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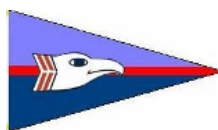
MISPS members make short work of cleaning out the storage room. Our learning center keeps improving thanks to their hard work!!

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Shout Out

- Susan Cole, Deb Ricci, P/C Peggy Reiss, P/D/C Ted Reiss, Lt/C Chris Frost, P/C Carl Thieme, Lt/C Jeff Williams, and Lt/C Jerry Cole (not shown) and Chris Ricci (not shown) for cleaning out the storage room of the learning center.



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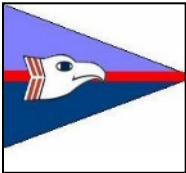
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<u>May 2025</u>					
5/1/2025	Cruise - BYOE	White Horse Key	Thursday	1130	16
5/2/2025	D-22 Spring Conference (5/2 & 5/3)	Bradenton	Friday	0900	17, 18
5/5/2025	Proclamation	Town Hall	Monday	1700	
5/6/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
5/9/2025	Luncheon	Ridgway Bar and Grill	Friday	1130	20
5/14/2025	Executive Board Meeting	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
5/14/2025	Captain's Meeting	Pelican Bend	Wednesday	1700	
5/20/2025	Sunset Cruise	Marco River	Tuesday	1830	21
5/20/2025	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
5/20/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
5/22/2025	Cruise/Drive	Everglades Museum/ R&G Club	Thursday	1130	22
5/28/2025	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wednesday	1700	
<u>June 2025</u>					
6/3/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
6/5/2025	Cruise/Drive	Crabby Lady	Thursday	1130	23
6/11/2025	Captain's Meeting	Dolphin Tiki Bar	Wednesday	1700	
6/11/2025	Executive Board Meeting	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
6/17/2025	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
6/17/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
6/19/2025	Cruise - BYOE	Goodland Raft Up Near Crabby Lady / Paradise Found (near marker 7)	Thursday	1100	
6/25/2025	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wednesday	1700	

- *Note: Captains' meetings are now scheduled at various local restaurants. Be sure to check out the location for each!*
- *Note: Captains' meetings are now twice a month (2nd and 4th Wednesday) though the end of September*



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THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR
Lt Jane Orsulak

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

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



SUNSHINE NEWS
Lt Kathleen Reynolds

We heard that Jim O'Connell was feeling a bit under the weather, and so we sent him some SUNSHINE from his new and longtime friends at MISPS. Hope you're feeling better, Jim.

Please note that we like to acknowledge good events in our members' lives as well as to extend a note of support when sadder events occur. The only way this can happen is when members let me know of something that should be acknowledged. If you hear of something that warrants a note from friends at MISPS, please do let me know, either at KReynol@aol.com or at 239 394 0459.

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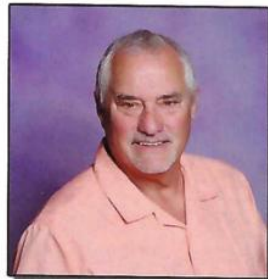


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April Birthdays

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

05/06 Linda B. Spell
05/08 Melissa Hinton
05/09 Nanette Rivera
05/11 Christopher P. Ricci
05/14 Laurie A. Stoppiello-Marswillo
05/15 Paula A. Wilson
05/23 Christopher Frost
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BOSUN'S Whistle Bridge Report
Cdr Chris Ricci, P
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Recently the Ways and Means Committee, the Marketing and Communications Committee and the educational officers met to address two problems: 1) how to increase interest in our boating education classes (ABC courses) and seminars offered to the public and 2) how to increase participation in advanced classes – Seamanship (now called Boat Handling), Piloting (now called Marine Navigation), Advance Piloting, Junior Navigation and Navigation - as well as electives, seminars and on-water training offered to the membership. Addressing the latter is of concern to your bridge.

