



# THE EAGLE'S EYE

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## MARCH DINNER MEETING



Commander Wanda Burson, P welcomes new member Barry Hoey after he was sworn in



Items from the Ship's Store on display. From left Linette Chaney, Dave Chaney, Susan and Gerry Cole and John Noffze. See Linette for all your ABC-MI gear!

Photos courtesy of Andrea Battaglia



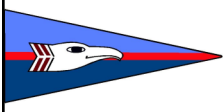
Our speaker, Linda Colombo, and husband Russ. Linda gave a great talk about Tigertail Beach

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# Coming Events 2022

## April 2022

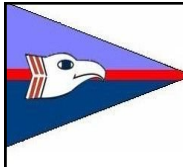
4/1	D22 Spring Conference	Punta Gorda	
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4/5	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
4/13	EXCOM meeting	Learning Center	0900
4/13	Dinner Meeting	Marco Island Yacht Club	1700 p. 10
4/19	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
4/19	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
4/21	Cruise and Lunch	Naples Boat House	1130 p. 09
4/27	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
4/30	Cruise and Lunch (BYOE)	Panther Key	1200 p. 09

## May 2022

5/3	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
5/11	EXCOM meeting	Learning Center	0900
5/11	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
5/17	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
5/17	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
5/19	Cruise and Lunch	Island Gypsy	1130
5/21-27	Safe Boating Week Begins		
5/21	Safe Boating Event	Marco Island Yacht Club	TBD p. 13
5/25	Captain's Meeting	CJs' on the Bay	1700 p. 04

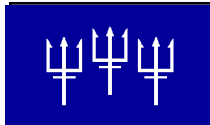
## June 2022

6/4	Saturday at the Zoo	Naples Zoo	1000
6/7	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
6/8	EXCOM Meeting	Learning Center	0900
6/8	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04
6/13	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE)	Sand Dollar Island	1130 p. 09
6/15	Lunch-Ridgway Bar & Grill	Naples	1130
6/21	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
6/21	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 17
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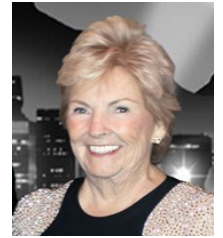
**THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR**  
 Lt Marcy Marinelli, P  
 Lt Jane Orsulak

This is my last edition as editor of the Eagle's Eye. I will be turning the reins over to new editor, Jane Orsulak, in May. I have enjoyed my time as a member of America's Boating Club and have learned a lot about boating. More importantly, I met many wonderful people throughout our six years in the club. Thanks especially to my proofreaders Ted Reiss and Dorothy Harkness and to Andy Battaglia for her mentorship. Although my husband Dan and I will be leaving the club, we hope to stay in touch with many of you here on the Island. I look forward to our paths crossing again. I wish you all "fair winds and following seas".



**COMMANDER**  
 Wanda Burson, P

After the unpredictable and really cold winter for us we are welcoming in a lovely Spring. As you know Spring is rather short in Florida and sometimes it's hard to tell where Spring ends and Summer begins. Maybe we should have a contest?



The Spring District 22 Conference is being held on 2<sup>nd</sup> of April and if you hurry you still have time to sign up for it. We also still need delegates and there is a small stipend if you choose to attend.

Gene Burson will be sworn in as District Commander this year and it would be nice to have a large turnout.

At our last General Meeting held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Barry Hoey was sworn in as our newest member. In his report at the dinner meeting, Jerry Cole, our treasurer, reported that National has been charging an application fee of \$20 for several years and that we have not raised our dues in 4 years. A motion was made and passed by membership to add a \$20 processing fee to the first-year dues for new members. On-going dues remain \$95 for one member and \$130 for a family.

Jerry is settling in as treasurer and is familiar with our system. We will have all the signers on all the bank and savings accounts changed soon. Thank you, Jerry, for all your work.

Dave Chaney is our new Ways and Means Committee Chair. As you will see further in this newsletter, he has taken on many projects including the Wear It campaign. Let's make sure that we support him in his endeavors.

