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# JOEY PUELL RECEIVES EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

As I wrote in the last edition of the Eagle's Eye, our member Joey Puell recently graduated from Marco Island Academy and earned his Eagle Scout Award. An award ceremony was held at the Marco Island Yacht Club on June 8th to recognize Joey's accomplishment. Family and friends from here and Puerto Rico, as well as Joey's fellow scouts and teachers from MIA attended the ceremony. Representing America's Boating Club-Marco Island, the sponsor for Joey's Eagle Project, were Co, mmander Wanda Burson, S, P/C Gene Burson, JN, P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, D/LtC Peggy Reiss, JN.INP/C Rhonda Gloodt, P/C Tom Morr, Lt. Dan Marinelli and Lt. Marcy Marinelli, who served as Joey's mentor during the project. P/C Rhonda Gloodt gave remarks during the awards ceremony. Joey's Eagle Scout project involved two different activities that directly benefited America's Boating Club-Marco Island as well as the local boating community. He helped us develop our Facebook page, did some technology workshops for members, and organized and implemented a Wear It Safe Boating campaign for the entire community in November 2019. Congratulations Joey! Your hard work is much appreciated.



Joey with his ABC-MI family



Joey's scout master detailed all the requirements that Joey had to meet to earn his Eagle Scout award.

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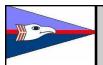




Coming Events 2021					
<u>August</u>		S			
8/3	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
8/11	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04		
8/17	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830		
8/17	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
8/21	Cruise & Picnic	Cape Romano	1030 p. 07		
8/25	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04		
8/26	<b>Land Locked Lunch</b>	Nacho Mama's	1200		
8/29-9/5	<b>USPS Governing Board</b>	Raleigh, NC			
<u>September</u>					
9/7	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
9/8	Executive Board	Learning Center	0900		
9/8	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04		
9/14	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830		
9/21	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
9/22	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04		
9/23	Cruise & Lunch	Deep Lagoon/Esplanade	1130 p. 07		
9/29	Land Locked Breakfast	Smith House	0900		
<u>October</u>					
10/5	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
10/6	Raft Up and Picnic	Tripod Key	TBD p. 07		
10/8-9	<b>D22 Fall Conference</b>	Punta Gorda	TBD		
10/13	<b>Executive Board</b>	Learning Center	0900		
10/13	Member Dinner	Bistro Soleil	1700		
10/19	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830		
10/19	Cards at Condo	Learning Center	1300 p. 16		
10/20	Cruise & Lunch	Little Bar	1130 p. 07		
10/27	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700 p. 04		

# **EXPERIENCED MEMBERS NEEDED**

The Nomination committee is searching for a few volunteers for various bridge/leadership positions. Sharing education, social and community activities is rewarding. Without volunteers for the coming year(s) this organization will fold. Please let anyone on the committee know of your interest. We can fill you in on specific positions related to your skills and interest. No one need do it all. Steve Moore, Steve Riley, Kathleen Reynolds and Ted Reiss



#### THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR Lt Marcy Marinelli, P

Tropical storm Elsa passed by Marco Island and brought little more than some rain and gusty winds. It seems like we have had a particularly rainy summer on Marco. It's much needed as we didn't get much rain during the winter and spring months. But it sure puts a damper on boating activities. We've just returned from a road trip to visit family and friends that we haven't seen in over two years so our boat was secured to our lift and the canvas covers were on in the event that a hurricane hit while we were gone. As I look across our canal I see lots of other boats that are similarly rigged! Hope our northern members are enjoying boating where you are!



#### **SUNSHINE NEWS**

John Apolzan, Rhonda Gloodt and Jennifer Jewett are recovering from surgery. Pam Sanders is recovering from a broken arm. Congratulations to Don Cates and Sonya Benson who recently got marries, as did Tom Morr and Lynn Fann.

