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Wine and Hors d'oeurves January Fundraiser

Another successful wine and Hors D'oeurves fundraising activity was enjoyed by 265 attendees. This was made possible through the hard work and planning by the committee as well as all the volunteers and contributors. Many thanks to all of you for allowing the MISPS organization to support safe boating for all! See Page 23 for more photos from the fundraiser.



The big winner in the 50/50 was Mary Ellen Evans (left), she was presented \$740 in cash by 50/50 Chair Nanette Rivera (center) and Event Co-Chair Linette Chaney (right)



Decadently delicious trays of food were prepared and served by: (left to right) Elizabeth Scandone, Carol McCann, Judy Bruns, Pam Sander, and Kitchen Chair Susan Cole at the America's Boating Club, Marco Island Fundraiser



Photos courtesy of Tom Morr and Dave Chaney

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10-May	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	10
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18-May	Cruise & Lunch	Island Gypsy	1130	



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THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR Lt Jane Orsulak

There have been so many fun activities we enjoyed in February, and many more to come in March. Please check out all the articles in this month's Eagle's Eye to keep up to date!

I welcome any comments and suggestions to the newsletter. Please email to jmo.abcd@gmail.com



SUNSHINE NEWS Lt Ann Marie Ryan

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

Ann Marie Ryan,

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March Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following MISPS members who are celebrating their birthdays this month. If we've missed your birthday, contact the Editor.

- 03/27 Dennis E. Enstrom
- 03/01 William J. Hughes
- 03/20 John J. Jamison
- 03/19 Steven J. Moore
- 03/12 Marsha Pointer
- 03/05 Deborah A. Rago
- 03/02 Steven W. Riley
- 03/19 Diane M. Thario
- 03/22 Starr Whiting





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COMMANDER Cdr David Chaney



As Co-Chairs of our 2023 Wine and Hors d'oeurves Party held on January 28, 2023, Linette and I wish to thank all our club volunteers and committee chairs for making our annual

fundraiser a great success. With 265 people in attendance, we raised approximately \$19,250 after expenses which exceeded our goal of \$16,000. With the monies earned, in addition to paying our expenses for 2023, we will be able to continue our mission of encouraging safe boating around Marco Island by offering boating education classes to the public, yearly vessel safety checks, ATON surveys, and encouraging the wearing of life jackets through the annual WEAR-IT campaign. Our members made all this possible by canvassing local businesses for donations of gift cards and gift certificates for inclusion in our 32 raffle prizes each valued between \$100-\$125 and by soliciting cash donations and the 52 unique silent auction items that sold for 58% of retail value. Our silent auction offerings had something for everyone: a helicopter ride for three around Marco Island, a March Madness Marco Island Brewery package, a night at the J.W. Marriot Resort, a scuba party in your pool, fine art, jewelry, salon and massage packages, sunset dinner cruises, kayaking trips, catamaran sailings, Marco Island eco tours, Key West Express trip, golf packages, landscaping, window washing, and more. Additional monies were earned through our 50/50 and raffle ticket sales.

Rave reviews were heard from attendees about the quality and variety of food we served to our guests. Thank you to all our members who contributed cash and food. Susan Cole and committee used the donated monies to purchase food from Publix and the Carvelli Restaurant Group donated nine trays of hors d'oeuvre offerings from three of their restaurants: The Oyster Society, Marco Prime, and DaVinci's. Our volunteer members prepared the food and dessert trays and kept our tables full for our guests. Wine, beer, coffee, soda, and water were also available for all guests. Rhonda Gloodt and Andy Battaglia set the mood with a fresh nautical theme accented with colorful balloons and beach shell

centerpieces. What a great way to start off the year! (See the "Thank You" to volunteers and donors later in this edition).

At our February membership dinner meeting, I had the pleasure to perform my first "Swearing In" for new members, Roger and Diane Thario. We look forward to seeing them at events and participating in club activities. Nick Rago was recognized as being an Outstanding Educator in MISPS. Well done Nick! We also heard from Gene Burson regarding his success in leading the Ways and Means committee to a very successful winter campaign to secure advertisers in the Eagle's Eye. Read Gene's column for details. Great job Gene!! Our guest speakers and members, Gene Wordehoff and Nanette Rivera, shared their research on the poor water quality in our bays and canals around Marco Island. We learned about reclaimed water containing phosphate, low oxygen levels in the canals, water treatment plants, and possible solutions. Nannette and Gene are tirelessly trying to raise awareness to the public of these issues. I encourage all of you interested in their work to contact them directly.

Did you miss it? We had a wonderful day on the water as we cruised to Panther Key for a picnic lunch. Thank you to Chris Frost for putting the cruise together and thanks to Captain Ted Reiss for leading the way and getting us safely to Panther Key and back. It is just amazing how pristine the water and Everglades become once you get away from the Marco River and back waters. I encourage everyone who can get out on their boat to join us on our boating events. It is what this club is all about—smart safe boating with friends and family.

I want to thank P/D/C Ted Reiss and P/C Peggy Reiss for providing their boat "Just Us" to represent our squadron at the Blessing Of The Fleet. While it was a chilly morning, D/C Gene Burson, P/C Wanda Burson, P/C Andy Battaglia, Lt Linette Chaney, the Reiss's and I braved the wind and flew our squadron flags as we passed in front of the Marco Island Yacht Club. It is quite a spectacle to see the diversity of boats/yachts as they parade in line and pay tribute to our Marco civilian fleet, the armed forces and our local first responders. We certainly owe them our gratitude for their service and sacrifice.

