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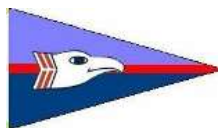


MISPS Members enjoy a delightful evening at Marco Island's Residence Beach.

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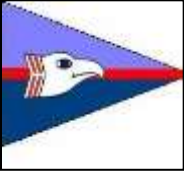
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UPCOMING EVENTS 2024

Date	Event	Location	Day	Time	Page
<u>Mar 2024</u>					
5-Mar	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
9-Mar	Breakfast	Mangos	Sat	0900	20
13-Mar	Executive Board	Learning Center	Wed	0900	
13-Mar	Membership Dinner/Meeting	Marco Island Lutheran Church	Wed	1700	21
16-Mar	Beach Clean-up	South Beach	Sat	0800	18
19-Mar	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tue	0830	
19-Mar	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
20-Mar	Boat Around Marco	Off Rose Marina	Wed	1030	19
27-Mar	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wed	1700	9
<u>Apr 2024</u>					
2-Apr	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
9-Apr	Executive Board	Learning Center	Tue	0900	
9-Apr	Membership Dinner/Meeting	Lutheran Church	Tue	1700	
12-13 Apr	D-22 Spring Conference	Punta Gorda			25
16-Apr	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tue	0830	
16-Apr	Cards	Learning Center	Tue	1300	8
18-Apr	Picnic Cruise - BYOE	Sand Dollar Key	Thu	1100	23
19-Apr	Cruise/Drive	Naples Boat House	Fri	1130	24
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<u>May 2024</u>					
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6-May	Proclamation	Town Hall	Mon	1700	
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	9
10-May	Luncheon	Ridgeway Bar and Grill	Fri	1130	
16-May	Sunset Cruise	Marco River	Thu	1830	
18-24 May	Safe Boating Week/Wear It Cam	TBA			
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NOTE: Please note that April's dinner meeting is on TUESDAY, April 9th.



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

The following cards were sent this month:

- Tim Benicasa is recovering from surgery
- Kathleen Reynolds had hip replacement surgery.
- We also noted the passing of John's wife, Erma Maciolek, and have sent along the Squadron's condolences.

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

March Birthdays

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

- 03/01 William J. Hughes
- 03/05 Deborah A. Rago
- 03/07 Diane J. Heck
- 03/12 Marsha Pointer
- 03/14 Lori Batdorf
- 03/19 Steven J. Moore
- 03/19 Diane M. Thario
- 03/20 John J. Jamison
- 03/22 Starr Whiting
- 03/27 Dennis E. Enstrom



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



MISPS-2024 is off to a great start and promises to be successful and full of opportunities. Squadron members have many opportunities to get involved and leave their fingerprints on how we plan and deliver our principal events this year.

At our Executive Communications meeting (Feb-13th) our Bridge, Executive Committee and Lt/C Officers discussed on how to focus on strengthening our Squadron mission in 2024:

SQUADRON MISSION:

- A. **EDUCATION:** Boating knowledge & skills
- B. **CIVIC:** Programs & safety practices that enhance our community
- C. **SOCIAL:** A Social calendar of activities that are fun and attracts a growing membership

Delivering excellent programs across these three Mission Anchors requires volunteers with a vision on (i) what can we do differently to enhance our outcomes, and (ii) what must we continue doing as our predecessors have done.

To achieve these aspirations, we will:

- start using more marketing tools to communicate with the Marco boating community.
- begin planning and working on our once-a-year fundraising event throughout the year.

Next month we will launch 3 ad-hoc committees:

1. **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE:** early start on planning and securing donation / partners.
2. **CIVIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE:** integrate communication efforts to the boating community on Marco about programs such as: "Wear-It Campaign", Vessel Inspection & Safety Gear, local waters ATON / PATON inventory status, and Safety / First-Aid & CPR / Situational Awareness
3. **IMAGE UPGRADE:** review updating 'The Condo', review the Website for user ease, and

develop a process by which we hear what social programs you prefer and want.

Your contribution to these 3 ad-hoc committees by helping define the Committee Objectives and Outputs will be very helpful. We want to hit the mark 'just right' on the first try – so we deliver efficiently and sunset the committee once objectives are completed. Stay tuned – your voice will be helpful.

