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P/C Chris Ricci, P, Lt/C Deb Ricci, S, Lt/C Gerald Cole, S, and Lt Susan Cole travelled by boat to Tavern on the Bay on 7/23/2026. They were joined by P/C Peggy Reiss, JN-IN, P/D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN, Bill and Marsha Pomietlasz, Tony Ferrante and Kathy Fiorenza.



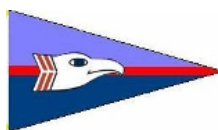
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- Thanks to Jerry Cole for getting an improved and lower priced internet and phone service contract for our learning center.
- Thanks to Randy Egan and Cliff Winings for getting our Web site up and running after it was inaccessible following a change by the web hosting service.

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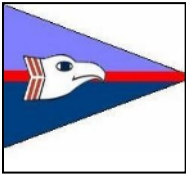
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August 2026					
8/4/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
8/6/2026	Lunch Cruise/Drive	Mango's	Thursday	1130	15
8/12/2026	Captain's Meeting	Snook Inn	Wednesday	1700	16
8/18/2026	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
8/18/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
8/26/2026	Captain's Meeting	844	Wednesday	1700	
September 2026					
9/1/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
9/10/2026	Breakfast	Island Hide Out	Thursday	900	17
9/9/2026	Captain's Meeting	Sunset Grill	Wednesday	1700	
9/9/2026	Executive Board Meeting	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
9/15/2026	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
9/15/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
9/24/2026	Cruise	Keewaydin Island	Thursday	1130	18
9/26/2026	National Meeting	Cary NC	Saturday		
9/23/2026	Captain's Meeting	CJ's on the Bay	Wednesday	1700	
October 2026					
10/5/2026	Mini-Golf & dining	Marco Golf & 2Shea's Salty Dog	Monday	1600	19
10/6/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
10/14/2026	Executive Board	Learning Center	Wednesday	0900	
10/14/2026	Membership Dinner/Meeting	The Burrow	Wednesday	1700	22
10/17/2026	D22 Conference	Cape Coral	Saturday		23
10/22/2026	Cruise/ beaching	Sand Dollar Island	Thursday	1130	20
10/20/2026	Cards	Learning Center	Tuesday	1300	
10/20/2026	Silver Tridents Breakfast	Hoots	Tuesday	0830	
10/29/2026	Lunch cruise/drive	Little Bar - Goodland	Thursday	1130	21
10/28/2025	Captain's Meeting	Mango's	Tuesday	1700	



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THE EAGLE'S EYE EDITOR

Lt Jane Orsulak

Now that our monthly meetings held during the season are done until October, please note that there will be two Captain's meetings each month during the off season. Also, please note that we only publish the Eagle's Eye twice in the summer – the June/July and August/September issues are combined.

I appreciate all the photos that you all have shared with me so far, and hope that you will continue to send them my way for inclusion in the newsletters.

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



SUNSHINE NEWS

Lt Kathleen Reynolds

As we have learned, John Moyer passed away recently. During his tenure with the Squadron, he was an active member as well as a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliarist.

If you know of an MISPS colleague who could use a bit of sunshine, please do let me know. Also, trust all enjoying this summer break and looking forward to future activities come fall.

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August/September Birthdays

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

8/1	Kathleen H. Reynolds
8/1	Randy Egan
8/3	Cloe A. Gerri
8/5	Joseph S. Marswillo
8/19	Peggy E. Reiss
8/25	Eugene Wordehoff
8/29	Elizabeth Scandone
8/31	Robert H. Richardson
9/6	Thomas G. Morr
9/8	Sandra L. Morr
9/11	Karen Reynolds Gammons
9/12	Jon C. Schmitt
9/15	Amy Maggiore
9/16	Glenna Jones
9/16	Robert K. Thomas
9/20	Wanda A. Burson
9/23	Dorothy Ann Harkness
9/28	Jennifer L. Jewett



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BOSUN'S Whistle Bridge Report
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We hope you all had a wonderful July 4th celebrating our nation's 250th birthday. While often referred to as our "slow" season, July has been quite active with over 10 to 15 members attending Captain's meetings at Patty Murphy's Pub and CJ's, as well as a good crowd who came by boat and car for lunch at Tavern on the Bay in Naples. This followed June's Cruise/Drive to the Island Gypsy on the 11th and a raft-up in Goodland off the Crabby Lady/Paradise Found on June 25th.