April will be our last General Dinner Meeting until the Fall. We will have activities to attend all Summer and our twice monthly Captains Meetings at CJ's.

Volunteers are the back bone of our organization and just in case I haven't mentioned it lately you are totally appreciated and we can't say enough to let you know how very grateful each member is for your jobs well done.

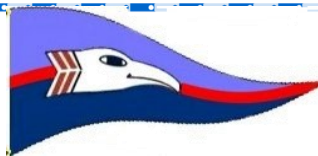


**SUNSHINE NEWS**

Continue to keep Joe Whiting and Katy Hart in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to deal with health challenges.



Please let me know of anyone who is sick, injured or deceased. I will send a card in the name of the squadron.  
 AnnMarie Ryan



**Captain's Meeting**  
**"Meet & Greet"**  
*everyone welcome!*  
**CJ's Gazebo Bar**  
**at the Esplanade at 1700**  
**on the 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Wednesday of the Month**



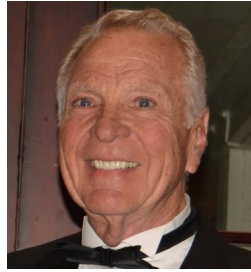
*For the time being, those who wish to attend should just show up at CJ's and be ready to enjoy a socially distant meet and greet!*



**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
D/Lt/C Gene Burson, JN

I have a lot to report from the volunteers that report to the Executive Officer.

Let's start with Co-operative Charting. Coop charting team completed five of the eight ATON survey assignments for 2022, representing 227 of the 332 ATONs in our squadron's area. The completed surveys include all the Marco Island City ATONs, so Cliff now has everything he needs to prepare his report to the city.



On Feb 27, Cliff submitted our first official USPS Nautical Report in the format that he proposed last year. The district and national chairs agreed to accept reports in this format on a trial basis. This type of report can be created with minimal effort from the database that he maintains. He has not yet received feedback on this report, which covered Collier and Smokehouse Bays.

The latest weekly light list (2022 wk9), published by United States Coast Guard, incorporates the first meaningful change for our area in at least five years. They added 14 ATONs in Collier-Smokehouse bays and corrected four others, so the light list now reflects the actual arrangement of ATONs in those bays for the first time in more than 16 years. The NOAA charts and commercial charts can now be corrected in the coming months to show the actual location of ATONs in these bays. Cliff has reported these discrepancies to USCG several times over the last few years.

Past Admiral, Ken Deutsch, our Safety Officer, reports his activity this past month was submitting the safety articles and completing his portion of the ATON survey for Cliff. See Ken's safety article below.

Lt Ray Rosenberg, Vessel Safety Officer, reports that things are going along fine now that they have received additional decals.

Lt Dave Chaney: Ways & Means and Public Relation Chair, along with the National Safe Boating representative, has written a report for the Bridge's consideration. The report outlines a Wear It campaign during National Safe Boating Week. Dave is hoping to have water-sport businesses join us in the campaign to

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**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**  
Lt/C David Randall, AP

The MISPS had a good month with the usual lineup of get-togethers. And, exciting as the monthly EXCOM meeting was, perhaps the Dinner Meeting with Linda Columbo of Friends of Tigertail, was more exciting. Dorothy Harkness reported 39 attendees. P/C Andrea Battaglia preceded the discussion with some medical considerations. Ole, a physician, wished to go fishing. He asked if Lars, the janitor, would fill in for him during clinic hours. At the end of the day, Ole inquired of Lars how things went. He proudly reported that the first patient had a headache and he provided Ibuprofen. Ole commented that it was a wise choice. The second had a stomach – ache that responded nicely to Maalox. Ole, again, approved. The day's last patient was more complex; an incredibly beautiful woman stripped naked and lay down on the exam table and said, "I haven't seen a man in *two* years." Ole asked about her treatment and Lars proudly pronounced, "I gave her eye drops!"



