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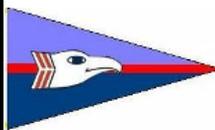
D/C Gene Burson welcomes attendees.



MISPS Volunteers register participants

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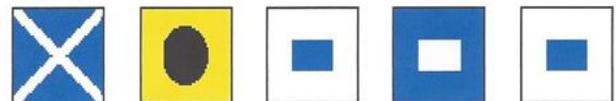


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UPCOMING EVENTS 2022

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June 2022

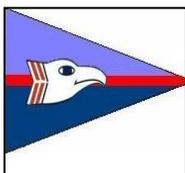
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6/8	EXCOM meeting	Learning Center	0900	
6/8	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4
6/13	Cruise and Lunch (BYOE)	Sand Dollar Island	1130	11
6/16	Lunch – Ridgeway Bar & Grill (date change)	Naples	1130	
6/21	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830	
6/21	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300	8
6/22	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4
6/25	Cruise and Lunch CANCELLED	Port of the Islands	1130	11

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7/13	EXCOM meeting	Zoom	0900	
7/13	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4
7/16	Cruise and Dinner	Mango's	1700	11
7/19	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830	
7/19	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300	8
7/23	Breakfast	Sand Bar Restaurant	0830	
7/26	Cruise and Lunch (BYOE)	White Horse Key	1130	11
7/27	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4

Aug 2022

Date	Event	Location	Time	Page
8/2	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300	8
8/10	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4
8/11	Cruise and Lunch (BYOE)	Cape Romano	1130	11
8/16	Silver Tridents	Hoots	0830	
8/16	Cards at the Condo	Learning Center	1300	8
8/18	Cruise and Lunch	Deep Lagoon	1130	11
8/24	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	1700	4
8/27	Cruise and Lunch	Port of the Islands	1130	11



THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR
Lt Jane Orsulak

Summertime is here, and with it comes the migration of many of our snowbirds to the northern oceans, lakes, and rivers. This issue covers local activities for June and July.

As a snowbird myself, I will not be able to participate in the various events, so I would appreciate photos that I can include in future newsletters. I welcome any comments and suggestions. Please email them to jmo.abcd@gmail.com



SUNSHINE NEWS
Lt Ann Marie Ryan

Please keep the following in your thoughts as prayers:

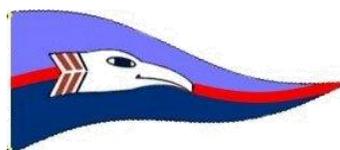
- P/LtC Tim Benincasa, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Cdr Wanda Burson
- Lt Robert Gloodt

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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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!



COMMANDER
Wanda Burson, P



The end of season is a busy time for this squadron and the members who will be returning North for the Summer. We enjoyed receiving a proclamation from the City for National Safe Boating Week on Marco Island and had a great turnout at Rose Marina to culminate the celebration of honoring the First Responders at the Wear IT event.

This Summer, with those members that stick around the Island, we will be going to the Naples' Zoo on Saturday, 4, June 2022, and the following activities will be a cruise to Sand Dollar Island, where you will need to Bring-Your-Own-Everything (BYOE), and then 3 days later it is off to Ridgeway Bar & Grill in Naples for lunch. The Summer is going to be filled with activities. To avoid complete cancellation of an activity, we will begin to assign rain dates.

The Summer is also a good time to think about what classes you would like to take to learn a little more about safe boating. Talk to Ted about any boating topic such as a seminar on anchoring, how to maintain your boat engine, or what is involved in Junior Navigation. Ted needs to know so he can develop an education schedule for this Fall.

Speaking of classes. The idea of "bundling" has come up. We are in the preliminary stages, but the idea of the ABC Class, Boat Handling, and a seminar on Reading Charts/GPS could be a bundle we would offer to new members for a reduced cost from the standard cost of the individual classes.

Membership is always on our minds. We need to have an awards party for all the members that earned a Merit Mark this past year. This will have to wait until most members return to Paradise this Fall.

