



MENU FOR DISCRIMINATING BOATERS

- Sat 10 Aug Luncheon cruise to the Petite Syrah Restaurant in Naples. \*
Thurs 22 Aug Leave on 6 day cruise to Marina Jack's in Sarasota. \*
Thurs 19 Sept Leave on 17 day cruise to St. Augustine. \*
Sat 5 Oct Oktoberfest at Cape Marco. \*
Sat 9 Nov Blessing of the Fleet in Smokehouse Bay and Luncheon at the MIYC. \*

Note: There is no membership meeting in August. The next meeting will be Tues., Sept. 17th, one week earlier than our usual meeting date of the fourth Tuesday of the month.

\* A flyer for each of these events is included in this issue.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Our summer here on Marco has been quite hot, with occasional rain storms. We are quickly moving from the summer season to the fall and in doing so our schedule of boating and social events will include some of the major events of the year. A quick review of upcoming events is:

A luncheon cruise is scheduled for August 10th to Petite Syrah Restaurant in Naples and an overnight cruise to Marina Jack's in Sarasota is set for August 22nd to the 27th.

In September, a 17 day cruise to St. Augustine leaves on the 19th, returning on October 5th. Also, the Oktoberfest is scheduled for the evening of October 5th.

On November 9th, the Blessing of the Fleet will take place. This is the largest boating event on Marco Island and has been very well attended by club members and other boaters on the island.

Please note that the date for the September membership meeting has been changed from September 24th to the 17th, in order to accommodate the members who will be on the cruise to St. Augustine.

This cruise to St. Augustine is the longest cruise the club has done this year and will

allow 4 days in St. Augustine to explore the old city. I would encourage as many members as possible to join this cruise and enjoy the many sights that exist.

At each membership meeting we have club members who greet the people who come to the meeting. This year the task of organizing the greeters has been done by Linda and Jim Rumph. Also Linda and Jim, with the help of Ellen Gurnitz during the season, run the 50/50 at each meeting. We appreciate the super efforts each of them have done to make our membership meetings run so smoothly.

As we go into the very busy fall and winter social and boating season, we need to get as many volunteers involved with these events as possible as some of them, such as the Oktoberfest and the Blessing of the Fleet, require a lot of work. Please contact one of us on the bridge if you are willing to help.

These events are great to bring prospective new members to, so they can see the first class quality of the Marco Cruise Club and what it is all about.

Jerry Windschitl, Commodore

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Vice Commodore's Corner

Do any of you have a special day when you would like to have overcast and rainy weather? Let me help. We will schedule a Residents Beach Sunset Cocktail gathering. We have been batting 100% so far, so I'm sure we can guarantee rain if you need it. Our July 18th event was no exception. Approximately 25 people gathered for the light (but really HEAVY) hors d'oeuvres.

The food, beverages and company were good as always. A very dark storm cloud formed in the Northeast and we were constantly peppered with drops of rain. We all hung out in our chickee until bright streaks of lightning began. We decided to disband after about an hour of good fellowship. Thanks again to all who participated. I especially enjoy talking to members about their cruise adventures, the good deals they are getting on boats, and present and future grandchildren.

As I write this, I am looking forward to the cruise to Pelican Isle on Friday, July 26th. I'm sure R/C Margie and P/C Joe Hirschenberger will have an exciting and enjoyable cruise set up for us.

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## NOTES FROM THE R/C

Hi all! To those of you who are up North enjoying the cool, Bah Humbug! It has been our normal hot and extremely rainy summer. And, of course, the Marco power outages. Oh well, it can be lots of fun in the dark down here. We have been having a lot of fun with club events. We sure do keep busy.

The cruise to Useppa dwindled down to four boats at the end (but this was much better than our last attempt at Useppa, when we went from 17 boats down to zero in less than two weeks). The weather just would not cooperate. Joe and I made it to Caxambas Pass and our engine quit., so the trip was down to 3. They had a great time. Thanks to V/C Gail and Karyl for putting this together and braving the weather.

Tomorrow (July 26th) 11 boats are scheduled to leave for the Pelican Isle Yacht Club in Naples for a three day cruise. Many more will be joining us by car for dinner on Saturday. This will be a weekend of rest and wonderful relaxation.

**Bill and Barb Brennan** have the trip all set for Marina Jack's in Sarasota. We leave on August 22nd, with a stopover at Palm Island. The captains meeting is set for August 5th at 4:00 PM at the Brennan's home.

**Larry Feissner** advised me that the absolute deadline for signing up for the St. Augustine cruise is August 15th. He has a lot of reservations to make and needs the time. Call him at once if you are planning to make this trip. His phone number is 775-9018.

Hope you are all well and enjoying your summer. Love to all!