Some doubted the veracity of the tale, but there it was. Linda afterward gave us a great explanation of the complex ecosystem at Tigertail. The last few hurricanes and storms have created a large area of sand to the north which has markedly limited tidal exchange. They have a plan to address this while preserving nesting space for the many birds and hope to implement this beginning in the summer. She asked that we consider contacting our local city and county representatives to endorse the project. Their informative website is: [www.friendsoftigertail.com](http://www.friendsoftigertail.com). Next month we have a speaker from the Marco Island Eagle Sanctuary.

P/C Peggy Reiss reported that we have 172 active members and 4 associate members. Barry Hoey joined last month. He is an ABC graduate who lives in Naples and works as a broker / owner realtor with a mechanical engineering background. He has an 18 foot power boat and enjoys photography, fund raising, and advertising.

Otherwise, until next

Dave

that's it month!





## EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

Our highest congratulations go out to Dave Randall. He is now a USPS certified instructor. Congratulations to our new Boat Handling student successes: Michele Carney, Lisa Zordani, Don Bruns, Darren Scandone, Elizabeth Scandone, Robert Evans, Larry Green, Marie Green, Nancy Harrar, Michael Herod, and Cynthia Laprise. All of Nick Rago's students passed with flying scores. The Partner in Command seminar had 2 members and 3 non-members taught by Peggy Reiss and myself. In March, new member Paul Young completed the America's Boating Course along with four non-members. Eighteen students attended the combined How to Use a Chart/GPS seminar taught by Carl Thieme and myself. Five students attended the Hurricane Preparedness seminar presented by Rhonda Gloodt and myself. My thanks go out to all are instructors and helpers: Peggy Reiss, Tippy Cavanagh, Rhonda Gloodt, Gene Burson, Wand Burson, Nick Rago, Andy Battaglia, Carl Thieme, Chris Frost and Sam Contrada.



The winter education program is about over. New courses and seminars will begin again in the Fall. Let me know what interests you for the Fall and next Winter. More or different classroom courses or seminars? Different time of year?

Several On-the-Water events were held under the Jump Start program. This program is free to members who are seeking to improve their hands-on boating skills on their own boat. Are you comfortable docking, anchoring, using your GPS, or just plain operating your new boat? Each session can be about 2 hours or more depending on your interest. Let me know when to schedule these one-on-one outings.

Warm weather is coming. Go boating, be safe and have fun.



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER, Cont.

wear life preservers when on the water or on docks around the water. More news on this project will be coming in next month's issue.

Lt Linette Chaney has written a report on the current inventory of the Ship's Store, along with suggestions to improve the operation of sales and reduce inventory. Linette wants to partner our Ship's Store with a retailer to be able to offer to Club members the convenience of online purchases and anywhere delivery. She hopes her idea of an online Ship's Store is available starting in June.

Now is the time to get more involved in your Squadron/Club. If you want more information or to join fellow members in one or more of these projects/programs, contact the Chairman.

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XO Gene Burson, JN



## SAFETY OFFICER Lt Kenneth Deutsch



### Can You See Me Now? The ABCs of Visual Distress Signals

A United States Coast Guard boarding is not the time to find out if a boat is properly equipped with visual distress signals.



Despite the importance of modern options such as EPIRBs, PLBs and Digital Selective Calling (DSC), old-school visual distress signals remain both relevant and are the only type of distress signals boaters are required by law to have onboard. Here's a look at the types of approved visual distress signals available, along with the pros and cons associated with each.

#### Different Categories

Visual distress signals fall into two broad — pyrotechnic and non-pyrotechnic devices. These can be further divided into day and night use categories, although some are suitable for both. Examples of pyrotechnic devices include red flares (hand-held or aerial), orange smoke flares or canisters, etc. Non-pyrotechnical signals include any other type of visual distress signal, from mirrors to flags.

Each signaling device must be U.S. Coast Guard or SOLAS (Safety of Life at Sea) approved, with any combination of pyrotechnic and/or non-pyrotechnic distress signals totaling three for daytime and three for night use satisfying the *minimum* federally mandated requirements.