What would you like to do as an activity? Something different? How about a Kayak Tour, Miniature Golf Tournament, possibly support a new civic endeavor, etc. Think about new activities for next year. There will be a meeting in early Fall to develop a schedule of activities for next year. We need your ideas. We are getting stale.

Well, you get the idea. We need your help. Do not wait, when you have an idea, email it to me. Your idea might be the great new activity for the squadron.



EXECUTIVE OFFICER
D/C Gene Burson, JN



Lt Ray Rosenberg, Vessel Safety Officer, reports that things are going along fine even though things have slowed down due to the people leaving.

Lt Dave Chaney, Public Relations Chair, has prepared a presentation for the Bridge on the Wear It campaign. He and I have spent a LOT of time interviewing business owners and Managers to get stories and pictures for the newspapers.

Lt Linette Chaney has been working with Sunshine Stitchers to link their store with our website. This will allow members to purchase their club wear directly from the store, thus eliminating the Club's inventory.



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
Lt/C David Randall, AP



The MISPS had a great turnout for its most recent dinner meeting. Carl Way of the Marco Island Eagle Sanctuary gave an informative presentation on their foundation. Information about their mission can be

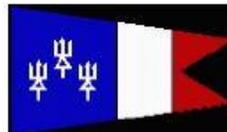
found at <https://marcoeaglesanctuaryfoundation.org> and <https://marcoislandnaturepreserve.org/>. The Eagle Camera link at: <https://marcoislandnaturepreserve.org/eagle-camera/>

Our Squadron currently has 163 active and 4 associate members. As things slow down off-season, there are still a number of fun activities upcoming so mark your calendars:

- June 4 The Naples Zoo offers Collier County residents free admission the first Saturday of each month until 3:30 PM. Bring proof of residency; those under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

- June 13 Sand Dollar Island BYOE – check with Rhonda Gloodt for questions.
- **June 16** Lunch at Ridgeway Bar and Grill – Nanette River has details on this (not date change)
- June 25 Port of the Islands cruise and rendezvous at 11:30 (Nanette and Rhonda for details. -- **Postponed**)
- July 16 Cruise and dinner at Mango's Dockside Bistro in the Esplanade – 17:00 (Nanette Rhonda)
- July 23 Breakfast 08:30 at the Sand Bar (Nanette)
- July 26 Cruise and Lunch BYOE at White Horse Key 11:30 (Rhonda)

Have a great month!



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



Time to put into practice all you learned over the last year or two. Things like: Do you remember to bring in your fenders after you leave the dock? Do you turn on your VHF radio while underway? Do you have your lines and fenders ready before you dock? Do you brief your passengers before starting off? Do you have passengers try on their life jacket? Do you remember the difference between “No Wake” and “Minimum Wake”? Do you have an assigned Look-Out during each voyage? Do you check the weather forecast? Can you demonstrate all the knots you learned? Are you ready for the hurricane season? Do you have an MMSI number installed? Can you find your fix to tell someone your exact location if in trouble? Does everything work on your boat? Are you safe and still having fun?

If not, let us know how we can help you.

On to the future. An education schedule will be created over the summer for classes and seminars for the Fall and Winter. What topics interest you? Would you like to present a particular topic? We can always use members to present portions of the America's Boating Course, the first or basic course we offer. We have power point slides (which can be modified) for courses and seminars already prepared.

Vessel trainer/simulator is again working. This device allows you to drive vessels from a jet ski to ocean going vessels. You turn the steering wheel. You move the throttles. Even if you sink the boat, a few buttons bring it back to the surface. It is a great device to start learning how to maneuver a boat. Let me know when you would like to play being captain. Let's go boating, be safe and have fun.

SAFETY OFFICER
Lt Kenneth Deutsch

Safely Boating in Shallow Water



Whether you want to go fishing where no one else has cast a line, you want to go day cruising through the backwaters where you'll be at one with nature, or you're just exploring some cool new sandbar, being able to run

through the shallows will open up new and interesting waterways. But what do you need to know to safely go boating in "skinny" water?