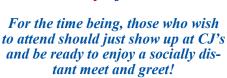
Please let me know of anyone who is sick, injured or deceased. I will send a card in the name of the squadron.

AnnMarie Ryan
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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







#### COMMANDER Wanda Burson, S

My Friends, we have certainly had some particularly good rains this Summer keeping a lot of us off the water and inside. I expect most have found some interesting indulgences such as good books to read.



We have been trying to get our records in order. We did get the signers on one bank account changed. In addition, the safe deposit box was closed and a new one opened to hold all our Club records.

I hope you are looking over the education schedule and selecting a new course you can take this Fall.

Maybe y'all have had a lot of time to think as I have. My musings have me wondering about the change in attitudes, or what I assume are changes in attitudes, about volunteerism. In all the organizations I am a part of it seems that people are a little less enthusiastic about volunteering. Just wondering what has changed. I realize we were all in our houses for nearly a year.

Volunteerism is a basic part of all of us. It is the reason we are a strong Country. Colonists banded together to plant the crops, build the houses and communities, and take care of the sick. All that in the 1700's. That made us stronger and built strong ties with each other. Much later in the 1900's formal charitable organizations began popping up as people became aware of the need around them.

In the 20<sup>th</sup> Century volunteerism really took off with non-profit organizations taking shape in the 1900's. Of course, wars had a huge impact on volunteering as people joined to help the war efforts all through our Country's development. Volunteering is the backbone of Community.

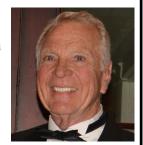
Our boating club is an asset to our community, and as such, we need some dedicated volunteers. We have lots of opportunities becoming available, please give it some consideration and step up and help make us stronger.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and if you can answer my musings, please let me know. Best to all.



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

Some of the Executive Departments will be coming out of hibernation and once again getting ready to do Vessel Safety checks and plan for a Huge Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party.



Vessel Safety Check examin-

ers are on standby to execute an examination at any time. If you need to have your boat inspected or know of someone that should have their boat inspected, please have them contact John Salotto with an email to <a href="Eagles31543@Gmail.com">Eagles31543@Gmail.com</a>.

The Ship's Store is still open for business during the summer. Ted and Peggy Reiss will be available to provide members with shirts, sweatshirts, burgees, and other Club clothing.

Marketing/Communications Committee Chair, Tom Morr, has drafted a letter to be endorsed by all boating organizations on Marco Island. After all responsive boating organizations on Marco Island have agreed with the letter by adding their support in the form of a signature on the letter, Tom will mail the letter to the City of Marco Island and Collier County Waterways Departments. Our goal with the letter is to provide definitive data to justify the government departments to budget more money and manpower to the work needed to maintain safe waterways around Marco Island.

Our Fall schedule of classes is available for you to select which class(es) you will want to attend. Select now and let Ted know to save you a seat.

It's back – the Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party – January 28, 2022

The Party is for our community supporters and guests to enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres while they purchase chances to win a raffle prizes, a door prize, a 50/50 drawing, and place silent auction bids on donated items from businesses or individuals.

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# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

Alas, the weather has not been real cooperative for boating activities. It looks like the land boats (cars) are doing the ferrying of folks to events. Looking ahead at August and September, there is a C & R at Cape Romano 8/21, and a C & R lunch at



Deep Lagoon/Esplanade 9/23. On the land side there is a Land Locked Lunch 8/26 at Nacho Mama's and a Land locked Breakfast 9/23 at Smith's. Of course we will continue to meet at CJ's on the second and fourth Wednesday at 5 PM.

For those looking for a good card game come and give Hand, Knee and Foot a try at the Learning Center on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month.

Dorothy Harkness is most willing to teach you how to play! Call her and let her know you are coming.

Please welcome new member couple Mike Herod and Kathy Byrnes. They are snowbirds from Medina Ohio and winter in Naples. Both are looking to learn boating skills, docking, and navigation. We look forward to teaching in the classroom and on the water in their boat.

