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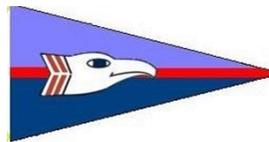
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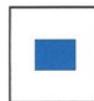


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Coming Events 2017

02 May	Cards at the Condo (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17
09 May	Executive Board Meeting at MISPS Condo	0900	_____
09 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade (2nd Tue)	1700	p. 04
10 May	Silver Tridents Breakfast (Past Commanders)	0830	_____
12 May	Cruise & Lunch, Island Gypsy, Isle of Capri	1200	p. 14
16 May	Ladies Lunch at Hoots, Marco Island	1130	p. 17
16 May	Cards at the Condo (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17
18 May	Mini Golf Tourney, Marco Miniature Golf	1900	p. 18
23 May	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade (4th Tue)	1700	p. 04
27 May	Cruise & Picnic, White Horse Key	1100	p. 14

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20 Jun	Ladies Lunch, Red Rooster	1130	p. 17
20 Jun	Cards at the Condo (Hand & Foot)	1300	p. 17
22 Jun	Cruise & Lunch, Naples Boat House, Naples	1130	p. 14
27 Jun	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade (4th Tue)	1700	p. 04

06 Jul	Cruise & Lunch, Dolphin Tiki Bar	1200	p. 07
11 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade (2nd Tue)	1700	p. 04
12 Jul	Silver Tridents Breakfast (Past Commanders)	0830	_____
18 Jul	Ladies Lunch at Sunset Grille, Marco	1130	p. 17
18 Jul	Cards at the Condo	1300	p. 17
22 Jul	Cruise & Picnic, Cape Romano	1100	p. 07
25 Jul	Captain's Meeting at CJ's at the Esplanade (4th Tue)	1700	p. 04



THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR
D/1/Lt Andrea K. Battaglia, SN

Next time you see me, mention whether or not you noticed a slight change on the cover. I took the advise of VC Cheney, SN (see page 8). I was so pleased recently to hear from one of our transferred members about his opinion of our squadron. He thinks members of USPS Hq. should visit to see how welcoming MISPS members are to new members, how active we are in boating activities, education and with public service participation. I agree, we are one of the best squadrons! 🚤



COMMANDER
Rhonda Gloodt, AP

Spring is here and we are hoping for rain to put out the many Florida fires. With rain we are likely to also have lightning. Make sure that you pay attention to your local weather before and during your boating activities. If you hear thunder it is time to find shelter. Watch for dark clouds and wind direction. If caught in a heavy rain, canals are a good source of shelter and can help block winds. Make sure you have a plan as to what you will do if bad weather catches you on the water. During summer months it may be a good idea to plan shorter trips. Also, morning in general is more calm than afternoon weather. The important thing is that you get out and enjoy your boat. This can be done frequently with just a little preplanning. Check your local weather applications. I like intellicast weather on my computer www.intellicast.com and Storm weather on my phone, iphone.appstorm.net or on androids <https://www.wunderground.com/micro/storm>. NOAA weather also has weather information for boaters. Have you ever wondered what the Marco Island Beach was like, is the water calm or are there waves on the beach? You can easily find out by looking on line at the Marco Island Marriot web camera. With the waters warming it is a great time to take your boat to the beach, have a picnic and go swimming!



Since May is National Boating Safety Month take the time to teach a child how they can correctly put on a lifejacket by themselves or teach guests on your boat how to properly use a marine radio. It is our responsibility to educate our crew. Always, always have plenty of water on your boat! Remember emergencies are never planned. Also, check your First Aid kit maybe there is something you would like to add to it. (see page 11) Sandburs can be a problem in some beach areas, tweezers would come in handy!

The 4th of July is a great time to have family visit. We are planning a 2-hour free boating safety class for children 8 to 10 years of age. I would like to ask squadron members if they have children in town that would like to participate to please call me so I can coordinate a date for the class.

Enjoy safe boating! 🚤



SUNSHINE NEWS
 Lt Mary Carleen Ferry, S
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Stosh Kott had knee surgery and he is doing much better than he ever thought he would do.

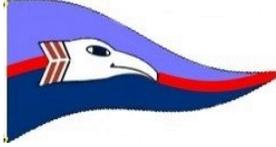
The mother of Debbie Rago died early in April.

Last fall, Arlon Sandbulte had an ankle replacement NOT reconstruction done. Talk to him about how the doctors did the procedure. He raves about it!!!

Bob Mueller, who has done a lot for our Marco Squadron, has elected to choose Hospice as a result of his bout with cancer. Please remember him and Phyllis in these days to come.

The caregivers are to be remembered also.
Please let me know of anyone who is sick, injured or deceased. I will send them a card.

Captain's Meeting
"Meet & Greet"
everyone welcome!
CJ's Gazebo Bar
at the Esplanade
at 1700 on the
2nd & 4th
Tuesday
of the Month




Reserve your chair!!
Call Lt Ann Derwin at 239-384-3959
Or Email: apdo@comcast.net



EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Lt/C Gene Burson, AP

The Scavenger Hunt this year was a big success for those that participated. Fun was had by all on the water and following the hunt at the party. As you read in the newspapers, Lt Stosh Kott and Karen Urso won the event with Lt Wanda Burson, S and I were the winners (or losers) of the short straw to host an exciting hunt for next year.



The District 22 Spring Conference held in Punta Gorda was well attended by MISPS members. See the Commander's article for details.

The Wear It! campaign will not be sponsored by the Power Squadron this year. The Bridge recommends that we skip a year to raise enthusiasm and participation for the campaign in 2018.