Meeting the minimum requirements, however, does not mean a vessel is carrying all the signaling devices that should be onboard. Like winning lottery numbers, a boater in distress can't have too many emergency-signaling devices when the need arises. Experts suggest every vessel should carry at least double what's required by law more when coastal or off-shore cruising

A handheld signal flare is an example of pyrotechnic signaling device.



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#### A Flare For the Dramatic

Pyrotechnical flares are relatively inexpensive and a popular choice with boat owners, who typically meet U.S. Coast Guard carriage requirements by carrying red handheld or aerial flares suitable for day and night use. SOLAS flares are approved by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) for use on the high seas. While more expensive, they typically exceed U.S. Coast Guard standards for luminosity and burn time. Many recreational boaters choose SOLAS devices for the added margin of safety they provide.

Flares are required by law to have a 42-month service life and have their expiration date stamped on them. A typical boater will probably have a number of expired flares onboard for "back-ups" (everyone hates throwing away things they had to buy, but didn't use). While these can remain operational years past their expiration date, the chemicals used in flares will deteriorate over time, so don't be surprised if those expired back-ups are harder to light, have shorter burn times, decreased altitudes or simply fail to work when the time comes. For reliable back-ups, carry spares that are within their expiration date.

Flares make excellent distress signals, but they do have drawbacks. They can only be used once and can cause personal injury and property damage if not handled properly. Flares generate molten slag while burning, so hold them well overboard when firing or lighting them and during use.

Aerial flares and launchers should be treated with the same respect as firearms. Some states may even consider the pistol launcher for meteors and parachute flares to be a firearm, so ask about local laws when purchasing.

#### Non-Pyrotechnic Visual Distress Signals

The only U.S. Coast Guard currently approved, non-pyrotechnic visual distress signals are the Orange Distress Flag and the Electric Distress or SOS light. The distress flag is a day signal consisting of a black square and ball on an orange background. Size-wise, it has to be at least 3' x 3.9' and marked as meeting Coast Guard requirements in 46 CFR 160.072. While flares are considered more effective by many, distress flags have the advantage of working without intervention for as long as they are displayed. A distress flag's visibility can also be significantly increased by attaching it to a paddle or boathook and waving it about or by flying it from the highest point of a vessel.



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## SAFETY OFFICER, Cont.

Electric distress lights are for night use only. They must automatically flash the international SOS distress signal (three short flashes, three long flashes, three short flashes) and be labeled as meeting Coast Guard requirements stated 46 CFR 161.013. Ordinary flashlights are not acceptable substitutes for an electric distress light, as they must be manually flashed and are normally not bright enough.

Modern versions of the electronic distress light include the Sirius SOS Distress Light, Orion Electronic SOS Beacon Kit and the Weems & Plath C-1001 SOS distress light. Two things to note about each of these products. First, they are not “electronic flares” despite some advertising claims you may see — they are distress lights. Secondly, they are approved for nighttime use only, which is why they come with a distress flag. This combination enables them to meet carriage requirements for day and night time use.

Although not Coast Guard approved, one of the best all-around, non-pyrotechnic distress signaling devices is a signal mirror. Compact and simple to operate, signal mirrors have proven their worth in numerous rescues. In normal sunlight, flashes from a good signal mirror can be seen up to 50 miles away depending upon atmospheric conditions (the record distance during an at sea rescue is 105 miles). They even work on bright overcast days and moonlight nights to an extent.



While there are reportedly cases where sailors have been rescued using the reflective holographic sticker on their credit card, don't be tempted to rely on that or an old CD — spend a little money and get the real thing.

### Electric Flares

While Coast Guard approval for non-pyrotechnic visual distress signals is currently limited to the distress flag and electric SOS distress light, that doesn't mean true electronic flares are not being developed.



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Products such as the MK3 LED flare by ODEO and the Ocean Signal RescueME EDF1 electric distress flare will hopefully see approval as an alternative to pyrotechnic flares at some point. Although not currently U.S. Coast Guard approved, both are effective, reusable, long lasting and considered by many as more recognizable as a visible distress signal than an SOS distress light. Safety-conscious mariners should not hesitate to carry them in addition to the required, currently approved visual distress signals (there are no restrictions for carrying alternative electric signal devices and Coast Guard approval is not required to use them).