The best boats for safely navigating shallow water are those that are designed specifically for it. But no matter how good a particular boat may be operating in the shallows, there are a few specifics we need to discuss.

Just how much water a boat needs to float is described as its draft, and in the case of boats with outboards or lower units that tilt up and down, you'll sometimes see draft listed as "engine up" or "engine down." The draft of most boats ranges from six inches or so with the engine up, to several feet in the case of inboard boats. When it comes to boats with

tilting drives, as a general rule of thumb add about nine inches to the engine-up draft to get an idea of how much depth the boat needs with the engine tilted down far enough to safely put it in gear and get the boat moving forward. In some cases, tilting an engine completely down can increase draft by well over a foot.

But there's one more twist: the draft figures you'll usually see listed for a boat are what's called "static draft," and is measured when they're standing still. Modern powerboats also have what's called "running draft," which is how much draft they need once they're cruising up on plane. When a boat comes onto plane, it rises up out of the water substantially. This can reduce draft by a matter of several inches or even more. Tilting the engine up a bit can reduce running draft even further. Many bay boats, like my Pathfinder, also have jack plates, which can raise the motor (still tilted down for power delivery) several inches higher when needed, to allow planing in less than normal depth water - essentially just the prop and lower unit are in the water. Thus, a boat with a static, engine-down draft of two feet may be able to actually cruise through just a foot or so of water without ever running aground.

Tips for Safely Boating in Shallow Water

Whether you have a boat designed specifically for shoal draft or not, knowing some basics about operating in the shallows is important.

1. The first and most important tip for boating in shallow water is one you can probably guess already: when you're unsure of the depth and fear you may run aground, slow down.

It's true that this will increase the amount of water you need, because once the boat comes off of plane you'll then be restricted to static draft as opposed to running draft. But running aground at high speed is dangerous, can severely damage your boat, and can lead to being stranded and unable to get the boat off the bottom. If you run aground slowly, the danger is minimal and you have a much better chance of getting back off. If you're familiar with the waters, however, and know for sure you have sufficient depth to accommodate your running draft—but not your static draft—it's not unreasonable to keep the boat on plane to get across the shallows. Obviously, in manatee zones or otherwise speed/wake-restricted areas, follow the rules.

2. When idling through very shallow water, don't trim the outdrive up as far as possible.

Do so, and if you run aground you're out of options. Leave it a couple inches down, however, and if you run aground you can tilt it up that last little bit and still have the ability to back off and seek a deeper path.

3. Check the tide before you head out.

Of course, you'll want to know how actual water depth will relate to the charted depths (which are given in "mean lower low water," which is an average of low tide levels). But tidal cycles are also important to know so that if you run aground and get stuck, you know what to do next. You may be able to back off, or you may want to get out and push. But if you know the tide is rising, you may want to simply kick back and relax until the water level rises enough to float you free. If, on the other hand, you know the tide is falling, you may want to take measures to get it off ASAP before the situation becomes even worse. You'll also want to make sure you don't enter marginal waters, as you may not be able to get back out again later as the water level falls.

4. Keep a sharp eye out for color changes.

Channels and deeper waters often appear dark in color, while sandy shoals look like light spots in the water. But color changes can also fool you; dark-looking grassbeds, for example, may be shallower than the surrounding waters. The bottom line? If you're cruising along comfortably it's often wise to avoid any sort of color changes, so you'll likely stay in the same depth range. Also keep an eye out for waves that break in the same spot over and over, which indicates bars that are shallower than their surroundings - as a guide once told me, do not boat where birds are standing!

5. Be wary of beaching your boat on a falling tide.

One of the great things about boating in SWF is exploring where few people go, and it may be tempting to pull your boat up on a remote beach or a pristine spit of sand. Just make sure you don't do so as the tide's going out without keeping a close eye on the water level. More than one boater has become stranded for hours after they went off beach-combing while a falling tide left their boat high and dry.

