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Members enjoyed a relaxing day at the beach at Keewaydin on Sept 18, 2025. Looks like Cdr Chris Ricci has snagged a picnic basket up on land!

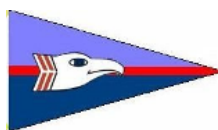
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## Shout Out

- Thanks to P/C Andrea Battaglia, Lt John Apolzan, and P/C Nanette Rivera of the Nominating committee for selecting an excellent slate of qualified candidates to take us into 2026.

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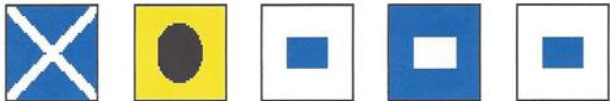


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## UPCOMING EVENTS 2025

Date	Event	Location	Day	Time	Page
<b><u>Oct 2025</u></b>					
10/7/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
10/8/2025	Executive Board	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
10/8/2025	Membership Dinner/Meeting	Lutheran Church	Wednesday	1700	14
10/11/2025	D22 Conference	Cape Coral	Saturday		12
10/16/2025	Raft-Up / beaching	Coconut Beach	Thursday	1130	16
10/21/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
10/21/2025	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
10/23/2025	Lunch cruise/drive	Little Bar - Goodland	Thursday	1130	17
10/29/2025	Captain's Meeting	Mango's	Wednesday	1700	
<b><u>Nov 2025</u></b>					
11/4/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
11/12/2025	Executive Board	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
11/12/2025	Annual Membership Meeting	Lutheran Church	Wednesday	1700	15
11/14/2025	Fish Fry	Resident's Beach	Friday	1630	18
11/18/2025	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
11/18/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
11/21/2025	<del>Cruise and Lunch meeting</del> Cancelled	<del>Naples Sail &amp; Yacht Club</del>	<del>Friday</del>	<del>1115</del>	
11/26/2025	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wednesday	1700	
<b><u>Dec 2025</u></b>					
12/2/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
12/2/2025	Put up, decorate Christmas Tree	Veteran's Park	Tuesday	0900	
12/6/2025	Tree Lighting	Veteran's Park	Saturday	1700	
12/10/2025	Executive Board	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
12/10/2025	Christmas Party	Lutheran Church	Wednesday	1700	
12/13/2025	Decorate Parade Boat	Walker's Showroom	Saturday	0900	
12/13/2025	Street Parade	San Marco Road	Saturday	1750	
12/16/2025	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	4
12/16/2025	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
12/18/2025	Dinner	Naples Botanical Gardens - Christmas Lights	Thursday	1800	
12/20/2025	In-water Boat Parade	Marco River	Saturday	1800	

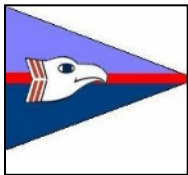
- Raft-up/ beach on 10/16 changed to Coconut beach
- Please note that the cruise and lunch to the Naples Sail and Yacht Club has been cancelled due to renovations at the club.



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**THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR**  
**Lt Jane Orsulak**

Our newsletter slows down for the quiet summer season. This issue covers August and September. Our monthly editions will resume with the October newsletter, as well as the monthly meetings. 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](mailto:jmo.abcd@gmail.com)



**SUNSHINE NEWS**  
**Lt Kathleen Reynolds**

On behalf of the squadron's membership, we recently sent our condolences to Kathy and the Enstrom family on the passing of Dennis.

We also sent our well wishes to Ted Reiss regarding injuries he suffered from a fall off a ladder. Ted is improving nicely, and, as ever, retains his positive spirit.

Again, please keep me informed of anything that might benefit from a little ray of sunshine from the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron. If you are aware of someone who could use our good thoughts, please let me know at [KReynol@aol.com](mailto:KReynol@aol.com) or 239 394-0459.

Kathleen Reynolds

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## October Birthdays

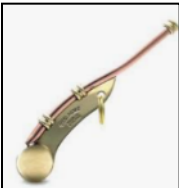
Happy birthday to the following MISPS members who are celebrating their birthdays this month. If we've missed your birthday, contact the Editor.