Finally, no distress signal will do you any good if you can't find them in an emergency. All emergency signaling devices should be stored in a properly labeled orange container that can be quickly located.



Store them in a red or orange watertight container marked “Distress Signals” and keep it in a dry, but readily accessible place.

Article reprinted from the website of Capt. Frank Lanier, a SAMS® Accredited Marine Surveyor with more than 40 years of experience in the marine and diving industry. He can be reached via his website at [www.captfklanier.com](http://www.captfklanier.com).

Since we're talking safety, don't forget to have your Vessel Safety Check! Contact Ray Rosenberg at [raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com) to schedule your VSC for 2022. A certified examiner will come and do a free inspection to make sure that you have all the required safety equipment you need for safe boating.





## Winter/Spring Boating Activities Calendar

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities!

4/21	Cruise & Lunch, Naples Boat House	1130
4/30	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) Panther Key	1200
5/19	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy	1130
6/13	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) Sand Dollar Island	1130
6/25	Cruise & Lunch Port of the Islands	1130
7/16	Cruise & Dinner Mangos Dockside Bistro	1700
7/26	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) White Horse Key	1130

For questions, contact Boating Chair, P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN  
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**LAST DINNER MEETING OF THE SEASON**



**MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022  
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:  
Marco Island Eagle Sanctuary**

**MENU:  
\$45 per Person  
Choose One Dinner per Person:  
Stuffed Pork Tenderloin with Sundried Apricots,  
Dried Cranberries, Spinach and Pine Nuts  
Or  
Honey Dijon Salmon  
Or  
Vegetarian: Wild Mushroom Wellington  
Key Lime Tart**

**Adult Beverages Available for Purchase  
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**PLEASE RESPOND BY FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2022**



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**Menu choice: Pork \_\_\_\_\_ Salmon \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_**

**No. attending \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45 Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_**

# MARCH DINNER MEETING

At our March dinner meeting, we were treated to an informative talk about Tigertail Beach and the unique ecosystem that thrives there. Linda Colombo from Friends of Tigertail was our speaker for the evening's program. She had a wonderful presentation with many photos and slides. We welcomed new member Barry Hoey, who was sworn in at the meeting. Our last dinner meeting for the season will be held on Wednesday, April 13th and the Marco Island Yacht Club. See the flyer on page 10 to reserve your place at the dinner. We'll start the dinner meetings back up again in October 2022. Remember that starting in May we'll have two Captain's Meetings—the second and fourth Wednesdays at 1700—at CJ's on the Bay.

Photos courtesy of Andrea Battaglia.



Cloe and Ed Gerri, Lt/C David Randall, AP and Lt/C Shelley Derrough, P



Cloe and Ed Gerri



Commander Wanda Burson, P, Nancy and Gerald DuFresne



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Cliff Winings and Mary Alice Wilson



P/C Bill Hughes, JN and Barry Hoey



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**Dick and Susan Flaherty**



**Don Cates and Sonia Benson**



**Julie and Steve Riley**

## **March Dinner Meeting**

# WEAR IT EVENT

Planning is well underway for Safe Boating week and the “WEAR IT” campaign! Safe Boating week will be May 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> with our WEAR IT Awareness Day to be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Marco Island Yacht Club. The City of Marco Island will issue a Proclamation on May 16<sup>th</sup> declaring the week of May 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> as Safe Boating Week on Marco Island.

Our campaign this year will target 40+ businesses on the island that daily place adults and youth on commercial and personal watercraft (rentals). We will be asking them to review their safety protocols, messaging and pre departure training. This keeps safety top of mind within their businesses and in front of their customers. During their standard safety review with their passengers, boaters, Jet skiers, kayakers, and paddlers they will announce Safe Boating Week and the importance of wearing a lifejacket on all personal watercraft. We will provide a talking points card that quickly reviews the Seven Safe Boating Tips that are part of National’s Awareness and “WEAR IT” campaign. All boaters who hear this Safe Boating message will be given a decorative wristband printed with the America’s Boating Club name and “WEAR IT” campaign logo. We anticipate over 2,000 people will hear our Safe Boating message at a time when they may need it most.