6. Know your boat's draft.

It's amazing how many boat owners don't actually know what their static and running drafts are. If the

manufacturer doesn't publish both, it's a good idea to arm yourself with a tape measure and go into a shallow area where you know you can safely step off the boat and check, so you'll never again wonder just how much depth you need.

7. Remember that on smaller boats, draft can be increased by a heavy load.

Weight can change the draft of any size boat, but on boats under 20 feet or so, a couple extra passengers can change draft by an inch or more. Similarly, a full load of fuel and gear can increase draft.

Do you hope to seek out tailing redfish on a tropical flat? Probe a shallow cove where those snook are feeding? Discover a remote 10,000 Island beach where there are seashells no one's even dreamt of finding? As long as you stay in waters appropriate for your boat and you have a basic understanding of how to operate it in the shallows, boating in ankle-deep water can be enjoyed safely, and is extremely rewarding.

Membership Corner D/Lt/C Peggy Reiss

Welcome to the Membership Corner! My goal as membership chair is to have new members highlighted here. Our Club members are interesting and exciting folks who enjoy boating, getting connected with other boaters, becoming more educated in boating, and becoming involved with our community.

This month we feature Susan and Jerry Cole. They joined America's Boating Club—Marco Island May of 2021. Jerry is Treasurer for 2022 and Susan is Assistant Secretary.



Hailing from Maryland, Jerry and Susan Cole are now in their second year as full-time residents of Marco Island. You could call Susan an experienced beach person as she spent countless days and summers since childhood in Cape May, NJ. So of course, the Coles needed to be close to the water where you'll just as likely find them under a Resident's Beach Tiki umbrella as anywhere else on the island.

During their BMI (before Marco Island) life, Jerry presided as CEO of an international biotechnology organization that specialized in preparing tissue allografts for surgical implantation. Susan spent many years working in banking before changing careers after their two daughters were grown into the environmental services field. Jerry is still active as a Biotechnology Consultant while Susan is retired.

The Cole's move to Marco Island provided some opportunities for new firsts. Being brand new to boating the Coles knew they needed to learn a few things before embarking on the water by themselves and, fast forward, they are enjoying their membership in the MISPS as well as the Freedom Boat Club. Jerry and Susan have also become active pickleball players spending three or more days per week at the YMCA's new pickleball venue. "Down the road, we'll likely pick up fishing" says Jerry. Their new fishing rods and gear from Ace Hardware are sitting in their garage just waiting for them to become anglers.

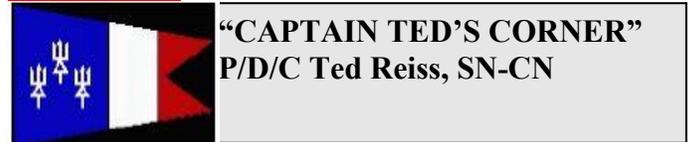
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- 1) **BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** Which statement is TRUE concerning the danger signal?
 - a. May be sounded by the stand-on vessel only
 - b. Indicates that the vessel is in distress
 - c. Is used to indicate a course change
 - d. May be supplemented by an appropriate light signal
- 2) When displayed under a single-span fixed bridge, red lights indicate _____.
 - a. the channel boundaries
 - b. that vessels must stop
 - c. the bridge is about to open
 - d. that traffic is approaching from the other side
- 3) All echo-sounders can measure the _____.
 - a. actual depth of water
 - b. actual depth of water below keel
 - c. average depth from waterline to hard bottom
 - d. average depth of water to soft bottom
- 4) When turning a ship in restricted space with a strong wind, it is normally best to _____.
 - a. go ahead on both engines with the rudder hard to one side, if on a twin-screw vessel
 - b. back down with the rudder hard to one side, if on a single-screw vessel
 - c. take advantage of the tendency to back to port, if on a twin-screw vessel
 - d. turn so that the tendency to back into the wind can be used, if on a single-screw vessel