August promises to be equally active with a cruise/drive lunch at Mango's on August 6th and Captains Meetings at the Snook Inn on August 12 and Restaurant 844 on the 26th. Of course, Cards at the Condo and Silver Tridents will be held on August 18th. We hope to have good participation at these events.

Please take a look at our calendar for boater education courses/seminars that Jeff Williams has developed which will be offered starting in October. Give some thought to participating in a seminar or completing a course to advance your boating knowledge or refresh/update your understanding of a subject. These courses/seminars will be free to members. If you know anyone who is new to boating, the ABC introductory/State Certification courses will also be starting at that time. These courses will also be free.

In addition to our local squadron activities this summer, please mark your calendars for the following fall events which we hope some of you will attend (see flyer):

2027 National ABC Club Fall Governing Board

September 20-27, 2026 Cary, NC

Commanders' Meeting and D22 Council Meeting

Saturday October 17, 2026 Sarasota Power and Sail Squadron Building Sarasota, FL

D22 Fall Conference

Saturday, November 7, 2026 The Palmetto Elks Club Palmetto, FL

These last two events are local, one-day events and we hope to have a good representation from the squadron.

By all estimates, August will be an active month for those on Marco and should be a wonderful month ahead for those off-island, hopefully free from Canadian smoke and heat domes. Have a great rest of your summer.

Chris Frost: Commander – Squadron-3125

Jim Addison: Ex/O – Squadron

Debbie Rago: A/O – Squadron

Education OFFICER
Lt/C Jeff Williams, JN



**Charting a New Course:
Announcing Our
Groundbreaking 2026–
2027 Free Educational
Season!**

Ahoy, Marco Island boaters! As the heat of summer eventually gives way to the beautiful autumn breezes of Southwest Florida, the Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron is gearing up for one of the most exciting, transformative seasons in our history. Whether you are a seasoned captain who has logged thousands of nautical miles or a newcomer who just bought your first vessel to explore the beauty of the Ten Thousand Islands, our upcoming *2026–2027 Education Schedule* has something extraordinary tailored just for you.

This year, we aren't just launching an incredible lineup of world-class instruction—we are breaking barriers to make our waterways safer and more enjoyable than ever before.

America's Boating Club - Marco Island, 2026-2027 Education Schedule

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<u>Course</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
America's Boating Course (ABC)	Ted Reiss	Oct 19, 22, 26, 29 Nov 2	0	5	6:00 PM
America's Boating Course (ABC)	Ted Reiss	Jan 18, 21, 25, 28 Feb 1	0	5	6:00 PM
America's Boating Course (ABC)	Ted Reiss	March 1, 4, 8, 11, 15	0	5	6:00 PM
Boat Handling	Nick Rago	Nov 5, 9, 12, 16 Dec 7, 10, 14	0/100**	7	6:00 PM
Boat Handling	Nick Rago	Feb 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25	0/100**	7	6:00 PM
Marine Navigation	Brian Thomas	Jan 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, 28 Feb 1, 4	0/135**	9	9:00 AM