Additionally, in February the ATON Survey team led by Cliff Winings with Chris Ricci, Chris Frost, and Andy Battaglia photographed and recorded condition and position data on 64 ATONs in Marco waters – a terrific accomplishment, considering the cold and rainy weather we have been experiencing. We hope to have the final status of our ATON & PATON inventory presented at the Waterways Advisory Committee of the Marco City Council. Perhaps this year we can get a clear path forward on when repairs and replacements will be spearheaded by Marco (City), Coast Guard, and Collier County. We all agree this is an important priority for “safe boating” in our community.

15 of the 16 Vessel Safety Checks completed in February passed their inspections, were logged, and received their stickers. This team of inspectors is led by Jim Addison (a terrific new member of the Squadron who joined in 2023). Jim's team has several more VSC's upcoming. All members should remember to update their VSC's and get their sticker.

We welcomed Joe Navin and Geoff & Kathie Fahringer as new members this February. And, thanks to Peggy & Ted Reiss and Jane Orsulak (our publishing editor) our **2024 Roster and Fleet List booklet** was printed and is available to our members (Peggy got Joe Navin and the Fahringer's into the roster just in time before it went to the printers). Like last year it includes not only each member's picture and contact information, but the booklet also lists a month-by-month Activities & Events detail program for 2024. It is an essential guide to keep handy.

Chris Frost, our Bridge Administrative Officer, diligently put together an active monthly calendar in the **2024 Roster and Fleet List** booklet which lists over 100 events / meetings / boating activities and land-based social lunches / dinners / cocktail-hours for us to get together during 2024.

On Friday Feb-16th we had an excellent Fish-Fry

dinner at Marco Island Residents Beach under one of the Tiki-Huts close to the Paradise Grill concession stand. The Marco Island Stand truly makes an excellent fried grouper dinner (you can buy wine or beer or bring your own). 16 squadron members and guests including five new members joined the Squadron event (see photo on front page). The weather was perfect, come join us at the next event!

In March we have breakfast at Mango's on Saturday, March 9th. Our Dinner Meeting is Wednesday March 13th (sign-up through Dorothy Harkness) -- the presentation is on kayaking, paddle board and canoe safety and their interaction on the water with larger vessels. Mid-March we sponsor the beach cleanup at South Beach on March 16th at 0800! On March 20th, leaving Rose Marina (at 1030), we have a "Boat Around Marco Cruise" for those new to Marco waters, or for those who need a refresher on the waterways and navigational aids.

We encourage you to go to our website (www.MarcoBoatingClub.org) and sign-up for one of Captain Ted's Squadron Education Programs (Courses or Seminars). As you may remember, Past Commander Ted Reiss (our current Squadron Education Officer) won the 2023 National America's Boating Club Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching (the highest recognition that the United States Power Squadron bestows) – our very own was selected the best-of-the-best!

Safer boating – for boaters, by boaters!

Nanette Rivera: Commander - Squadron-3125

Chris Ricci: Ex/O– Squadron

Chris Frost: A/O – Squadron

Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron



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



March brings an end to the Winter Education schedule of courses and seminars. Courses still ongoing are: Marine Navigation, Marine Electrical Systems, Celestial Navigation and America's Boating Course. March seminars are: Charting/GPS, how to use