The severity of the problem is revealed if one looks at the membership information as reflected in the 2025 Fleet Roster. Out of 111 listed members, 52 (47%) have not taken any advanced courses or electives beyond ABC or have not participated in few, if any seminars. Twenty-two (20%) have taken Seamanship, 9 (8%) have passed Piloting and the same number for Advanced Piloting (8%). We have 10 Junior Navigators and 7 Senior Navigators (10 and 7% respectively). A Senior Navigator has completed JN and N and an additional 6 electives. Adding further evidence to the fact that many members have not availed themselves of advanced training, the courses recently offered in Marine Navigation, Marine Electrical Systems and Boat Handling either had few attending/completing the courses or classes that had to be canceled due to no interest shown. Seminars on Partner in Command, Charting/GPS, Anchoring, Hurricane Preparedness and Emergencies on the Water were offered this winter and were also canceled for the same reason.

While public boater education and safety instruction are important, as Past Commander, James E. Olmes SN observed in 2010, “we risk becoming as an organization, ‘boating illiterate’” by not furthering our own boating education. Obviously, this concern

has arisen in the past and is still ongoing. He further commented that this situation seriously undermines and, maybe, compromises our mission as an organization and that “part of educational awareness comes from ‘knowing what you don’t know’”.

Many of the members new to boating will find that advanced courses, electives and seminars will improve their knowledge so they can confidently navigate around Marco, lead cruises, use charts, dock confidently or perform other boating operations efficiently and effectively. For other members, a refresher course on what is new in boating or changes in the laws would be of benefit. It is a goal of the bridge to encourage members who haven’t taken courses, electives or seminars to move up a notch to a higher level of knowledge.

Too many boaters rely heavily or exclusively on GPS or are not proficient at utilizing all its capabilities. We offer seminars presented in the classroom environment or on-line covering this and many other topics. In our Advance Piloting (now called Advanced Marine Navigation), Junior Navigation (now called Off-shore Navigation) and Navigation (now called Celestial Navigation) courses, one can learn alternative ways of navigating when GPS fails or is not available. Many of the techniques learned in these courses are applicable to our in-shore boating experience. In the Off-shore Navigation and Celestial Navigation courses, additional techniques are covered that are especially suited for those planning voyages away from the sight of land or finding one’s location out in the ocean without the benefit of GPS.

In the near future, the bridge and educational officers will be asking the squadron to participate in a survey to ascertain what course, elective and seminar offerings would be of interest this coming fall and into next year. In addition, we would like to solicit your response and opinions on how, when or where they could be offered - whether in the classroom, on the water, dockside or combination of venues. There may be other boating topics of interest to our members. We are open to any suggestions and will arrange for instructors to teach any subject. There is so much more knowledge to be gained beyond what is taught in the basic boating course or even, in some cases, that learned from years of practical experience. Taking a course, elective or seminar can be a learning experience that is fun and challenging

– cementing friendships and adding a spark of competition at times. We encourage you to complete the survey, participate in the courses, electives and seminars offered and in turn, help further your boating knowledge.

Chris Ricci: Commander – Squadron-3125

Chris Frost: Ex/O– Squadron

Jim Addison: A/O – Squadron

Education OFFICER **Lt/C Jeff Williams, JN**



As we set sail into next season, we're excited to chart a course for our 2025-2026 educational offerings. Your passion for boating and commitment to safety are at the heart of our mission, and we

want to ensure that our courses and seminars align with your interests and needs.

We invite you to share your thoughts and ideas on the types of boating courses and seminars you would like to see offered. Please go to the following link to see the incredible courses and seminars we can offer you.

www.americasboatingclub.org

Whether you're interested in advanced navigation techniques, safety protocols, maintenance workshops, or any other aspect of boating, we want to hear from you!

Your feedback is invaluable in helping us design a program that not only enhances your skills but also enriches your boating experience. Together, we can create a lineup of courses and seminars that are both informative and enjoyable.

You can contribute by sending me an email that

- 1) Identifies the type of boating you are interested in,
- 2) Identifies any goals you've set for yourself or family members,
- 3) Lists any of the courses or seminars that interest you.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. We look forward to hearing from you and making this year one of our best yet!

Smooth sailing

SAFETY OFFICER **Goeff Fahringer**



DERELICT VESSELS

Any of you who have lived in the Marco Island, Goodland, and Naples area for any period of time, you have seen abandoned and, in many cases, sunken boats in our local waters.

