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New Members Installed April 9, 2024



Joe Navin was sworn in as a new Marco Island Power Squadron member by Cdr Nanette Rivera at our last dinner meeting of the season.

The attendees tested their ability to “follow commands” as they were led in line dancing by the Amazing Angie’s Boot Scoot.

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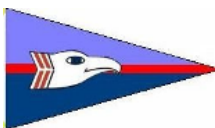
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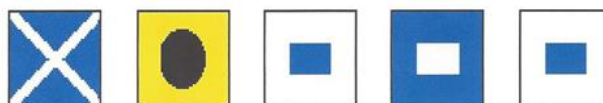


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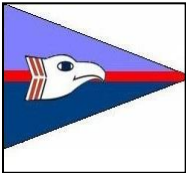
UPCOMING EVENTS 2024

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2-May	Cruise – BYOE	White Horse Key	Thu	1130	16
7-May	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
8-May	Executive Board Meeting	Learning Center	Wed	0900	
8-May	Captain’s Meeting	CJ’s on the Bay	Wed	1700	8
10-May	Luncheon	Ridgeway Bar and Grill	Fri	1130	18
16-May	Sunset Cruise	Marco River	Thu	1830	19
20-May	Safe Boating Proclamation	Marco Island City Hall	Mon	1700	17
20-26 May	Safe Boating Week/Wear It				
21-May	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tue	0830	
21-May	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
21-May	CPR-AED First Aid Training	Learning Center	Tue	1800	20
22-May	Captain’s Meeting	CJ’s on the Bay	Wed	1700	8
23-May	Cruise/Drive	Crabby Lady	Thu	1130	21
25-May	CPR-AED First Aid Training	Learning Center	Sat	0900	20
<u>June 2024</u>					
4-Jun	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
6-Jun	Cruise/Drive	Everglades Museum/ R&G Club	Thu	0900	
12-Jun	Captain’s Meeting	CJ’s on the Bay	Wed	1700	8
12-Jun	Executive Board Meeting	Learning Center	Wed	0900	
18-Jun	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tue	0830	
18-Jun	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
20-Jun	Cruise – BYOE	Panther Key	Thu	1100	
26-Jun	Captain’s Meeting	CJ’s on the Bay	Wed	1700	8
<u>Jul 2024</u>					
2-Jul	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
10-Jul	Captain’s Meeting	CJ’s on the Bay	Wed	1700	8
12-Jul	Happy Hour	Patty Murphy's Pub	Fri	1600	
16-Jul	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tue	0830	
16-Jul	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
18-Jul	Cruise/drive	Island Gypsy	Thu	1130	
24-Jul	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wed	1700	8



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THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR
Lt Jane Orsulak

Please continue to send any pictures of club events for me to include in upcoming newsletters.

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



SUNSHINE NEWS
Lt Kathleen Reynolds

We sent a note of good cheer on the Squadron's behalf to Marcia and William Pomietlasz. Both are recuperating: Marcia from a broken bone and William from a surgical procedure. We wish them speedy recoveries.

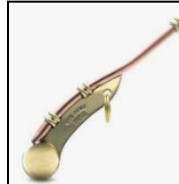
If you are aware of a member of MISPS who could use a little ray of good cheer due to an illness or some other bump along the road of life, please do let the SUNSHINE LADY know. That way I can send along the good wishes of the Squadron. Information can be sent to kreynol@aol.com or by phone call at 239-394-0459. Thanks

Kathleen Reynolds

May Birthdays

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

- 05/06 Linda B. Spell
- 05/09 Nanette Rivera
- 05/11 Christopher P. Ricci
- 05/14 Laurie A. Stoppiello-Marswillo
- 05/23 Christopher Frost
- 05/26 Kenneth J. Koos
- 05/29 David A. Randall



BOSUN'S Whistle Bridge Report
Cdr Nanette Rivera
Lt/C Chris Ricci, S
Lt/C Christopher Frost, AP



Yeehaw! We kicked up our heels at the monthly hoedown, I mean dinner meeting, where members donned their finest Western attire and moseyed on over to discuss upcoming events with a twang of excitement. From Stetsons, bandanas, and string ties to line dancing lessons, the agenda was packed with rootin'-tootin' activities sure to delight cowpokes and cowgirls alike.