10/01 Ted Reiss Jr.  
10/02 Debora H. Ricci  
10/08 Melinda Thomas  
10/13 James Kornman  
10/14 Patricia P. Cavanagh  
10/17 Sonya M. Benson  
10/19 Marcia Pomietlasz  
10/19 Vladimir Yurkin  
10/23 Geoff Fahringer  
10/27 Teri O'Connell  
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**BOSUN'S Whistle Bridge Report**  
**Cdr Chris Ricci, P**  
**Lt/C Christopher Frost, JN**  
**Lt/C James Addison, P**



As we leave the hot, muggy and unpredictable weather of summer astern and welcome a more fun-filled fall and winter season with the squadron, we set our sights on many exciting activities ahead – from cruising adventures and land-based entertainment to our first membership meeting in October and the annual meeting in November. And looking further ahead, we have already started planning for the much-anticipated Wine & Hors d'oeuvre Party scheduled for Friday, January 30, 2026.

We recently had a delightful boating excursion to Keewaydin Island, where members enjoyed perfect weather and comradery on the water. Afterwards, the group gathered for a delicious lunch at the Fish House on the Isle of Capri. It was a terrific reminder of why we cherish our time together – good friends, great boating and shared experiences that make our squadron so special.

Thanks to the dedication of many members - including those who have summered off-island and are now returning - last year's Wine & Hors d'oeuvre Party was a great success. We are counting on your enthusiasm and support again this year! Your bridge team, including Chris Ricci, Chris Frost and Jim Addison, will oversee various aspects of the event and have already held its first planning meeting. We especially encourage newer members in the organization to join our seasoned volunteers to make this year's event an even greater success. From setting up and decorating, to soliciting donations and securing exciting raffle prizes and auction items both from the Marco business community and off-island as well, there is a role for everyone. One of our key goals is obtaining even higher-value prizes to make the evening's auction offerings especially memorable.

We look forward to a successful Wine & Hors

d'oeuvre party which is our signature fund raiser and the heart of our operating budget and fuels all our programs, educational offerings and activities we enjoy throughout the year. Your ideas, energy and participation will be key to our success, and we welcome your suggestions as the squadron begins its organizational kickoff meetings in the next few weeks.

In 2026, we have specific needs for fresh volunteers to help with marketing, advertising and publications. This is a fantastic opportunity to work with local news outlets, spread the word about our classes and events, and share the many good things the squadron does for the community. You will get great advice and guidance from those members already experienced in these areas, making it an enjoyable and rewarding way to get involved. Please reach out to Chris Frost or any member of the bridge to let us know of your interest.

Together, let's make the new season one of our most successful and enjoyable seasons yet!

**Chris Ricci:** Commander – Squadron-3125

**Chris Frost:** Ex/O– Squadron

**Jim Addison:** A/O – Squadron

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



**Boating Education Updates**

For the past 100 years the United States Power Squadron has been providing nationally recognized education that helps people improve their boating skills, become more confident, and have more fun.

Our Fall 2025 schedule of classroom courses begins this month.

**Local classes**

Starting October 27th Ted Reiss will teach **America's Boating Course (ABC)**. This course will provide you information you need to know to operate your boat safely and will provide those who successfully complete this course with a Florida Boating Safety Card.