Let's get together and go boating!





#### **EDUCATIONAL OFFICER**

P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

Summer is fast departing even if the daily chance of rain is still with us. No classes were held but many thoughts are in the works to create the Fall and Winter education schedule. Web site has the first draft on topics. My hope is to have a finished version on the



web by the end of August so keep checking for topics and dates. Let me know what interests you have.

One goal for September is to hold an Instructor Development 4- 5 sessions, free course for members to increase the number of USPS certified instructors needed for the America's Boating Course, our first course in boating safety.

On-the-Water training is an ongoing opportunity to increase your boating skills. Our Jump Start program is free for members on their own boat. All it takes is a phone call or email to me to discuss your desires to improve, details on what we can provide and to set up a date. We also have a vessel simulator in our classroom. No need to get wet, pay for gas or get sunburned. Normal sessions are about 45 to 60 minutes. Anyone interested in piloting a jet ski, cruise liner, tug boat or any of the dozen other vessel types?

For the more skillful boat handling members the Boat Operators Certification program (BOC) is an opportunity to learn and demonstrate safe operation of vessels under 26 feet. Our District 22 Cruise and Rendezvous scheduled for 5 -7 November will have an opportunity to demonstrate how to extinguish a fire under the watchful eyes of the Sanibel fire department and may have small boats available to perform the On-the-Water exercises. The C&R is a fun event, an opportunity to play games, meet members from all 15 squadrons in district 22 and of course enjoy the food and refreshments.

In conclusion, read the web site for the education schedule, let me know your interest, keep learning, go boating and be safe.

# PROPOSED EDUCATION SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2021

Course S America's Boating Cours Boat Safety	start <u>Date</u> October e	Sessions 5	<u>Cost</u> \$40
America's Boating Course-Boat S	November afety	5	\$40
Boat Handling (Seamanship)	October	7	\$70/\$100*
Marine Naviga (Piloting)	ation October	8	\$70/\$100*
Marine Naviga Advanced	ntion October	8	\$60**
Offshore Naviş (Celestial)	gation Novemb	oer 1 10	\$90**
Seminar Charting/GPS	Start October	Sessions 2	<u>Cost</u> \$40
Partner in Command	December	1	\$25/ couple
Docking	October	1	\$25
Knots, Bends & Lines	November	1	\$25
Handling You Boat Underwa		1	\$25
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<sup>\*</sup> Non-member cost

<sup>\*\*</sup> Members only



#### **Spring/Summer Boating Activities Calendar**

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities! See specific descriptions about these cruises on the following pages.

August 21 Cruise and Picnic Cape Romano 1030\*

September 23 Cruise & Lunch Deep Lagoon/Esplanade 1130

October 5 Raft Up & Picnic Tripod Key TBD

October 20 Cruise & Lunch Little Bar 1130



For questions, contact Boating Chair, P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN 239-450-7089,. For reservations, contact P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN <a href="mailto:peggy.reiss@yahoo.com">peggy.reiss@yahoo.com</a> or 239-213-8686

\*boat gathering time







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# Who Said You Can't Have Fun at a ABClub National Meeting?



2021 Fall Governing Board August 29 - September 5, 2021 Raleigh, North Carolina

"Why should I attend a National Meeting?" "What's in it for me?" ABClub/ USPS National Meetings attendees often hear this from other members. The reason anyone should attend any "meeting" is to have fun! What is fun? With lots of committees and a range of times and dates for meetings, members find time before, in between, and after to meet other members, participate in the group events and even attend the offsite events. Never been to a national meeting? Be sure and sign up as a First Timer! You will be invited to meet national leadership and other First Timer attendees. Traveling with a friend or spouse who is active and attending meetings? Join others for offsite events such as boating and/or kayaking followed by lunch. Don't want to get wet or be outside? Why not join the group for High Tea, or touring the Natural Science Museum? Did you know the Natural Science Museum is the largest in the southeast US? You will not want to miss this!

