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MSC Newsletter August 2013

Meeting on the first Thursday at Rose Historical Auditorium

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Pete Arcidiacono, President



Dedicated to Safely Fishing in and around Collier County

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President's Message by Peter Arcidiacono 821-7499

Hi Everyone,

LET THE FISHING BEGIN! OUR 3RD ANNUAL MORGAN STANLEY TRIPLE CROWN BEGINS AUGUST 1ST.

There is plenty of time to sign up for this event since it runs for 90 days and promises to be a ton of fun. I have already heard the trash talk around the island from anglers who think they can't be beat—WE'LL SEE ABOUT THAT.

As fall approaches the Board begins to plan for the 2014 year and start their informal search for a few new board members. This year we are looking for a person with financial background to carry on the great work done by our current treasurer Cathy Bressan. We are also looking for one or two people to manage our Quartermaster (clothing and various item sales). Those are just a couple positions needed to be filled for the 2014 year.

Please remember our club would not be as healthy and successful as we are without the people who volunteered in the past. So please consider donating a small amount of time to help continue our success.

Remember: You can't win the MORGAN STANLEY TRIPLE CROWN from the couch! GO FISHIN

Remember: 3 months 'til REDFISH VIII
See ya' at the bait shop, Pete A



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July General Meeting Topics by Paul Milici

Meeting Event – Preparing Your Boat For Storms, Presented By Richard Heinrich, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Mr. Heinrich provided a condensed version of the Coast Guard Auxiliary's storm preparedness course, focusing on the four stages of preparedness a boat owner should consider.

Stage I - Inspect your boat, ensuring that all equipment is in working order.

Stage II - Develop your preparation plan. You may want to refer to the Coast Guard Auxiliary's "Hurricane Worksheet".

Stage III - Secure your boat. This should be completed approximately 72 hours prior to storm danger. Secure lift to pilings and boat to lift using heavy duty adjustable straps.

Stage IV - Recovery phase.

Mr. Heinrich concluded by taking questions from the audience.

FOM (Fish of the month) by Ed Shebert

June FOM was Blacktip Shark and that Carl Bressan was the winner with a 37" fish. Ed announced the following changes to the Leaderboard as of 7-1:

FISH	SIZE	ANGLER
Permit	30"	Jim Mueller
Snook	39"	Dan Grahl
Flounder	18"	Pete Arcidiacono

Check MSC website for latest update and to register your catch!

Morgan Stanley Triple Crown Tournament Update by Vic Ordija

Attention MSC anglers! The Morgan Stanley Triple Crown Tournament will begin August 1, 2013. This is a tournament that will test the skills of our best backwater anglers. The contest targets three fish species; Tarpon, Snook and Redfish.

This year we are going to make it easier and safer to register a Tarpon. The angler needs only to bring the Tarpon to the boat, have the leader touched and a picture taken of the fish; the Tarpon may then be released by cutting the leader. The photo must clearly identify the fish as a Tarpon. No measurement will be required and gaffing the fish is strictly prohibited. An angler that meets these requirements will be awarded a 5.5 foot Tarpon regardless of the fish caught, except that the fish must be greater than 30 inches long. This change will minimize stress to the fish, reduce mortality and also lower risk of injury to both the fish and the angler.

New rules for the Morgan Stanley Triple Crown Tournament will be sent by e-mail to the membership in the near future and sign up for the contest will begin at the general meeting on Wednesday, July 3, 2013. A participation fee of \$15 is required and will result in as many as five cash awards at the end of the three month long tournament.

Buddy Trip May 14, 2013 by Joe Perino

The armada consisted of four boats with ten people fishing. The temperature was in the mid 80's with low humidity and winds out of the NE at about 15 mph. Low tide occurred at 11 A.M. and was supposed to be +1.3 feet but the winds kept blowing the water out making it difficult to find productive fishing areas.

The fishing took place around Ramsey Key, Blind Pass, and up Whitney Channel. The anglers caught a good numbers of small snappers, a few small seatrout and a huge stingray that was fought for about twenty minutes. Unfortunately, there were no keepers on this trip.

That evening 22 people met for cocktails and dinner at the Old Marco Pub and Restaurant. The food and service were good although it was a little pricey (\$25-26). As usual everyone enjoyed the fellowship and the good conversation that is always part of these trips.

If you have any questions/comments or want to be added to the list contact Joe Perino rivpress@aol.com

Kayak Fishing in Johnson's Bay; June 18, 2013 by Vic Ordija

Six kayakers set out to fish the secluded backwaters of Johnson's Bay on a beautiful Thursday morning . On this 18th day in June, Tom and Rose Kraemer joined our group for the first time in their Hobie Tandem Kayak. Tom reported that fishing in the tandem kayak proved to be quite challenging requiring continual coordination in order to maintain the boat in position especially as tidal flow increased in strength.

While the bite was considered to be slow, a variety of fish were caught and Ed Brown (AKA Lucky Ed) managed to catch a 21.75 inch Redfish. Ed now leads the 2013 Kayak Fishing Challenge in this category. The largest Snook and Redfish caught in the kayak fishing events will receive a \$100 cash award at the end of the year.

We finished the kayak outing with lunch and beers at the Island Gypsy Café in the Isles of Capri. The next kayak fishing event will be held in September, 2013.





Fish Tales Afterwards!