Vessel Safety Checks (VSC) are continuing with the "Season" coming to an end. Lt Tom Ryan, AP encourages all members to have your boat checked even if you know it will fail. The Squadron will still get credit for the service. To date, Tom and his Vessel Examiners have performed 202 safety checks.

Lt Cliff Winings, SN has done a great deal of work to update and upgrade our website. If you haven't visited the website recently, I encourage you to see the new look and additional information available.

Co-Op Charting is in the final stages of the current review of all ATONS surrounding Marco. P/C Carl Thieme, SN will be coordinating all information to be given to the USCG-Aux for entry into the NOAA database.

Credit cards usage will be coming to MISPS. Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN is leading a small group of members to learn to use the SQ technology. We will start with the Ship's Store, Payments for classes, and Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Party Silent Auction.

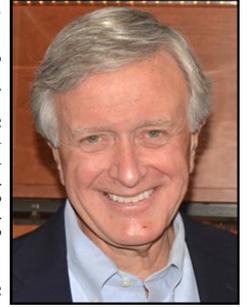
The Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron will be presenting an ABC Class solely for the Marco Island Academy students in May.

I would like to thank all the members that volunteered at the Marco Island Seafood and Music Festival. This was a good way to help our community, meet new people, and get people interested in our Marco Squadron. 🍷



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
Lt/C Tom Morr, P

Family. What is more important? As is often the case, for me this past month has been largely devoted to the people that I love the most. Among the family events, I have just returned from hosting treasured relatives for a boating excursion around Marco Island. This young couple and their one year old (who slept in his mother's arms most of the way around the island!) wanted to see Marco from the water. Thinking of the responsibility for their safety was concerning and watching them enjoy the trip was a delight. Which reminded me about why I joined the Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron (MISPS) and how much I have benefited from being a member.



My motivation for taking MISPS classes was to assure that I had the skills, knowledge and experience to operate my vessel responsibly and safely. Moving to Marco, I knew that I wanted to enjoy the fun of boating on the beautiful waters here. It is an activity that can be easily shared with loved ones and friends. I wanted to own a boat, but didn't know a darn thing about how to operate one.

MISPS Educational Officer, D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, came to my rescue. I had decided that before making the major purchase of a boat, I needed to go to school. MISPS provided the classes.

Today, while preparing for the journey I checked the weather and the tides, made sure that everyone had the correct personal flotation device (especially for the baby), consulted my chart and GPS equipment, conducted a radio check, briefed my guests on the operation of my boat, radio, and other onboard equipment, gave them assignments in the event of emergency and informed them that on *Good Times II* everyone wears a life vest. As we cast off, I felt the confidence that comes from knowing the waterways, the 'rules of the road' and the handling of my boat. But for MISPS, none of that would be possible. There are no words to express how grateful I am that I discovered and joined the MISPS.

Importantly, joining MISPS has expanded my Marco Island 'family'. My circle of friends has grown to include instructors, leaders and members of MISPS. These generous people gladly share their knowledge and time to help others be better boaters and enjoy the fun. Tomorrow I can't wait to get back on the water. Won't you bring your family and join us? 🍷



EDUCATIONAL OFFICER
D/Lt/C Edward Reiss, SN-CN

Educational program for the winter is not yet over. Test results for Piloting are due in for two students. Our Junior Navigation students will complete their tests by the end of May. Because of the increased interest in the America's Boating Course we scheduled an extra class in April and are offering a special ABC class to high school students in May. So far three members have signed up for Piloting over the summer. Also under consideration is a 2-hour seminar for third graders.



On to the future. Course schedule for the Fall and Winter will be finalized over the next few months. If you have any special interest let me or 1/Lt John Maciolek, AP know so we can schedule an instructor and dates. National USPS is working on revising the Seamanship course with two options. The information will be packaged into 8 seminars. A student may take all and the final test to get the Seamanship grade or you can attend only the seminars of interest without a test and learn what you feel is important without getting a grade. There are still many questions that need answers before this approach is available. Stay tuned.

I just read an interesting report related to two personal water crafts colliding in the ten Thousand Islands which resulted in among other things a citation for not having a lookout. How many of us on our own boats forget about the need for a lookout at all times?

The vessel trainer is available. Let us know when you are ready to play. On-the-water training is also available for members on your boat. If interested contact me.

Enjoy the summer. Keep reading anything you find of interest on boating but above all, go boating and be safe! 🚤



District 22 Administrative Officer
D/Lt/C Ted Reiss SN-CN

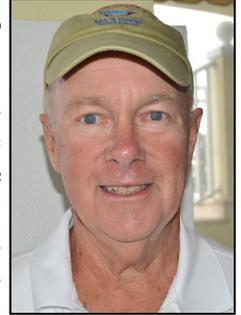
Our District holds instructive and informative sessions on various topics at its Fall and Spring Conferences. At these Saturday Roundtable sessions, what topics would you consider attending if scheduled? What would you like to learn? Please let me know ASAP as plans are already underway. Ted



SAFETY OFFICER
Lt Edward Bauer

Man Overboard! The words no boater wants to hear.

Of course, as the circumstances differ so may the severity of the situation. Is the water cold, the current swift, or the wind strong? Is visibility poor? Are there others remaining on the boat to help? Is the swimmer injured?



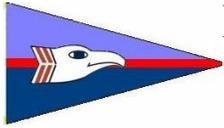
There are numerous ways a person may go overboard – a sudden, unexpected acceleration or deceleration or sharp turn; passengers unfamiliar with the boat or boating; excessive partying; various fishing scenarios; collision with another boat or object in the water; or sailing situations such as fixing a luffing sail, a jibe and swinging boom, or trying to repair troublesome gear.

