# **MSC Tackle Box**

www.marcosportfishingclub.com Peter Arcidiacono - President

**Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and Around Marco Island** 

#### President's Message for August 2019





Hi fellow Club Members

I am Ed Vesely and I have been asked by our President Pete Arcidiacono to help him out with his club responsibilities while he is focusing on some health issues. Having been a past President and serving on the board for over 14 years, Pete felt I would have a good handle on temporarily filling his shoes. Those that do not know me, please stop by and

talk to me at the next meeting.

Well there is no doubt that summer has arrive in Southwest Florida. It is hot, humid and full of pop up storms. The key to enjoying this time of year is staying hydrated, getting out early and enjoying the afternoon by the pool. Oh, don't forget the sunscreen, every time I visit my Dermatologist they have a BMW catalog on their desk. Remember, only put sunscreen on those parts you want to keep.

The fish are here to be caught, but just like us, they look for shade or go deep to beat the heat during the

middle of the day. If done right, summer can be a great time down here. I know it is my favorite season. We have some exciting events lined up for August and September, with No Bait and a Double Dose just being some of them.

Just a heads up, so you can set the time aside on your calendar. We will be running our annual Redfish October events differently. In the past the Two Man Redfish Tournament and the Redfish Team Event have been in the same week. Well, to give our "Older Members" a chance to rest up, we have split the events up. The Two Man "competitive" Redfish Tournament will be held on October 9th.

The Spooktacular Redfish Team Event will be held on October 28th and 29th. You will only fish one day. which will be picked by your team. An Awards Halloween themed Picnic will be held at noon October 30th at Sarazen Park. These will be fun events, so it's not too early to begin lining up your crew for both events.

Hope to see you on the water.

Ed V.

PS. Help me make our club even better. Please email me any thoughts you have for future speakers or fishing events. We are always looking for ways to improve

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### **LEADER BOARD Updates as of July**

Get LEADER BOARD updates using the link below.

<u>Link to LEADER BOARD</u>

### Fish of the Month (FOM) as of July

Get FOM updates using the link below.

<u>Link to Fish of the Month</u>



# Offshore Report by Ed Shebert





# Offshore Coming Events- AUG, SEP, OCT July Review of Events

June – July: American Red Snapper Flash Report. At least eight trips were made by MSC Captains. A wide variety of fish were harvested, including AMR, Grouper, Mahi-Mahi, and Tuna. Fishing was done mainly in Western waters in 200'+ depths.

July: Another Flash trip to Key West to fish the Dry Tortugas thanks to Paul Doppelt, who arranged the event and Charter. A wheelbarrow of fish were caught, too many to mention here. We will look forward to adding this event next year during ARS season.

August 18-21: Yellowtail Skill Event: Largest legal Yellowtail Snapper gets the Captain of the ship \$100.

August 25 - September 01: Labor Day Event: Largest legal Gag Grouper gets the Captain of the ship \$100.

October, Take a break and check out the Redfish Tournament. No Event

**December- Super Grouper II, details TBA** 



Bob Baldocchi: Mahi-Mahi



Frank Renkel: American Red Snapper



Joe Rohletter: American Red Snapper, 30" Scamp Grouper

# Man Bites Shark July 16, 2019 by Paul Milici

On July 16<sup>th</sup>, the nine boats and twenty-five anglers fishing in MSC's annual "Man Bites Shark" event were greeted with near perfect weather with blue skies, a light breeze, and calm seas as they headed out to the Mud Hole in search of sharks. Blacktip and Atlantic Sharpnose sharks were the primary target species, as they make for good eating and were expected to be on the menu for the picnic later in the week. In addition to those species, anglers were also hoping to be the first to land (bring to the boat, photograph, and release) either a Hammerhead or Tiger shark in order to win the \$100 cash prize donated to the club by Capt. Guy Riordan.

While not all boats caught sharks, a few did. Five  $2 \frac{1}{2}$  –  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  Blacktips were kept to provide shark steaks for all the picnickers (anglers and their guests). As in past years, our very own master shark chef, John Baker, marinated and cooked the shark steaks. In addition to the shark steaks, picnickers feasted on hamburgers, hot dogs, and all the trimmings.