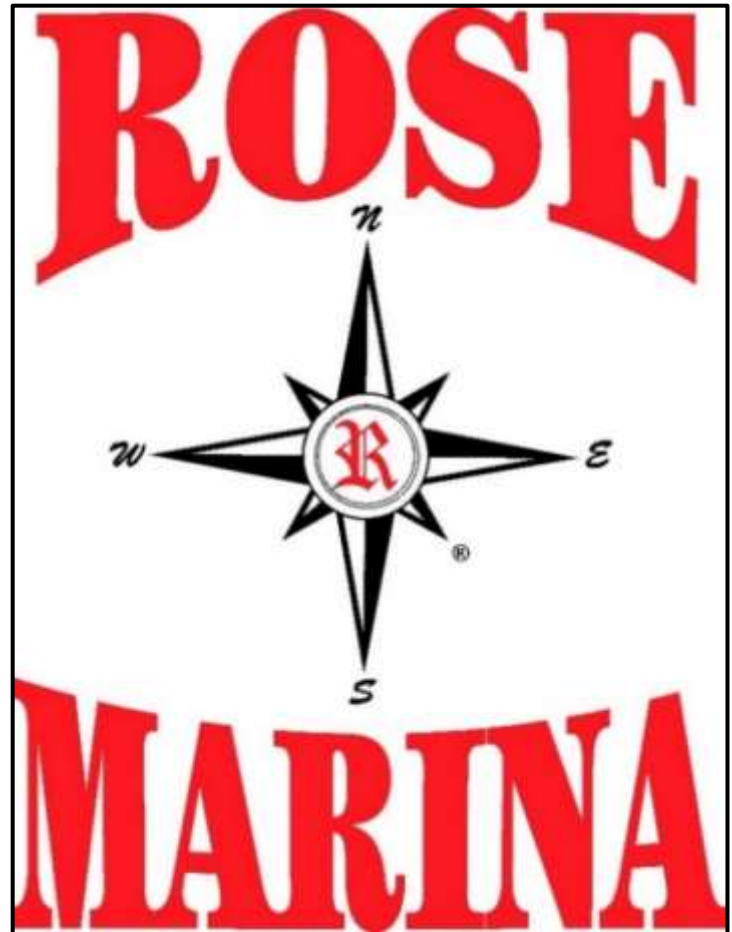
both a paper chart and an electronic chart plotter; Hurricane Preparedness, what you can do to reduce potential damage to your boat; and Emergencies on Board, how to deal with possibly bad situations. As always, Jump Start, the FREE on-the-water, one-on-one training program is available at any time for members, on their boat or one they rent. And the Boat Around Marco is scheduled for March 20th starting at 1030 in the cove near Rose Marina. This is an opportunity to learn where the deep water is and much more all the way around the island (weather permitting). Specific dates and time for the above are on the Education Schedule in the Eagle's Eye and on our web site, www.marcoboatingclub.org. Let me know which events you would like to participate in. If there is another topic of interest, let me know since we have access to over 20 two-hour seminars without tests.

Have you checked out the America's Boating Channel lately? You can view it for FREE on Roku and Firestick on your TV and on your computer. There are over 1000 boating videos and more are added each week. Seven seasons of Coast Guard sponsored sessions are just the beginning. If you look closely, you might even spot fellow squadron members showing you how to do it right. Some other topics are: American Canoe Association, Boat Races, US Sailing Team, Dangerous Inlets, Boating TV programs, Movies for Boaters, Water Ski and Wake Sports, Yacht Life, Cooking on Board, Fishing and White water.

Let's go boating as the weather warms, be safe and keep learning.

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SAFETY OFFICER

Goeff Fahringer



Our New Safety Officer, Geoff Fahringer, is the head instructor of a HSI Medic First Aid training center located here in Collier County Florida. Geoff is certified

with HSI Medic First Aid to teach adult first aid, pediatric first aid, CPR/AED all ages, wilderness first aid, blood borne pathogens, child and babysitting safety, use and administration of Epinephrine auto injectors, oxygen, advanced bleeding control and high-performance CPR.

Geoff 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 for the past 18 years, he taught CPR/AED and first aid classes to both businesses as well as public groups, boating groups, gun clubs and more. Geoff, a retired law enforcement officer with the Collier County Sheriff's Office, 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 trained in and has obtained the following instructor certifications:

- SSI Advanced Dive and Stress rescue instructor
- International Association of Nitrox and Technical Divers (IANTD)
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MAN OVERBOARD DRILLS

Several years ago, I was on a dive boat about a mile off Pompano Beach with a bunch of students from Naples on the way to teach wreck diving when my dive master yelled "there is someone in the water". We were heading southeast and off our starboard side a couple of hundred yards away there was a diver in the water. The diver was in about 110' feet of water and had been blown off the Lucky Lady wreck by the current. By the time he came up to the surface, he was quite far from the dive boat that was moored at the wreck site. This was a man in his 20's with dark hair and to make matters even worse, in a black wet suit. He looked like a coconut in the water, and I was amazed that with 18 people on our dive boat, only one person had been looking at just the right place in the ocean at just the right time.