How to avoid a MOB. First, make sure your passengers are familiar with your boat. Advise them of any major unanticipated changes in speed or direction. Minimize alcohol consumption. Avoid sitting on bow, stern or gunwales during boat operation.

Planning for a MOB. First and foremost, all on board should be wearing life jackets. A Coast Guard approved floatation cushion or ring must be readily accessible. Invest in a throw bag with poly line. Consider practicing a response and lifting a lifeless person onto your boat.

Responding to a MOB. The first person to see the man overboard should keep eyes on the person and point to location alerting others on the boat. If available, the captain can use the MOB function on the GPS. Throw either the floatation cushion or cleated throw line to the victim depending on the situation. Circle around the person with slowing speed, positioning the boat on the downwind side so that the boat is not blown into him. Take the motor out of gear. If necessary, a crew member, wearing a PFD and cleated line may have to go into the water to assist; it's always better to approach a drowning victim from behind. Depending on water conditions and injuries to the person, now might be the time to call on your radio for help or standby medical assistance. Law requires the boat operator to submit a casualty or accident report to the State reporting authority when, a person is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid 🚤

Resources: ussailing.org; uscgboating.org; discoverboating.com; & boatsafe.com



Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron Boating Activities

Boating Chair: Lt Nick Rago, AP at 860/798-4141

Boating Assist. Chair: Dan Marinelli (240) 606-1119

**** Call the Lunch Chair for reservations at the restaurants:**

****Lunch Chair: Lt Ann Derwin—239-384-3959 Or Email: apdo@comcast.net**



Dates 2017	Destination	Time	Cruise Captain	Phone (239)
12 May	**Cruise and Lunch, Island Gypsy	1200	P/C Carl Thieme, SN	970-2177
27 May	Cruise and Picnic, Whitehorse Key	1100	Bryan Mordecai, AP	642-1006
08 June	Cruise and Picnic, Keewaydin Island	1100	Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP	450-7089
22 June	**Cruise and Lunch, Naples Boat House	1130	Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP	450-7089
06 July	**Cruise and Lunch, Dolphin Tiki Bar	1200	Lt/C Tom Morr, P	259-8962
22 July	Cruise and Picnic, Cape Romano	1100	D/1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN	642-5721
3-4 Aug	**Cruise and Lunch, Rod and Gun Club, Everglades City, *Optional overnight	1130	D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN	213-8722
10 Sept	**Cruise and Pig Roast, Marker 8.5	1500	1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP	394-0459
19 Sept	**Cruise and Lunch, Marco Island Yacht Club	1200	Jim Ferry, P	394-4884
05 Oct	**Cruise & Lunch, Wahoo's River Bar, Naples	1200	P/C Tippy Cavanagh, SN	393-9158
19 Oct	**Cruise & Lunch, Little Bar, Goodland	1200	D/1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN	642-5721
18 Nov	**Cruise & Lunch, Old Marco Lodge, Goodland	1200	Lt Nick Rago, AP	(860)798-4141
15 Dec	**Black Pearl Pirate Ship Cruise	(before sunset)	Lt/C Tom Morr, P	259-8962
2018				
11 Jan	**Sunset Cruise and cocktails/catered appetizers, Rookery Bay / Stonewalls @ 1600			
18 Jan	**Cruise and Lunch, CJ's at Esplanade	1200	Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP	450-7089
15-16 Feb	Cruise & Picnic, Whitehorse Key * overnight raft-up optional	1100	TBA	



NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK 20 May - 26 May 2017

The North American Safe Boating Campaign wants to get something off its chest and onto yours ... A LIFE JACKET!

The Campaign is designed to reach more than 70 million boaters around North America and communicates this year's lifesaving message: Boat Smart. Boat Safe. Wear It. It's a year-round crusade that counts on grassroots activities and the support of many volunteer groups.

D22 Spring Conference



The Games: Ted throwing the flip-flops though hula-hoop

31 MAR - 1 APR

On Friday 31 March, the Commander/Executive Officer and District 22 Council meetings were held at the Charlotte County Event Center. The Friday night joint hospitality themed “Margaritaville Party” kicked off at the Punta Gorda Boat Club followed by a delicious buffet-dinner. Trivia question sheets were filled out at the table ... our group wasn’t very attuned to the themed questions. Our team of Ted, Peggy, Rhonda and Andy participated with coconut bowling (pineapples for pins), flip-flop toss, eggs on a spoon relay. Etc. Our score on the trivia took our score down, but we still came in 2nd place!

Saturday, 13 MISPS members (see photo captions for names) attended roundtables such as “Squadron Retention” (6 choices plus Town Hall). As D22 Assistant Treasurer D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN was asked to do the event’s 50/50. Andy asked P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN to help with the 50/50. We broke a record for sales at this conference! At the Awards Luncheon, Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP accepted the award certificates for “Outstanding Distinction” for MISPS for both our website and *The Eagle’s Eye*.



Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, A, P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, & Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

The 2017 Spring Conference was called to order at 1400. The Chief Commander’s message was given by V/C Gary Cheney, SN who spoke to a power point presentation pointing out that changes are needed to market USPS®. He mentioned that under USPS we should add “America’s Boating Club” so the public would be more aware of our organization. The contract to have the C.C. Event Center for the 2018 Spring and Fall Conferences was voted in the affirmative. Awards was presented—note captions under pictures for our awards.