Over the years I have always thought the best thing to do would be to tow all these boats offshore and sink them in one spot. That would make one heck of a fishing and SCUBA diving spot. Turns out that's not such a great idea. Thankfully our local and state law enforcement agencies have a solution to handle this problem. I have had conversations with people



who ask why the process takes so long. As always, the best thing to do is to turn to someone who has the correct answers.

Currently, as I write this article, there is a sunken sailboat on the north side of the Marco River, across from Factory Bay.

I first reached out to Marco Island Police Department's Marine Patrol Officer, Josh Ferris, with some questions based on his experience,

1. [From your experience what seems to be the most common reasons that these boats run aground and or get abandoned in the first place?](#)

These derelicts can be caused by many different issues. Many of the boats that get abandoned are due to owners who don't have the physical ability to take care of the vessel or the time to dedicate to their commitment. Once the boats get run down and the owners can't keep them up, the boats often end up in an at-risk condition. At Risk indicates that the vessel is at risk of becoming derelict.

2. [Why aren't the owners made to remove these boats?](#)

The derelict vessel program is designed to hold the owners accountable, although it takes a lot of

time to go through the notification and legal processes. Even when all these processes are effectively executed, if the owner doesn't have the financial means to pay for a salvage bill, then there's only so much that you can do to make the owner remove the boat.

3. If the owners don't get the boat removed, can't they be charged with a crime and forced to remove the boats? Does law enforcement have any recourse to force the owners to remove them or make the owners pay for the removal?

The owners can and will be charged with a criminal offense if they leave a derelict boat on state waters. Once again, there's only so much that can be done to force someone to remove a boat. There are grants available to find the money to pay for the removal of the vessels if the owners cannot pay for it. If the derelict vessel process is done correctly, these grants are available to municipalities, counties, and salvage companies. Once this is done, if the state chooses, they can go after the owners civilly.

4. It seems it takes a long time for the boats to get removed when the city, county, or state must get involved. Why is that. What are the steps law enforcement has to take to get the boat removed?

The fastest I've ever seen the derelict vessel removal process be completed is 6 months. This process consists of a notification and labeling of the vessel. This gives the owner a chance to correct the issue. Then, they can be issued a criminal violation that has to go through the district attorney's office and court system until it's completed.

After this process is done, if the owner is unable to remove the boat, the grant process must be completed correctly, which takes a while depending on a few different factors. Once the grant is awarded, then a salvage company has a period of time to affect the removal.

Folks must remember that the reason this process is so meticulous is because we are ultimately taking someone's property away from them and sometimes their home.

5. Where do these boats end up? Sold for parts? Landfills?

Once the salvage company removes the vessel, they can do what they want with it, but they

normally end up in a landfill.

Okay, great information, but I thought I'd drill down a little deeper and check with FWC, our Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, to see what they could add to the conversation. I reached out to one of our local FWC officers, Daniel Delgado, who introduced me to Arielle Callender the Public Information Director, South Region, of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Arielle told me about what the FWC does with derelict vessels and vessels that could soon be abandoned.

Derelict vessels are a top priority for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). The Division of Law Enforcement's Boating and Waterways Section has led a multi-year effort to significantly reduce the backlog of these vessels across Florida's waterways. However, law enforcement continues to document new cases, as derelict vessels persistently pose threats to the environment and public safety. Except for those affected by hurricanes or natural disasters, vessels do not become derelict overnight. Law enforcement officers identify warning signs that indicate a vessel is "at-risk" of becoming derelict. Through routine inspections, citations, and warnings, officers document vessel conditions and work with owners to bring their vessels into compliance before they reach a derelict state. FWC makes every effort to assist vessel owners in either removing their vessels from state waters or restoring them to a seaworthy condition, minimizing costs to taxpayers. Additionally, FWC collaborates with local governments through the Derelict Vessel Grant Program, which reimburses municipalities for 100% of the removal of eligible vessels once a grant agreement is executed. For cases outside this program, FWC also operates a Direct Removal Program, contracting directly with approved vendors to remove vessels.

The process of adjudicating and removing derelict vessels can be complex, often requiring multiple court hearings, orders, and administrative proceedings before removal is authorized. Vessel owners are afforded due process, including the opportunity for administrative hearings and potential criminal proceedings.