This got me thinking about man overboard drills and the need to know what to do from training to make a save BEFORE the event actually happens. People fall off boats, even something as large as a cruise ship.

Here is suggestion -- the next time you're out on a cruise, a day cruise or just out enjoying the water and you're bored, your crew or your guests are bored, or you just have some extra time, think about performing a drill that can save a life. Man overboard drills are actually fun and add a bit of excitement and camaraderie to the day. So, how do we do one? Simply let the passengers know that you are going to do a man overboard drill and discuss ahead of time what everyone can expect and discuss different roles. Then when you're ready, simply throw something overboard that floats and is visible, (like a red throwable foam cushion) and go get it!

MAN OVERBOARD – WHAT TO DO?

Man overboard is a situation where someone from the crew of the ship falls out at sea from the ship. This can happen in circumstances like bad weather, accidents, or even negligence.

The initial and early sighting of the fallen crew member plays a vital role in increasing the percentage of saving his/her life. The actions for a MOB (Man Overboard) or PIW (person in water) are extremely urgent and must be taken without any delay to save the life of the person who has fallen overboard.

When a man is overboard, the next steps are crucial:

- Crew members shout ‘man overboard’ until the entire crew is aware of the situation.
- Press the MOB button on the GPS.
- Release or throw the lifebuoy to the MOB.
- Assign a crew member to point at the MOB in the water. Continue to do this the entire time; don’t lose sight of the MOB.
- Turn the boat 180° back to the MOB.
- Prepare a throwing line. A throwing line in a canvas bag attached to a float-able seat cushion is a perfect accessory to always have available. I will be glad to show you mine.
- The skipper will bring the boat alongside the MOB, with the boat pointing into the wind and the propeller stopped.
- Get a line to the MOB and get them aboard.

This last part is very important, how do you get your MOB back on board? Some of our larger boats have a deck platform in the back of the boat, some don’t. If you must lift a wet and exhausted person onto your boat that needs to be thought out ahead of time as that can be the most challenging part of the recovery.

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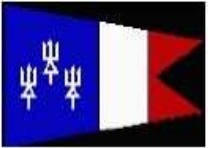


Great meeting and great food. Salmon was delicious and didn't see any non-eaten meals. The speaker was terrific, and we had a lot of audience participation and questions

Bob Beville of Captains for Clean Water gave an engrossing presentation to 30 squadron members at our February dinner meeting. Their organization has been successful in working together with the outdoor industry, environmental and business groups and concerned citizens to advance science-based solutions for improving water quality in Florida. Of note, was a discussion of the recent release of polluted fresh water from Lake Okeechobee that is diluting our saltwater inlets on the east and west coasts and the need for a more natural flow of water through the Everglades. A lively question and answer session extended through the whole presentation with concerns for our local Marco and Everglades City water conditions at the forefront.



Photos courtesy of Chris Frost



“CAPTAIN TED’S CORNER”
P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN



- 1) When using a buoy as an aid to navigation which of the following should be considered?
 - a) The buoy should be considered to always be in the charted location.
 - b) If the light is flashing, the buoy should be considered to be in the charted location.
 - c) The buoy may not be in the charted position.
 - d) The buoy should be considered to be in the charted position if it has been freshly painted
- 2) Most minor spills of oil products are caused by _____.
 - a) equipment failure
 - b) human error
 - c) major casualties
 - d) unforeseeable circumstances
- 3) Leeway is the _____.
 - a) difference between the true course and the compass course
 - b) momentum of a vessel after her engines have been stopped
 - c) lateral movement of a vessel downwind of her intended course
 - d) displacement of a vessel multiplied by her speed
- 4) The fluke angle of an anchor system is the angle between the _____.
 - a) flukes and the shank
 - b) shank and the sea bottom
 - c) mooring line and the sea bottom
 - d) flukes and the shackle