P/C Jim Olmes, SN (D22 Nom. Comm.) & D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN

A large group (14) from Marco attended the Change of Watch dinner and ceremony to support our members at the District 22 level: D/Administrative Officer D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN, D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN as D/Assistant Treasurer, Lt/C Teri O’Connell, JN on the Audit Comm., P/C Jim Olmes, SN* on Nominating Comm., P/C Lee Harkness, AP,* Rules Comm. and Dave Dumas*, Legislative Liaison.

The Charlotte Co. Event Center is a great location for our members to attend: close enough for a day trip or join the group and stay overnight at a choice of excellent hotels.



P/C Carl Thieme, SN, Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP, Lt/C Gene Burson, AP, Lt Wanda Burson, S, Lt/C Lori Williams, S Lt Sheila Thieme, and Lt/C Teri O’Connell, JN

2017



Awards Luncheon: Rhonda, Teri, Lori, & Bill (present, not pictured: Peggy & Ted, Wanda & Gene, Jim, and Andy B.)



V/C Cheney, SN, Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP holding 1st Place Certificate & D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN (Editor of Marco's *The Eagle's Eye*, with Graphics Trophy; other squadron (2) 3rd place winners and 2nd place; and D22 Secretary Lt/C Sandy Krupa, P



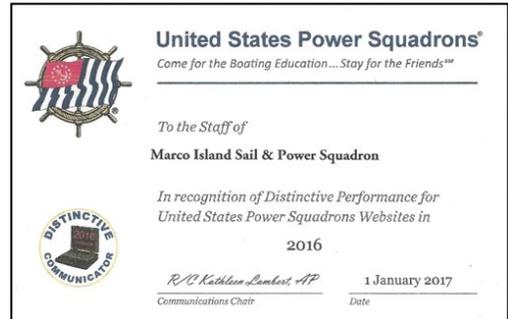
Change of Watch attendees from Marco: (inset) Peggy & Ted; (back) Andy, Lori, Bill, Rhonda, Tom, Sheila, & Carl; (front) Tippy, Wanda, Teri and Gene.



(L-R) D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN (Assist. Treas.), D/1/Lt John Nason, SN (Assist. Ed. Officer), D/Lt/C Sandra Krupa, P (Sec.), D/Lt/C Harold Anderson, AP (Treas.), D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, D/Lt/C Donald Cook, SN (Exec. Officer), and D/Cdr Susan Lomastro, AP



1st Place & Trophy Winner
Pease River Graphics Award



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Service Award for D22 C & R (attendees: D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN, Cdr Bill Hughes, JN, P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN)

Blue Chip Boat Fire

By Charlie Gentry, JN

Fire on board a boat is every mariner's nightmare. Far from shore, with no fire-fighting help available, and plenty of flammable fiberglass or wood, volatile fuel, and with nowhere to run except over the side, any fire can become a disaster in a hurry. If you have the slight doubt about whether you can contain the fire, don't even try.

- Your first concern is the safety of the people aboard.
- Notify someone immediately of your situation and location before the fire burns through the battery cables or forces you off the boat.
- Burning fiberglass is extremely hot and gives off noxious fumes. If fiberglass is burning. Get off immediately.

These words were written in 2010 when I was the Safety Officer of the Marco Island Squadron. After 45 years of boating and many thousands of cruising miles, this was my first experience with fire. I tried to do the simple things learned from squadron education and hoped for the best.

We were 6 hours into a 7-hour delivery cruise from a boat yard on the Manatee River when suddenly, there was heavy smoke coming from the enclosed engine room and rolling into the forward cabin and bridge deck. The engine RPM dropped from cruising to a fast idle. I immediately put the engine in neutral and turned it off. I was concerned that the fiberglass might catch on fire and we would have to leave the boat and jump into the Gulf. My wife, Marji, dove into the smoke-filled cabin and grabbed our Class 1 Life Preservers. We were offshore about 2 to 3 miles (for a couple in their late eighties, it might as well have been 200 miles). There was sufficient smoke on the 'bridge deck' to give me concern about exposure, but I did manage to shut off the master electrical switches after making an emergency radio (VHF) call for help. Fortunately, a fisherman heard our distress call and arrived in about



**Charlie & Marji Gentry's boat:
34-foot MJM (Mary Jane Motorboat)**



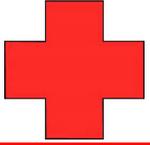
20 minutes. There was still smoke, but it seemed to be less than before.

I had no idea what happened in the engine room. Even though the engine has an overtemp and low water alarm, nothing had been triggered. I thought the halon engine room extinguisher might have functioned, but there was no way I was going to lift any hatches for at least 45 minutes. It never occurred to me that the extinguisher had already discharged, the engine ingested the halon gas, and that was the reason the RPM fell off. The Coast Guard from Fort Myers Beach arrived in about an hour, followed by Boat US Tow out of Marco. It was about a 3-hour tow back to Rose Marina; arrival was well after dark.

Blue Chip was trucked back to the boat yard on the Manatee River for repair. I was told the 'casting plug' (freeze plug) had fallen out of the bottom of the exhaust manifold dumping the fresh water coolant. The 900-degree exhaust gasses started the manifold paint on fire along with any surrounding combustible material. The whole event happened so fast that the alarms didn't have time to function. We were lucky! The fire had already burned away a small portion of the bridge deck insulation exposing the fiberglass and teak deck material.

The Yanmar diesel had to be removed from the boat, taken completely apart to clean the residue from the ingested halon, reassembled with a new exhaust manifold, turbo system, and after-cooler and finally put back into the boat. The engine itself was never overheated and even the cylinder sleeves were in perfect shape.