You'll Learn:

- Information about your State Boating Laws, regulations, boat registration, and licensing
- Required boating safety equipment
- Do's and Don'ts of boating safely
- Practical Knowledge of navigation and rules of the road
- How to handle medical emergencies onboard and mechanical problems on the water
- The basics of towing and trailering

Beginning November 13th Nick Rago will teach the **Boat Handling** course. Our *Boat Handling* course (formerly Seamanship) is intended for recreational boaters who have completed *America's Boating Course* and want to gain more knowledge, skill, and confidence to boat safely and have more fun in a variety of situations. This course provides an in-depth look at practical boating skills that build your competence and confidence on the water,

You'll learn:

- Rules of the road
- Confidence in docking, un-docking and slow speed maneuvering
- Handling your boat with confidence while underway
- Anchoring with assurance
- How to handle emergencies on board
- Knots and line handling that you need to know

See our complete 2025 – 2026 Education Schedule on page 21 of this newsletter

Our courses and seminars had traditionally been offered solely in a classroom setting. However, recognizing the growing need, we've been working diligently to make more of our boating education content available to the members and the public through online courses, seminars, webinars and on-demand videos.

You now have complete flexibility in scheduling your education and learning in a way that suits you best. This includes:

- Classroom courses and seminars with knowledgeable, experienced instructors where you benefit from group interaction and, or
- Online resources that allow you to learn what you

want at your own pace and schedule

The purpose of this article is to bring you up to date with the learning resources you can now access online.

### **Online Boating Education:**

You can now access a complete catalogue of online boating education resources by searching the following on your computer browser:

#### **[America's Boating Club Online Boating Classes](#)**

There you can find descriptions for all our online courses, seminars, and educational resources. Courses are comprehensive and in-depth while Seminars are focused 2-hour workshops on a variety of boating subjects. You also have access to a large library of free videos that cover a variety of boating topics. Mix and match these resources to suit your boating education needs. I will be happy to help guide you.

### **Virtual Classroom:**

Here are a few of the online courses now being offered.

*America's Boating Course* - Learn boating basics at home or away with America's Boating Course. When followed by a test for state boating certification, our online course prepares you to get the Florida state boating card. As a bonus, you will receive a comprehensive, full-color, downloadable, 288-page course book.

*Boat Handling* - Our Boat Handling course (formerly Seamanship) is intended for recreational boaters who have completed America's Boating Course and want to gain more knowledge, skill, and confidence to boat safely and have more fun in a variety of situations.

*Marine Navigation* - Our Marine Navigation course gives you the skills you need to safely and confidently get to where you're going using charts and marine electronics.

*Weather* - Our Weather course is a detailed study of the causes of weather, various types of storms, clouds and predicting weather. You'll learn about meteorological systems, how weather is created and how to identify signs of impending poor or dangerous weather.

### **On-line Seminars:**

I think the most exciting new change to the way we offer education is the growing list of seminars we are



offering online. Learn what you want when you want. Each seminar is approximately 2-hrs long. Here are just a few of the on-line seminars we offer:

*Weather for Boaters* - Weather makes the difference between a great day and a lousy day on the water. Recognize and prepare for whatever weather comes your way. Learn to recognize the early signs of changing weather; how to anticipate storms, squalls, fog, and wind shifts; and become familiar with basic weather elements and how they affect your boating experience.

*Planning for Your Cruise* – Provides skills and knowledge for planning a successful cruise. Learn to choose the destinations, length, and season for your cruise as well as how to plan meals and provision your boat.

*All About Marine Radios* – Marine radios have many advantages over cell phones, especially in an emergency. Discover the different types of marine radios, what they can do for you, as well as how and when to use them.

*AIS Electronics for Boaters* – Automatic Identification Systems (AIS) Electronics for Boaters can help you navigate crowded waterways easily and safely.

With AIS marine electronics onboard, you can identify potential dangers and quickly make decisions on the water. Many systems share your boat's information with other boats so they can also make better, safer boating decisions.

In this course, you will learn what AIS does, how it works, whether you need an AIS system, how AIS is different from RADAR, how to use AIS to navigate more safely and what to consider when integrating AIS with your existing electronics.

*Crew at the Helm* - Are you a regular passenger on your family's or friend's boat? Looking to join your spouse on boating adventures? Learn the essential boating skills you need to operate a boat safely, respond in emergency situations and become a confident and valued crew member.

*Hurricane Preparation* - Learn how you can protect your boat from the ravages of wind, waves, torrential rain, tidal surge, and high water. You will learn how to develop a plan to protect your boat from a damaging storm.