Oh, one last thing, the \$100 prize was claimed by Paul Milici and crew (Bert Hoell and Fred Kouhi) for catching the first Hammerhead shark



Phil Madonia holding lunch



Jay Jones, Ed Vesely, Paul Milici and John "The Chef" Baker (seated)

# Triple Crown Tournament Update Ron Scriver Director

To date there are 42 Club Members registered for the Triple Crown Tournament. All MSC Members have until August 31<sup>st</sup> to sign up. The mid-point Triple Crown picnic and the MSC general meeting will be held together on Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 4PM in Sarazen Park, see the attached flyer for more details. Remember, everyone must bring their own beverages.

Pictured below are several Tournament contestants with their qualifying fish.



Bobbi Ordija: 37" Snook 7/9/19



Donna Deeter: 27" Snook 7/13/19



Dave Rizzo: 211/4" Redfish 7/15/19

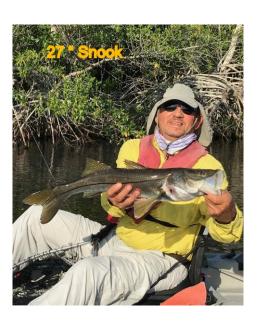
# Kayak Fishing the East River Drainage Area July 23, 2019 by Victor Ordija

Five anglers set out to fish the upper lake of the East River Drainage Area located in the Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve. The focus on this day by the anglers was to catch a Tarpon that would qualify for the MSC Triple Crown Tournament. Two small Tarpon were caught and one that may have qualified (Tarpon over 30") was hooked but lost.

While fishing was generally slow on this day, several good size Snook were caught. Victor Ordija caught a 27 inch Snook, the largest caught that day. Ron Scriver reported two Snook over 24 inches and Gary Costley landed a 22 inch Snook. A number of smaller Snook were also caught by the group. John Baker also caught a Mayan Cichlid. All the fish were caught using artificials.

The East River Drainage Area consists of a series of brakish water ponds and creeks that drain into Fakahatchee Bay. The upper lake also has a large rookery of nesting Egrets, Herons and other birds. These waters also have numerous alligators that at times do not appear to fear humans.











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August 2019	Fish of the Month: Yellowtail Snapper	
Date	Event	Information & Comments
August 1	General Meeting Mike Larsen	7PM Rose Hall Auditorium Doors
	to Discuss "No Bait" Event	Open at 6:30
August 5	Board Meeting	8:30AM Coast Guard Auxiliary
		Station Caxambas Park
August 7	In Door Summer Picnic	Noon at the Moose
August 13	"No Bait" Captains Meeting	4PM Crazy Flamingo
August 14	"No Bait" Fish Day	See Flyer This Newsletter
August 15	"No Bait" Backup Fish Day	
August 18 to 21	Offshore Yellowtail Event	See Offshore Page for Details
August 23	Kayak Trip Chokoloskee	See Website for Details
August 25 to	Offshore Labor Day Event	See Offshore Page for Details
September 1		-

September 2019		Fish of the Month: Snook
Date	Event	Information & Comments
September 1	Offshore Labor Day Event	
	Ends	
September 5	There is NO General Meeting	
September 9	Board Meeting	8:30AM Coast Guard Auxiliary
		Station Caxambas Park
September 10	"Double Dose" Captains	4PM Crazy Flamingo
	Meeting	
September 11	Triple Crown Picnic and	See Attached Flyer for Details
	General Meeting	
September 12	"Double Dose" Fishing Day	See Flyer Attached Flyer for
		Details
September 13	"Double Dose" Alt. Fishing	
	Day	
September 21	Kayak Trip Hells' Gate	See Website for Details