<u>Seminar</u>	<u>Instructor</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost, \$</u>	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Time</u>
Introduction to Marine Batteries	TBD	13-Oct	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geof Fahringer	17-Oct	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Situational Awareness	Geof Fahringer	31-Oct	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Knots and Line Handling	TBD	10-Nov	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geof Fahringer	14-Nov	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Situational Awareness	Geof Fahringer	28-Nov	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Modern Weather Forecasting	Jeff Williams	8-Dec	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geof Fahringer	12-Dec	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geof Fahringer	9-Jan	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Anchoring with Assurance	Jeff Williams	12-Jan	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
Situational Awareness	Geof Fahringer	30-Jan	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Operations Training	Ted Reiss	4-Feb	0*	1	6:00 PM
Tides and Curenets	Jeff Williams	9-Feb	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geoff Fahringer	13-Feb	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
Partner in Command	Ted & Peggy Reiss	23-Feb	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
Situational Awareness	Geoff Fahringer	27-Feb	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
AIS Electronics for Boaters	Jeff Williams	10-Mar	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
AED / CPR /First Aid	Geoff Fahringer	13-Mar	0/0**	1	9:00 AM
How to Use a Chart	Ted Reiss	16-Mar	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
How to Use a GPS	Ted Reiss	17-Mar	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
Hurricane Preparedness	Ted Reiss	23-Mar	0/60**	1	6:00 PM
Situational Awareness	Geoff Fahringer	27-Mar	0/0**	1	9:00 AM

To register, contact Jeff Williams sailont@aol.com

* Members Only ** Member/Non-Member Cost

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For the first time in our squadron's history, all core courses and seminars will be offered *to our members* completely free of charge! Also, for the first time, we will be integrating into our America's Boating Course (ABC) and the Boat Handling Course, "On-the-Water" training to help you perfect select boating skills covered in these courses.

We believe that comprehensive boating education saves lives, protects our precious marine ecosystem, and builds a tighter, more confident boating community. By removing the financial barrier, we want every single member to dive deep into our curriculum this season. Here is a look at what we have in store for you starting this October.

The Core Curriculum: Build Your Confidence Step-by-Step

Our flagship educational program is structured to take you on a logical journey of skill-building. Spaced perfectly across the peak boating months, these three core courses progress from foundational safety to advanced open-water navigation.

1. America's Boating Course (Launching this October)

The season kicks off with our premier introductory program, America's Boating Course. This is the gold standard of foundational knowledge, recognized by National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), the U.S. Coast Guard and the state of Florida.

What it covers: You will master the essential "rules of the road," understand vital safety equipment requirements, learn how to handle adverse weather, and unpack the legal regulations specific to Florida waterways.

Why you should take it: If you are new to boating, this course is your gateway to obtaining your mandatory Florida Boating Safety Education ID Card. If you are an experienced captain, it serves as an invaluable refresher on updated maritime laws and safety protocols. Passing this course also frequently qualifies boat owners for meaningful discounts on their marine insurance policies.

2. Boat Handling (Launching this November)

Once you understand the basic rules, it is time to master the physical art of maneuvering your vessel. Our Boat Handling course transitions you from theory to practical command.

What it covers: This course dives deep into the physics of how a boat moves. You will learn the secrets to effortless docking and close-quarters maneuvering, how to properly use lines and knots, how to handle your vessel in rough waters, and what to do in emergency scenarios like a "man overboard" situation.

Why you should take it: Let's face it—docking a boat in a stiff Marco Island current with a crowd watching from a waterfront restaurant can be stressful. This course replaces anxiety with muscle memory and confidence, ensuring you can protect your crew and your hull in tight spaces and challenging conditions.

3. Marine Navigation (Launching this January)

Kick off the new year by unlocking the secrets of coastal transit. Marine Navigation is where you transition from a casual boater to a true navigator who can confidently venture beyond familiar landmarks.

What it covers: This advanced course teaches you the art and science of plotting a course, understanding dead reckoning, accounting for the effects of wind and current, and using both traditional paper charts and modern electronics in unison.

Why you should take it: Electronics are brilliant—until they fail. This course gives you the peace of mind that comes with knowing exactly where you are and how to get home safely, even if your helm screens go completely dark. It turns the vast, beautiful waters of the Gulf into a map you can read like the back of your hand.