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

America's Boating Channel
P/D/C Ted Reiss



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Screening free boater education videos is an excellent way for boaters to prepare for safer experiences on the water. Go to AmericasBoatingChannel.com to find the complete list of over 50 videos. All show how to do something right. Some even star fellow Marco members. The latest topics presented in 5 to 6 minute videos are:

- TRAILERING A BOAT
- WEAR A LIFE JACKET
- NAVIGATION RULES FAQ
- FIRE EXTINGUISHER REGULATIONS
- WEAR AN ECOS
- VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS and
- BUI FATALITIES.

America's Boating Channel's sixth season of videos, which are premiering throughout the 2022 boating season, includes

- TRAILERING A BOAT
- DEFENSIVE BOATING
- ELECTRONIC CHARTS AND VIRTUAL ATONS
- COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC
- LIFE JACKET WEAR
- BOAT OPERATOR RESPONSIBILITIES
- NAVIGATING INLETS
- ELECTRONIC VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS and
- CAPACITY COMPLIANCE.

Contact Ted for more information.



June/July Birthdays

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

Paul Gulling	6/4
Jean Taylor	6/5
Susan Cole	6/7
Kathleen Byrnes	6/10
Kenneth Deutsch	6/12
Michele Carney	6/22
Susan Flaherty	6/22
Ilya Langley	6/23
Sheila Bahin	6/29
Allen Kuettner	6/30
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Summer Boating Activities Calendar

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities. Please note changes due to restaurant closure as noted in **red**.

Date	Event	
6/13	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) Sand Dollar Island	1130
6/25	Cruise & Lunch Port of the Islands Postponed	1130
7/16	Cruise & Dinner Mangos Dockside Bistro	1700
7/26	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) White Horse Key	1130
8/11	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE) Cape Romano	1130
8/18	Cruise & Lunch, Deep Lagoon	1130
8/27	Cruise & Lunch, Port of the Islands	1130
9/10	Cruise & Lunch, Naples Boat House	1130
9/22	Cruise & Lunch (BYOE), Panther Key	1130
9/25	Full Moon Cruise, Marco River	1919

For questions, contact Boating Chair, P/C Rhonda Gloodt, JN. 239-450-7089.

For reservations, contact Nanette Rivera 609-658-2947 nanette.rivera@gmail.com



VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS

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

Safe Boating Event at Rose Marina

Our 2022 Safe Boating Event was held at Rose Marina on May 21 and was attended by First Responders, US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Civil Air Patrol, Sea Tow, Tow Boat US, MISPS members, and the general public. Sweet Annie's provided root beer floats, which helped take the edge off the warm humid Florida weather. Thank you to organizer Lt Dave Chaney!!



Thank you to Rose Marina for hosting the event



Thank you to Sweet Annie's for providing free ice cream floats!



Attendees enjoying their complimentary Root Beer Floats.

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Lunch at Island Gypsy

Eleven of us enjoyed lunch at the Island Gypsy May 19th. Members included Nanette Rivera, Dave and Linette Chaney, Shelly Derrough and Dave Randall, Julie and Steve Riley, Ann and Steve Moore, Peggy and Ted Reiss. For those who didn't attend you missed some excellent onion rings!



Photo courtesy of Steve Moore.



D-22 Cruise & Rendezvous
September 30-Oct 2, 2022
Twin Dolphins Marina, Bradenton
GPS coordinates of 27° 29' 57.2244" N and 82° 34' 19.0956" W

Join fellow District members for this fun activity. We will have a toga party on Friday; a visit to the Bishop Museum of Science and Nature; dinner at a local restaurant; a cookie contest in honor of October 1st being National Home-made Cookie Day!

Dockage: \$3.25/ft plus electric & tax.
Please contact Susan Tokarz: sittokarz@aol.com (727) 244-7933 for reservations.