## On-line Boating Videos:

One of the most exciting new additions to our online education resource capability is *America's Boating Channel™*. It features free, on-demand safe boating videos and boater education digital media created especially for boaters, by boaters. There are currently videos on Navigation Rules, Boating Safety, Basic Skills, PWC Operation, Life Jackets, and Accident Reporting.

The library continues to grow. America's Boating Channel has grown from a few hundred on-demand boating safety and boater education videos to over 1,000 videos including a roster of boating themed entertainment videos: Boating News, Boat Fails, Boating Cartoons, Movies for Boaters, Military Films, Cooking on Board, Boat Races, and Boating TV programs. America's Boating Channel continues to carry out its mission as the first full-me television destination for all things boating!

I encourage you to go to this site and browse the library to see all the great content that is at your fingertips. Simply go to the following link to access this content.

<https://americasboatingchannel.com/>

You can also access America's Boating Channel content using Apple TV, Fire TV and Roku smart TV apps.

Please don't hesitate to contact me for help in finding the boating information resources you need to make your time on the water more enjoyable.

Stay safe and remember, "Come for the Education, Stay for the Friends"

### SAFETY OFFICER Lt Geoff Fahringer, AP



Our Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron Executive Officer Chris Frost sent out some interesting information to our members recently. I found the information quite enlightening but, in some cases, not that surprising. He was sharing information on boating accident statistics, and I wanted, with Chris's permission, to again share this information back out to all of you.

**Boating Accident Review.** Florida leads the nation with a total number of 1,030,053 registered vessels

in 2024. There were 685 reportable boating accidents in 2024.

Where cause of death was known, 76% of fatal boating incident victims drowned. The leading cause of death in fatal boating accidents was drowning with 37 fatalities (46%).

Where Personal Flotation Device usage was known, 87% were not wearing a Personal Flotation Device.

Where instruction was known, 69% of deaths occurred on boats where the operator did not receive boating safety instruction. Only 19% of deaths occurred on vessels where the operator had received a nationally approved boating safety education certificate.

Where length was known, 4 of every 5 boaters who drowned were aboard vessels less than 21 feet in length. 68% (57) of all vessels involved in fatal accidents in 2024 were 21 feet in length or less.

Alcohol use is the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating incidents; where the primary cause was known, alcohol or drug-use is reported to have played a role in 36% of boating fatalities.

For reportable Boating Accidents, collision with fixed object was the leading type of accident with 41% of the fatal accidents resulted from collision with fixed objects. Towed watersport activities were involved in 7 accidents, resulting in 8 injuries. Paddle/Human powered craft (canoes, kayaks, rowboats, paddleboards) were involved in 10 accidents resulting in 9 fatalities. 82% (66) of the victims of fatal boating accidents were males. 64% of the operators involved in fatal accidents were aged 36 or older.

Let's look at those three topics: cause of death, use of flotation devices and education a little closer. Drowning is the leading cause of death when a boat accident occurs. Having recovered several victims from accidents on the water over the years, I can attest that the second topic is very pertinent. The drowning victims I recovered were NOT wearing a flotation device. And anyone of you who has lived here and spent time on the water has seen firsthand some of the numbskull behaviors and situations that uneducated and untrained boaters get into.

So, solutions? It's really pretty simple, you didn't start driving a car without training back in the day, why should boating be any different. A responsible boater, the owner or operator of ANY SIZE boat will

be educated on the rules of the road, know the waterway they are operating in, know the vessels that they are operating and have a boating plan that they adhere to every time. Our Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron has a pre-departure checklist that I use every time. Simple stuff, like know the weather, the tides and what the float plan is. Tell someone where you are going and when you expect to return. Make sure everyone knows where the life jackets are, the radio (yes, the VHF one not the stereo). Where is the anchor, the life jackets, signal devices, whistle, horn, fire extinguisher? You get it.