Once removed, derelict vessels are typically destroyed and sent to a landfill, though disposal methods may vary depending on the contractor and

county.

To proactively address the issue, FWC launched the Florida Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP). This program allows eligible vessel owners to voluntarily surrender their at-risk vessels for removal at no cost. Owners who have received a citation or written warning for an at-risk vessel condition may apply if they meet the eligibility requirements. More details and applications are available at www.FloridaVTIP.com.

By addressing derelict vessels through prevention, enforcement, and removal efforts, FWC remains committed to protecting Florida's waterways, marine life, and the boating community.

Pretty interesting indeed. I did not know about the state's turn-in program VTIP, anyone who is aware of a possible boat that could be heading to a derelict condition needs to pass on the FloridaVTIP.com site if they can contact the owner.

Sadly, I am sure in our area of storms and other boat ownership issues, we will see sunken and abandoned

April Meeting April 10, 2025

New members were sworn in at the April meeting by Cdr Chris Ricci. Please welcome Eric and Rebecca Martin, Howie and Ann Vreeland



Photos courtesy of P/Cdr Andrea Battaglia.





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boats again. Hopefully, we now have some answers and ideas on how we can assist our local and state law enforcement officers with working to solve the problem.

Safe Boating Week and the Wear-It Campaign

Come celebrate this year's Safe Boating Week and the "Wear-It" Campaign as the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron and the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla receive resolutions on May 5th from the Marco Island City Council honoring the work we do to promote boating safety around Marco. The Marco Fire Department Rescue and Marine divisions, Police Department, Collier County Sheriff's Department Marine Division, Florida Wildlife and other first responders will be there to celebrate with us. After the award ceremony, we will adjourn to the Fire Department engine bays for some ice cream refreshment provided by Sweet Annie's Ice Cream Parlour and a larger group picture.

Please meet in front of City Hall, 50 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island, May 5th at 5:15PM. The meeting will start at 5:30 PM with the award being the first agenda item. PLEASE WEAR YOUR LIFE VESTS FOR THIS CEREMONY. WE WILL

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Cruise to Panther Key 4/17/2025

We had beautiful warm, sunny weather for our cruise to Panther Key in April.

There were 4 boats, led by Jerry and Susan Cole. Also participating were Nancy and Sonny McKay, Jane Orsulak and Tim Benincasa, and Rebecca and Eric Martin's boat. Rebecca and Eric's group included Carla, Jeff, Marie and Bill. We enjoyed an afternoon of shared food and drink. And thank goodness several of us remembered to bring the bug spray!



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- b) stop your engines
- c) take all way off, if necessary
- d) All of the above

- 2) **BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** The term "restricted visibility" as used in the Rules refers _____.

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- b) only to visibility of less than one-half of a mile
- c) to visibility where you cannot see shore
- d) to any condition where visibility is restricted

- 3) The helm command "Steady as you go" means _____.
- a) steer the course you are on now
 - b) steer the course when the swing stops
 - c) maintain the rate of swing
 - d) don't allow the vessel to swing off course so much
- 4) One shot of anchor chain is equal to how many feet (meters)?
- a) 6 (1.8 meters)
 - b) 15 (4.6 meters)
 - c) 45 (13.7 meters)
 - d) 90 (27.4 meters)

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





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Date	Event	Day	Time
5/1/2025	Cruise – BYOE – White Horse Key	Thu	1130
5/20/2025	Sunset Cruise – Marco River	Tue	1830
5/22/2025	Cruise/Drive – Everglades Museum / R&G Club	Thu	1130
6/05/2025	Cruise/Drive – Crabby Lady	Thu	0900
06/19/2025	Cruise – BYOE – Goodland Raft up near Crabby Lady	Thu	1100
07/17/2025	Cruise/Drive – Dolphin Tiki Bar	Thu	1130

For questions, contact Boating Chair, Lt/C Jim Addison (804) 690-1166

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- Meet at White Horse Key at 11:30, or,
- Share a boat ride with your friends, or,
- Coordinate with Deb Ricci if you would like to follow the Ricci's and Scandone's



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

Contact Deb Ricci at debh.ricci@gmail.com or 303-261-5096 if you plan to join and Jim Addison (Boating Chair) for further boating instructions at James.H.Addison@aol.com or 804-690-1166

White Horse Key is accessible only by boat.