Our next boating event is the Boat Around Marco trip led by Captain Ted Reiss. This is a must do trip for new members and boaters who are new to Marco waters and those that just love to see the entire island from the water. You can track your trip on your GPS and use it for reference. If you would like to have a co-captain aboard during the trip just let us know and we will make sure you have someone familiar with the route be your co-captain. It is absolutely the best way to become familiar with the channels and markers around the island. This event is scheduled for Saturday, March 18th. (See the Boat Around Marco ad later in this edition.)

March 18th is also Beach Clean Up Day! This year we will be joining the Marco Sportfishing Club to pick up trash and debris on South Beach. We will meet promptly at 8:00 am on South Beach at the end of the public walkway. Please support this public service activity and volunteer. (See the ad in this edition of the Eagles Eye.)

I am sure everyone is looking forward to our Sunset Cruise on March 23rd. I hope to see a large group boating in this event. If you would like to participate and do not like to take your boat out at night, just let Chris Frost or Ted Reiss know. We will gladly get you on a boat. Linette and I would also be very happy to take you on our pontoon boat to enjoy the evening. It is always a magical experience to see the sun set when on the water. (See the ad in this issue of the Eagle's Eye.)

Hand, Knee & Foot" Card Game

Call: Lt Dorothy Harkness, S at 239-642-3575 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 ... 239-642-3575.



Social distancing will be observed.

March 29th is our cruise and lunch to the Rod and Gun Club located in Everglades City. This is one of the most enjoyable areas to visit in S.W. Florida. The club is filled with great history and local flavor with an "Old Florida" dining ambiance. If you are driving, take the time to also visit The Museum of The Everglades or stop at the Everglades National Park Gulf Coast Visitor Center. This is a wonderful day trip. If you plan on making the trip by boat, contact Chris Frost or Ted Reiss. They will be organizing the

meeting points and guide us through the channel back up into Everglades City where we tie up right in front of the Rod and Gun Club. (See the ad in this edition of the Eagle's Eye and visit: rodandguneverglades.com.)

It is time to register for the Spring District Conference. I encourage members of the bridge to attend and members who would like to grow their knowledge of District 22 business activities. This conference is a great place to learn of other squadrons' events and member experiences. Our own District Commander Gene Burson and Past District Commander Ted Reiss will lead a round table discussion on New Club/District Bylaws. An open forum Town Hall will be co-led by Gene Burson and our honored guest, the Chief Commander of the United States Power Squadrons, Cdr Craig Fraser, SN-IN. I will be attending the conference to become familiar with the new bylaws and to meet my fellow Commanders. (See the registration and event flyer in this issue of the Eagle's Eye).

I encourage all our member boat owners to have their boat inspected by our hard-working inspection team. Please call John Moyer (239) 248-7078 to schedule a vessel safety check. John and his team also have some great tips on new products and equipment that will make your day on the water safer. Remember this is a FREE service and shows fellow boaters that you take boating safety seriously. We encourage you to spread the word regarding this worthwhile community service that MISPS provides.

How long has it been since you had a CPR/AED/First Aid training course? Well, we have one being held in our classroom on March 13th from 9:00am-1:00pm. This course will be taught by our Marco Island EMS team. Space is limited to only 15 students and the course is free! Please be prepared to save a life and sign up for this course. Contact Ted Reiss to reserve your space. (See the ad in this issue of the Eagle's Eye).

Remember to sign up for the Membership dinner meeting coming up on March 8th. Please get your reservation into Dorothy Harkness now! If you are a new member, please plan on attending this dinner. There are only a few dinners left during this peak season for us to get to know you. All mentors in the New Member Connect program should be calling their new members to encourage their participation.

Congratulations to Past District Commander Ted Reiss, Senior Navigator-Coastal Navigator, our Education Officer, on being awarded the Charles F Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching. This is the highest award that is given to an instructor at the National level. Everyone in the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron has benefitted from his dedication and passion for teaching. It is an honor to serve with him and have Ted's leadership on our bridge. Please join me in congratulating Ted at our March dinner meeting on March 8th. (Please read the column regarding this award in this issue of the Eagle's Eye.)

March and April are filled with squadron activities. It takes many dedicated members to organize and lead these planned activities for you, so show your support and participate in our club. I look forward to seeing everyone in a class, at a dinner, at an event or on the water!



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Lt/C David Randall, AP



Thanks to Dave Chaney, his volunteers, and the kind community members and businesses who donated generously, the Squadron had another successful and fun night with its annual wine and hors d'oeuvre party.

Members contributed lots of tasty victuals and the Carvelli Group sent us three large trays of appetizers from their restaurants!

Cards at the Condo

Your Administrative Officer has no experience with,



"Hand, Knee, and Foot" but plenty of first - hand knowledge of foot - in - mouth. Join members at 1300 at the Learning Center on March 7 and then on March 21. Dorothy Harkness assures that this is a fun, easy game to play. Join your Squadron fellows and beat the heat with an activity that does not require any sunscreen! Questions? Call Dorothy: 239-642-3575

Captains' Meeting at CJ's on the Bay

Afraid of commitment? Then just show up if the whim takes you to join the group at CJ's on the Bay. Held the fourth Wednesday of each month, our next get-together is March 22nd at 1700 for your libation(s) of choice! Questions on registration – best of all you don't have to register; just show up!!

We look forward to seeing you at these fun events!