For a fun thing to do with your "crew" at some point during the day, practice man overboard drills. Toss a throwable cushion over the side and then have everyone take different roles to rescue the man overboard.

The power squadron promotes suddenly in command classes. Ask yourself, if you suddenly became incapacitated or fell overboard, can anyone else on your boat drive the boat?

Regarding life jackets. The power squadron recommends that everyone on the water should have a life vest on. The inflatable horse collar ones are not that expensive and are comfortable. At the very least consider having anyone who is not a strong swimmer or not that physically fit wear one.



Okay, I know it's not for everyone, so here is a realistic thought. Have those life jackets readily available, NOT on the bottom of the center console storage area under all that other junk. And make your plan the minute there is an issue, bad weather, boat problems, anything out of the ordinary, to make your FIRST move getting the life jackets on everyone. If things go south, and it quickly can, at least that



lifesaving tool is already in play. And if you're on your boat by yourself and you are not wearing a life jacket, well, I hope you have a plan on how your family will be provided for, because your irresponsible decision could affect more than your own life.

Taking a class and getting training is just smart. Our Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron has a wide range of classes. Go online, sign up and take some! [www.marcoboatingclub.org/boating-courses](http://www.marcoboatingclub.org/boating-courses) is the link for our Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron page. I will be doing a CPR/AED First Aid class there on Saturday morning October 18th. Sign up and come in to learn how to save a life!

I have always thought how could I even live with myself if my lack of knowledge, lack of training and frankly just being negligent in my actions resulted in the loss of life being my fault. In 2024 there were 81 boating accidents in Florida, ask yourself why and commit yourself to being a safer boater.

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Pursuant to the bylaws of the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron, the Nominating Committee presents the following slate of nominees for election at the Annual Meeting on 12 November 2025 for the squadron year 2026:

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ASST. TREASURER: Brian Thomas

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3 YEAR TERM: P/C Lee Harkness, AP

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Lt/C Christopher Ricci, P

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Respectfully Submitted,

*P/C Andrea K. Battaglia, SN*

P/C Andrea K. Battaglia, SN, Chair

Lt John Apolzan, P

P/C Nanette Rivera, S



# **District 22 Fall Conference**

***Saturday 11 October***

All Bridge Officers, Delegates and Squadron Members  
are encouraged to attend our ***first '1 Day'***

*at*

**Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron Building**

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**Registration 0930**

**Town Hall/Governing Board reports 1000 - 1130**



**Lunch Buffet 1130 - 1230**

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The registration page will begin 19 September and close 3 October

Late registrations cannot be accommodated.

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**October Dinner Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 8, 2025**  
**Marco Island Lutheran Church**  
**525 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island**



**Trivia Night with  
Prizes for the  
Winning Team**



**1700 (5:00 PM)- Socializing**  
**1745 (5:45 PM) Dinner, Monthly Meeting with**  
**2026 Bridge Nominations & Entertainment**

Trivia content from  
Question Maahk Trivia and MCed by our own Jerry Cole



**Dinner Buffet**  
**Shrimp Scampi / Chicken Marsala**  
**Pasta, Zucchini Mix**  
**Bread Pudding W/Rum Sauce for Dessert,**  
**& Coffee, Ice Tea, Soda**



**Note: You may bring your own Wine or Beer**

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**Please Respond by Friday, October 3, 2025 With This Form**

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**November Dinner Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 12, 2025**  
Marco Island Lutheran Church  
525 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island



**Membership Meeting**  
**Business & Bingo**  
**Night with Prizes**



**1700 (5:00 PM)- Socializing**  
**1745 (5:45 PM) Dinner, Monthly Meeting with 2026 Budget Review**  
**& Entertainment**

**Bingo called by our own**  
**Commander Chris Ricci**



**Dinner Buffet (Subject to Finalization)**  
**Roast Turkey & Roasted Ham**  
**Stuffing & Vegetable**

**Note: You may bring your own Wine or Beer**  
**Pumkin Pie for Dessert, & Coffee, Ice Tea, Soda**



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- Meet at Coconut Beach at 11:30
- Coconut Beach is accessible only by boat so take your boat or go with other members / friends
- This is a BYOE Event—Bring Your Own Everything ( Food, Drinks, Umbrella, Chair, Lotion, Shelling Bucket, etc.)