*Margie Hirschenberger, R/C*

## NAVIGATION REPORT

**Blackwater River:** DBN #26 (private) has been destroyed.

**Caxambas Pass:** Light "C" has been destroyed, Breakwater Center Light and Breakwater South Light are both extinguished (all private).

**Naples Bay:** DBN #1 is damaged. DBN #21 and DBN #33 have been repaired.

**Isles of Capri Channel:** DBN #7 (private) is missing.

**Wiggins Pass:** Light "WP" (private) is extinguished.

**Marco to Naples Channel:** DBN #49 has "improper characteristics".

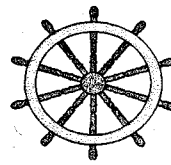
**Gordon Pass:** DBN #8 is damaged.

**Okeechobee Waterway:** All locks in the Okeechobee Waterway are operating on normal schedule - open on demand from 6:00 AM to 9:30 PM daily, with the following exceptions:

Port Mayaca Lock is scheduled to close for maintenance from 8/5 to 8/9 and Franklin Lock from 8/19 to 8/23.

Obtain local knowledge on shoals in the Okeechobee Waterway.

*Ed Beckhorn*



## 2002 BRIDGE

|                 |                       |                         |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Commodore:      | Jerry Windschitl      | 389-0473                |
| Vice Commodore: | Gail Day              | 389-4030                |
| Rear Commodore  | Margie Hirschenberger | 642-9087<br>or 389-4224 |
| Secretary:      | Jacque Feissner       | 775-9018                |
| Treasurer:      | Karyl Day             | 389-4030                |

## Vice Commodore's Corner

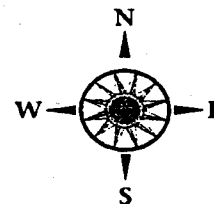
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Our busy social activity season is approaching and there are numerous behind-the-scenes meetings taking place to set up our Wine Tasting event, Blessing of the Fleet, Oktoberfest, Holiday Party and the Commodore's Ball. They seem like a long time away, don't they, but each will be here in the blink of an eye.

Locations being considered for these events include the Marco Island Yacht Club, Arturo's Restaurant, the new Hideaway Beach clubhouse, the Fiddlers Creek Caxambas Restaurant and the Eagle Creek Restaurant. We are excited about these options and look forward to these premier events at such premier locations for our premier club.

Your fellow members are working hard to make them the best they can be. If any of you have an interest in helping those already planning these events, please give me a call. You should also make sure your calendar is kept open so you avoid scheduling conflicts. We want you to be there.

*Gail Day, V/C*



## COOKIE GIRLS

A little advance notice - the following first mates signed up to provide refreshments for the September membership meeting which, as indicated elsewhere in this issue, will be held on the THIRD Tuesday of the month, September 17th, rather than the normal fourth Tuesday:

**Teddy Gudis, Carol Windschitl and Blaire Yakola**

# Marco Cruise Club

August 10<sup>th</sup> Day Cruise / Car trip  
To the Petit Ayrah Restaurant

## Reservation Form

Date August 10th, 2002 12 noons

Place: Petite Syrah 941 430 2060  
475 Bayfront Place  
Naples, FL 34102  
Ross Peterson Owner Chef

All selections listed below \$12.50 include tax, tip, Ice tea or soda and small salad.

Selections are:

- Buffalo Seared Chicken sandwich-Gorgonzola Cheese and Log fries
- Potato Chip Crusted Grouper Sandwich-sour cream & Onion Aioli W French fries
- Bay front Burger-Sterling Silver Beef, Crispy Onions-French fries
- Blackened Mahi-Mahi Sandwich- Pineapple Cole slaw & French fries
- Ultimate Stuffed Foccacia-Baby Greens, Parmesan & Balsamic Drizzle

Please check the selections you prefer and include a personal check in the amount of \$12.50 for each.

Name

Captain \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Guests \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Submitted -\$12.50 X Number of Selections \_\_\_\_\_

I would like a ride on another members boat  Number of Persons \_\_\_\_\_

I would love to have \_\_\_\_\_ Guests aboard my boat for the Day Cruise and Luncheon.

Send your completed reservation form and check No Later Than August 1<sup>st</sup> to

Marco Cruise Club  
Attn: Treasurer / Aug 10<sup>th</sup> Day Cruise  
PO Box 1024  
Marco Island, FL 34146

**MARCO CRUISE CLUB  
CRUISE TO MARINA JACK'S  
LEAVE AUGUST 22 - RETURN AUGUST 27**

First day will be a leisurely cruise to a favorite which is Palm Island Marina. The following day we will arrive at Marina Jack's where we will spend three nights with a return to Palm Island Marina on August 26 and then home to Marco.

It is our understanding that Marina Jack's is a first class marina with a restaurant and pool on the premises. As many of our members are aware, Sarasota is a wonderful destination with many things to see and do. There is a shuttle bus that stops at the marina which provides transportation to various attractions and makes things very convenient.