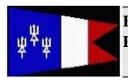


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EDUCATIONAL OFFICER P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN



Congratulations to Nick Rago for receiving the District award to our squadron's best instructor over the Well deserved. last year. spends whatever time, (not just class time) and energy is needed for the students to learn.

Winter education program is winding down. Boat Handling and February America's Boating Course just finished. New starts in March are: Charting/GPS seminar on March 1 & 2, Hurricane Preparedness seminar on 21 March and our last winter 5 session ABC starts on 6 March.

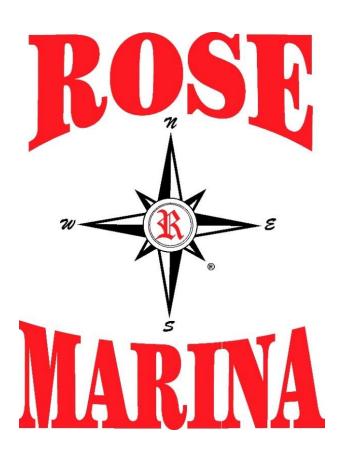
A CPR/AED/First Aid course, taught by the Marco Island EMS team, will be held in our classroom on March 13th starting promptly at 9 AM and will last until about 1 PM. This opportunity is limited to the first 15 members. If more are interested in this FREE class, a second session will be arranged. Contact me as soon as possible if you want to attend. Remember that while on our boats, help is not just around the next channel.

As some members know, we have a vessel simulator/trainer. You can drive a single engine boat, twin engine boat, PWC, up to an ocean going luxury liner. You get to steer. You get to adjust the speed. Can you dock a boat - in a slip or along a floating dock? Would you like to practice on land before venturing on your own boat? Would you like to boat in New York harbor and see the statue of liberty? Or one of the many waterways of Europe? We have many locations to choose. Let me know when you would like to have fun. Oh, if you sink the boat, a few key strokes raises it up.

We have only 6 certified instructors. That limits the selection of courses we teach. A short 4-5 session Instructor Development course is available to help members hone their skills and get comfortable sharing information. Many of us have taken the America's Boating Course and/or Boat Handling and have on-the-water experience. With help, could you learn to present one of the sessions or a part of one and share your experiences? Power point slides and lesson plans are available. Let me know your interest and questions. Who would like to be the next Squadron Educational Officer or Asst SEO?

So, go boating, be safe and keep learning.





SAFETY OFFICER Lt Kenneth Deutsch

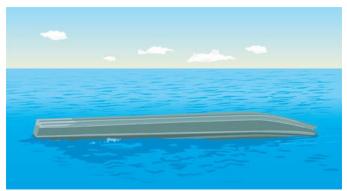


Ending Up in the Water Unexpectedly

Most boating fatalities don't have anything to do with bad weather or hazardous sea conditions. They typically occur in smaller, open boats on inland waters during

daylight hours when weather and visibility are good, the winds are light, and the water is calm. Despite these ideal conditions, passengers fall overboard and many boats capsize, causing over half of all boating fatalities.

Capsizing, Swamping, or Falling Overboard



Capsizing is when a boat turns on its side or turns completely over. Swamping occurs when a boat stays upright and fills with water. Sometimes a person falling overboard from a boat causes the boat to capsize or swamp. Regardless, the outcome is the same—people are in the water unexpectedly.

Preventing Capsizing, Swamping, or Falling Overboard

To help prevent and prepare for capsizing, swamping, or someone falling overboard, follow these guidelines.

- Make sure that you and your passengers are wearing PFDs while the boat is underway.
- Attach the engine cut-off switch lanyard to your wrist, clothes, or PFD.
- Don't allow anyone to sit on the gunwale, bow, seat backs, motor cover, or any other area not designed for seating. Also, don't let anyone sit on pedestal seats when operating at a speed greater than idle speed.
- Don't overload your boat. Balance the load of all

- passengers and gear.
- Keep your center of gravity low by not allowing people to stand up or move around while underway, especially in smaller, less-stable boats.
- In a small boat, don't allow anyone to lean a shoulder beyond the gunwale.
- Slow your boat appropriately when turning.
- Be especially alert and careful when boating in rough water conditions or in bad weather.
- When anchoring, secure the anchor line to the bow, never to the stern.

If You Capsize, Swamp, or Fall Overboard



If you should capsize or swamp your boat, or if you have fallen overboard and can't get back in, stay with the boat if possible. Your swamped boat is easier to see and will signal that you are in trouble. Also signal for help using other devices available (visual distress signals, whistle, mirror).

- If you made the mistake of not wearing a PFD, find one and put it on. If you can't put it on, hold onto it. Have your passengers do the same.
- Take a head count. Reach, throw, row, or go, if needed.
- If your boat remains afloat, try to reboard or climb onto it in order to get as much of your body out of the cold water as possible. Treading water will cause you to lose body heat faster, so try to use the boat for support.

If Your Boat Sinks or Floats Away



If your boat sinks or floats away, don't panic.

- If you are wearing a PFD, make sure that it is securely fastened, remain calm, and wait for help.
- If you aren't wearing a PFD, look for one floating in the water or other floating items (coolers, oars or paddles, decoys, etc.) to help you stay afloat. Do your best to help your passengers find something to help them float and stay together.
- If you have nothing to support you, you may have to tread water or simply float. In cold water, float rather than tread to reduce hypothermia.

Important

Swimming to shore should be considered only as a last resort.

