



# THE EAGLE'S EYE

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## Change of Watch

America's Boating Club-Marco Island held its 44th Change of Watch on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at the Marco Island Yacht Club. Commander Wanda Burson, P, was sworn in as Commander for 2022. Joining her on the Bridge are Executive Officer D/Lt/C Gene Burson, JN, Administrative Officer Lt/C David Randall, AP, Assistant Administrative Officer, 1/Lt Christopher Frost, AP, Education Officer P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, Secretary Lt/C Shelley Derrough, AP, Assistant Secretary, 1/Lt Susan Cole, Treasurer Lt/C Gerry Cole and Assistant Treasurer 1/Lt Ken Koos. See more information and photos about the COW on pages 12-15.

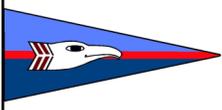


Commander Burson swearing in her bridge: from left—P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, Lt/C Shelley Derrough, AP, D/Lt/C Gene Burson, JN, Lt/C David Randall, AP, Lt/C Gerry Cole, 1/Lt Susan Cole and 1/SuLt Ken Koos

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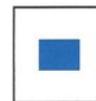


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# Coming Events 2022

## February 2022

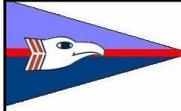
2/1	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
2/9	ExCom Meeting	Learning Center	0900
2/9	Dinner Meeting	Marco Island Yacht Club	1700
2/15	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
2/15	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
2/19	Blessing of the Fleet	Marco Island Yacht Club	1100
2/19-27	National Annual Meeting	Ponte Vedra, Florida	
2/23	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700
2/25	Cruise and Lunch	Paradise Found	1130
2/27-3/6	D22 Cruise		

## March 2022

3/1	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
3/9	ExCom Meeting	Learning Center	0900
3/9	Dinner Meeting	Marco Island Yacht Club	1700
3/15	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
3/15	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
3/19	Beach Clean up	South Beach	0800
3/19	Boat around Marco	(ABC-Bring lunch along)	1230
3/23	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700
3/24	Key West Express	Rose Marina	0730
3/30	Rod and Gun Club	Everglades City	1130

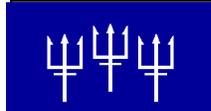
## April 2022

4/1	D22 Spring Conference	Punta Gorda	
4/2	D22 Spring Conference, COW	Punta Gorda	
4/4	Scavenger Hunt	TBD	TBD
4/5	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
4/13	EXCOM meeting	Learning Center	0900
4/13	Dinner Meeting	Marco Island Yacht Club	1700
4/19	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830
4/19	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300
4/21	Cruise and Lunch	Naples Boat House	
4/27	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700
4/30	Cruise and Lunch (BYOE)	Panther Key	1200



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

I am thrilled to report that Commander Burson has found someone to replace me as Editor of the Eagle's Eye. New member, Jane Orsulak, will be taking over for me by May 2022. She's had experience doing newsletters in her previous squadron in Ohio. I'll be working with her over the next couple months to make sure that there will be smooth transition and that we'll maintain the high quality publication that I received when I took over from Andy Battaglia back in 2017. We'll continue to strive to earn the Distinguished Communicator award from national and the District. I know the Eagle's Eye will be in good hands with her leadership.



**COMMANDER**  
Wanda Burson, P

This past year, despite dealing with Covid, we accomplished many things we can all be very proud of.



Thanks to our membership department, led by Peggy Reiss, we increased our membership by 40 new members. That is remarkable and we now need to make sure they are all involved in committees and projects.

We need members to volunteer to be Vessel Safety Check Examiners.

By now most of you have seen the photos of our Best in Parade entry in the Marco Island Christmas Street Parade. This unique design was created by Dave Chaney. Twelve members worked on decorating the boat and walking in the street parade.

Be sure to check Ted Reiss's Educational Column for classes you might want to consider taking. If you do not find what you are looking for in the way of classes, please contact Ted.