Ten slips have been reserved at both locations. Dockage rate for Palm Island is \$1.45 per foot, Marina Jack's is \$1.75 per foot.

There is a good deal of paperwork for Marina Jack's that will be accepted from the lead captain only. Deadline for slip reservations will be July 25. Captains meeting will be on August 5 at the Brennans at 4 PM. After we have received your slip reservations, we will mail out an information packet on Marina Jack's and the area.

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**Reservations for Palm Island and Marina Jack's  
August 22 thru August 26**

**Members Name:**

**Telephone #**

**Guests Name**

**Boat Name**

**Length**

**Beam**

**Shore Power**

**30 amps**

**2 30 amps**

**50 amps**

**Starboard/Portside to dock**

**Credit Card Information:**

**Type: American Express**

**Visa**

**Master Card**

**Number:**

**Expiration date:**

**Mail reservations to Bill and Barbara Brennan, 1186 Strawberry Court. Please call if there are any questions - 389-1315**



# St Augustine



Thursday September 19, 2002

To

Saturday October 5, 2002

St Augustine, founded in 1565, is the oldest continuously occupied European settlement in the United States. Traces of the city's Spanish Heritage are everywhere, and the Spanish Quarter where conquistadors once strolled is recreated for the 20th century visitor. Tourist can inspect battlements and dungeons of Castillo de San Marco National Monument, built in 1672, and wonder the narrow old streets of San Agustin Antique depicting Spanish colonial life. Walking from the old town gates across from Castillo de San Marcos, you'll quickly encounter the oldest wooden schoolhouse in the United States, the Spanish Quarter's Living History Museum and the National Greek Orthodox Shrine. Just south of the Spanish Quarter, Henry Flagler's renowned Ponce de Leon Hotel, opened in 1887, is today a well preserved testament to the elegance of America's gilded age and one of the most beautiful private schools in the country, Flagler College.

We have 4-days to explore this great community with endless shopping & restaurants.

Plus the other towns and marina's that we will be visiting

Member Names \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Names \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Name \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_ Beam \_\_\_\_\_ Draft \_\_\_\_\_

Electrical -30 Amp \_\_\_\_\_ 50 Amp \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp.Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send To

Margie Hirschenberger 278 Sunflower Court Marco Island, FL. 34145



# Marco Cruise Club

## October Fest

### October 5th, 2002



This event is again hosted by Karl and Helga Kessel. They are investing a lot of work to make this even better than the smash hit it was last year. It will again be an Authentic October Fest with live music by the same German Band. The meal will be catered with sumptuous traditional German Food served with iced tea and coffee. Members are reminded that you should bring other beverages of choice if you so desire.

It is important for you to make reservations immediately because there is an absolute maximum attendance of 65 members allowed because of space limitations.

Directions : Proceed to the Gate House at Cape Marco and ask for the "Kessel Party. Proceed to the left and park in the lot adjacent to the club house.

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#### OCTOBERFEST RESERVATION

Reservations should be received no later than last mail September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2002

Member Names \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Names \_\_\_\_\_

Number of People Attending \_\_\_\_\_ X \$27.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Send Reservation to MCC Treasurer Karyl Day at 160 Bonita Court, Marco Island, FL 34145,  
PH (239) 389-4030

**MARCO CRUISE CLUB**

**BLESSING OF THE FLEET  
COMMEMORATION OF VETERANS AND DECEASED CLUB MEMBERS**

**and  
LUNCHEON CELEBRATION**

**Saturday, November 9, 2002**

**Ceremonies at Smokehouse Bay at 11:00 am \*  
followed by lunch at the Marco Island Yacht Club \*\***

**Luncheon Choices:**

- Beef Stroganoff with Buttered Noodles**
- Alex's Famous Fried Chicken, served with homemade  
mashed potatoes and gravy**
- Grouper sandwich, served with tartar sauce and french fries**

**Includes assorted rolls and butter, coffee, tea or iced tea and New York Cheese  
Cake with fresh berries**

**\$23.00 Per Person**

**CASH BAR**

**\* All on-water announcements and ceremonial activities will be broadcast over  
VHF Channel 68**

**\*\* Seating is limited at MIYC and this event always sells out. Tables will be assigned  
on a first come basis, so get your reservations in early**

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**Luncheon Reservation Form  
BLESSING OF THE FLEET**

**Member Names** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tele. #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Names** \_\_\_\_\_

**If possible, please seat us with:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Selections: Beef Stroganoff #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fried Chicken #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grouper Sandwich #** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **No. in party X \$23 per person =** \_\_\_\_\_ **enclosed**

**Make check payable to Marco Cruise Club and mail to  
Joe Coriaci, 199 Lamplighter Drive, Marco Island, FL 34145  
Telephone 394-8163**

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2002**