October 2019		Fish of the Month: Redfish
Date	Event	Information & Comments
October 3	General Meeting Topic	There Will Be a Raffle for a Trip
	Redfish Speaker Guide Ken	with Ken 7PM Rose Hall
	Chambers	Auditorium Doors Open 6:30
October 7	Board Meeting	8:30AM Coast Guard Auxiliary
		Station Caxambas Park
October 8	Captains Meeting Two Man	Location and Time TBD
	Redfish Tournament	
October 9	Two Man Redfish Fishing Day	Details to Follow
October 21	Kayak Trip Macilivine Bay	See Website for Details
October 25	Captains Meeting Redfish	Location and Time TBD
	Team Event	
October 28 or 29	Redfish Team Event Fishing	Pick a Day Details to Follow
	Days	
October 30	Redfish "Spooktecular" Team	Details to Follow
	Picnic	
October 31	End of Triple Crown	
	Tournament	



# Update from the Editor Aug 2019

Hope everyone is getting out on the water early and back in before it gets too hot.

There has been a lot of media (radio, TV, and print) coverage of water quality issues in South Florida. However, the Water Advisory Committee (WAC) did not meet in July, so there is nothing to report on regarding Marco Island. I have supplemented this lack of information with a "scary" water quality article attached to this newsletter. It deals with the blue-green algae problem, primarily north of us but spreading.

On a lighter note there are a lot of fish pictures in this NL. The fish are out there and they are good size. Catch the picture of Paul Milici below.

I am always looking for pictures of what you have caught along with a brief "fishtale". Send it in and it may appear in the next NewsLetter. I can be reached at pfwanzenberg@yahoo.com.



## Facing Florida's public health crisis

April 18, 2019

#### BY HOWARD L. SIMON

Special to Florida Weekly



Hats off to Congressman Francis Rooney for pressing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other federal agencies to tell the public what it knows about the threat of toxic bluegreen algae.

Finally, a public official is focusing attention on our public health crisis, especially here in Southwest Florida.

The dead fish that piled up on Florida beaches last year demonstrated the environmental impact of red tide and blue-green algae and the dramatic consequences for tourism, businesses and, potentially, real estate values.

But it is past due to focus on the public health crisis.

While more research is needed, evidence points in the same direction:

Blue-green algae are laden with microcystins that are a cause of non-alcoholic liver cancer. Last year, Drs. Paul Cox and James Metcalf of Brain Chemistry Labs reported that microcystin levels in samples from Lake Okeechobee and the St. Lucie canal were 300 times the level recommended as safe by World Health Organization guidelines.

Algae blooms also produce BMAA (ß-Methylamino-L-alanine), a toxin that is linked to neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, ALS and Parkinson's. In 2016, Paul Cox reported in the Proceedings of the Royal Academy that chronic exposure to the BMAA toxin "produces neuropathologies in laboratory animals consistent with progressive human neurodegenerative illness." The University of Miami Brain Endowment Bank reported that BMAA toxin is found in the brains of people with neuro-degenerative diseases.

Dr. David Davis, a neuropathologist at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, reported that monkeys fed BMAA developed early symptoms of ALS. Another study documented that monkeys given BMAA developed the amyloid plaque and tau tangles that are the symptoms of Alzheimer's. Last month, Dr. Davis' team reported that detectable levels of BMAA toxin were found in the brains of dead dolphins that displayed degenerative damage similar to Alzheimer's, ALS and Parkinson's in humans.

BMAA is in the food chain. Almost a decade ago a team of scientists from the University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science and neurologists from the University of Miami's School of Medicine documented high concentrations of BMAA in seafood from South Florida waters where bluegreen algae blooms occur. Ingestion of BMAA contaminated food is known to lead to Alzheimer's and ALS.

Toxins in blue-green algae are airborne. Dr. Elijah Stommel of Dartmouth reported that people living near bodies of water with heavy blue-green algae blooms had a 15 times greater chance of getting ALS. Florida Gulf Coast University marine biologist, Prof. Mike Parsons, found airborne cyanobacteria toxins a mile from retention ponds and three miles from the Caloosahatchee River. A study of air filters near water infested with blue-green algae along the Caloosahatchee River taken during the heavy blooms in 2018 by Dr. Larry Brand of the University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Atmospheric and Marine Science is expected soon.