We have been influential with Government agencies regarding ATONS. Rick LoCastro, Collier County Commissioner Dist. 1, tells us more ATONS have been repaired or replaced in the County this past year than several years in the past. This is promising news.

January 12, 2022 we had our Change of Watch. D/C Cliff Schmidt, JN installed the new Commander Wanda Burson. Not a typo. I am serving a second term. I then installed the Bridge and new committees.

I am looking forward to the coming year. I encourage everyone to get involved. Being involved you are more invested in the club. Let's work together to strengthen our image in the community for leadership in boating education, safety, and fun on the water.

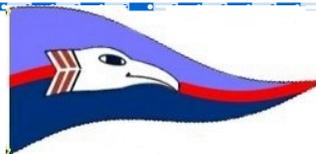


### SUNSHINE NEWS



Please keep Lee Harkness in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from hip surgery. Kathy Hart continues to have health challenges as does Joe Whiting.

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

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



### BY-LAWS UPDATE

The revised by-laws have been given final approval by the United States Power Squadron Rules Committee. The approval date is January 16, 2022. You may print a copy of the By-laws from the Club's website:

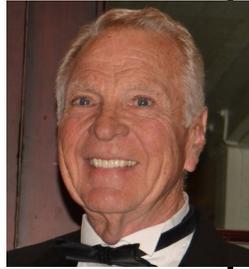
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**EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
D/Lt/C Gene Burson, JN**

There are opportunities for all members to join a committee and begin to get more involved with the mission of the Squadron/Club.

Ray Rosenberg has accepted chair of the Vessel Safety Check examiners. More Vessel Safety Check (VSC) examiners are always needed. If you are willing to study the VSC requirements, pass a test, and then do 5 VSC examinations, call or email Ray at 230-877-4206 or [RaymondRosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:RaymondRosenberg@gmail.com).



Classes have had many students without spending a lot of money on publicizing in the newspapers. We believe that most students have found our classes by word of mouth or on our website. Ted has surveyed the members as to what classes they would like to have offered, but he received little response from the members. He should be congratulated for being able to satisfy the public's desires for classes by creating additional classes and/or putting people on waiting reserved lists.

The Rules Committee reviewed the Squadron Bylaws and made necessary changes to comply with the National Bylaws. The membership, after their review, voted unanimously to adopt the new bylaws at the Squadron's Change of Watch. The Secretary has filled in the certification page and emailed our approved bylaws, with the certification page, to our National representative for the final approval. National has given us final approval and the approval date is January 16, 2022. The by-laws are available on our website and you can print out a copy from there.

Another topic is a possible reorganization of the United States Power Squadrons®. The discussions are in the preliminary stages with National soliciting member comments. If the members vote in favor to adopt the reorganization, the District level of Squadron support will be eliminated and replaced by Regions. The Regions will be made up of all the Squadrons in their defined territory. The Regions then become the direct support for squadrons. The hope is that a Region will be able to encourage squadron

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

Greetings from your new Administrative Officer! The bad news is that I have big shoes to fill in taking Peggy's place but the good news is that she has promised to hand – hold me as I figure this job out. The other good news is the brevity of this, my first, column for the newsletter.



Season is now in full swing and a glance at the MISPS activity list shows a lot of great social and education. Tippy even has three intrepid students taking Junior Navigation and trying to figure out which end is up using a sextant and all those sight right reduction tables. Our vessel inspectors have clipboards and stickers in hand and are just itching at the opportunity to help make us safer and a good example to our fellow boaters.

Our change of watch at the Marco Island Yacht Club had a great turnout. Chef Bob provided great fare and the club offers a great venue for our gatherings. This also is where we gather the second Wednesday of each month through April for our dinner and speaker. We shall hear about Tigertail and its lagoon in March and the Eagle Sanctuary in April. Yours truly has calls out for February but whomever it is, will be great! Some topic considerations include Marco history, the Marco Island History Museum, Rookery Bay Preserve, Marco Water Quality, and Okeechobee water quality. And if worse comes to worst, I can regale you with spellbinding information on first aid. Let me know if you have topics of interest.