The Seminar Series: 12 Specialized Deep Dives

In addition to our multi-week core courses, we are proud to offer an expansive lineup of 12 targeted seminars throughout the season. These short, two hour, high-impact sessions allow you to focus on specific technical skills, safety protocols, and mechanical systems.

To help you map out your schedule, we have organized this year's seminars into three distinct pillars of knowledge:

Safety & Crew Preparedness

Situational Awareness: Learn how to be safer and more aware of your surroundings in both public

and private settings. The seminar stresses the importance of analyzing your environment, identifying threats, improving your state of awareness and improving your reaction time.

AED / CPR / First Aid: Essential medical training customized for the unique challenges of being out on the water where emergency medical services are miles away.

Partner in Command: Designed specifically for frequent passengers and spouses. This crucial seminar teaches your crew how to start the engine, radio for help, and safely navigate the boat back to the dock if the captain suddenly becomes incapacitated.

Hurricane Preparedness: Living on Marco Island means knowing how to protect your investment. Learn best practices for securing lines, choosing a hurricane hole, and prepping your boat before a storm threatens our coast.

Navigation & Practical Seamanship

How to Use a Chart: Demystify the symbols, lines, and data points found on official nautical charts so you can spot hidden shoals and channels easily.

How to Use GPS: Move beyond the basic tracking features and learn how to truly program, customize, and utilize your onboard GPS units for maximum efficiency.

Anchoring with Assurance: Stop dragging and start relaxing. Discover how to pick the right anchor for our sandy/muddy bottom, calculate proper scope, and sleep soundly overnight.

Tides and Currents: Southwest Florida is famous for its tricky tides. Master how to read tide tables and predict current shifts, so you never get stranded on a Marco Island sandbar again.

Technical & Onboard Systems

Introduction to Marine Batteries: Keep the lights on and the engines turning. Learn the differences between AGM, Lithium, and Lead-Acid systems, alongside proper maintenance and charging cycles.

AIS Electronics for Boaters: Understand how the Automatic Identification System works to track commercial traffic and ensure your vessel is visible to others in heavy fog or night conditions.

Modern Weather Forecasting: Move past standard

phone apps. Learn to read cloud formations, barometric pressure changes, and radar data to predict squalls before they hit.

Knots and Line Handling: Learn how to secure your boat to docks, piers, and other boats; handle rescue and repair situations; manage running rigging; anchor securely; and tow other vessels or people. Discover which lines and knots to use in each situation

Why Education Matters in Southwest Florida

Boating around Marco Island, Naples, and the surrounding Gulf waters is an absolute privilege, but it also comes with unique local challenges. We navigate shallow passes, fast-moving tides, changing sandbars, and sudden summer thunderstorms. Investing time in your boating education doesn't just make you a safer captain; it vastly increases your enjoyment of being on the water. When you know exactly how your boat responds, how to read the weather, and how to navigate the trickiest channels, boating transforms from a high-stress chore into pure relaxation.

Remember, every single one of these courses and seminars is led by experienced local instructors who live and boat right here in our community. They bring real-world, localized knowledge that you simply cannot get from a generic online video.

Secure Your Spot This Season!

Because all of these offerings are completely free to members for the first time, we anticipate record-shattering interest and attendance. Classrooms have physical limits, so early registration will be highly recommended.

Keep your eyes on your inbox for future newsletter editions where we will release specific dates, times, and classroom locations for each event. In the meantime, we invite you to explore the full lineup, download course descriptions, and bookmark our educational portal.

Visit our Boating Education page Today: Jump online and visit

<https://marcoboatingclub.org/boating-courses>

to preview the schedule, learn more about our courses and seminars and get ready to elevate your seamanship for the 2026 – 2027 season.



WATER SAFETY

As we get further into summer and the water is warming up, I thought it would be a great time to build off of last month's FIRST AID KITS article and talk about water safety. Now I'm not talking about the normal wear a life jacket and don't overload your boat safety conversation. I am talking about "what's in the water that can hurt you" safety. I first became certified to dive as a high school graduation present, and I have been going strong ever since.