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron



2 – 3 May 2025 - Courtyard by Marriott Bradenton
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Friday 2 May – ALL Member Workshop

1300 -1500 – Discussions on:

- 1300 – 1340 - Insurance – Ruth Witztum, National Law Officer |
- 1340 – 1420 - iMIS Questions – Yvonne Hill
- 1420 – 1500 - Digital Marketing of Your Squadron



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Rio Vista W -- Nautical COOP Charting Survey Procedure and Review –
P/Lt/C David Siesel & Jose Antonio Garnham

4th Floor Board Room -- 0900 – 1100 - Instructor Re-Certification – Stf/C Susan Agruso

Rio Vista -- 1045 – Town Hall Meeting – C/C Ralph Bernard & D/C Ron Jones

River Palm -- 1200 -1330 - Lunch *Welcome to District 22*, created by Garry Stubbs
Presented by Myles Gee & Carol Segundo

1300 – 1350 – Registration Desk Open

Rio Vista -- 1345 -1600 – District Conference and Election of Officers

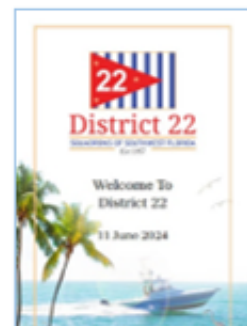
River Palm -- Change of Watch - Social 1745 – 1830 (**cash bar**)
Sorry - credit cards not accepted

Dinner served 1830 - Change of Watch Ceremony 1930

Attire: Friday and Saturday: squadron shirts

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

Members and Guests: Uniform G or business casual/dressy casual attire





2025 Spring Conference Meals

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Luncheon – 1200 - River Palm Room

Speaker – D22 History by Lt Garry Stubbs, S

Lunch Buffet - \$25.00

Caesar Salad with Fresh Croutons, Grilled Chicken Breast, Chicken Salad
Served with Croissants and Butter, Dessert
Coffee and Iced Tea

Change of Watch – River Palm Room

Social – 1745, Dinner Served 1830, Change of Watch 1930

Dinner Buffet - \$46.00

Fresh Garden Greens Salad with Assorted Dressing, Pasta Primavera Salad, Caesar Salad
Baked Ziti with Bolognese Sauce, Chicken Breast Marsala
Chef's Vegetable, Herbed Garlic Bread
Chef's Choice Dessert
Fresh Brewed Coffee and Iced Tea

Register for the Conference and Purchase your meals at the District 22 Website.

— americasboatingclub-d22.org —

No login or password needed. Click “About Us”, then “Registration/Purchase” and follow the instructions. (Credit Card required). Or simply click one of these two links:

[Registration/Purchase Page](https://americasboatingclub-d22.org/registration-purchase/)

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No Reservations or Cancellations after 1200 April 25, 2025!

2025 District 22 Spring Conference Roundtables

Friday 2 May

All members and officers alike come together to hear updates and get answers regarding:

1300 – 1340 - Insurance – Ruth Wiztum, National Law Officer

1340 – 1420 - iMIS – Yvonne Hill, National Publications Director

1420 – 1500 - Digital Marketing of Your Squadron

Saturday 3 May

4th Floor Board Room -- 0900 - 1100 - Instructor Recertification – Stf/C Susan Agruso, AP

Are you a D22 instructor who needs to be recertified in 2025? 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.

River Palm Room -- 0900 – 1015 - Paint a Masterpiece - Kris Peterson, assisted by Margaret Gee

Join renowned Bradenton artist, Kris Peterson in painting your own 'masterpiece'. Kris has accumulated and sold a large number of original and limited edition watercolor paintings over her years in Venice, Italy along with commissions for international galleries and clients.

Limit of 20 participants, pre-registration required

Vista E -- 0900 – 1015 - Education Updates – D/Lt/C Myles Gee, SN

Obtain information on all the latest education updates released at the 2025 National Meeting.
Discuss your squadron's issues.