Another hat I wear (and with my easily sunburned, mostly bald head, a hat is a good thing) is being the Fleet Surgeon at the Yacht Club. So, until told otherwise, I may periodically throw in something for boating medicine.

The American College of Surgeons is the professional organization for trauma surgeons. They have found that one cause of death out in the field is life – threatening bleeding. This is of enough concern that they have a Stop The Bleed campaign and offer various kits just for this purpose. Their website is [www.stopthebleed.org](http://www.stopthebleed.org). This is worth a visit and has good information including videos and a list of courses

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## EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

The new year 2022 started off with interest in several courses. January America's Boating Course had 12 people (6 couples). Marine Navigation course has 12 students including 4 squadron members. The February Boat Handling course has 17 registered people, nine of whom are members.



The Ongoing Instructor Development course has one member. Final lesson plans have already been received for USPS grading. Offshore Navigation has four members.

That leaves two courses - ABC and Boat Handling (which is already filled) - and four seminars scheduled to start in February or March. Several FREE on-the-water opportunities are also available. The Course and Seminar schedules are on the website and appear in each issue of the *Eagle's Eye*. As a student is there another topic you want to learn about?

Currently we have six certified instructors: Peggy Reiss, Gene Burson, Rhonda Gloodt, Tippy Cavanagh, Nick Rago and myself. With more instructors we can offer more or a wider range of courses and seminars. Do you have a particular skill or part of boating you feel confident in sharing with other members? Can you help others learn how to tie knots? Do you know how to show others how to use a course plotter? Both the Marine Navigation course and Boat Handling course need helpers on these topics. Squadron has prepared power point slides for dozens of seminars and courses. Let me know how you can help.

Let's go boating. Be safe, have fun and continue to learn.



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT, Cont.

sharing of VSC examiners, class instructors, and direct support for increasing membership.

I hope that all members had fun either attending and/or working at the Wine & Hors D'Oeuvres Party. I had many favorable comments. The financials are not complete, but I feel we did well so our mission is secure for another year.

Gene Burson, AP

Executive Officer

Edward Jones

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## SAFETY OFFICER Lt Kenneth Deutsch



### Man overboard: prevention and rescue

Don't let the cry of "Man overboard!" send you into a panic. You can react swiftly and calmly by learning what to do if it happens, but your best option is to learn how to prevent it in the first place.

People fall overboard even during perfectly calm conditions. Those who aren't in good physical shape may not withstand the shock of being tossed in the water. Wearing a life jacket could be critical to their survival.

### How to prevent falling overboard

If you must be on deck during dangerous conditions, use a tether and jack line. While underway, do not allow passengers to stand in small boats or sit on foredecks, gunwales, engine boxes, seat backs or transoms. Bare feet have poor traction; wear deck-gripping shoes instead.

Keep your weight low and close to the centerline when moving around in a small boat. In bad weather, have crew members wear harnesses and attach to jack lines when on deck. Watch crew members, and frequently check to ensure all hands are accounted for. Finding and recovering a man overboard can be difficult, especially in poor visibility or in rough water.

In the pre-departure briefing, make sure everyone aboard understands what to do in the event of a man overboard, from initial alarm call to recovery and aftercare. Practice man overboard retrieval under normal conditions in calm waters away from boat traffic. Your throwable flotation aid makes an excellent teaching aid to simulate a man overboard, allowing you to practice maneuvering your boat alongside and recovering the man overboard. Toss a life jacket over the side while moving to see how long it takes to stop the boat, turn and retrieve someone lost overboard.

### Rescue procedures

In the event of a man overboard situation:

- Shout "Man overboard!" and make sure the helmsperson hears you. If available, press the "MOB" key on your GPS, which will guide you back to the location you were at when the key was pressed. Be sure the retrieval object you will toss into the water is tied to the boat.

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## SAFETY OFFICER, Cont.