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<u>Course</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
America's Boating Course					
ABC	Ted Reiss++	March 4, 7, 11, 14, 18	50	5	6:00 PM
Marine Navigation	Gene Burson	Jan 11, 18, 25, Feb 1, 8, 15, Feb 22, 29, Mar 7	90/135**	9	9:00 AM
Marine Electrical Systems	Jim Addison	Feb 27, March 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, & 22	80/120*	9	9:00 AM
Instructor Development	Ted Reiss	TBD	FREE*	5	1:00 PM
<u>Seminar</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
Charting/GPS	Thieme/Reiss	March 5. 6	50/70	2	6:00 PM
Hurricane Preparedness	Gloodt & Reiss	March 20	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
Emergencies on Board	Jeff Williams	March 26	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
Jump Start	Ted Reiss	As Requested	Free*	1, 2	

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

We do not remove sea life or naturally occurring debris.



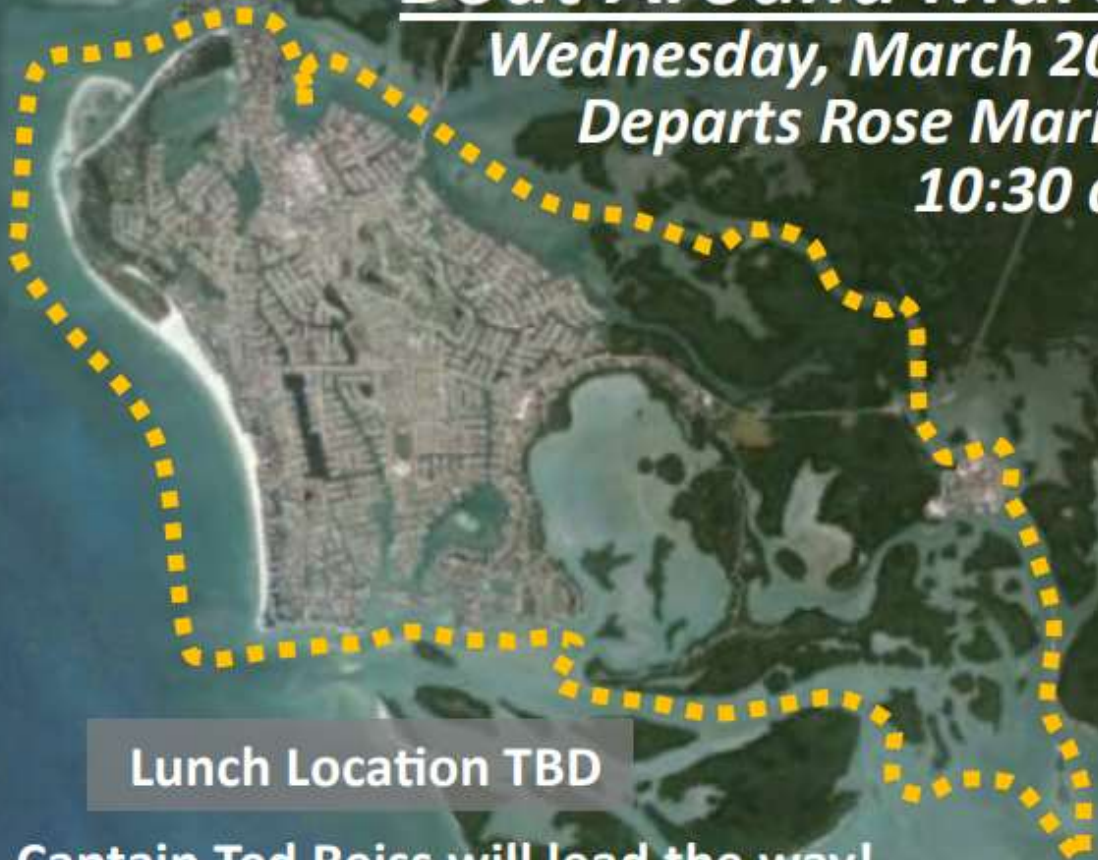
For more information contact
Chris Frost: 848-466-0230

**BEACH
CLEAN UP**
Saturday
March 16, 2023



Have You Made "The Loop" ***Boat Around Marco***

Wednesday, March 20th
Departs Rose Marina
10:30 am



Lunch Location TBD

Captain Ted Reiss will lead the way!