Redfish VIII Update! By Howard Laskau

The dates for MSC's annual Redfish competitions have been set. Make your plans!



Howard Laskau and "Ralph the Redfish" Bristow.

As has been the case for the past few years, there will be two separate events...a 2-person/boat event followed by the Redfish VIII team competition. There will be separate entry forms/fees for each event.

If you are making plans for the Fall, here are the dates you want to be aware of to be sure you don't miss out on any of the activities:

Wednesday, October 9 – Captain's meeting for "Redfish Saturday" and "Redfish VIII" (Captains and Crew only) – Location/time to be announced

Saturday, October 12 – "Redfish Saturday"
 - 2 person teams only. No guides.
 - All boats will leave from Walker's Coon ➡

Key Marina at the same time in the morning (time to be announced)

- All boats to return to Walker's Coon Key Marina at a specified time for a "live fish weigh-in"- Only "slot-sized" Redfish will be weighed

Tuesday, October 15 – Wednesday, October 16 – Redfish VIII- Boat, individual and team competition. "Sun-up to sundown" fishing on Tuesday. 1/2 day fishing on Wed.
 - "Happy Hour" on Wednesday afternoon. Turn in Redfish VIII paperwork. Location to be announced.- Times for all activities to be announced

Thursday, October 17 – Awards banquet
 - Redfish VIII Captains, Redfish VIII crew and guests (prior reservations required for guests)- Location/time to be announced

These are the dates we are planning on, but as we know all too well, the weather has to cooperate also, so we are all going to have to be a little flexible...just in case.

Entries for "Redfish Saturday" and "Redfish VIII" will open in July. Within the next few weeks, additional information will be available via email, on the website and at the MSC monthly meeting on July 3rd.

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC) by Ed Shebert

We encourage all boaters to have your vessel(s) inspected by a US Coast Guard approved Examiner. Items that will be looked at include Registration Doc's, PFD's Visual Distress Signals, Fire Extinguishers, Marine Radio, Navigation Lights and a host of other items that are both required and recommended. Passage of the inspection will get you a current VSC Decal to prominently display on your boat. Jet Ski's and Kayaks should also be inspected. There is no fee associated with the inspection and if something is lacking, there is no penalty. Just here to help keep you safe!

I have a boat, two Jet Ski's, and two Kayaks and it takes less than an hour.

Both the **Marco Island Sail and Power Squadron** and the **U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 95** perform the examinations. Contact **Dave Dumas** (MISPS) at 239.389.2677 or **Keith Wohltman** (USCGAF 95) at 239.300.8096 to set up an appointment. Both Dave and Keith are Marco Sportfishing Club members.

Recent Catches from Members



Here are L to R Ron Shudes, Tony Saputo, Fred Kouhi and Bert Hoell.

They fished about 22 miles west of Marco in 62 ft water. The red grouper were 22 to 27 in.

The largest was 28 in. A good day on the water for, but it was hot. Enjoyed catch at Sand Bar that night. Tasty!

Alan Bristow and family speared Lion Fish while diving in Keys. He caught (1) cleaned (2) and cooked (3). They then had for dinner. He had always wanted to try to taste. Summary: Meat was very white and light. Tasted a lot like flounder and was a little sweeter. Would recommend as many restaurants are now having Lion Fish on menu. Only good one is a dead one!



AUGUST EVENTS

Start of Morgan Stanley Triple Crown fishing tournament thru end of October	Aug 1- Oct 31	
MSC General Meeting 7PM. Topic Triple Crown Ed V. Greeter	Aug 1 Thurs	Rose History Auditorium at Marco Museum
MSC Board meeting 9:15 AM Doors open at 8:45. NEW LOCATION!	Aug 12	CG Auxiliary Bldg Caxambas Park
Tarpon Event - Mudhole Mania	Aug 15	
Fishfry Indoor Picnic. Location TBA. Pete and Bill McIntosh to run.	Aug 21	TBA
Last day for August Newsletter Submissions	Aug 21	Send to editor by email
Fish Of Month		Tarpon

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

SNOOK Season Opens!

MSC General Meeting 7PM Demonstration on how to throw a cast net. Live Bait is always Best!	Sept 5	Rose History Auditorium at Marco Museum
MSC Board meeting 9:00 AM Doors open at 8:30 NEW LOCATION!	Sept 9	CG Auxiliary Bldg Caxambas Park Trailer
Kayak Trip-Chokoloskee Bay. Contact Keith Ordija.	Sept 13	Everglades City Area
Back Water Pied Piper Trip. Pumpkin Bay	Sept 18	
Last day for Oct Newsletter Submissions	Sept 21	Send to editor by email
Fish of Month		Snook!

Buy-Sell-Wanted-Trade More Info on MSC Website

Boat For Sale: Sea Hunt 2009 Ultra 232 - 23' center console- with windlass Yamaha 2009 225 HP 4 Stroke engine. 2010 Continental Aluminum Trailer Asking price - \$39,500. Can be seen at: TRAPPER MARINE 2959 DAVIS BLVD NAPLES, FL. Contact JASON TRAVIS - 239-732-8800

Boat For Sale: 2009 SEA FOX 205, Only 20 hours! Like New! Great bay boat. Center Console 20'6", Garmin GPS and Fish Finder, Bait Wells, Canvas Cover, 115 HP Suzuki, 4 Stroke Engine. Asking price-\$17,999 Contact:judihaig@earthlink.net

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