- Assign someone to point at the person in the water and never let the victim out of sight.
- To avoid running over the man overboard, approach against the wind and waves or current. Carefully come close aboard, or alongside, the person in the water. Shift into reverse to stop forward motion.
- Consider turning off the engine in gear to keep the propeller from turning; propellers can easily injure someone in the water. It's safer to trail a life jacket on a line astern and circle the person in the water until the victim can grasp it.
- In a boat with low freeboard, bring a person aboard over the transom, but be alert to the presence of hot outboard motors, exhaust pipes and carbon monoxide. This recovery method can be dangerous during high seas, sending water into a low freeboard vessel, especially one with the stern pointed into the seas. Be aware that a pitching stern could slam down on someone in the water.
- In boats with high freeboard, use a swim platform or ladder to retrieve the man overboard. You could also rig a sling, rope ladder or knotted line. As a last resort, send a strong swimmer over the side to help a weak person in the water, ensuring that the swimmer wears a life jacket and has a safety line attached.

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, Cont.

They offer a variety of ready – made kits to keep on the boat as does (of course) Amazon. The most important components are an easy – to – use tourniquet and a gauze material called Quick Clot. The latter facilitates clotting and can be applied to a minor cut but also can be crammed into a deep wound – particularly one not amenable to use of a tourniquet. We have one on our boat and, regardless of anyone's sort of boating, I would definitely encourage folks to check this out and have it aboard.

All the best and look forward to seeing you all at all the great events coming up and listed in the roster!



## Winter/Spring Boating Activities Calendar

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities!

2/19	Blessing of the Fleet, Marco Island Yacht Club	1200
2/25	Cruise & Lunch, Paradise Found	1130
3/19	Boat Around Marco (ABC-Bring lunch)	1230
3/30	Rod & Gun Club Everglades City	1130
4/4	Scavenger Hunt	TBD
4/21	Cruise & Lunch, Naples Boat House	1130
4/30	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) Panther Key	1200
5/19	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy	1130

For questions, contact Boating Chair, P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN  
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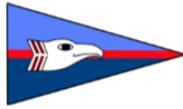
*Don't Wait*

*Contact Ray Rosenberg AP,  
Vessel Safety Check Team Leader*

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## **MISPS**

### **New Member Connect Program**

**The Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron (MISPS) seeks to make new Members welcome and encourage active participation in MISPS education courses, boat safety programs and social activities by those new to our organization.**

**We are seeking volunteers to become New Member Hosts/Sponsors. If you bring a new member into MISPS we would expect you to be their host/sponsor. If you would like to become a new member host for other new members without sponsors please email Ray Rosenberg, AP with your request. Ray will be coordinating this program and will provide you with the tools needed.**

**Ray Rosenberg, AP [raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:raymondhrosenberg@gmail.com)**

# MONTHLY DINNER MEETING



MARCO ISLAND SAIL & POWER SQUADRON  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2022

**MARCO ISLAND YACHT CLUB**

1400 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island

1700 (5:00 PM) – SOCIALIZING

17:45 (5:45 PM) – MONTHLY MEETING

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

SPEAKER:

To Be Announced

MENU:

\$45 per Person

Choose One Dinner per Person:

Traditional Pot Roast

Or

Baked Filet of Sole

Or

Vegetarian: Broken Lasagna with Parmesan and Snap Peas

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

Menu choice: Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Fish \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

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

# CHANGE OF WATCH

Our Change of Watch dinner meeting on January 12th was attended by about 50 members and guests from District 22. District Commander Cliff Schmidt, JN attended the COW and swore in Commander Wanda Burson. Also in attendance from the District were Past D/C Sam Bonilla, AP, his wife, Millie Bonilla, AP and D/Lt/C Melissa Butler, SN, District Education Officer who presented P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN with the Outstanding Educator Award. We also swore in four new members at the COW ceremony. Welcome to Ed and Cloe Gerri and Liz and Darren Scandone.