This is a perfect opportunity for new members and less experienced boaters to Marco waters to follow a lead boat and record a track on their GPS around Marco Island. This is 1.45 hr trip leaving from Rose Marina, up the Marco River to Goodland, out to Coon Key light and through the "Picket Fence". You have heard everyone talk about it and this is your chance to do it!!! Ted will point out hazards, significant channel markers, speed zones and cool points of interest.

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

To participate in this highly educational event contact:

Chris Frost (Boating Chair) 848-466-0230, frostchris@verizon.net

Ted Reiss (Cruise Captain) 239-213-8722, capttedr@yahoo.com

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

Breakfast With MISPS

Saturday, March 9th at 9:00 am

Mango's Dockside Bistro

760 Collier Blvd, #109 - 239-393-2433 - info@mangosdocksidebistro.com



Mango's offers waterfront dining at its best on Marco Island.

Our family-friendly restaurant offers a fun, tropical atmosphere that families love, and our huge bar, brand new 750 gallon salt water fish tank, and outdoor dining options are a big attraction for every age. Our dishes are unique and made with the freshest ingredients. Dogs are welcome for patio dining too! We also offer premier catering services for all your personal and business events.

**To reserve your spot contact:
Terri Olshanski: 201-201-1957
terriolshanski@gmail.com**

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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB



Marco Island



Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron Inc.

March Dinner Meeting

NOTE: Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Marco Island Lutheran Church

Marco Island Lutheran Church 525 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island



Seated Dining Service

Corned Beef w/ Cabbage or Cod w/ Lemon Butter Sauce,
Boiled Potatoes, Carrots & Baby Onions,
Baily's Irish Cream Cake Dessert, & Coffee, Ice Tea, Soda

1700 (5:00 PM)- Socializing

1745 (5:45 PM) Monthly Meeting



**Don Rice with the USCGA, National Staff, Paddle Craft
Will speak to: Kayak Safety, Local Paddling, Access and Local Waters**

\$50/Person

Please Respond by Friday, March 8, 2024 With This Form

\$50/Person

Mail Checks, Payable To MISPS, TO:

Zelle Pay By ZELLE To: Jerrysquadron@yahoo.com

Dorothy & Lee Harkness
1651 Barbados Ct.
Marco Island, FL 34145
239-642-3575 or 239-404-6367

*If Paying by ZELLE You Must Mail This Form
With Your Dinner Choice(s) TO: Dorothy Harkness*

Note: You may bring your own Wine or Beer.

Name _____ Tel# _____

Menu Choice: Corned Beef _____ Cod _____

No. Attending @ \$50 _____ Amount Enclosed _____ ZELLE _____

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

Marco Island

Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron Inc.

April All Country Dinner Meeting

NOTE: Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Marco Island Lutheran Church

Marco Island Lutheran Church 525 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island



Dining Choices

Seafood Strudel or Roasted Ham

Potatoes Au Gratin, Green Beans Almandine,

Bread Pudding W/Rum Sauce for Dessert, & Coffee, Ice Tea, Soda

1700 (5:00 PM)- Socializing

1745 (5:45 PM) Monthly Meeting



Line Dancing & Lessons By The Amazing Angies Boot Scoot! Boots, Hats and Belts Encouraged

\$50/Person

Please Respond by Friday, April 5, 2024 With This Form

\$50/Person

Mail Checks, Payable To MISPS, TO:

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Name _____ Tel# _____

Menu Choice: Seafood Strudel _____ Roasted Ham _____

No. Attending @ \$50 _____ Amount Enclosed _____ ZELLE _____

It's Time To Pack Up For A Picnic Cruise!

To Sand Dollar Key

Come Join us for a day of relaxation and fun as we explore one of Marco Island's great natural treasures!. Meet at the location on:

Thursday
April 18, 2024
at 11:00 am

Sand Dollar Key is located through the inlet between Tiger Tail and Hideaway Beaches

Since it is accessible by boat only, contact Chris Frost (contact info below) if you want to attend and need to arrange a boat ride to the event.

It's a BYOE event—Bring your own everything (ie drinks, snacks, sandwiches, chairs, umbrellas) and expect to have a shell of a time!