With business squared away, it was time to hit the open water for a rip-roarin' boat trip to Sand Dollar Key. As the vessels cut through the waves, members swapped tall tales of their adventures on the range, ehem, ocean. The salty sea air mingled with the memories of the prior week's festivities, adding to the frontier spirit of the journey.

Arriving at Sand Dollar Key, the posse disembarked to explore the island's rugged terrain and sparkling shores. Some tried their hand at lassoing seagulls (with limited success), while others hunted for treasure among the seashells and driftwood. The island echoed with laughter and the sound of boots shuffling in the sand as members embraced the spirit of the Old West (Okay, they were sandals, but you get the idea).

Wrapping up our educational adventures, the club hosted a Situational Awareness Class like no other, bringing together the best of cowboy savvy and contemporary safety tips. Saddling up for the class, members traded in their Stetsons for safety helmets, ready to learn the ropes of staying alert and vigilant in any situation. Led by a seasoned wrangler and safety expert, Capt. Geoff Farringer, the class took participants, both members and outsiders alike, on a journey through the rugged seascapes of awareness, offering valuable insights into staying safe on the trail and beyond, ranging from what to do in an active shooter event to how to identify a scammer at the Publix parking lot.

With a nod to their Western roots, the class incorporated elements of cowboy wisdom, reminding members to trust their instincts and keep their wits about them, just like the cowboys of old. From reading the lay of the land to spotting potential hazards, participants sharpened their senses and honed their skills, ready to face whatever challenges lay ahead.

The following week, we set sail for a hearty lunch at the Boathouse in Naples. Members gathered to lasso in some fun and camaraderie on this wild-western coastal escapade. After working up an appetite with all that adventurin', it was time to rustle up some grub at the Boathouse. With its rustic charm and waterfront views, the Boathouse provided the perfect setting for a hoedown feast. From sizzling (fish) steaks to down-home cornbread, the menu offered a tantalizing array of favorites sure to satisfy even the hungriest cowpoke.

As the sun dipped below the horizon, casting a golden glow over the water, members gathered round for a final hoedown hootenanny. Fiddles played, boots stomped, and hearts soared as the night echoed with the joyous sounds of friendship and camaraderie. (Not really, but this was fun to envision!)

With memories made and bellies full, we bid farewell to another month of Power Squadron activities, knowing that they had wrangled up adventures to remember. As the scorching summer sun approaches the horizon, we bid a fond farewell to the season with a final hurrah, combining the spirit of the Wild West with a dash of modern-day wisdom. In May, we have AED classes and are celebrating the Wear-It campaign in typical western Florida style. You have a choice to sign up for May-21st (evening) or May-25th (morning) class — see the flyer, sign up, and get learnin'!

Now, as we sail off into the sunset, we know that the spirit of the Old West will always ride alongside us, guiding us on our next hoedown escapade, when we reconvene in October to again enjoy Marco Island and the Power Squadron.

Nanette Rivera: Commander – Squadron-3125

Chris Ricci: Ex/O– Squadron

Chris Frost: A/O – Squadron

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



April was a great month for dedicated students. Three members passed the Boat Handling Course taught by Nick Rago: Jane Orsulak, Denise Conboy and Joe Navin.

Two members passed the Marine Navigation Course taught by Gene Burson: Chris Ricci and Jim Addison.

Chris Frost is taking the final exam for Junior Navigation course taught by Tippy Cavanagh.

The vessel trainer is now operational. Several people are learning how to use the interactive equipment before we open it up for members. A schedule for members to use it will be out soon. Our general thoughts are to schedule 45-50 minute sessions per member between 9 AM and 8 PM on at least one day each month. You can use it as many times as you like. Do you need practice docking – bow in, stern in or along side? How about anchoring? We have a dock/marina in Tampa where we can change the current, both in direction and speed and unlimited open water. Or you can practice starting, stopping, turning, sinking, reading the gauges etc.

Attached in the Eagle's Eye is a list of possible courses and seminars we can offer. Please let me know what you would like to learn. Even if it not on the list, we can create something to meet your interest. From your responses, a tentative schedule will be created for the Fall and Winter and published in September.