Hotel: A block of 10 rooms has been reserved at the Springhill Suites Bradenton/Riverfront,
102 12th Street West (941) 226-2200
Room rate is \$189.00 (+tax)

Individuals have to contact the hotel directly. Be sure to mention you are with the D-22 Cruise & Rendezvous!!!!

Schedule (tentative)

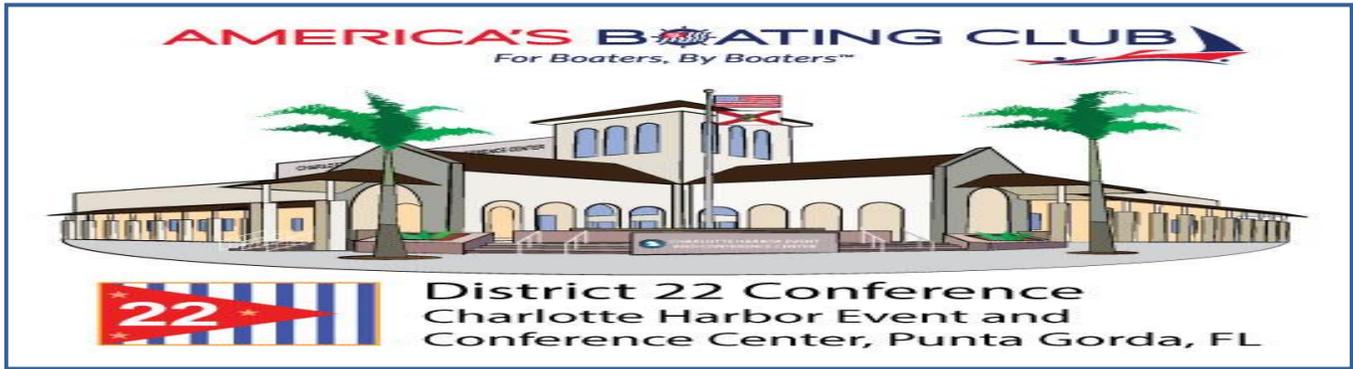
Friday: 5:30 p.m. TOGA PARTY--- Covered Dish at Pool
Come dressed in your finest Toga!
Make your own head-piece.
There might even be prizes!
Home-made Cookie Contest

Saturday: Morning on your own – swim, visit the museum, enjoy!
2:00 p.m. Lunch at a local restaurant.
Evening – Cocktails & Camaraderie!

Sunday: Pastries by the pool – Bring your own coffee.

Safe trip home!





**Check Out The Latest Plans For
The 2022 Fall Conference**

Friday, 7 October:

Squadron/Member Donated Gift Raffle - \$20.00 for 15 tickets

0830 – 1200 Registration Desk Open
 0900 - 1015 Squadron Bridge Officer Meeting 1030 – 1145 **Council Meeting**
 1200 – 1330 Lunch on your own 1400 – 1600 Roundtables

FREE Dinner/Dance Limited to 140 District 22 members

1700 – Social 1800 – 50/50 & Gift Drawing 1830 – Dinner Served
 1900 - 2100 - *Live Music by Manatee Squadron Members*

Reservations will be required – watch for details



Saturday, 8 October:

0800 Registration Desk Open 0800-0900 Coffee and Danish
 0900-1030 Four Fun Roundtables 1045-1200 Town Hall Meeting
 1215 – 1330 Lunch with Speaker
 1345 **District Conference Meeting**
 1600-1700 After Conference Social



Hotel Info:

Four Points Sheraton – 941-637-6770

\$109.00 + taxes (normal senior rate - \$179) – cutoff date 9/16
 State you have the special "Power Squadron room block" or
 give **code PO1407** to receive the discounted rate – must make reservation directly

Springhill Suites by Marriott – 941-347-4224

City view - \$139.00 / Harbor view - \$159.00 + taxes (normal senior rate - \$201)
 breakfast included - cutoff date 9/16

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

***Must mention United States Power Squadrons/America' Boating Club
and book for at least 2 nights for these rates***