In addition to individual committee/department meetings, you can check out some interesting seminars and topics. "Introduction to the New Information Center", "How Not to Recruit", "Your Squadron Activities Hit Parade", "21st Century Tools for Teaching in the Blended Learning Environment" and "Building and Delivering PowerPoint Presentations in Today's Online World" are just a few. The entire agenda is available online.

Opening the meeting is our Keynote Speaker, Kevin P. Duffus. We have all heard about WWII activity off the North Carolina coast, but I do not think we knew the extent. Come learn about the *War Zone: World War II off North Carolina's Outer Banks*. This speaker is sure to be interesting.

Wednesday evening come join us for Friends Night. We will be gathering for dinner then some fun entertainment with games and challenges. This event is for everyone, and it was a big hit at our last in-person national meeting in 2020 Annual Meeting.

Thursday, September 2, we will all gather for an entertaining Murder Mystery Dinner Theater! With a large cast, it is sure to be entertaining and lots of laughs with your friends participating! Can you guess the murderer? It may be someone you know and sitting next to you. Do not let your guard down!

On Thursday and Friday, stop in the Meet and Greet room. This room is for us to have a place to chat, have small group meetings, gather with friends to play cards or other games or just to relax.

If you have never been to the USPS headquarters building, multiple free tours are being offered. The library is a must see!

Saturday offers a busy day of the Governing Board meeting, the group luncheons and ending the conference with a 50's Sock Hop! Yes, go back in time with some of your favorite tunes, and a Blue Plate Special! Costume, sock, and dance contests will provide lots of fun for participants and people watchers.

Also, to help keep prices down, we are offering a fundraiser. Buy a chance for two free nights in Ponte Vedra, FL (2022 Annual Meeting) for \$10! Fundraiser is only available in Raleigh at the National Meeting 2022 Annual Meeting display table.

National Meetings are designed to communicate and share ideas to members, boating community friends, squadrons and districts. Along with the business, comes lots of opportunities to have fun with our boating friends. It is not all work, but also times to meet others, make new friends, and get to know those you know, more! Come join us and make your post-quarantine time a fun one!

(Check out the National Meeting Reservation site for a list of all meetings and events, meeting details, times / dates and reservations for meals and offsite. <a href="https://www.usps.org/php/reservations\_new/meetings.php?">https://www.usps.org/php/reservations\_new/meetings.php?</a> mtg id=40.

We are also looking for new team members! Contact chair Arlene Anderson (<u>arlene.anderson47@yahoo.com</u>) for more information. Some work is done at the meeting and some is done before. Some jobs are for a few hours and some are for more. For example, we need volunteers who can use Word and/or Excel, send emails, make phone calls to hotel area businesses, chat with guests at the meeting and more! You won't be disappointed.

# America's Boating Club-Marco Island Co-op Charting Update

The following letter was written by the Chairman of the Club's Co-op Charting program, Cliff Winings, Senior Navigator (SN). Mr. Pinter is Tim Pinter, the City's Public Works Director charged with maintenance of City owned ATONs.

Dear Mr. Pinter,

This is an update on ATON survey results for city owned ATONs. In my Jan 29 email below, I reported results for Collier and Smokehouse Bay. Since then, we completed our survey of another city owned ATONs and also learned that at least one of the missing ATONs in Collier Bay, "Red 6A", is a submerged hazard.

I have attached an update (<u>1. City ATONs May 2021.xlsx</u>) of the Excel file that tabulates ATON survey information for all city owned ATONs and a Google Earth view (<u>2. City ATONs May 2021 aerial view.pdf</u>) that shows all city owned ATONs. The Excel file includes ATONs in Factory Bay and along Hideaway Beach and has an updated comment regarding Collier Bay 6A. Here is a summary:

Collier and Smokehouse Bays: Five ATONs are completely missing, including "Red 6A" that went missing sometime between Dec 2018 and Feb 2020. The dock master at Esplanade Marina told me last month that at least 3 large boats have been damaged by the submerged R6A concrete piling. "Red 8" is rated "Fair" due to peeling background.