And don't forget your buckets for shells!



Contact information:

Terri Olshanski (Event Coordinator) 201-207-1957, terriolshanski@gmail.com

Chris Frost (Boating Chair) 848-466-0230, frostchris@verizon.net

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron 

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Cruise or Drive to The Boathouse on Naples Bay

For Lunch on Monday, April 22, 11:30 am



This is an experience you won't want to miss! Come by boat or car to enjoy great food and comradery with your boat club friends and sit over the beautiful waters of Naples Bay. With an unparalleled view, the Boathouse is a historical landmark that has been a local favorite for four generations, featuring some of the freshest seafood in Naples.

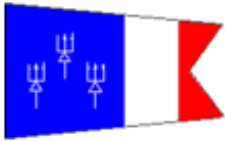
- **To reserve your spot for the lunch contact Terri Olshanski by April 18th: 201-207-1957 terriolshanski@gmail.com**
- **To boat to this event contact Chris Frost at 848-466-0230**
- **Don't have a boat? No problem! Hitch a cruise with one of us.**



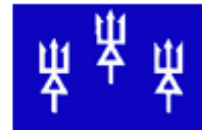
2024 Spring Conference

Friday, 12 April and Saturday, 13 April

**Roundtables - Member Luncheon
District Conference Meeting**



Change of Watch



Hotel Info:

Four Points Sheraton – 941-637-6770

\$149.00 + \$9.00 amenity fee and taxes (normal senior rate \$297)

cutoff date 3/20

Make your reservation directly with hotel and use code PO1768 to get special [rate](#)

Springhill Suites by Marriott – 941-347-4224

\$179.00 + taxes (normal senior rate \$229)

includes breakfast - cutoff date 3/21

[Book your group rate for Americas Boating Club](#) by clicking this [link](#)

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



Friday, 12 April: All Membership Workshop

0930 - Introductions 1015 - 1200 - Roundtables / Workshops

1200 - 1330 - **Lunch on your own** 1330 - 1500 - Group Discussions

1600 - until ? - Gathering at Ice House Pub



Saturday, 13 April:

0830 - 1200 Registration Desk Open

0800 - 0900 Coffee and Danish

0900 - 1015 Roundtables

1030 - 1145 Roundtables

First Aid for Boaters

Dr Carl Schultz, AP

Importance of Public Relations

D/Lt/C Ron Jones, AP & P/C Bob Moro, AP

Coop Charting/Geodetic Marker Intro

P/R/C Jim Strothers, SN

How to Become an ABC3 Instructor

Tom Dawson



0900 - 1130 - Instructor Recertification - *Cdr Susan Agruso, AP*
Registration required by April 5 - jsa818.sa@gmail.com

0900 - 1030 - Town Hall - *D/C Matt Braatz, JN & P/C/C Craig Fraser, SN*



1200- 1330 Lunch - Piloting Crowdsourced Bathymetry
(seafloor depth)

Speakers, Sarah Grasty-Prueitt, Project Manager and Dr Mark Luther, Director

*Hear how **you** can help collect seafloor depth measurements
in Tampa Bay and Beyond -in your own boat.*

1345 - 1600 - District Conference Meeting

1700 - 1800 - after Conference Social at Spring Hills Suites (cash bar)

Change of Watch - event center

1800 - 1830 - Social 1900 - Dinner Served

Thank you for your participation - safe travel home!

Dress:

Daytime: Squadron shirt, khaki slacks, shorts or skirt

Change of Watch: Bridge - Uniform G (short sleeve shirt, black pants or skirt)

Members and Guests: Semi Formal or appropriate dressy casual attire

2024 Spring Conference

Saturday April 13, 2024

Luncheon and

Change of Watch Menu



0800 – 9:00am - Complimentary Continental Breakfast

Luncheon – 1200 – *Piloting Crowdsourced Bathymetry (Seafloor Depth)*

Speakers - Sarah Grasty-Prueitt, Project Mgr & Dr Mark Luther, Director, Ocean Monitoring Lab

Hear how **you** can help collect seafloor depth measurements in Tampa Bay and Beyond
- in your own boat.