I am very pleased to announce that Sweet Annie’s Ice Cream Parlor, located at 692 Bald Eagle Dr. will partner with us to promote Safe Boating and the “WEAR IT” campaign. Sweet Annie’s will offer a 50% discount on an Ice Cream Float (I FLOAT) to anyone who wears their “WEAR IT” wristband into the store. Sweet Annie’s will also display a register poster that promotes Safe Boating, “WEAR IT”, the MISPS logo and our mission here on the island along with the 50% discount offer. Sweet Annie’s name will also appear on the wristband. This places a great value to the wristband and drives retention through the month of May.

We are currently preparing the marketing materials to be used by our business partners, the press, web and social media. We will begin calling on businesses late in March and early April to gain their support for the campaign. If you would like to make any calls on local businesses, contact me directly at: (440)-804-6398.

I look forward to giving you an update in the May edition of The Eagle’s Eye! Be Safe and “WEAR IT”!

Dave Chaney

# BEACH CLEAN-UP

A number of our ABC-MI members participated at the Beach clean-up on Saturday, March 18, 2022 at South Beach. ABC-MI was the sponsoring organization for this month’s clean-up. Participants from our club included Gene Burson, Ted and Peggy Reiss, Andrea Battaglia, Bob Gloodt, Linette Chaney and Nanette Rivera. Photos courtesy of Gene Burson.



Many volunteers, in addition to our members, attended the beach clean-up



Back row: Gene Burson, Ted Reiss, Bob Gloodt, Linette Chaney; Front Row: Andy Battaglia, Peggy Reiss, Nanette Rivera

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Sweet Annie's will partner with the  
Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron  
in support of our Boating Safety  
"WEAR IT" campaign!

## May 21<sup>st</sup> – May 27<sup>th</sup>

Look for exciting details in the weeks to come.

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB



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# BOAT AROUND MARCO

March 19, 2022



Saturday was a great day to circumnavigate Marco Island. Just Us led the flotilla composed of: Knotty Nettie, Taylored Wake, Aquavas, Marco Cat, Abby Girl and My Babe. The cruise took about 2 hours to cover the 23 miles at speeds ranging from 4 knots to 18 knots. **RED RIGHT RETURN** changed four times. Channels, shallows and sand bars were noted. No one ran aground! This was a great way for our newer members to learn all about the waters around our island.

Photos courtesy of Ted Reiss



Welcome new members Lynn Morr, Paul Young and Tom and Lori Wagor!

## **JUMP START ON THE WATER TRAINING**

**Did you know that ABC-MI offers our members free personalized on the water training on their own boats?**

**JUMP START is a free program that provides one-on-one on the water training sessions for members to learn hands-on skills on their own boats. Sessions are customized to fit the needs of the individual student. Whether you want to learn how to operate your boat, trim the engine, anchor at sea, or dock your boat efficiently, Ted can help you with this. Each session lasts about two hours. If you are a new boater who just took delivery of your first boat, or a seasoned boater who needs to develop new skills, Ted will be able to help you! If you are interested in having a Jump Start, contact Ted Reiss for more information. Ted's email is [capttedr@yahoo.com](mailto:capttedr@yahoo.com) and his phone number is 239-213-8722.**



## **VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS**

**We now have Vessel Safety Check stickers for 2022. If you want a 2022 Vessel Safety Check (and you should if you will be involved in any squadron boating activities), please request one by contacting Ray Rosenberg ([raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com)). We already have had 56 vessel checks done by our crew of inspectors. VSCs are free and we can send you the paperwork in advance so you can get ready for your inspection. We are also looking for individuals who would like to volunteer to be a VSC inspector.**



## ***“Hand, Knee & Foot” Card Game***

Call: Lt Dorothy Harkness, S at 642-3575

Email: dorothyharkness@embarqmail.com



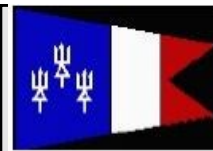
Easy to learn this fun game ... nice to play while on cruises. Socialize with members of the squadron, give Dorothy a call ... 642-3575.