Contact Deb Ricci at [debh.ricci@gmail.com](mailto:debh.ricci@gmail.com) or 303-261-5096 if you plan to join

Chris & Deb Ricci and Jerry & Susan Cole are planning to attend this event, weather permitting, and are available for contact for anchor location.

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Thursday October 23, 2025 at 11:30 AM

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303-261-5096*

*If you would like to boat to this event and need a ride  
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*Jim Addison: [James.H.Addison@aol.com](mailto:James.H.Addison@aol.com) or  
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# Sunset Fish Fry

**Residents Beach**  
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  - You may bring your own food and beverages to the event
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## "CAPTAIN TED'S CORNER"

P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN

- 1) **INLAND ONLY** Which indicates the presence of a partly submerged object being towed?
- a) A diamond shape on the towed object
  - b) An all-round light at each end of the towed object
  - c) A searchlight beamed from the towing vessel in the direction of the tow
  - d) All of the above
- 2) Which shallow water effect will increase dramatically if you increase your ship's speed past its "critical speed"?
- a) Squatting
  - b) Smelling the bottom



- c) Sinkage
  - d) Bank cushion
- 3) You should keep clear of \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) any line under a strain
  - b) lines that are paying out
  - c) lines that are coiled down only
  - d) None of the above are correct
- 4) **INLAND ONLY** Which statement is TRUE concerning the Inland Navigation Rules?
- a) They list requirements for Traffic Separation Schemes.
  - b) They define moderate speed.
  - c) They require communication by radiotelephone to reach a passing agreement.
  - d) All of the above

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



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<u>Course</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
<b>America's Boating Course (ABC)</b>					
ABC	Ted Reiss	Oct 27, 30 Nov 3, 6, 10	50	5	6:00 PM
ABC	Ted Reiss	Jan 19, 22, 26, 29 Feb 2	50	5	6:00 PM
ABC	Ted Reiss	March 2, 5, 9, 12, 16	50	5	6:00 PM
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Boat Handling	Nick Rago	Nov 13, 17, 20 Dec 1, 4, 8, 11	70/100**	7	6:00 PM
Boat Handling	Nick Rago	Feb 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26	70/100**	7	6:00 PM
Marine Navigation	Gene Burson	Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb 5, 12, 19, 26 Mar 5	90/135**	9	9:00 AM
Advanced Marine Navigation	Jeff Williams	Jan 8, 15, 22, 29 Feb 5, 12, 19, 26 Mar 5	90/135**	9	1:00 PM
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Marine Electrical Systems	Jim Addison	Jan 13, 16, 20, 23, 27, 30 Feb 3, 6	80/120*	8	9:00 AM
Instructor Development	Ted Reiss	TBD	FREE*	5	1:00 PM

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<u>Seminar</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
Anchoring with Assurance	Jeff Williams	13-Jan	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
Tides and Curenrs	Jeff Williams	10-Feb	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
Partner in Command	Ted & Peggy Reiss	24-Feb	40/60** per couple	1	6:00 PM
All About Marine Radio	TBD	10-Mar	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
How to Use a Chart	Ted Reiss & Carl Thieme	18-Mar	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
How to Use a GPS	Ted Reiss & Carl Thieme	19-Mar	40/60**	1	6:00 PM
Hurricane Preparedness	Ted Reiss	24-Mar	40/60**	1	6:00 PM

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# Boating Activities Calendar

Mark your calendars for these upcoming club boating activities.

Date	Event	Day	Time
10/16/2025	Raft-up/Beaching – <b>Coconut Beach</b>	Thu	1130
10/23/2025	Cruise/Drive -Little Bar - Goodland	Thu	1130
12/20/2025	In-water Boat Parade – Marco River	Sat	1800

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

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