Again, we need more instructors. We have lesson plans, instructor material and coaches ready to get you started. Let me know your questions. Without instructors we have no program! One of the best ways of learning is to prepare to instruct.

Enjoy the summer, go boating, be safe and keep learning.

Possible Courses:

Boating Course

- America's Boating Course, 3rd Edition

Advanced Courses

- Boat Handling
- Marine Navigation (Beta)
- Piloting w/ *Weekend Navigator*
- Advanced Piloting w/*Weekend Navigator*
- Junior Navigation
- Navigation

Elective Courses

- Cruising and Cruise Planning
- Engine Maintenance
- Instructor Development
- Marine Electrical Systems
- Marine Communications Systems
- Electronic Navigation
- Radar for Boaters
- Sail
- Weather

Seminars

- Advanced Powerboat Handling
- AIS Electronics for Boaters
- Basic Weather and Forecasting
- BH2019: Anchoring with Assurance
- BH2019: Boating with Confidence
- BH2019: Confidence in Docking and Undocking
- BH2019: Emergencies on Board
- BH2019: Knots and Line Handling
- BH2019: Rules of the Road
- Crossing Borders
- Fuel and Boating
- Hands-on Training
- How to use a Chart
- Hurricane Preparation for Boaters
- Introduction to Navigation
- Man Overboard
- Marine Radar
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- Modern Weather Forecasting
- Paddle Smart
- Partner in Command
- Propane Systems on your Boat
- Tides and Currents
- Trailering your Boat
- Using GPS
- Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio

SAFETY OFFICER Geoff Fahringer

SEA-COCKS, HOSECLAMPS AND HOSES OH MY



When I owned my trawler and several sailboats before that, I always made a point of closing the sea-cocks when I returned to my dock. I always knew that if a hose or hose clamp failed with an open sea-cock, I effectively now had a hole in my boat. I was on a friend's sailboat recently, nosing around when I realized every sea-cock on the boat was frozen in the open position. This made me think about all the things on our boats we don't check as often as we should.

Our northern boating friends are currently doing a spring commission on their boats, what we laypeople call "putting my boat back in the water". This is the time most boaters go over their boat from bow to stern, checking hoses, electrical connections, lifelines, the bitter end of an anchor rode and is it securely attached to the boat and on and on. Our problem is that our boats never go through a fall haul-out or spring commission, as we use our boats all year around. This means the opportunity to go over all our boats systems never comes to pass unless we schedule it. I am suggesting that, just like we make a date to change out a smoke detector battery or change our clocks from standard to day light savings time, we proactively schedule a complete check of our boats. This is not the same as a USCG Vessel Safety Check, something we also need to do every year.

I suggest checking your thru-hull fittings and sea-cocks every 6 months. In addition, be sure all hoses are flexible, not stiff, and connected with TWO not one stainless steel clamps. Look for cracks and chafing as well.

Awards at District 22 Spring Conference 2024

One of the awards presented at the conference was the Nautical and Geodetic Mark Recovery Program Honor Roll. Marco Island is ranked 6th Nationally. It is awarded to the squadrons that reported on the differences between the latest nautical chart ATONS (and/or Geodetic Marks) and what exist. Our

squadron participates in surveying the ATONS. This award was for the year 2023 and 9 members from Marco and 2 from Peace River received this award. The following Cooperative Charting Honor Roll award winners from Marco Island were: Cliff Winings, Carl Thieme, Dave Chaney, Jerry Williams, Christopher Frost, Kenneth Deutsch, Kay Deutsch and Andrea Battaglia.

This is one of the award certificates received by each recipient.



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Membership Corner

P/C Peggy Reiss

Joe Navin was sworn in as a MISPS member at the April 2024 Dinner Meeting.

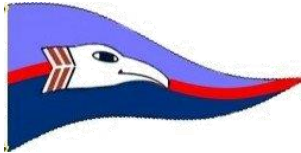
Joe was born in 1960 and raised in New York City. He graduated from The Ohio State University in 1980 and from Capital University Law School in 1983. After passing the Ohio State Bar Exam, he joined his family law firm, Larrimer and Larrimer and specialized in labor law and workers' compensation.