There are many procedures connected with boating that one can and should practice. You can't practice a real fire. United States Power Squadrons® education courses are the best way I know to help you make the right decision when faced with a dangerous boating situation. 🐾



Boaters, Check your First Aid Kit

After you prep your gear ... AND you have VHF (do radio check on ARCS via BoatUS or SeaTow—Marco area CH 27) EPIRB and-or SPOT/PFD's/safety equipment/cell phone aboard ... AND make sure someone knows your float plan. Prep your suggested medical gear (jumbo Ziploc bag is good) as follows:

Gauze pads, 2x2, 4x4, abd

Kerlix/kling

Bandage scissors

First aid tape/ace bandages/band-aids/duct tape

Steri strips

Towels/ponchos/blanket/travel umbrella (use as “shade”)

Big Ziplocs to discard contaminated stuff

Paper towels

Non latex gloves

CPR masks

Hand sanitizer, Betadine (alcohol is drying), bottled (drinking) water

Ice (better than commercial “ice packs,” if they leak, they can cause a chemical burn)

Liquid Benadryl (single dose vials)

Chewable baby aspirin

Only carry benadryl and aspirin if YOU are comfortable.

*****If you have a history of allergic reactions, please discuss with your Primary Physician whether or not you need to carry an “epi-pen,” (should have 2) since you are often away from land and easy access to the “EMS system.” ***If you use an epi-pen you still must get emergency medical care immediately!!!!**

Eye irritants

First aid booklet, Ex: ”Emergencies at Sea,” “First Aid Afloat”

Single-serving powder packets of lemonade/Gatorade/sugar, peanut butter or cheese crackers, trail mix, ginger or ginger ale. Water, water, water!!!

Sunscreen

Check and replace as needed every year.

[by Mary Werres, RN]



MISPS April Dinner-Meeting



Mary Werres, RN, Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP and Dr. Ronald Werres (speaker)

The dinner meeting was held on 11 April at the M. I. Yacht Club with social hour downstairs at the porch bar and dinner served upstairs in the dining room. A great turn-out of about 70 members and guests were in attendance! After the pledge of allegiance and invocation, Cdr Gloodt, AP swore in the new members present and gave awards that were received at the D22 Spring Conference (p. 8-9). The luscious dinner of pork marsala or chicken by the Garza with trimmings were served. After dinner, the speakers were Dr. Roland Werres, a cardiologist and his wife Mary Werres, RN both with impressive credentials plus they have a background in sailing. Mary said the first thing to do is a VHF radio check when leaving the dock. Then she explained the items to add to a boater's first aid kit and their use (see p. 11). If a person needs CPR, drop anchor and tell someone (radio—they will ask 1) position, 2) # of people, & 3) problem). Don't run in, it will be too late; need to start CPR, time is important for brain tissue and heart muscle. After 4 minutes also necessary to breathe. Dr. Werres talked about what to do for fish hook injury, other injuries, marine poisons (stingray, lionfish, etc. clean & flush with hot water 115°), etc. also heat stroke (recognize & treatment) ... very informative. 🚤



New Members: Joe & Starr, Rick & Danielle, Meg Smith with Cdr Gloodt, AP



Lt Nick Rago, AP and 1/Lt Debbie Rago doing 50/50



Jesse Mena, D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN and Hope Mena



Pat Jansen and P/C Al Jansen, AP



New members Gunars & Nancy Zikmanis



Joyce Winings & Lt Cliff Winings, SN



Roy Sander, JN and Pam Sander, JN



Bob Noffsinger, S and Linnette Noffsinger



P/C Lee Harkness, AP, P/C Bill Hughes, JN and Lt Steve Riley



P/C Carl Thieme, SN and Julie Riley



Lt Wanda Burson, S with new members Danielle and Rick Siegel



Cdr presenting Webmaster Lt Cliff Winings, SN Certificate (p. 9)



Ship's Store: Barbara looking at hats with Lt Sheila Thieme



Sam Taylor, S and Bryan Mordecai, AP



Lt/C Teri O'Connell, JN & D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN



New members Joe and Starr Whiting



New members Bruce and Marilyn Heinrick



Marcy and Dan Marinelli



Kathleen Douglas with 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP



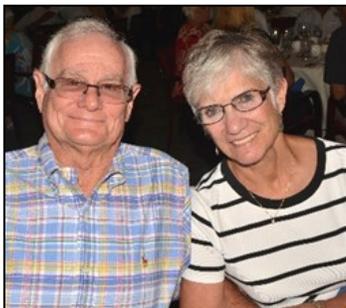
1/Lt John Maciolek, AP, Barbara Taylor, S and Erma Maciolek



Lori & Mary Alice with P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, new member Meg Smith and Susan Bauer



Charlie Gentry, JN, Marji Gentry and Lt Ed Bauer our new Safety Officer



New members Don Cates & Sonya Benson



Jim Ferry, P and Lt Mary Carleen Ferry, S



P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN & P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN



P/C John Noffze, S and Beverly Noffze



Lt/C Lori Williams, S, Jerry Williams, S with friends Neill & Mari Peters



Bob Marks, JN, Lt Dorothy Harkness, S and Gerry Marks, P



The Puell family: Joey, Jose, and Rebecca with their uncle

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27 May at 1100

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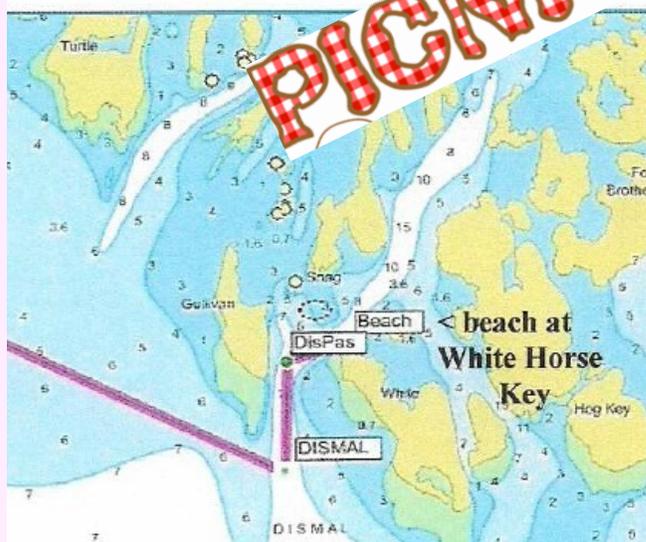
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navigation ...
area subject to
change!



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DISMAL	N25 51.533 W81 34.625
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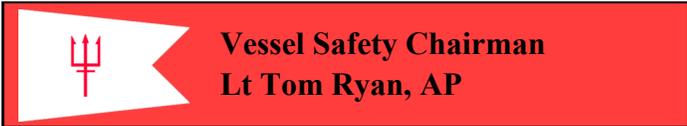
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During March we focused on members and we went from 12% completed at the beginning of March to over 50% at the end of the month. That's good progress. But, we still have some work to do before we can say "100% of our membership has had their boat inspected". To date we have inspected a total of 215



boats. One of our VEs, Rudi Landwaard, broke our squadron record for the most boats checked in a season. Rudi has completed 63 Vessel Safety Checks ... and this is only April! Congratulations to Rudi on a great community service achievement. That represents a lot of work and time. The squadron should take pride that their team is providing an important Public Service. We would be delighted to have members join us when we do Vessel Safety Checks during Safe Boating Week. Just call me or any one of our Certified Vessel Examiners.

"The National Boater Safety Committee would like to request that squadron general members assist their Vessel Examiners during National Boating Safety Week. This would be a great opportunity for members to see the VEs at work and have a better understanding of their value. This would also be an opportunity for members to meet and greet the boaters with 'America's Boating Club' information."

Stf/C Bob Bales, AP
Assistant Chair USPS Boating Safety Committee

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Over the last several weeks several MISPS COOP charting teams have expanded the waterways surveyed to identify missing or damaged aids to navigation.



On 14 April, the team of D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN and P/C Carl Thieme, SN surveyed the ATON'S and PTON'S that start from Lighted Green Outer Marker #1 in the Gulf of Mexico and finish with Day Marker #55 on the Barron River in Everglades City. The team was pleased to report that all the Aids to Navigation were in good shape and located at the correct coordinates.

Three days later a second team including Lt Cliff Winings, SN, Lt Jim O'Connell, P, Jerry Williams, S and P/C Carl Thieme, SN surveyed the 40+ Aids to Navigation from the marina at Port of the Isles to the outer marker at Panther Key. A variety of issues were noted and will be reported to NOAA, the US Coast Guard and Collier County officials.

Meanwhile, Lt/C Gene Burson, AP and Lt Wanda Burson, S were busy surveying the area from the Judge Jolley Bridge leading into Addison Bay areas.

A 4th team of D/1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN and Bryan Mordecai, AP was hard at work evaluating the condition of the ATON'S and PTON'S in the areas around Horr's Island, Kice Island, Helen Key and Cape Romano.

All the surveys were done on boats owned by squadron members. The dedication and persistence by the MISPS COOP Charting teams in conducting these surveys is starting to bear fruit with a number of new and repaired Aids to Navigation having been observed around Marco Island.



One of our new Certified Vessel Examiners Basil Ascitutto doing a Vessel Safety Check on Arlon Sandbulte's boat (Photo by Tom R)



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Cards dates will be at MISPS Condo on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 1300.




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Robert Gloodt
James Johnson
Mona Kelso
March Marinelli
Karen Morr
P/C Jim Olmes, SN
Martin Wilhelm, AP
P/Lt/C Chuck Wilson, JN
Gunars Zikmanis
Lee Williams

If I've missed your name, let me know!



**"CAPTAIN TED'S CORNER"
D/Lt/C Edward Reiss, SN-IN**

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- BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND-- all of the following vessels are "restricted in their ability to maneuver" EXCEPT a vessel _____.
 - laying a pipeline
 - dredging
 - mine-clearing
 - not under command
 - BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND-- which statement is TRUE concerning the danger signal?
 - Only the stand-on vessel can sound the danger signal.
 - Radio transmissions may be used in place of the danger signal.
 - A vessel in doubt as to the other vessel's intentions must sound the danger signal.
 - The danger signal consists of 5 or more prolonged blasts of the whistle.
 - You are docking a vessel. If possible, you should _____.
 - go in with the current
 - go in against the current
 - approach the dock at a 90° angle and swing to
 - pass a mooring line to the dock with a heaving line and let the crew pull the vessel in
 - Which problem is virtually impossible to detect during an in-service inspection of used mooring chain?
 - Cracks
 - Elongation
 - Loose studs
 - Fatigue

ANSWERS 1 d, 2 c, 3 b, 4 d



MISPS Mini Golf Tourney

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The tournament will feature special rules and prizes. Golfers will play for the “**Coveted Marco Cup Trophy**”. Following the tournament there will be drinks on the patio at La Tavola. Golfers will be responsible for their “greens fees” of \$8.00 and will pay for their own beverages and any food at La Tavola. If we have enough golfers there will be a “shotgun start”.