Back in 1977, a Peter Benchley book, *The Deep*, was made into a movie. It starred Nick Nolte, Jacqueline Bisset, (who by the way spends most of her time in the water wearing a sheer white tee shirt, a fantasy maker for every guy in his 20's) and Robert Shaw from JAWS fame.

In the movie there is a lot of SCUBA diving. Robert Shaw plays the crusty old diver, so experienced that he dives inside shipwrecks wearing old shorts and a shirt. Not knowing any better, my diving career started by wearing this type of garb, just to show how experienced I was. I had no idea at that time just how plain stupid and dangerous this was. You see, in our area and extending into the Keys and beyond, we are blessed with clear quality water to swim, boat, snorkel, dive and just play in.

BUT most people never realize that as clean as our water is, entering our saltwater environment with an open wound, (think of a cut or even just a scratch or getting cut from stepping on a sharp shell while in the water), can be a very serious matter. As I became a more knowledgeable diver, and eventually an instructor for public and first responder divers, I became a strong proponent of wearing skin protection at all times.

Our first issue is that in any open water, there is always the chance of getting an infection from open wounds while encountering fresh and saltwater. Although rare, as our waters warm the chances of encountering bacteria increases. Known as flesh-eating bacteria, *Vibrio vulnificus* and *Staphylococcus* are two of the most severe life-threatening bacteria you can encounter.

But don't despair, enjoying our Gulf waters is definitely a great way to enjoy our area and your day. You just must know some safety rules and pay attention.

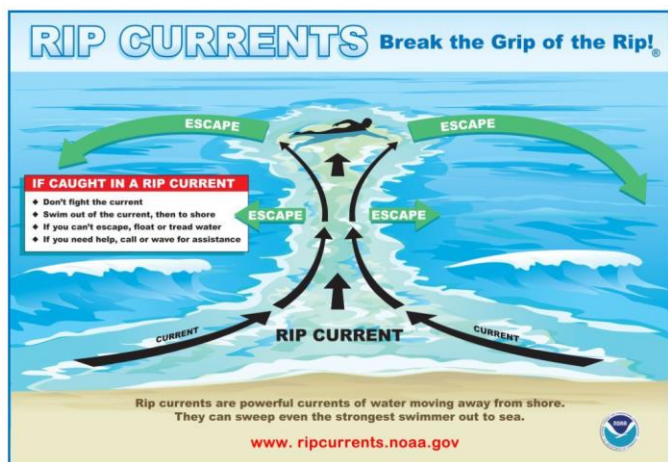
So, what do we do? Well first, as I already said, don't go in the water if you have any type of open wound. But let's take this a bit further. If you have any surgical sutures, stitches or fresh piercings consider these open wounds. People mistakenly believe that salt water has curing or cleansing effects on a wound, but this is just not the case. Additionally, if someone has a compromised immune system, for example diabetes, recovering from an illness or other weakened immune systems, these people should also stay out of the water.

The second issue, and the real problem, is getting a cut while in the water. The most common way this happens is handling, stepping on or bumping into a sharp object. Seashells, oysters and barnacles are the most common ways to get cut. Remember that being in the water for a length of time softens the skin and increases the chance of a cut or scrape occurring.

The first step in preventing infection is cleaning the wound properly. Use mild soap and clean water to gently wash the area. After cleaning, apply an antiseptic to reduce the risk of infection and cover the wound with a sterile bandage to keep it protected from dirt and germs. When someone gets cut, two of the signs and symptoms of these dangerous bacteria and infection are immediate infection of the wound, (look for reddening and swelling around the wound), and painful to touch within a few hours after the initial cut. Any cut or injury, or even a scratch that shows signs of infection, should be examined by a physician, (think ER) and that person's in-water time needs to be finished for the day.

The second water safety issue is Rip Currents. Every year there are deaths caused by someone being dragged out into deeper water by a rip current, panicking and drowning. Most times when I see information on a Rip Current it describes how to swim sideways or parallel to shore to get out of the currents offshore pull.