Social distancing will be observed.

## **April Birthdays**

Happy birthday to the following ABC-MI members who are celebrating their birthdays in April. If we've missed your birthday, contact the Editor.

Rudy Landwaard 4/4  
Bernard Pointer 4/4  
Loretta Metzler 4/5  
Kelly Gulling 4/7  
Roy Sander 4/12  
Telford Allen 4/15  
Jo Martin 4/16  
Nick Rago 4/16  
John Noffze 4/23  
John Salotto 4/24  
Carl Thieme 4/24  
Lynette Noffsinger 4/25  
Colleen Aurori 4/26  
Cliff Winings 4/26



**“CAPTAIN TED’S CORNER”**  
P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN



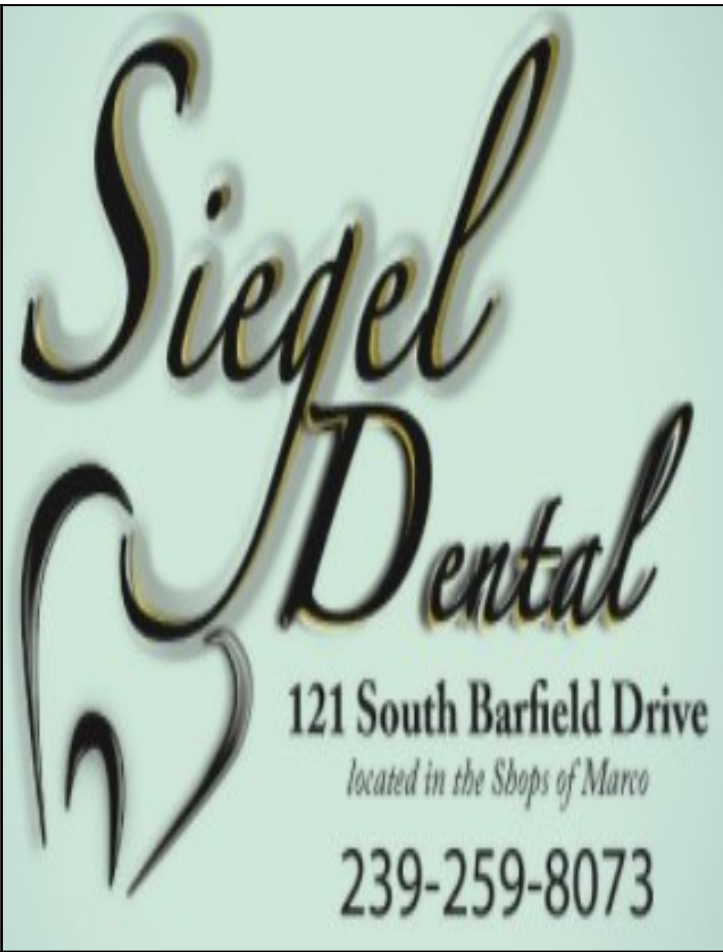
- BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** Which requirement must be met in order for a stand-on vessel to take action to avoid collision?  
A) The vessels must be within half a mile of each other  
B) Risk of collision must exist.  
C) There are no requirements to be met. The stand-on vessel may take action anytime  
D) The give-way vessel must have taken action first.
- BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** A vessel is being propelled both by sail and by engines. Under the Rules, the vessel is \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) not covered under any category  
B) a sail vessel  
C) a “special circumstances” vessel  
D) a power –driven vessel
- The turning circle of a vessel making a turn over 360 degrees is the path followed by the  
A) center of gravity  
B) bow  
C) bridge  
D) centerline
- 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

Answers: 1 b, 2 d, 3 a, 4 a

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