Factory Bay: All seven ATONs remain in good condition.

Big Marco Pass (Hideaway Beach): Obstruction Light E at the entrance to Collier Creek is missing, Obstruction B is missing one sign, and Obstruction D is rated "Fair" due to deteriorated background.

Overall: Six ATONs require repair, not including the two rated "Fair". These are listed in the attachment "3. City ATONs Needing Repair May 2021.pdf". This is a simplified table extracted from the information in the attached Excel file.

In addition to the problems with the condition of ATONs, there are significant issues with the representation of city ATONs on NOAA chart 11430. The chart shows five ATONs that are missing but that we have rated as "not needed" and shows eight ATONs at positions that are more than 150 feet (and up to 2300 ft) from the actual position. Correcting the NOAA chart requires that USCG correct the Light List. I have reported these errors to USCG with no response but believe that USCG would probably respond if the city requested the changes via the permitting process using form CG\_2554 "Private Aids to Navigation Application". I would be happy to work with your organization to complete this form.

One further comment: In Collier Bay, the ATONs that are not missing are all rated as "Good" condition, but because of the low contrast between number and background, numbers are quite difficult to read on the shady side of the signs. This is apparent in some of the photos (see links in the attached Excel file) and is mentioned in several of the comments. When signs are replaced, higher contrast materials should be used.

The above information is based on surveys and conversations over the last five months, so may not be completely up to date.

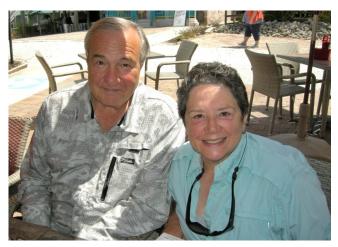
Cliff Winings (636) 233-3112 Chair, Coop Charting Committee, America's Boating Club - Marco Island

## CRUISE AND LUNCH TO THE ISLAND GYPSY

It was a beautiful day for boating on May 25 when about 20 of our members cruised to the Island Gypsy in Isles of Capri for lunch. P/C Rhonda Gloodt and Bob Gloodt brought two of their grandsons on their boat The Lucky Dog. New members Susan and Jerry Cole joined the group. Also in attendance were George Wordehoff and Nanette Rivera, Cdr Wanda Burson and P/C Gene Burson, D/LtC Andy Battaglia and P/C Bill Hughes, Kathleen Reynolds, Julie and Steve Riley, Tippy and John Cavanagh and Kathryn Harris, Ted and Peggy Reiss. A great time was had by all. Special thanks to Andy Battaglia for taking photos of the event.



New members Susan and Jerry Cole



George Wordehoff and Nanette Rivera



Julie and Steve Riley and Wanda Burson



Leo (Rhonda's grandson) and Kathleen Reynolds



# CRUISE AND LUNCH TO THE ISLAND GYPSY



The crew of the Lucky Dog with their life vests



**Bill Hughes and Andy Battaglia** 



Lonnie, Rhonda and Bob Gloodt



Tippy and John Cavanagh and Kathryn Harris



The Crew of the Lucky Dog ready to set sail

# MAY 26th CAPTAIN'S MEETING AT CJ'S ON THE BAY



Lee and Dorothy Harkness



Peggy and Ted Reiss with John Salotto



**Dennis and Kathy Enstrom** 



Gene and Wanda Burson



Bill Hughes, Andy Battaglia and Jennifer Jewett

Photos courtesy of Andy Battaglia

#### **JUNE ACTIVITIES**

Although some of our activities got cancelled due to the weather, we still got together at CJ's and at Ridgway's Porch in Naples for a land-locked lunch. Thanks to Andy Battaglia for the photographs!