My thought is, how can we become aware of conditions, so we don't get dragged offshore in the first place, I think that's an important part of the conversation. Rip currents don't normally just jump up out of nowhere. Often there are clear signs that a rip current is present and that you would want to be



on the lookout for. Before you ever get to the beach, research the area. Is that beach known for rip currents? Many east coast beaches have a history of rip currents, our calmer Gulf beaches are not so bad, but it can still occur. Checking into the local knowledge can be a big help in planning your day and your level of awareness on the conditions in general.

When you get to the beach, stop and study the water. The water in front of you should look uniform, the water comes in smoothly to the beach and goes back out. There should be no noticeable difference in that line of water. What might those differences be? A big tell is a gap in the breaking waves, which may appear as a darker, smoother patch of water. This will appear to be a noticeable break in the pattern of the waves – the water often looks flat in the rip, in contrast to the lines of breaking waves on either side of the rip. You might also see a noticeable color difference between the current and the surrounding water. Rip currents are caused when the breaking waves create variations in water pressure and flow. Water moves toward the shore with the waves and then seeks a way to return to the sea. The water often narrows down through areas where there is less resistance, such as gaps between sandbars creating a stronger volume of water moving offshore.

One last thought: if you have what I call a sheepdog mentality, an innate desire to save a life and I commend you for that, be smart about your actions. When you pack that bag and cooler for a day at the beach, perhaps if and only if you feel you could safely affect a rescue, you might want to consider packing an inflatable life jacket that can be quickly donned. Sadly, many strong swimmers attempting to rescue a person in trouble perish themselves while trying to save a life.

For in-water safety, like any other medical emergency, you should always try and think ahead and be prepared! Like the old saying goes “safety is no accident”, but how do we accomplish that? How about planning, training, awareness and conversations with other people in our social circle about staying safe while we are having fun in what is frankly one of the greatest places to live and enjoy.

And one last thing, take a first aid class!

National Safe Boating Week serves as the annual launch of the Safe Boating Campaign, a nationwide initiative encouraging boaters to practice safe and responsible habits on the water throughout the boating season.

John Moyer

I am sad to report that John Moyer passed away on June 2nd. While John was a member of the squadron for the years 2022 to 2024, he chaired the Vessel Safety Inspection program prior to his moving away from Marco. A long time U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliarist, he was responsible for setting up our joint VSI recruitment effort with the Marco Sportfishing Club. His wife, Mary, is planning a celebration of life here on Marco but arrangements have not been finalized.

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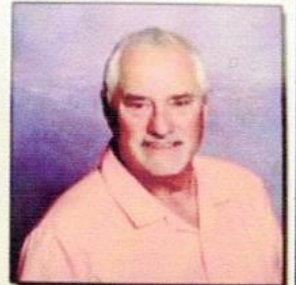
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I have been a realtor in the Marco Island and Naples area for 30 years. I'm experienced in single family home, lot and condo sales, new construction, spec home construction and rental income properties. I was the 2024 president of the Marco Island Association of Realtors. If you, your family or friends are interested in buying or selling properties in the Marco Island area or have any real estate questions about the market, please call me today.

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- a) keeping to that side of the channel which is on your vessel's port side
 - b) exchanging whistle signals if passing within half a mile
 - c) stopping your vessel and letting the outbound vessel initiate signals for passing
 - d) giving the outbound vessel the right of way
- 2) **BOTH INTERNATIONAL & INLAND** At night you sight a vessel displaying one green light. This light could indicate a _____.
- a) vessel drifting
 - b) vessel at anchor