**Commander Burson being sworn in by D22 Commander Cliff Schmidt**



**New members Liz and Darren Scandone and Cloe and Ed Gerri being sworn in by Commander Burson**



**District 22 Representatives—Commander Cliff Schmidt, P/D/C Sam Bonilla, Millie Bonilla, D/Lt/C Melissa Butler, and D/Lt/C Gene Burson**



**P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN received the D22 Excellence in Teaching Award from D/Lt/C Melissa Butler, D22 Education Officer**



**Sam and Millie Bonilla join Wanda and Gene Burson on the terrace before the COW**

## CHANGE OF WATCH, Cont.



**P/C Andy Battaglia, AP and Christopher Kimball**



**Nancy McCann and John Apolzan**



**P/C John Noffze and Lt/C Gerald and 1/Lt Susan Cole**



**Judy Crook and P/C Richard Rogers, P**



**D/C Cliff Schmidt, JN**



**New members Liz and Darren Scandone**

## CHANGE OF WATCH, Cont.



**New members Cloe and Ed Gerri**



**Dave and Linette Chaney**



**Julie Riley and Sonya Benson**



**Kathleen Reynolds, Ilya and Mila Langley**



**1/Lt Ken Koos**



**Julie and Steve Riley, P/C Bill Hughes, Jennifer Jewett, P/C Carl Thieme and Sheila Thieme**



**Lt Dorothy and P/C Lee Harkness, AP**

## CHANGE OF WATCH, Cont.



Lt/C Shelley Derrough, 1/Lt Susan Cole and Lt/C David Randall



Don Cates and Dan Marinelli



D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss JN and P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

*Congratulations to our 2022-23 Bridge! We look forward to working with you this year!*

### 2021 Merit Marks

This is the revised list of those members who earned Merit Marks in 2021. Sorry we left some people off in the last edition of the Eagle's Eye!

Andrea Battaglia  
Sonya M. Benson  
Gene C. Burson  
Wanda Burson  
Donald L. Cates  
Patricia P. Cavanagh  
Kathryne R. Derrough  
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## America's Boating Club - Marco Island 2022 Education Schedule

<u>Course</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
ABC	Ted Reiss ++	Feb 2,7,14,16,21	40	5	1800
ABC	Ted Reiss ++	March 3,7,10,14,17	40	5	1800
ABC	Ted Reiss ++	April As Re- quested	40	5	1800
Boat Handling (course already full)	Nick Rago	Feb 1,3,8,10,15 Feb 17,22	70/100*	7	1800

<u>Seminar</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
Partner in Com- mand	Peggy & Ted Thieme & Reiss	Feb 18	40/couple	1	1800
Charting/GPS	MI EMS	March 1,2 Feb or March??	40	2	1800
First Aid/CPR	Nick Rago	Feb 10	40	1	1800
Anchoring	Gloodt & Reiss	21-Mar	40	1	1800
Hurricane Prepar- edness	Ted Reiss	As Requested	Free**	1	
HOT Hands on Training	Various	As Requested	Free	1,2	
Vessel Simulator	Various	As Requested	Free**	1	
Jump Start					

Register 10 days before start of class.

Contact Ted Reiss, capttedr@yahoo.com

Enrollment limited to 7 individuals or up to 7 couples.

We follow all CDC guidelines.

**\*\* Members Only      \* 70 for member, 100 for non-member**

# RUN AGROUND? TRY KEDGING OFF

(Reprinted from America's Boating Compass—January 2022)

One of the biggest fears of new boaters in the 10,000 Islands is running aground. We say that there are two kinds of boaters: those who have run aground and those who will run aground. Here's an interesting article from America's Boating Compass about using the kedging technique to help you become unstuck.

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If you find yourself aground on a soft bottom, you might be able to free your boat by kedging off, or setting an anchor in deeper water and pulling the boat toward it, either mechanically or by hand.

First, ensure your crew and boat are sound. Then determine what's underneath the boat. If you're on rocks and didn't hole your boat, you might ruin your hull if you try to move it. Your best bet may be to call a professional.

## Stuck on a soft bottom?

Float your anchor out on life preservers or take it out in a dinghy.