Choice of:

\$24.00 – Turkey Croissant - Sliced Turkey, Havarti Cheese, Cranberry Sauce and Dijon on a Croissant.

\$23.00 - Chef's Salad – Romaine and Iceberg Lettuce, Ham, Turkey, Swiss and Cheddar Cheese,
Hard Boiled Eggs, Cucumbers, Red Onion

Choice of Dressing: Ranch, Italian, Blue Cheese or Balsamic Vinaigrette

Iced Tea, Water and Assorted Fresh Baked Cookies - Coffee on request.

Change of Watch Dinner – Cocktail Social 1800 / Dinner 1900

Change of Watch Ceremony 2000

Choice of:

\$40.00 – Bourbon and Bacon Pork Tenderloin – Seared and Roasted Bacon Wrapped Pork Tenderloin,
Sliced and Complimented with Bourbon Demi Sauce

\$40.00 – Shrimp Scampi – Jumbo Shrimp Skewered and Baked with Lemon Garlic Butter
Atop Rice Pilaf with Shrimp Scampi Sauce

\$40.00 – Chicken Marsala – Sauteed Chicken Breast Finished with Mushroom Marsala Sauce

Entrees will be plated and served with Garden Salad, Loaded Potato Casserole, Green Beans,
Rolls and Butter, Iced Tea and Water – **Key Lime Pie** - Coffee on request.

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

Purchase your meals using the D22 Website:

Sign in to the D22 website — <https://americasboatingclub-d22.org/>

Members Only – Registration/Purchase -

then follow the instructions (need your credit card)

No Reservations or Cancellations after **April 2, 2024**, please.

2024 District 22 Spring Conference Roundtables

Friday 12 April

All members and officers alike come together to build networking with their like office holders to set out responsibilities, identify common challenges, solutions and challenges.

Saturday 13 April – 0900 – 1015

Basic First Aid Kits for Coastal Cruising – *Dr Carl Schultz, DO, AP*

Let's talk about what you need in your first aid kit for the boating you do. AND, various scenarios for using items in the kit.

Coop Charting/Geodetic Markers Introduction – *R/C Jim Strothers, SN*

Want to participate in Co-op Charting but do not have a boat? The Geodetic Marker Recovery program is just for you. Come to the Roundtable to learn more about this program.

Saturday 13 April – 0900 – 1130

Instructor Recertification Seminar – *P/C Susan Agruso, AP*

Are you one of the 28 members of District 22 who need to be recertified as an instructor during 2024? If you are, join with other instructors to talk about how to teach more effectively and to share your teaching experiences. Renew your Instructor Certification while enjoying this stimulating learning experience.

Registration required for this course – email Susan Agruso @ jsa818.sa@gmail.com by April 5 to reserve your spot.

Saturday 13 April – 0900 - 1030

Town Hall - *D/C Matt Braatz, JN & P/C/C Craig Fraser, SN*

Hear how the District and National USPS operate. Use this opportunity to discuss issues which may be of interest to the group. Bring your questions and/or issues that you might have.

Saturday 13 April – 1030 – 1145

Importance of Building a Public Relations Program – *D/Lt/C Ron Jones, AP & P/C Bob Moro, AP*

An effective public relations program helps your club attract students to your classes and seminars and increases your club's positive image in your community. Learn how to use your increased visibility to even build membership.

How to Become an ABC3 Instructor – *Thomas Dawson, Cape Coral Squadron*

Florida is working to make boating education mandatory for every boat operator starting July 2026. Are we ready to capitalize on this opportunity? More students in your classes mean more members in your squadron. This session is designed to take the mystery out becoming an instructor.

Saturday's 13 April - Lunch

Piloting Crowdsourced Bathymetry (seafloor depth)

Speakers, Sarah Grasty-Prueitt, Project Manager and Dr Mark Luther, Director of Ocean Monitoring Lab



Crowdsourcing is the collective efforts of a community to gather data. Anyone enthusiastic about the ocean can participate in collecting data about our seafloor. Bathymetry focuses on measuring and mapping the topography of the ocean floor. It is the study of underwater depths, contours and features, providing crucial insights into seafloor formations such as mountains, canyons and ridges.