Prizes will be awarded at La Tavola.

For golf “groupies” who want to hang with the (dare I say pro) golfers, but not play golf they can meet us at La Tavola at about 2000 hours.



Tournament Director: Lt/C Tom Morr, P

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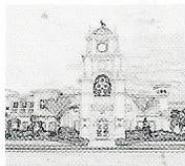
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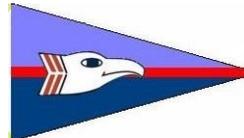


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Vessel Safety Check

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In the Community Marco Fire & Rescue Pancake Breakfast



9 April 2017
M. I. Fire Station

(below) Lt/C Gene Burson, AP, Volunteer,
and Barbara Murphy serving food



Enjoying breakfast: Marcy and
Dan Marinelli



Sam Taylor, S, Bryan Mordecai, AP and
P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN breakfast consumers!



Marji Gentry & event
helper Paula Townsend



Charlie Gentry, JN, D/Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN
and Barbara Taylor, S

On 19 April, fourteen MISPS members took advantage of the CPR/AED/FIRST AID training session at the Marco Island Fire/Rescue station on San Marco Road. The instructor was Pat O’Gorman, Engineer, Paramedic, and Fire boat operator.

The purpose of CPR is to keep the brain and vital organs alive while waiting for rescue. The earlier CPR and AED are instituted the better the chances as there are 7-9 minutes worth of residual oxygen available to the vital organs after the heart stops. Chest compressions are the most important at 100-120 compressions per minute at a depth of two inches for an adult, one and a half for a child and infant. Rescue breathing is at a rate of 2 breaths after 30 compressions.

Squadron members practiced on both adult and infant dummies to the tune of “Staying Alive”. Teams of two traded off breathing and compressions on the adult. Instruction was given as to position of hands and technique on both adult and infant. In addition, there was instruction in using the AED for ventricular fibrillation.

Other topics in the training covered choking, scene safety, assessment and First Aid for the civilian. Paramedic O’Gorman spoke about fainting, cuts, bites, hypothermia, allergic reactions and many, many more situations.

CPR/AED/FIRST AID CLASS

MISPS members are now better trained to assist in an emergency situation. Text & photos by P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN

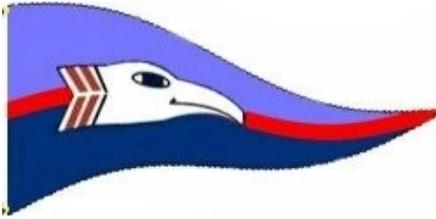


Instructor Pat O’Gorman,
Engineer, Paramedic, and Fire
Boat operator



Welcome New Members

By Karen Urso



Marcy and Dan Marinelli

Zikmanis Family:
Jessica, Kristi, Gunars & Nancy



Marcy and Dan Marinelli grew up in Ohio and Wisconsin respectively. They moved to Marco full time in April 2016 from Maryland/Washington, DC suburbs. They love the slower pace of our island having spent some time on the busy east coast. They love the beach, the weather and the PEOPLE. And a bonus, they have close relatives here. Dan worked his entire career with NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and Marcy worked in education at virtually all levels and capacities—teacher, professor and education center director. Marcy retired from Univ. of Maryland and enjoyed a wonderful retirement of ONE DAY! when she was immediately hired by Johns Hopkins to work on their online Doctorate of Education program. She still teaches part time from home for U. of Maryland's University Psychology Dept. Dan and Marcy joined the squadron in May 2016. They saw it as a good way to meet people and learn about boating. They have taken the ABC course as well as the GPS and Navigation seminar. Seamanship is next!! Dan serves as a Vessel Safety Examiner. As for interests they golf, they absolutely LOVE the Packers and their new boat – a Glacier Bay 2640SX Renegade – only a few weeks in their possession. We welcome Marcy and Dan and appreciate their interest and involvement with boating and our squadron. When you see them, congratulate them on their recent first solo trip to Coon Key Light (and back!!) 🐾

The Zikmanis family: Gunars, Nancy and daughters Jessica and Kristi came to Marco Island from Broadview Heights, Ohio near the home of the champion Cavaliers, the 2016 Republican Convention and the Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame, and as Nancy reminds us the great Cuyahoga River which once a long time ago caught on fire!! It was Kristi's search for a college (U of South Florida) which got the rest of the family to Florida in 2015. Marco Island came about because Nancy found a great job as Environment Compliance Manager for Collier County Wastewater Division, recently moving on to Internal Controls Manager with a focus on the county's Public Utilities. Both she and Gunars had worked in Ohio for the state EPA-Brownfield and Superfund Activities focused on remediation of contaminated lands. Gunars retired in November 2014 now splits time between Ohio and here tending to the disposal of their Ohio property. Their daughters are both students at USF although at different campuses. Kristi is studying Biology with Marine and Conservation concentration- further proof that the fruit often does not fall far from the tree! Jessica is a Master's student in Statistics and about to join the working world as both daughters graduate on the same day in May 2017. The family loves the water, animals and exploring nature ... and, golf! Gunars loves to cook and he is good at it!! He is also in the Civil Air Patrol as a former pilot. No boat yet for this family which has boating/sailing experience on Lake Erie. They recently joined the Freedom Boat Club and have just started to experience our local waters. They became members of MISPS after taking the squadron's ABC course. They joined because true to our motto they found boating knowledge, nice people and good socializing. When you next see them please ask them about Gunars' imitation of a 'cooked lobster'. 🐾



