moore 2/2  
Brooks Wood 2/2  
Kathy Guthrie 2/11  
George Benson 2/15  
Kathryne Derrough 2/19  
Ray Rosenberg 2/19  
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- A. sound one short blast
- B. sound two short blasts
- C. change course to starboard
- D. None of the above



2. BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND While underway in a fog 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 is made by a vessel \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. at anchor and giving warning
- B. aground
- C. at anchor and greater than 100 meters in length
- D. not under command and at anchor

3. Two mooring lines may be placed on the same bollard and either one cast off first if \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. the eye of the second line is dipped
- B. the mooring lines are doubled
- C. the bollard has two horns
- D. one of the lines is a breast line

4. You are planning to enter an unfamiliar U.S. port. Which publication provides information about channel depths, dangers, obstructions, anchorages, and marine facilities available in that port?

- A. American Practical Navigator
- B. Notice to Mariners
- C. Coast Pilot
- D. Sailing Directions

Answers: 1-d; 2-b; 3-a; 4-c



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## Beautiful Sunset Over the Yacht Club at the January Change of Watch



Photo courtesy of Andy Battaglia

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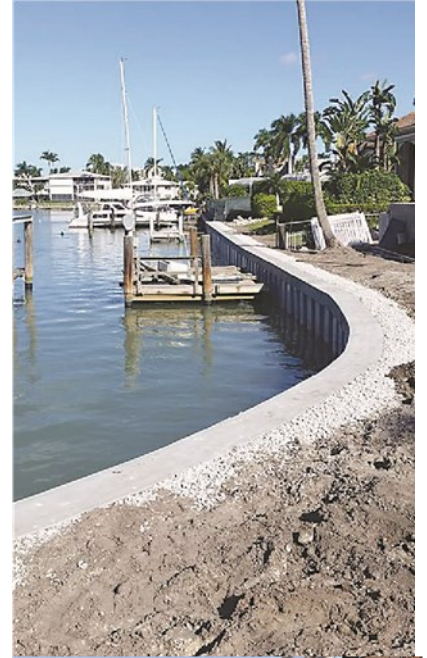
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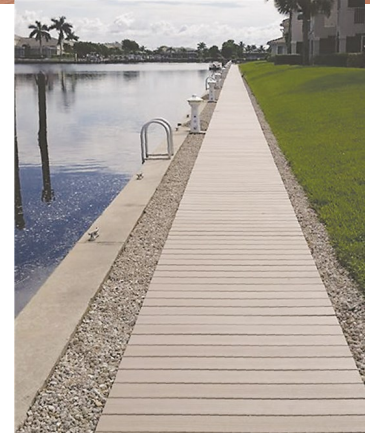
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