It is not alarmist to say that the people of Florida — especially people who come in contact with blue-green algae infested waters, consume fish and shrimp from Florida waters or breathe the air nearby — are being slowly poisoned. Liver cancer, Alzheimer's and ALS are terminal diseases. The toxins in blue-green algae kill people.

Rep. Rooney should not rely solely on government agencies and their scientists. While non-government scientists have been studying the causes and health impact of blue-green algae for years, government, especially in Florida, has been slow to address the gravity of the situation.

Scientists who are engaged in this urgent research should be invited to the roundtable that the congressman is planning next month at Florida Gulf Coast University to share what they know.

The roundtable should also focus on urgently needed policy changes that address the problem. This is a complex issue with many moving parts — and many potentially catastrophic unintended consequences.

Quick fixes ("the Army Corps should stop the discharges"; "send water south") are not possible or have disastrous consequences.

We need strategies that "prevent pollution at its source," as the Florida Conservation Coalition urges. Because most of the water in Lake Okeechobee comes from the north and west, we need to focus not only on the polluted waters that contaminate salt-water estuaries, principally the Caloosahatchee, but on the pollution that is dumped into Lake Okeechobee that feed the blue-green algae — especially run-offs of phosphate and nitrogen fertilizers from dairy and cattle farms and human waste from failed septic tanks.

That will require political will to impose regulations on powerful interests. But, as the mounting scientific evidence is telling us, failure to do so is slowly poisoning the people of Florida.

— Howard Simon, Ph. D., of Sanibel Island, retired in 2018 as the executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Florida. He is now coordinating with a team of scientists on a project to clean up Okeechobee waters. Contact him at <a href="mailto:howardsimon@gmail.com">howardsimon@gmail.com</a>.



## **Boating Safety Articles from BoatUS**

Marco Sportfishing Club is proud to team with BoatUS to provide our membership with timely Boating Safety articles. This month's installment is highlights an issue that you need to consider when repowering your older outboard boat. These articles will contain many links to additional resources, they are underlined and in blue color.

# Boaters Aren't the Only Ones Getting Heavier: Outboard Engines Catch Up

### BoatUS says be careful when repowering



BoatUS urges boaters to be aware of engine weight when repowering a recreational boat.

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One year ago the <u>U.S. Coast Guard required new</u> recreational boats to have more floatation to support the increased weight of newer four-stroke outboards if the boat becomes swamped. Now the agency is implementing those changes as reported in the Spring 2019 issue of the <u>U.S. Coast Guard Boating Safety Circular</u>. Boat Owners Association of The United States (<u>BoatUS</u>) advises recreational boaters to be aware of this issue when considering repowering an older model year vessel with a heavier four-stroke outboard.

"Repowering with a newer, more reliable, cleaner, fuel-sipping outboard is one way to get more life out of a good boat," said BoatUS Foundation president

Chris Edmonston. "However, after having gone through the recent repowering of a 22-foot center-console vessel with a heavier four-stroke and seeing first-hand the resulting loss of freeboard and performance, we want to remind owners to consider engine weight. With a

potentially heavier four-stroke motor and resulting lower freeboard at the stern, swamping is a concern and your boat may handle differently than with the old engine."

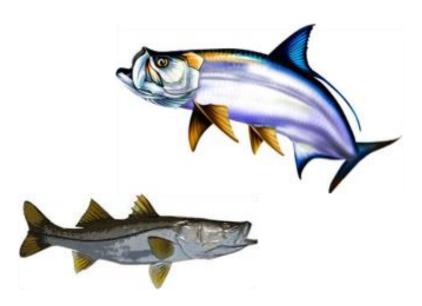
If you don't know the weight of the engine you're replacing, Edmonston recommends you contact the manufacturer before you repower. A boat dealer or repair facility may also be able to provide that information to ensure that, regardless of horsepower, the engine weights are similar.