Rio Vista W -- 0900 – 1015 - Nautical COOP Charting Survey Procedure and Review –

P/Lt/C David Siesel, AP & Jose Antonio Garnham, SN

Hear how to be part of a crew that takes pictures and records observations which are reported to NOAA. Learn how to enjoy a fun morning out on the water while being part of this vital service to the local community and our national marine navigation system.

Rio Vista -- 1030 – 1145 - Town Hall - D/C Ron Jones, AP & C/C Ralph Bernard, AP

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.

River Palm -- Lunch – 1200 - “Welcome to District 22”

Speakers, Myles Gee & Carol Segundo

Filling in for D/Lt Garry Stubbs, S, creator

The 68 page book brings together the history, objectives, mission and vision of the United States Power Squadrons organization.

Including the history of District 22, along with all the past and present Squadrons of the District.

Link to [Welcome To District 22 - District 22 - America's Boating Club](https://www.marcoaboatingclub.org/Welcome-To-District-22-District-22-America's-Boating-Club)



Lunch



Friday, May 9th 11:30 am

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

To Confirm Your Participation Contact

Deb Ricci: debh.ricci@gmail.com or 303-261-5096

Sunset Cruise

May 20th

Rendezvous: 6:30pm

Come join us for an evening of serenity and comradery as we celebrate another beautiful sunset on Marco Island. We will rendezvous at 6:30 pm off the docks of the Snook Inn and watch the sunset near Red Marker 14 in the north end of the Marco River .



To participate in this wonderful evening cruise contact:
Jim Addison : James.H.Addison@aol.com or 804-690-1166

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

Cruise or Drive

Thursday, May 22nd at 11:30 am

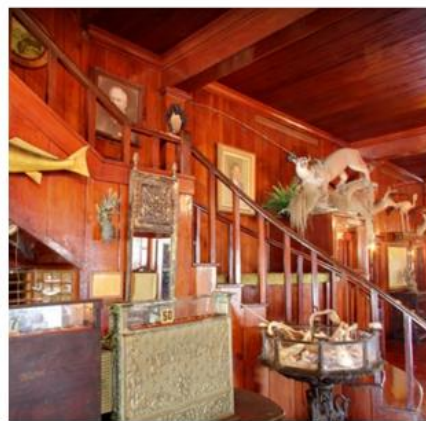
Lunch: **The Rod & Gun Club** 11:30 am



Historical Everglades City dates back over 1,000 years.

The **Rod and Gun Club** is built on the original structure of the first permanent white settler who founded Everglades City in 1864. In 1922 Barron G. Collier, a banker and railroad man, bought almost all of Southwest Florida including the Rod and Gun Club which he operated as a private club. He hosted international dignitaries and several United States presidents here.

<https://rodandguneverglades.com>



Rod & Gun Club: 200 W Broadway, Everglades City, FL 34139

Museum Of The Everglades



Museum Of The Everglades

First opened in 1927 as a commercial laundry, the building that now houses **Museum of the Everglades** is one of several historic structures still standing as a testament to the town's time as a once-bustling center of business and the region's first County seat. The museum exhibits provide visitors with an in-depth look at over 2,000 years of human history in the area and tell the stories of those adventurous enough to settle "Florida's Last Frontier".



Museum Of The Everglades: 105 West Broadway Avenue, Everglades City, FL 34139

The Museum opens at 9:00 for those that would like to tour before lunch.

We will meet at The Rod & Gun Club at 11:30 AM for lunch

followed by a short walk or drive to the Museum Of The Everglades.

IMPORTANT: The Rod & Gun Club is a CASH ONLY restaurant— No Credit Cards!

To reserve your spot contact: debh.ricci@gmail.com or 303-261-5096

If you intend to cruise or would like to ride on a boat contact:

Jim Addison (Boating Chair) James.H.Addison@aol.com or 804-690-1166

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

Captain Ted Reiss will depart Rose Marina at 9:15 AM. Rendezvous 10:00 AM at Coon Key Light.

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Cruise & Lunch

At The

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Thursday, June 5th @ 11:30 AM



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***To reserve your spot
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***Deb Ricci: debh.ricci@gmail.com or
303-261-5096***

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Contact:

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