In 1985, Joe and his cousin Paul Navin, purchased a 21 foot Chris Craft bow rider. Paul owned a home on O'Shaughnesee reservoir where he built a dock for the Chris Craft. This reservoir serves as the "home field" for The Ohio State University water ski team and provided an excellent location for after work water skiing and boating.

Joe has three sons and they all learned to water ski, wake board and fish at young ages. Joe sold the Chris Craft after twelve years and purchased a 21 foot Sea Ray deck boat. The deck boat was similar to a bow rider and provided an additional platform for many fishing expeditions.

Joe retired from the practice of law in October 2023 and moved to Marco Island, where he now resides full time. Joe joined the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron in February 2023 and has completed the America's Boating Course, as well as Boat Handling and Marine Electrical Systems courses. Joe plans to become an active boater in the Marco Island area in the near future.



Captain's Meeting
"Meet & Greet"
everyone welcome!

CJ's Gazebo Bar at the Esplanade
at 1700 on the 2nd and 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!



On and IN the water success!!

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron member Lt. Linette Chaney has qualified in six events for the 2025 National Senior Games to be held in Iowa next year. Linette has qualified in four Free Style and two Back Stroke events. This will be Linette’s third National Senior Games as a qualifier. Linette trains in the Marco “Y” pool in the winter and in several pools in the summer near her home in Ohio. Linette swims 2-3 hours a day 4-5days a week for several months prior to her swim meets.

We wish her well this summer!




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This is brought home through the "[Knowledge Versus Skills](#)" video that covers differences between boating knowledge and boating skills and why it matters. Viewers also learn approaches to take to improve their boating abilities and the pitfalls to avoid in boater education.

Knowledge doesn't mean you're good at boating, but it can help you more easily and safely develop boating skills that must be practiced on the water. Concepts, principles, and information about boating can be learned through reading, studying, and observing. The ability to plan, depart, anchor, dock, and perform other boat maneuvers is mastered through experience.

Videos like this one can kick-start a classroom presentation. Follow the video link above or visit <https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel> to find this and other safe boating videos, which are an excellent tool to help recruit participants to our educational program and to membership. Invite your friends and neighbors to watch, like and subscribe to America's Boating Channel to introduce them to what our organization has to offer.

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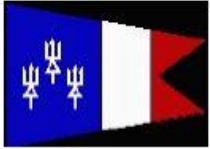
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- a) sound one short blast
- b) sound two short blasts
- c) change course to starboard
- d) None of the above

2) **BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** You see a vessel's green sidelight bearing due east from you. The vessel might be heading _____.

- a) east (090°)
- b) northeast (045°)
- c) northwest (315°)
- d) southwest (225°)

3) Which publication contains information on navigation regulations, landmarks, channels, anchorages, tides, currents, and clearances of bridges for Chesapeake Bay?

- a) Pilot Charts
- b) Sailing Directions
- c) Light List
- d) Coast Pilot

4) Which statement about a tunnel bow thruster is TRUE?

- a) It provides lateral control without affecting headway.
- b) It is fully effective at speeds up to about six knots.
- c) It can be used to slow the ship in addition to backing down.
- d) It will allow you to hold a position when the current is from astern

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

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Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities.

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For questions, contact Boating Chair, 1/Lt Christopher Frost, AP (848) 466-0230

For boating/lunch reservations, contact Lt Terri Olshansky 201-207-1957 terriolshanski@gmail.com



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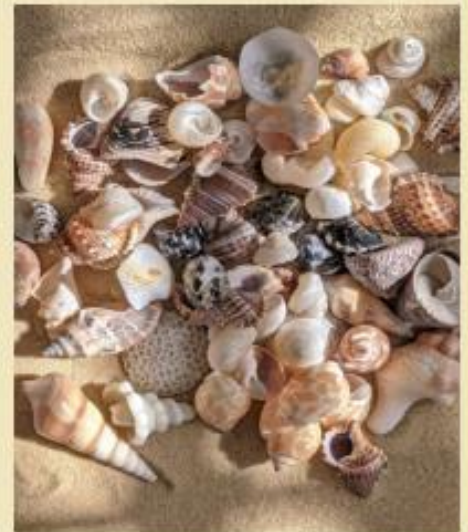
WHITE HORSE KEY IS THE PLACE TO BE!



Come join your friends this Thursday, May 2 for a daytime getaway to the white sands of White Horse Key!