Federal requirements mandate that outboard-powered monohull boats 20-feet and under must be built with enough flotation to keep the passenger-carrying area at or just below the water's surface in the event of swamping or capsizing. The boat must float level. There are no floatation regulations for vessels over 20-feet long.

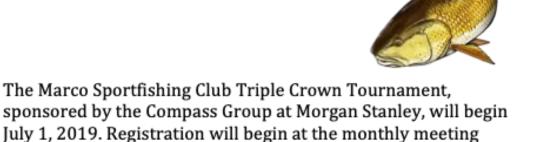
When these regulations were written in the early 1970s, virtually all outboards suitable for smaller boats were two-stroke models covering a broad range of horsepower, but that's no longer the case. Four-strokes come in virtually every size now, making them viable candidates for installation on more boats. While recently there have been some two- and four-stroke models with comparable power and weight, by and large four-stroke outboard engines remain heavier. A four-stroke's more complex valve systems typically add 10% to 15% or more weight than their two-stroke counterparts. Twin engine installations compound the weight problem.

This isn't the first time the Coast Guard has recognized a growing vessel weight issue and updated regulations. In 2011, the "Assumed Average Weight Per Person" was increased from 140 to 185 lbs., but only for commercial passenger vessels. Existing formulas for <u>weight</u> <u>capacity on recreational boats were considered adequate</u> and did not change.

So, what did you think of the article? Do you want our newsletter to contain more of these informative pieces from BoatUS? If so, please send Pete an email <a href="mailto:parchie13@comcast.net">parchie13@comcast.net</a> and let him know your thoughts



# Marco Sportfishing Club Triple Crown Tournament July 1 to October 31, 2019



As in the last two years, the tournament will occur over four months so that anglers have a better chance of landing a Tarpon. An entry fee of \$20 is required to participate in this fun tournament that targets Tarpon, Redfish and Snook.

scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019.

Seven cash awards will be given out at the end of the contest. The winner will also have her/his name engraved on an individual nameplate attached to a perpetual trophy plaque that is displayed at Morgan Stanley, the sponsoring firm.

Interested anglers can sign up at the MSC General Meeting on June 6th, or send an email to Ron Scriver indicating your interest in participating in the tournament. See email at bottom of flyer

A kick-off event will be held on Thursday, June 27th at 4:00 PM at The Marco Island Moose Lodge. Tournament rules will be provided and discussed. Marco Sportfishing Club 2-Line Rule (January 1, 2019) and Catch Verification Rules (January 8, 2019) will apply.

The Triple Crown Tournament is a fun, challenging, and competitive contest. It is also very relaxed as it allows the angler to fish at her or his own pace. The angler can fish at any time, day or night, anywhere within the backwater boundaries established by Marco Sportfishing Club, and with any other angler (no professional guides) or alone. The contest allows for experimentation by choosing different baits, both live and artificial, as well as various techniques, presentations, etc.

The goal is to catch a Tarpon of 30 inches or more, and the largest Redfish and Snook. At the end of the contest the participant will be a better angler and gain additional respect for our environment.

The Compass Group at Morgan Stanley sponsors this event.

Ron's email ronscriver2@gmail.com





#### "Double Dose" Redfish/Snook Event

(SIGN UP AT THE AUGUST or SEPTEMBER MEETING, OR THE CAPT'S MTG)

<u>Date:</u> Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup> <u>Backup Date</u>: Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

Captains Meeting: Tuesday, September 10th - 4PM at Crazy Flamingo - Marco Towne Center

Fishing Hours: 6-Hour Flex-Fish -Any 6-hour window between 7:11am (sunrise) and 7:34 pm (sunset)

Tide Info at Coon Key: Low Tide: 7:36 AM (1.3')

High Tide: 1:24 PM (4.1')

Solunar Activity: Very High Activity from 12:25 pm to 2:25 pm

Sunrise: 7:11am

Event Target Fish: Redfish & Snook

#### Prizes:

Team Prizes: <u>Total Combined Inches</u> of 1 Largest Redfish and 1 Largest Snook 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Place Prize amounts will depend on the number of participants, <u>plus</u> \$200.00 in club funds. Prizes to be given out at the October General Meeting.