- c) small motorboat underway
 - d) sailboat underway
- 3) Which is an advantage of nylon rope over manila rope?
- a) Can be stored on decks exposed to sunlight
 - b) Can be used in conjunction with wire or spring-lay rope
 - c) It gives an audible warning of overstress whereas manila does not
 - d) Can hold a load even when a considerable amount of the yarns have been abraded
- 4) Which term describes the opening in the deck that leads the anchor cable outside the hull?
- a) Drop-pipe
 - b) Hawsepipe
 - c) Spill pipe
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Answers: 1 b, 2 d, 3 d, 4 b



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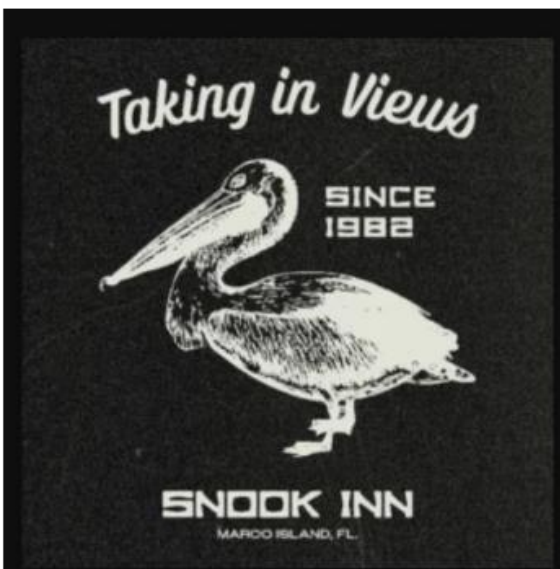
AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron

Happy Hour Event

Where: Snook Inn

When: Wednesday, August 12th

Time: 5:00 PM



- Please join members and friends for Happy Hour at the Snook inn.
- For this event, please RSVP if you plan to attend so we can give a count to the Snook Staff
- RSVP to Deb Ricci
debh.ricci@gmail.com
303-261-5096



MISPS Breakfast

Island Hideout, September 10th at 9:00 am

2 Marco Lake Dr #1 (239) 970-0812 - MarcoIslandHideout@gmail.com



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To reserve your spot by September 8th—contact:
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Keewaydin Island is the place to be!

Come join your friends on Thursday, September 24th for a daytime getaway to the beautiful beaches of Keewaydin Island

- Meet at Keewaydin Island at 11:30
- Keewaydin is only accessible by boat so take yours 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 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

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron

Don't Putt Around...Join Us On October 5th
For Miniature Golf & Happy Hour
Marco Island Golf & Garden,
971 Winterberry Dr.

Schedule of Events

Golf Cost is \$9/Person

Meet at Marco Golf & Garden at 3:45

Form Teams

Shotgun Start at 4:00pm

First Finishers go to 2Shea's Salty Dog and get
tables for the group

(2Shea's Salty Dog 599 S. Collier Blvd #105)

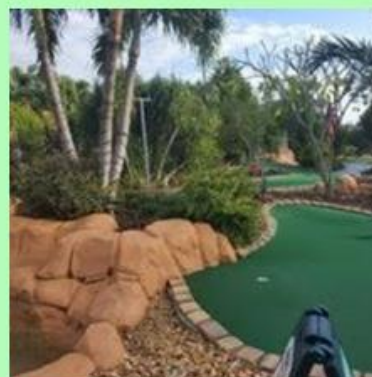
Happy Hour Runs from 3:00—6:00

Happy Hour ~5:00pm

Novelty Prizes for:

1. Low Team Average
2. Low Score Female
3. Low Score Male

If you don't want to golf, we would love to see you
for Happy Hour



We Need a count for Mini Golf:

**Reserve your spot for Golf, Happy Hour or both contact Deb Ricci
by October 3rd: debh.ricci@gmail.com or 303-261-5096**

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

To Sand Dollar Key

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

Thursday
October 22, 2026
at 11:30 am

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

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

And don't forget your buckets for shells!