(White Horse Key Coordinates are: 25° 52.02'N and 081° 34.36' W)

- Meet at White Horse Key at 11:30, or,
- Share a boat ride with your friends, or,
- Meet Captain Ted Reiss at Coon Key Light at 10:30 to follow him to White Horse Key (Let Ted know if you plan to meet him).



A BYOE Event—Bring Your Own Everything (Food, Drinks, Umbrella, Chair, Lotion, Shelling Bucket, etc.)

Contact Terri Olshanski at 201-207-1957 or terriolshanski@gmail.com if you plan to join and Chris Frost (Boating Chair) for further boating instructions at frostchris@verizon.net.

White Horse Key is accessible only by boat.



Please Join Us
As The Marco Island City Council
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Safe Boating Week
On

Monday, May 20, 2024 Promptly At 5:00 PM
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50 Bald Eagle Drive



You Are Cordially Invited To Attend A Reception and Group Photo
Immediately Following the Proclamation At The Fire Station
To Honor Our First Responders and Safe Boating Partners.

Please Wear a PFD To Support Safe Boating Week and the WEAR IT Campaign

Marco Island Fire and Rescue and Marine Group
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron
Marco Island Police Department
Marco Island Yacht Club
Flotilla 95, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary
Marco Island Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air Force Auxiliary
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Marco Island Yacht Club
Sea Tow
TowBoatUS



Immediately following the presentation SWEET ANNIE'S Ice Cream & Candy Shoppe will serve ice cream.

Lunch



Friday, May 10th 11:30 am

1300 Third Street South Naples, FL 239-262-5500

To Confirm Your Participation Contact

Terri Olshanski: 201-207-1957 terriolshanski@gmail.com

Sunset Cruise

May 16th

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 Frost. We have plenty of space available!

To participate in this wonderful evening cruise contact:
Chris Frost : 848-466-0230, frostchris@verizon.net

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

CPR-AED First Aid Course & Training **FREE**

Scan To Register



[Click Here To Register](#)

Tuesday, May 21st
 6:00 – 8:30 PM

OR

Saturday, May 25th
 9:00—11:30 AM

Location

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron
 1114 North Collier, (Second Floor)
 Marco Island

Are you prepared to save a life?

Whether you are first on the scene or a helping bystander, this class covers how to correctly perform CPR on a family member, friend or co-worker suffering from Sudden Cardiac Arrest. CPR can buy you time until an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is available, and this class will teach you the correct way to use an AED. Captain Geoff Fahringer will also cover resuscitation from drowning, adult First Aid, Pediatric First Aid as well as use and administration of Epinephrine auto injectors. The training also covers how to control severe bleeding and much more.

Correctly Performing CPR

Use of an AED

Resuscitation from Drowning

Adult & Pediatric First Aid

Control of Severe Bleeding

Administration of Epinephrine

Taking Charge & Delegating

About the Instructor

Captain Geoff Fahringer

Captain Geoff Fahringer has taught both public safety diving classes and rescue swimmer classes to both fire departments as well as law enforcement agencies up to instructor level. And has for the past 18 years taught CPR/AED and first aid classes to both businesses as well as public groups, boating groups, gun clubs and more. Geoff, is a retired law enforcement officer with the Collier County Sheriff's Office, he was also the main instructor for CPR/AED and tactical first aid for the Sheriff's Office; teaching Deputy re-certifications along with other instructors for the sheriff's office. Geoff is the Safety and Training Officer for the Marco Island Yacht Club and Safety Officer for the Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron.



Cruise & Lunch

At The

Crabby Lady

Thursday, May 23rd @ 11:30 AM



*Come see why our Eagle
smiles when it flies to the
Crabby Lady!*

Come by boat

Come by car

Come from close

Come from afar

Don't miss the friendship

Don't miss the food

Don't miss the atmosphere

And don't spoil the mood

Without you here

We won't be a club

So get off your duff

And support this club!

To reserve your spot

contact:

Terri Olshanski: 201-207-1957

*If you would like to boat to this
event and need a ride*

Contact:

Chris Frost: (848) 466-0230

*This is a rain or shine event
So no excuses!!!*

Crabby Lady
123 Bayshore Way
Goodland, FL 34140