If a Passenger Falls Overboard



If someone on your boat falls overboard, you need to immediately:

- Reduce speed and toss the victim a PFD preferably a throwable type—unless you know he or she is already wearing a PFD.
- Turn your boat around and slowly pull alongside the victim, approaching the victim from downwind or into the current, whichever is stronger.
- Stop the engine. Pull the victim on board over the stern, keeping the weight in the boat balanced, especially in small boats.

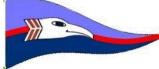
Preventing Falls Overboard From Small Boats

Small craft boaters need to be especially careful to avoid falling overboard. Falling overboard and drowning is the major cause of fatalities for small boats. To prevent falling overboard:



- Keep centered in the boat with your center of gravity low in the boat. Always keep your shoulders between the gunwales.
- If possible, don't move about the boat. If you must move, maintain three points of contact. That is, keep both hands and one foot or both feet and one hand in contact with the boat at all times.
- Evenly distribute and balance the weight of persons and gear within the boat, keeping most of the weight low. It is extremely important not to overload a small boat.





Captain's Meeting
"Meet & Greet"
everyone welcome!
CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade at
1700 on the 4th
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 meet and greet!

Membership Corner P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

Welcome to the Membership Corner!

This month we feature new members Roger and Diane Thario.

They purchased their home on Capistrano Court 3 years ago anticipating retirement and moving to Marco full time in the future. Until then, they travel back and forth to Green Bay, WI every 2 weeks for work. They both are still very active in their company, Thario Building Services, Inc. They provide maintenance and janitorial services to hospitals, clinics and surgery centers throughout NE Wisconsin and employ a staff of 350 full and part time workers.

Diane and Roger have been married for 9 years, although have been soul mates for over 45 years. They have 5 children between them and 6 grandchildren. In what little free time they have, they love boating at their lake house in Wisconsin and here in Marco.

They love your paradise island with its laid-back island feeling; everyone here is so pleasant and helpful to talk to. They look forward to being active in the club and helping where they can.



Ways and Means Committee D/C Gene Burson, JN

This report was requested because of the Eagle's Eye Advertising success for 2022-2023. I think that a little background information about the sources of the Club's funds is appropriate to better understand the significance of each source to the total yearly budget.

The sources of income are Membership Dues; Education Classes; Ship Store Sales; Donations to the Club; Investment Committee; Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Party; Local Business Sponsorships; and Eagle's Eye Sale of Advertising.

Membership dues are directly proportional to the number of members we have in the Club. The more members we have, the more we will collect in dues.

Educational Classes are very similar to dues. The more classes we present to more members and more public students, the more funds we collect from our Educational program.

Ship Store sales produce revenue when members purchase Club shirts, blouses, burgees, etc. on our local website. The sale is physically handled by Sunshine Stitchers, but you access the Club's portal via our Club website: www.MarcoBoatingClub.org.

Donations to the Club can come from anyone that wants to help support our mission of safe boating.

The Investment Committee is a little unique in that they work with whatever money the Executive Board has given them to invest. Their contribution to the Club's funds is directly proportional to the amount of money they have to invest, how well they have chosen the investment areas, and the market behavior itself.

Sponsorships were created to ask local businesses to help support our efforts in specific projects such as the Wear It campaign, Wine & Hors d'oeurves Party, and the Vessel Safe Check program. We offer businesses a variety of enticements to make it attractive to them to be associated with MISPS.

The Wine & Hors d'oeurves Party is our major fund raiser for the year. As you may know, volunteers of the Club go to businesses and ask for donations that we give away in raffle prizes or place in the silent auction. This is the largest fundraising activity of the Club with over 40 volunteers taking part.

Eagle Eye Advertising is a lesser-known form of income, but it serves the Club well by supporting all the expenses to produce the monthly Eagle's Eye newsletter and adding additional funds to the income side of the ledger.

For the past few years, I have tried to combine the three sources of income from Sponsorships, Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Party, and Eagle's Eye Advertising. I approach the larger local businesses for sponsorship with the enticement of free advertising with our Wine & Hors d'oeurves Party advertising and give the business a free ad in the Eagle's Eye. The money collected is then separated between the three.

The grouping approach has worked so well that the Eagle's Eye Advertising income budget estimate of \$1,000 has been well exceeded. The 2023 Sponsorships program for the Wine & Hors d'oeurves Party, and Eagle's Eye Advertising campaigns have been completed. In total we collected \$4,300 of Sponsorships with the split being \$2,600 for the Eagle's Eye newsletter and \$1,700 being assigned to the Wine & Hors d'oeurves Party success.

District 22 Spring Conference April 21st and 22nd D/C Gene Burson, JN

The conference starts with the Squadron Bridge Officer Meeting. This meeting is led by a Squadron Commander with a roundtable of all other commanders. The decision will center around problems and successes of squadrons in the District. All squadron bridge officers are invited to be in the audience and participate if desired.

In the afternoon on Friday there will be two learning sessions. National Bylaws will be discussed with the emphasis on the integration into the District and Squadrons. The second session is on creating long term plans, one and three year plans, for the District and Squadrons.

Saturday is a busy day with a town hall meeting being led by Chief Commander Craig Fraser and District Commander Gene Burson. The afternoon will be the actual conference followed by the Change of Watch in the evening.

All members should try to attend, but especially the Bridge Officers. These sessions will help everyone to understand more about the total organization and the problems we must overcome to stay healthy.

Please review the conference flyers included in this issue of the Eagle's Eye and plan your time at the conference.