AnnMarie and Tom Ryan join Gene and Wanda Burson at CJ's on a rainy Wednesday



Andy Battaglia and Dorothy Harkness are all smiles despite the rain



Richard Rodgers, Judy Crooke, Tom Morr, Ted and Peggy Reiss enjoy lunch at Ridgway's



Dennis and Kathy Enstrom joined Steve and Julie Riley at Ridgway's



Tippy and John Cavanagh, Bill Hughes and Andy Battaglia and Wanda and Gene Burson enjoyed the delicious food at Ridgway's in Naples. Fifteen members attended the land-locked lunch on June 11th.



# 2021 Fall Conference

# Friday, October 8, 2021:

am - Squadron Officer Meeting / pm - District Council Meeting



Enjoy a fun evening with Dinner followed by
Cahoots playing a blend of
classic rock, blues, and tunes from the 60s and 70s!

# Saturday, October 9, 2021:

Roundtables - Luncheon - District Conference Meeting

???? Chinese Raffle ????

..... Chair needed!!! - contact Myles Gee or Sandy Krupa for info ......



### **Hotel Rates:**

Four Points Sheraton -\$109.00 - 941-637-6770

**Springhill Suites by Marriott - \$99.00 - 941-347-4224** 

Watch your email for details as they are set!

# The America's Boating Club of Sanibel and Captiva Proudly Presents

# District 22 Big Cruise and Rendezvous Event

at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva Island



November 5-7, 2021

Our theme



Don't miss out on this awesome 3 day event featuring
Useppa Island or Cabbage Key Cruises

- Poker Run
- Karaoke
- Wine Tasting
- Scrumptious Food
- Live DJ
- On-Board Hospitality

Registration details to follow in early summer





**Cabbage Key** 



#### "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.

#### **August and September Birthdays**

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

Kathleen Reynolds 8/1 Ellen Filipiak 8/4 Karen Kuettner 8/6 Mary Kreppein 8/8 **Trevor Haworth 8/9** Louis Riche 8/11 Richard Rogers 8/14 **Lonnie Hoschar 8/15** Meg Smith 8/15 Pam Sander 8/16 Deborah Sweeden 8/18 Rhonda Gloodt 8/19 Peggy Reiss 8/19 Lindsay McFadden 8/21 Eugene Wordehoff 8/25 Scott DeBisschop 8/30 Robert Richardson 8/31



David Knudsen 9/1 Ann Marie Rvan 9/1 Tom Morr 9/6 Kristine Zikmanis 9/6 Bob Smith 9/7 Eric Schnur 9/8 Robert DiMella 9/9 Jim Bahin 9/11 Jack Bliss 9/11 Donald Bruns 9/12 Mark McFadden 9/13 Victoria DiMella 9/14 **Robert Thomas 9/16** Doug Foss 9/18 Wanda Burson 9/20 **Dorothy Harkness 9/23** Joey Puell 9/25 Jennifer Jewett 9/28





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

#### Captain Ted's Corner

1. INLAND ONLY When power-driven vessels are in a crossing situation, one short blast by either vessel would mean .



- a. "I intend to leave you on my port side"
- b. "I intend to hold course and speed"
- c. "I intend to change course to starboard"
- d. "I request a departure from the rules"
- 2. The distance that a vessel travels from the time that the order to put engines full astern until the vessel is dead in the water is known as \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. advance
  - b. head reach
  - c. surge
  - d. transfer
- 3. The rudders are amidships and both screws are going ahead. What will happen if the starboard screw is stopped?
  - a. The bow will go to port.
  - b. The bow will go to starboard.
  - c. The bow will remain steady.
  - d. The stern will go to starboard.
- 4. When approaching a preferred-channel buoy, the best channel is NOT indicated by the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. light characteristic
  - b. color of the uppermost band
  - c. shape of an unlighted buoy
  - d. color of the light

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











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