New Members

By Karen Urso

**Kathy Hart and
John Salotto**

**Basil Asciutto and
Judith Kelly-Asciutto**



Judith Kelly-Asciutto and Basil Asciutto are from the Riverhead and Brooklyn, NY areas respectively. Basil was a Wall Streeter for 30 years before retiring to Long Island and a new career – real estate. Judy worked as an office manager and bookkeeper. She was a widow at age 29, proudly and lovingly raising 3 children as a single mom. Basil and Judy met in early 2004 and married in 2016. Having vacationed every January for 3 years in Marco Island they fell for its beauty and decided to move here. In 2011 they bought a home in Vernona Walk so they could be close to Marco. They spend 8 months here and 4 months on Long Island, NY. In November 2016 they opened their own Real estate Brokerage Co, Asciutto Realty LLC (see ad on page 18) and are members of both the Naples and the Marco Island Boards of Realtors. This keeps them very busy! But they always try to find time for boating, fishing and cooking. They boat near both their homes and now have a 22-ft Key West which they keep at their Esplanade dock. Basil has taken the MISPS Navigation seminar and has become a Certified Vessel Examiner learning from Lt Tom Ryan, AP. They joined the squadron for all the right reasons: to meet like minded folks, learn more about boating and our waters and to enjoy the socialization our club creates. When you next see this couple ask them about their MY CHEESE ROLL boating story. Boaters to the rescue!! 🚤



Katie Hart and John Salotto arrived in Marco in May, 2016 from Washington, DC area having been raised in Minnetonka, MN and Philadelphia, PA respectively. John, a widower met Katie and with both having daughters with the same first and middle names – Alexandra Laura – they knew fate had smiled upon them. Together they have 5 children who visit often from the Arlington, Virginia area. Katie worked for Battelle, a non-profit and John worked for the US Patent and Trademark Office. Here in Marco, Katie took a new position at the JW Marriott and John has become a house husband, also something new to him. They joined the squadron in December, 2016 and as they are new to boating they are ‘soaking’ it all in! John became a Certified Vessel Examiner this spring. They just purchased their first boat, a 22-ft CC, delivery expected in early May. They share interests in gardening, home improvements, beach and swimming, puzzles on the deck, dining out and fishing (only from the dock until that boat arrives!). And they love their dog, Brody, a golden retriever/duck toller who despite what one might expect from the species, does not like the water nor retrieving. As for their football teams, Katie is a Viking fan and John an Eagles one. 🚤





Breakfast Cruise

Perfect weather for the breakfast cruise on 20 April to the Marker 8.5 Restaurant in Goodland. Three boats and 16 members participated. The menu offered many delicious choices. Service was excellent as our coffee cups were often refilled as we ate on the screened-in porch with a great



**Lt Ed Bauer and
D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN**



**“Flat Daisy” from MN joined the group!
Jim Ferry’s boat: *Current Obsession***

view of the greenish-blue water, pelicans and boats passing by. Ed Bauer talked about his new boat not being named yet. How about run-aground or not run-aground-yet; we had laughs over it anyway. On the cover is featured Tom at the helm of *Good Times II* and small photo is Jim aboard *Current Obsession*, which he handled by himself; he said the wind was right, so no problem! 🛥



**P/C Carl Thieme, SN and
Lt Sheila Thieme**



**Karen Morr and
Lt/C Tom Morr, P**



**Henry Stanley, Bryan Mordecai, AP
and new member Bob Smith**



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



**P/Lt/C Mary Alice Wilson, JN, P/Lt/C Chuck
Wilson, JN & P/C Bill Hughes, JN**



**P/C Carl Thieme, SN and
Jim Ferry, P**



***Good Times II* with Lt/C Tom Morr, P at the helm arrives at the dock at
Marker 8.5 ... members assist with the lines. (Photo by Henry Stanley)**



**Lt Ed Bauer gets ready to depart; *Good Times II* in
background underway for returning home**

**CJ's
Captain's
Meeting
Meet & Greet
28 March**



(top L-R) Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP & Meg Smith; Lt Bill Kayhart, P & Mary Kayhart (neck brace-recovering from injury); Arlon & Joyce Sandbulte; Phyllis Mueller & Bob Mueller, S; Karen Morr, Lt/C Tom Morr, P and new member Dave Knudson; Lt Tom Ryan, AP & Ann Marie Ryan; P/C Lee Harkness, AP talking to prospective new members Greg & Cindy Kochendorfer and Lt Dorothy Harkness, S; 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP, Bob Marks, JN & Gerry Marks, P; Betty & P/C Bob Richardson, P; Lt Wanda Burson, S, Lt/C Gene Burson, AP with granddaughters from Ohio; Jennifer Jewett and P/C Bill Hughes, JN; 1/Lt Andy Battaglia, SN and Bryan Mordecai, AP; boating class students Bill Kady and Bruce Heinrick with 1/Lt John Maciolek, AP (assist. SEO); Marilyn Heinrick and Nancy Kady; Starr & Joe Whiting, P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN & Lt/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN; Marcy & Dan Marinelli. NOTE: shortly after this event 4 people became members!



23 March 2017

Coconut Island Cruise & Picnic

'Lucky Dog' with Cdr Rhonda Gloodt, AP at the helm, 1/Lt Kathleen Reynolds, AP , Steve Hughes and P/C Bill Hughes, JN & *'Andy B'* with Captain D/1/Lt Andrea Battaglia, SN and crew of Bryan Mordecai, AP, and Andy's cousin Jimmy & Marilyn Sundquist from MN




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