P.S. Punta Gorda is only an hour and a half from Marco Island.





AWARDS RECEIVED BY MEMBERS

Charles F. Chapman Award

Each year, the top educators in United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club, are recognized with the Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching. These volunteer instructors have devoted themselves to teaching boating and boater safety courses to prepare our members to become the best trained, most prepared boaters on the water.

Named after one of the founding fathers of United States Power Squadrons, the award recognizes educators who embrace their work with unparalleled dedication and a deep commitment to their students.

The Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching is an annual award program that provides Squadron, District and National recognition to outstanding individual instructors. At the National level, the Chapman Award is the highest recognition and honor that USPS can give to the three instructors who are selected as the best of our best each year. The Award is the highest honor that USPS can bestow upon an individual instructor. Each year the Award is presented at the USPS annual meeting to three honorees.

This year America's Boating Club—Marco Island is proud to have the winner of the National Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching, Past District Commander Ted Reiss, Senior Navigator-Coastal Navigator.



Ted has boated for over 50 years. He has owned day boats, water ski boats, and then cruisers between 34 to 48 feet. During that time, he learned about safety, navigation and sharing. He became involved first as a student, taking all the United States Power Squadron courses and seminars and then giving back to others, both in the classroom and on the water, what he learned and experienced. Along the way he earned a 100-ton Masters License from the Coast Guard, another opportunity to help new boaters learn the knowledge and skills of boating. With that credential, he worked for eight years as a delivery captain for a new boat dealer on the Chesapeake Bay. Since joining the Power Squadron in 1988 he became involved with the education department first in Shrewsbury Squadron in New Jersey, next in Kent Narrows Maryland Squadron and now in Marco Island Florida. He has taught most of the courses and many of the seminars. His goal is for students to learn, not to say he presented some material. He is a strong advocate of teaching boating skills on the water.

Many students took advantage of the on the water training. One said, "Ted scheduled time out on the water or my boat so I could learn firsthand the maneuvering of my craft and the local waters around Marco Island." Another stated that "when we couldn't take a class until the fall Ted saw our disappointment and offered to hold the five session ABC just for the two of us over the next three weeks. Who does things like that?"

Currently he is a United States Power Squadron life member with 26 merit marks. Over the years Ted was recognized several times at the District level for Excellence in Teaching, the result of many students learning to be better boaters. Now he is recognized throughout the entire United States Power Squadron as the recipient of the organization's highest award in education, the Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching.

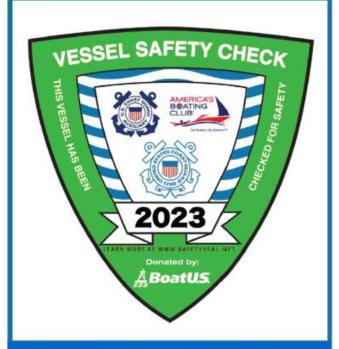
BLESSING OF THE FLEET

Peggy, Andy, Wanda and Gene prepare to salute the Officers of the Marco Island Yacht Club at the annual Blessing of The Fleet while aboard "Just Us" captained by Ted Reiss.





Make Your Boat A Safe Boat



ATTENTION MISPS Members

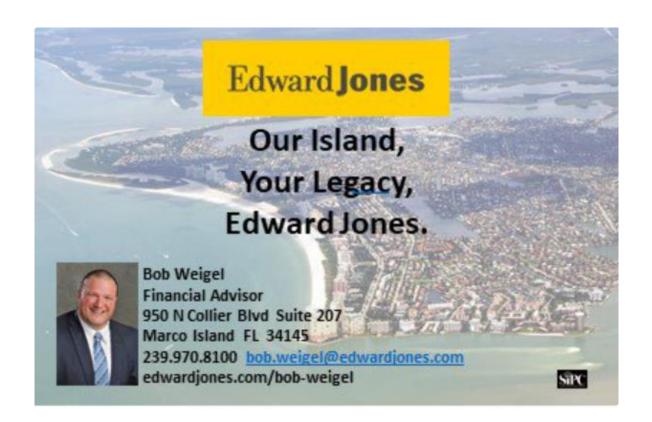
It's time to get your FREE 2023 Vessel Safety Check!

Show the boating community you are a responsible boat operator.

Have peace of mind that your boat has all the right safety equipment.

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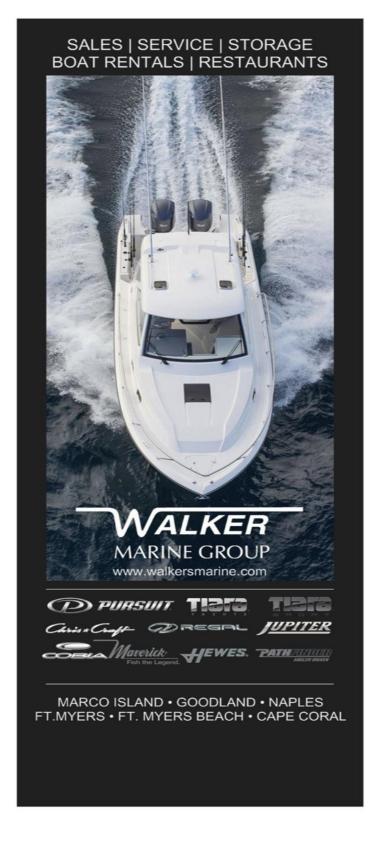
"CAPTAIN TED'S CORNER" P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

 BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND Sailing vessels are stand-on over powerdriven vessels except



- a) in a crossing situation
- b) in a meeting situation
- c) when they are the overtaking vessel
- d) on the inland waters of the U.S.
- 2. **BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** Your power-driven vessel is stopped and making no way, but is not in any way disabled. Another vessel is approaching you on your starboard beam. Which statement is TRUE?
 - a) The other vessel must give way since your vessel is stopped.
 - b) Your vessel is the give-way vessel in a crossing situation.
 - c) You should be showing the lights or shapes for a vessel not under command.
 - d) You should be showing the lights or shapes for a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver.
- 3. In all but the most severe cases, bleeding from a wound should be controlled by ___.
 - a) applying direct pressure to the wound
 - b) submerging the wound in lukewarm water
 - c) cooling the wound with ice
 - d) applying a tourniquet
- 4. You have just tried calling another vessel on the VHF and they have not replied. How long should you wait before calling that station again?
 - a) One minute
 - b) Two minutes
 - c) Five minutes
 - d) Seven minutes

Answers: 1. c, 2 b, 3. a, 4. b



Boating Activities Calendar

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities.

Date	Event	Time
26-Feb to	D-22 Caribbean Cruise	
05-Mar		
18-Mar	Boat around Marco – Rose Marina	1100
18-Mar	Beach Cleanup – South Beach	0800
23-Mar	Sunset Cruise – Marco River	1700
17-Apr	Scavenger Hunt – Rivers and Canals	1000
27-Apr	Cruise and Lunch – Naples Boat House	1130
18-May	Cruise and Lunch – Island Gypsy	1130

For questions, contact Boating Chair, 1/Lt Christopher Frost, AP (848) 466-0230 For reservations, contact Nanette Rivera 609-658-2947 <u>nanette.rivera@gmail.com</u>



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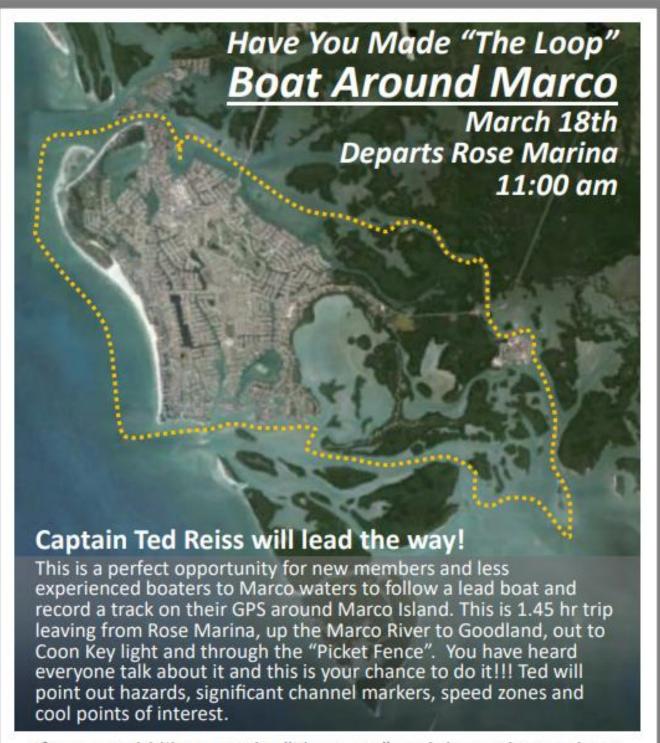
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If you would like to make "The Loop" and do not have a boat contact Chris or Ted. We have plenty of space available!

To participate in this highly educational event contact:
Chris Frost (Boating Chair) 848-466-0230, frostchris@verizon.net
Ted Reiss (Cruise Captain) 239-213-8722, capttedr@yahoo.com

WE WILL HAIL ON CHANNEL 16 AND TALK ON CHANNEL 78.



Calling All MISPS Members!

Come join us as we partner with the Marco Sportfishing Club To help clean up Marco's South Beach

Saturday March 18, 2023 8:00 am-10:00 am

Meet Promptly At

South Beach

A group Photo and T Shirts will be handed out at 8:00 am

All Are Welcome

We only pick up non-organic (abiotic) material. Plastic, paper, straws, food wrappers, cigarette butts, and general TRASH!

We do not remove sea life or naturally occurring debris.



For more information contact

Dave Chaney 440-804-6398

It Takes All Of US





Sunset Cruise March 23rd Rendezvous: 6:30pm

Off Of The Snook Inn Docks

Come join us for an evening of serenity and comradery as we celebrate another beautiful sunset on Marco Island. We will rendezvous at 6:30 pm off the docks of the Snook Inn and watch the sunset near Red Marker 14 in the north end of the Marco River.

If you would like to cruise and do not have a boat contact Chris or Ted. We have plenty of space available!

To participate in this wonderful evening cruise contact:
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Cruise or Drive Wednesday, March 29th at 11:30 am The Rod & Gun Club













Historical Everglades City dates back over 1,000 years. The Rod and Gun Club is built on the original structure of the first permanent white settler who founded Everglades City in 1864. In 1922 Barron G. Collier, a banker and railroad man, bought almost all of Southwest Florida including the Rod and Gun Club which he operated as a private club. He hosted international dignitaries and several United States presidents here.

https://rodandguneverglades.com

To reserve your spot contact: Nanette Rivera (609) 658-2947
If you intend to cruise or would like to ride on a boat contact:
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2023 Annual Fundraiser



Tables of tempting Hors d'oeurves trays filled the San Marco Catholic Church Parish Hall during the Power Squadron's fundraising party.