RSVP to Deb Ricci

debh.ricci@gmail.com

303-261-5096

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
Marco Island Sail & Power Squadron

Cruise & Lunch

Thursday October 29, 2026 at 11:30 AM Little
Bar
205 Harbor Pl N
Goodland, FL 34140



*To reserve your spot
contact:*

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

*If you would like to boat to this event and need a ride
Contact:*

*Jim Addison: James.H.Addison@aol.com or
804-690-1166*

This is a rain or shine event



October Dinner Meeting
Wednesday October 14th, 2026
The Burrow 845 Bald Eagle Dr, Marco Island



Guest Speaker TBD

Dining Choices

10-12 oz. Bone In Pork Chop with a wine caper sauce and 2 sides

Pan Seared Triple Tail with an orange beurre blanc sauce served with steamed Broccoli and an additional side

Vegetarian by request

Dessert, & Coffee

1700 (5:00 PM)- Socializing
1745 (5:45 PM) Monthly Meeting

Cash Bar



\$50/Person

Please Respond by Friday, October 9, 2026 With This Form

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Name _____ Tel# _____

Menu Choice: Chop _____ Fish _____ No. Attending @ \$50 ____

Amount Enclosed _____ ZELLE _____

Save the Dates!

Commanders' Meeting & D22 Council Meeting

Saturday 17 October

Sarasota Power and Sail Squadron Building
2814 Hyde Park Street, Sarasota, FL 34239

Registration 0930

Commanders' Meeting 1000 - 1145

Led by Cdr Kelly Gitt, Anna Maria Island

1200 – 1245 – Sandwich Buffet - \$5.00 cash at the door

Advance registration required and appreciated

Access D-22 webpage at **americasboatingclub-d22.org** - Sign in NOT required

Once there, select **About Us** from the menu

Scroll to **Registration/Purchase**

The registration page will open **1 September** and close **30 September**

Late registrations cannot be accommodated.

Any questions or issues, please email D/L/C Mark Koski – koskibeersnot@gmail.com

Council Meeting 1300-1430

All Squadron Bridge Officers and Executive Committee members
are encouraged to attend

District 22 Fall Conference

Saturday 7 November

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Boating Activities Calendar

Date	Event	Day	Time
6-Aug	Lunch Cruise/Drive to Mango's	Thursday	1130
24-Sept	Cruise to Keewaydin, BYOE	Thursday	1130
22-Oct	Cruise/Beaching, Sand Dollar Island	Thursday	1130
29-Oct	Lunch Cruise/Drive to Little Bar	Thursday	1130

For questions, contact Boating Chair 1/Lt Liz Scandone, S (781) 504-3304

For boating/lunch reservations, contact Deb Ricci, S (303) 261-5096 debh.ricci@gmail.com



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CLUB MEMBER SPONSORSHIP RECIPIENTS

The Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron, Americas Boating Club, has a Club Business Sponsorship program for the businesses in the area to support the Club's mission through contributions to the Wine & Hors d'Oeuvres Party fundraiser. The question was raised as to possibly of having a club member sponsorship program.

The Club Member Sponsorship program was created this year. The guidelines for this recognition are that the members be in good standing in the club and have donated an amount greater than \$200 to the fundraiser.

These members will be recognized in each issue of the Eagle's Eye all year.

Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron wants to recognize the following members as the Club Member Sponsors for 2026.

Jim & Merianne Addison

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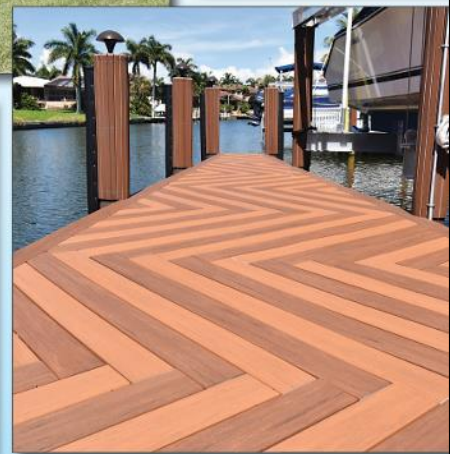
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