If using a dinghy, wear life jackets, make the bitter end fast to the stranded vessel, and put the rode in the dinghy. Pay out the rode while moving into deeper water to set the anchor.

Before kedging, determine which part of the boat would be easiest to free and where the deeper water lies. If the bow is grounded on the edge of a shoal, kedging to the opposite side of the bow can swing the bow around and free it from the bottom.

If the bow is grounded head on, kedging off the stern while attempting to back the boat by applying slow, steady power might help as long as you're sure your propeller and rudder can move freely. Try applying power and rocking the boat while pulling on the rode, making sure the rode doesn't foul the prop.

## On a sailboat?

You can rig a line from high on the mast to an anchor set off the beam. (A spinnaker halyard's swivel fitting works well for this.) Pulling from a high spot may tip the boat enough to free it from the bottom. Just don't put too much strain on the line; you don't want to damage the rigging or jam the block at the masthead. If all else fails, call a professional to free your boat safely.



## "Hand, Knee & Foot" Card Game

Call: Lt Dorothy Harkness, S at 642-3575

Email: [dorothyharkness@embarqmail.com](mailto: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.

## February Birthdays

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

Tim Benincasa 2/1

John Martin 2/1

Brooks Wood 2/2

Lisa Zordani 2/3

Darren Scandone 2/5

Michael Herod 2/7

Miles Blunt 2/11

Shelley Derrough 2/19

Ray Rosenberg 2/19

David Metzler 2/21

Robert



Noffsinger 2/21

Happy  
Birthday

## Save the Date - Blessing of the Fleet

Please join the Marco Island Boating Community in the annual Blessing of the Fleet Event. Event will be held at the Marco Island Yacht Club beginning at 10:00 a.m. on February 19, 2022.

Further details will follow. Please RSVP your attendance to me.

Thank you and we look forward to your participation.

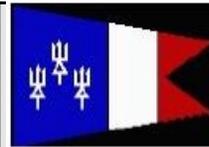
Best Regards,

Ray Rosenberg

Past Commodore and FCYC Director MIYC

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1. BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND  
Every vessel should at all times proceed at a "safe speed". "Safe speed" is defined as that speed where \_\_\_\_\_.

- you can stop within your visibility range
- you can take proper and effective action to avoid collision
- you are traveling slower than surrounding vessels
- no wake comes from your vessel



2. A vessel is steaming in east longitude on January 25 and crosses the International Date Line on an eastbound course at 0900 zone time. What is the date and time at Greenwich when the vessel crosses the line?

- 0900, 24 January
- 2100, 24 January
- 2100, 25 January
- 0900, 26 January

3. Wind direction may be determined by observing all of the following EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.

- low clouds
- waves
- whitecaps
- swells

4. The proper stimulant for an unconscious person is \_\_\_\_\_.

- tea
- coffee
- whiskey and water
- ammonia inhalant



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



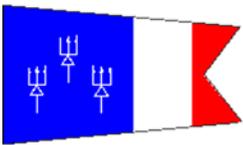
# 2022 Spring Conference

## Friday, 1 April

am - Squadron Officer Meeting / pm - District Council Meeting

## Saturday, 2 April:

Roundtables - Member Luncheon - District Conference Meeting



## *Change of Watch*



*Thank You D/C Cliff and Welcome D/C Gene*

### Hotel Info:

**Four Points Sheraton – 941-637-6770**

**\$109.00 + \$20.00 resort fee + taxes (normal senior rate - \$224)**

**Breakfast normally about \$10.00 - cutoff date 3/11**

Make reservation directly with Punta Gorda hotel to get special rate.

**Springhill Suites by Marriott – 941-347-4224**

\$139.00 (city view) or \$149.00 (harbor view) + taxes

**includes breakfast - cutoff date 3/11**

Link to book your room online: [Book your group rate for Americas Boating Club](#)

**Rates are good for one day prior and a day after the conference dates**

**\*Must book for 2 nights and state United States Power Squadrons for these rates\***

**If you have any issue making reservations,  
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