Anxious bidders crowd around auction tables contemplating their next bid at the America's Boating Club, Marco Island Fundraiser.



Past Commander Wanda Burson greets and encourages bidders to bid on the many unique and original silent auction items.



Silent auction winner Mary Kayhart proudly displays her perfect home decor treasures.



52 Silent auction items lined tables while art and home furnishings were displayed to entice a record crowd of bidders.



Carl Thieme, Ann Marie Ryan, Rhonda and Bob Gloodt, Cliff Winnings and Roy Sander help set up the silent auction tables and make our guests feel welcome!

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2023 Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party

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Subway Restaurant

Sunset Grille

Tongas Designs

Verdi's American Bistro

Xcel Fitness Spa



278 Tickets Sold, 265 Attended, \$19,250 Raised, \$3,250 Above Goal!!!











Apolzan, John Battaglia, Andy Benincasa, Tim Benson, Sonya Bruns, Don Bruns, Judy Burson, Gene Burson, Wanda Cavanagh, Tippy Chaney, David Chaney, Linette Cole, Jerry Cole, Susan Derrough, Shelly Enstrom, Kathy Flaherty, Richard Flaherty, Susan Frost, Chris Gloodt, Bob Gloodt, Rhonda Harkness, Lee Harkness, Dorothy Hughes, Bill Kenyon, Jann Koos, Ken McCann, Carol Morr, Lynn Moore, Steve

Morr, Tom Moyer, John Orsulak, Jane Rago, Deborah Rago, Nick Randall, Dave Reiss, Peggy Reiss, Ted Ricci, Chris Ricci, Deb Riley, Julie Riley, Steve Rivera, Nanette Russo, Bill Russo, Linda Ryan, Ann Marie Sander, Pam Sander, Roy Scandone, Daron Scandone, Elizabeth Sweeden, Deborah Sweeden, Paul Thieme, Carl Thieme, Shelia Wordehoff, Gene Williams, Jerry Winings, Cliff Zikmanis, Gunars











If your name is mistakenly not on this list please contact: Dave Chaney at: 440-804-6398 chaneybuckhorn@gmail.com

Panther Key Feb 14,2023



Pristine Panther Key welcomed us to a glorious afternoon of sun and tranquility. Note how clear the water is!!!!



Left to right. Chris Frost, Jim and Marianne Addison enjoy the day and celebrate a friendship that only a day on the water can bring.



All hands to help shove off Enstroms and Sweedens in *Abby Girl*.

Photos courtesy of Chris Frost

Twenty-five members, prospective members and their guests aboard 6 boats enjoyed a fantastic cruise to Panther Key on February 14th. It was a cool, sunny morning when *Just Us* left Rose Marina to rendezvous with three other boats in the Marco River. On board were P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, Cruise Captain for the trip, and P/C Peggy Reiss JN, P/C Andrea Battaglia N, P/C Carl Thieme N and Lt Sheila Thieme and 1stL Chris Frost, AP. They joined up with Jim and Marianne Addison on *Pinch Me*, Dennis and Lt Kathy Enstrom and Paul and Debby Sweeden on *Abby Girl* and prospective members Frank and Donna Higgins and their guests - Ned Burke, Mark Pougent, Mary Beth Blum and Talon Roberts- on *Woman of the House* and proceeded upriver under the Jolly Bridge and past Goodland.

By the time we reached Coon Key light, the temperature had warmed into the mid-80s, the seas were calm and there was only a light wind – a perfect day. CDR Dave Chaney was waiting for us at the light with his 4 guests – Dave and Kim Croft and Tom and Lynn Kirchendorfer on *Knotty* Nettie. The 5 boats headed east and anchored off the beach at Panther Key and we waded ashore with our beach gear, tents, food and drinks. Some chose to stay cool under tents while others enjoyed being out under the sun. About a half hour after we arrived, John Jamison and his guest John Mumblo arrived on *Island Girl II* after a late start from the Isle of Capri.

Because it was also Valentine's Day, Dave "Cupid" Chaney gave every woman on the cruise a heart shaped box of chocolates to celebrate the occasion. After good food, drink and conversation, it was time to pack up and head back to civilization. The Higgins party even decided to linger a while and enjoy the sunset. We all look forward to visiting Panther Key again.

America's Boating Club-Marco Island 2022-2023 Education Schedule						
Course	Instructor	Date	Cost, \$	Classes	Time	
ABC	Ted Reiss++	March 6, 9, 13, 15, 20	40	5	1800	
ABC	Ted Reiss	April As Requested	40	5	1800	
Instructor	Tod Doing	TDD March 2		_	1200	
Development	Ted Reiss	TBD March?	FREE*	5	1300	
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Seminar	Instructor	Date	Cost, \$	Classes	Time	
Charting/GPS	Thieme/Reiss	March 1, 2	40/60**	2	1800	
Hurricane						
Preparedness	Gloodt & Reiss	March 21	40/60**	1	1800	
Vessel	_					
Simulator	Ted Reiss	As Requested	Free*	1,2		
On-the-Water						
Training	Ted Reiss	As Requested	Free*	1,2		
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2023 Spring Conference Saturday, April 22, 2023 Menu and

Change of Watch

8:00 am – 9:00am Complimentary Continental Breakfast



Luncheon - 12:15 pm

Choice of:

<u>Cer\$34.00 – Chicken Parmigiana –</u> Bread Crumb and Parmesan Crusted Chicken
Topped with Marinara Sauce, Mozzarella and Parmesan Cheese

\$34.00 – Beef Brisket – Tender, Slow Roasted and Seasoned Beef, Sliced and Presented with Pan Gravy

Entrees will be plated and served with Garden Green Salad (Romaine and Artisan Greens garnished with Tomato, Onion, Carrots and Cucumber with Choice of Dressings, Roasted Redskin Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Rolls and Butter, Water, Iced Tea and Assorted Fresh Baked Cookies - Coffee on request

<u>Change of Watch Dinner – Social 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm / Dinner 6:30 pm</u> <u>Choice of:</u> Change of Watch Ceremony 7:45 pm

\$48.00 – Bourbon and Bacon Tenderloin – Seared and Roasted Bacon Wrapped Tenderloin, Sliced and Complimented with Bourbon Demi

<u>\$50.00 – Shrimp Skewer –</u> Jumbo Shrimp Skewered and Baked with Lemon Garlic Butter Atop Rice Pilaf with Shrimp Scampi Sauce

\$46.00 – Chicken Marsala – Sauteed Chicken Breast Finished with Mushroom Marsala Sauce

Entrees will be plated and served with Caesar Salad (crisp Romaine, tossed with Caesar Dressing, Parmesan Cheese and Croutons), Loaded Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Rolls and Butter, Iced tea and Water – Coffee on request

Ice Cream Sundae Station!

Drinks can only be purchased with Credit Card - Event Center no longer accepts Cash

Purchase your meals using the D22 Website:

Sign in to the D22 website — https://americasboatingclub-d22.org/
Members Only – Registration/Purchase then follow the instructions (need your credit card)

No Reservations or Cancellations after April 10, 2023, please.



District 22 Spring Conference News *Update*

April 21, 2023 and April 22, 2023

Suggest you make your reservation NOW!



We were able to obtain 10 rooms at \$159 per night at the Wyvern Hotel!

You may make your reservation on line or call our Reservation Specialties at 941.639.7700 and they can assist you.

Booking Link - https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/XU42K9

Information previously sent:

We have found that there is a large event in Punta Gorda the same weekend as our Conference. Like us, they love the convenience of Sheraton Four Points and SpringHill Suites. BUT they contracted for rooms before us. Four Points will not allocate any rooms to us.

SpringHill has allotted us rooms at \$159 or \$169 per night, after our allotment is used, the rate will be \$269 per night.

Rate available Thursday, April 20 thru Sunday, April 23
2 night minimum for this rate
Last day to book is March 30, 2023

The link is **Book your group rate for America's Boating Club**

Please be sure that you plan to attend before making a reservation, if you need to cancel, please let us know in order to allow fellow USPS members to use your place.

You are free to check with other hotels in Punta Gorda, D22 does not have any info on rates nor availability.



DISTRICT 22 2023 SPRING CONFERENCE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 21

0830 – 1200 Registration Desk Open 0900 - 1030 **Squadron Bridge Officer Meeting**

1100 - 1200 **District Council Meeting** 1200 – 1330 Lunch on your own

1400 - 1500 Procedure for Adoption of New or Amended Club/District Bylaws

P/D/C Ted Reiss and D/C Gene Burson

1500 - 1600 One and Three Year Squadron/District Planning

P/D/C Sam Bonilla and D/Lt/C Matt Braatz

1600 – 1730 Social with Appetizers (cash bar)



1730 Dinner on your own

Saturday, April 22

0830 - 0930 - *Educational Updates*

D/Lt/C Melissa Butler, SN, District Educational Officer

0930 - 1030 - Safety and Recreational Boating

Scott Szczepaniak, Regional Boating Safety Specialist USCG 7th District, Prevention Division

1040 - 1200 - **Town Hall**

Chief Commander Craig Fraser, SN and District Commander Gene Burson, JN

1215 - 1330 - **Luncheon**

Speaker - Hans Wilson, President of Marine Industries of Southwest Florida

SWFMIA sponsors the Go Boating Florida website which offers a wealth of information to recreational boaters

1300 – 1350 Registration Desk Open **1400 – 1600** <u>District Conference</u>

<u>Change of Watch</u> - social 1730 / dinner served 1800 Change of Watch Ceremony 1900

Thank you D/C Gene and Welcome D/C Matt!

50/50 Raffle

Dress: squadron shirt, khaki slacks, shorts or skirt **Change of Watch:** squadron or district shirt with khaki slacks or appropriate attire

Wishing you safe travel home
See you at the Fall Conference, October 13 - 14, 2023

MONTHLY DINNER MEETING

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

Marco Island

MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023 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:

Bob McConville, The Dolphin Explorer

MENU:

\$58 per Person

Choose One Dinner per Person Salad and Dessert Included with Either Choice Pork Tenderloin with Roasted Apples and Sage

Or

Vegetarian: Eggplant Rollatini

Adult Beverages Available for Purchase (No cash or Discover card – Only Master Charge, Visa or American Express)

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Coming in April

LAST MONTHLY DINNER MEETING OF THE SEASON

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

Marco Island



MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023
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:

\$58 per Person
Choose One Dinner per Person
Salad and Dessert Included with Either Choice
Pesto Pasta with Chicken
Or

Vegetarian: Eggplant Parmesan

Adult Beverages Available for Purchase (No cash or Discover card – Only Master Charge, Visa or American Express)

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