



# Lubbers Line

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## Marco Cruise Club



MAY/JUNE, 2011

### Menu For Discriminating Boaters



#### MAY 2011

Tuesday, May 3, 11.30 a.m. Board Meeting, Little Bar

Sunday May 8 ~ Friday 13, 6 day/5 Nite Cruise to Fisherman Village

Sunday, May 22, 6: 00 p.m. Sunset Cocktails at Residents Beach (Week early this month)

Tuesday, May 24 7:00 p.m., Membership Meeting, Mutual of Omaha Bank. (MOO Bank)

#### JUNE 2011

No Board Meeting June, July & August...

No General Meeting June, July & August...

Sunday, June 26, 6:00 p.m. Sunset Cocktails at Residents Beach (sunsets 8:23 p.m.)

#### JULY 2011

No Board Meeting July & August...

No General Meeting July & August...

Sunday, July 24, 6:00 p.m. Sunset Cocktails at Residents Beach (sunsets 8:14 p.m.)

Wed ~ Sun, July 27 ~ 31 Cruise to Marathon for mini-lobster season. (Call RC John Nevelus 393-0689)



### COMMODORES CORNER



The winds of winter have started to subside and the fair weather is beginning to arrive. Our track record for good weather events has been poor but the attendance has been good and energetic to say the least. Our club continues on a course to a better future. With the "season" winding down so have our scheduled events. The Bridge is always open and encourages every member to send in ideas so we can schedule events during the late spring and summer. In addition I encourage you to think about events for Fall. Traditionally we have not had many events in September through November but we can with your input.

In the next few weeks we will have another "raft-up" at Smokehouse Bay. Raft-Ups have been well attended this year and I encourage everyone to attend.

While there is only one more meeting this spring, May 24th; there are no membership and Board meetings in the months of June, July, and August. Sunset Cocktails will continue throughout the Summer. Remember to watch the Lubber Line for the event time. It will be later during the June, July, and August. The time will be about 2 hours prior to Sunset.

With fewer boaters on the water I encourage each of you to take 5 minutes to file a Float Plan with your neighbor or your marina. It makes life much easier for those who will be looking for you and possibly this action will make life easier for you. Safety on the water is paramount; our members are important to us and even more to your families.

*Fair Winds and Following Seas,*

Tom



## VICE COMMODORE REPORT



It looks like our luck for our outings has begun to change for the better...

Our trip to the Franklin lock could not have been better as far as the weather. We had thirteen members on the cruise up the Caloosahatchee river and through the Franklin lock. We saw many new sights on the trip. Some of them were Dolphin, Tarpon that were rolling in front of the boat, and even a train crossing the bridge over the river. We saw the bridge closing as we were approaching the bridge. There was another odd occurrence with another bridge. This was a highway bridge. The bridge operator opened only one leaf of the bridge. We were speculating as to why this was done. One of the guesses were that it was to save some money. I wondered if it could have been a mechanical problem. It made for a rather close clearance as we passed under the bridge.

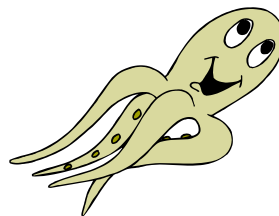
There was another unique occurrence. We were told that the lock was only operating at odd hours. We went through at 1PM. We immediately made a U turn and went back through the lock for the return trip. The Captain said that if we did not, we would have to wait until 3PM until the lock would be operating again.

Our latest adventure was Thursday April fourteenth. Seven of us boarded the Big M Casino for a buffet dinner, a little gambling and a beautiful night on the water. If you plan to take this jaunt, be sure you're on time. They leave the dock promptly at there posted sailing time. Palma and I just made it at the wire. Tom Dines, Betty and Nick Chickaway and Niel and Joann Blauboer were already on board and seated at the dinning table. We joined them, and shortly thereafter we were off.

As a group we did quite well at the tables and machines. Individually Palma and I did our usual contribution to the support of the ship. All in all it was a very pleasant way to spend the evening.

I know many of you will be heading back North, or have already left Marco. We wish you a pleasant and enjoyable Summer.

Tony Klein, Vice Commodore.



~ IN MEMERORY OF ~

***Ruth Callanan Passed away Wednesday, March 9th, 2011. Ruth and her husband Ray, who passed away a few years before her, joined the Marco Cruise Club in 1981. Ruth was a very active Honorary Member of the club. She will be missed.***

***Our condolences to Ruth's family...***



REAR COMMODORES REPORT



Sixteen members and guest participated in the Everglades City Rod and Gun Club Lunch. Due to rough seas, all members drove their land yachts. Everyone had a good time, but it was suggested by several, that if we go again via land (and don't need docking) we should try a different restaurant.

Two ships participated in the trip to Tarpon Point Marina at Cape Coral. Procopio's "Mutual Fund" and Dinsmore "Carpedim". A side trip was added to Cape Harbor Marina to lengthen the trip to 3 nights.

The mid May trip to Fisherman village has been postponed.

There is a trip plan this summer to Marathon Key at Burdines Marina, July 27-31, for mini lobster season. Members who are staying in Marco for the summer and would like to join Betty and me to get some "bugs" need to call Burdines and make reservations as soon as possible. This is a busy week in the Keys.

*Rear Commodore, John Nevelus*



Milly's Redfish



Captain JP River Cruise


  
**Please Note: Sunset Cocktails at Resident's Beach will be scheduled approx. 2 hrs before sunset. Please always check the times shown here, May 22, 6:00 p.m. (One week early because of Memorial Day)**
  
**June 26th, 6:00 p.m.**
  
**~ Please Bring hors d'oeuvres to pass and your cocktails ~**
  
**Guest Are Always Welcome!**



~ FREE ~

**VESSEL SAFETY CHECK**



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Rod & Gun Club



Sunset  
Cocktails  
(Thanks  
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