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member, due by no later than the <u>Captain's Meeting, Tuesday</u>, <u>September 10<sup>th</sup></u>, 4:00 PM at Crazy Flamingo, Marco Towne Center.

#### **EVENT RULES**

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- All non-member guests must be on the same boat as their MSC sponsor.
- MSC Backwater Boundaries North to Gordon Pass \* (South only to ENP Boundary Camp Lulu)
- "No Guide" Rule applies. "2-Line" Rule Applies
- Must fish from a boat with minimum of 9.9 HP motor (no shore fishing & kayaks are not eligible to participate)
- Photos of the largest fish are required for Team and Largest Fish Prizes. Measure fish to nearest ¼"
- All fish caught during the event are eligible for entry into Triple Crown Tournament & Leaderboard Contest
- E-mail tally sheet and photos, to Mike Larsen, by 5:00 PM, on Friday, September 13th (no late entries accepted)

For questions, and to submit pictures of your catch:

Mike Larsen
Backwater Events Coordinator
mike\_larsen@keysight.com
Mobile: 239-315-9235



#### "No Bait" Boat or Kayak Backwater Event

SIGN UP AT THE JULY/AUG MEETINGS, OR THE CAPT'S MTG.

Date: Wednesday, August 14th, 2019 Backup Date: Thursday, August 15th, 2019

Capt's Meeting: Tuesday, August 13th, 2019 - 4PM at Crazy Flamingo

Fishing Hours: 6-Hour FLEX-FISH - Select a 6-hr period to fish, anytime between sunrise to sunset.

Tide Info at Coon Key: Low Tide: 7:53 AM (1.5')

> High Tide: 1:35 PM (4.1')

Solunar Activity: Major Period: 12:57 PM - 2:57 PM

Event Target Fish: Redfish, Snook, and Spotted Seatrout

#### Prizes:

No Team Prizes - All Prizes will be Individual Angler Prizes Individual Angler Prizes - 3 largest Redfish, 3 largest Snook, 3 largest Spotted Seatrout. Angler can only win one largest fish prize. (so there will be 9 different winners!) Prize amounts will depend on the number of participants, plus a minimum of \$200.00 in club funds. Prizes to be given out at the September BBQ Cook-Off

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler, \$15.00 per non-member, due by no later than the Captain's Meeting. Tuesday, August 13th, 4:00 PM at Crazy Flamingo, Marco Towne Center.

#### EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- MSC backwater boundaries apply.
- "No Guide" Rule applies. "2-Line" Rule applies
- Photos of the largest fish are required for the Largest Fish Prizes.
- Measure fish to nearest 1/4"
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Mike Larsen, by 5:00 PM, on Thursday, August 15th, via email.
- Only artificial baits/presentations may be used, no live/cut bait, shrimp tipping, etc.
- Plastic tails/baits such as DOA or Gulp are allowed.

For questions and to submit pictures of your catch:

Mike Larsen Backwater Events Coordinator mike larsen@keysight.com

Mobile: 239-315-9235

# MSC Summer Indoor Picnic



## Beat the Heat!

August 7th

Marco Island Moose Lodge

Starts at Noon

Come in from the heat for some Hotdogs and Hamburgers.

Cash Bar too.



Swap some fishing stories with your friends.

Picnic is "on" rain or shine!!

Contact John Baker to let him know you plan to attend:

furndeals@comcast.net or 970-0296



There will **NOT** be a regular general meeting of the Marco Sportfishing Club on Thursday, Sept. 5, 2019.

In its place we will have our

## Annual Marco Sportfishing Club Triple Crown Picnic

Place: Sarazen Park on Marco Island

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 4:00 PM

Cost: \$7 Member \$11 Guest

Bring: Your own beverages, chair, and a good appetite!

Menu: Back by popular demand – This picnic will again be a BAR-B-QUE Smoked Pork Cook-Off!!!

Meat will be prepared by our own club members, served with all the fix'ns and judged by a select panel of Celebrities!

All MSC members are welcome to come celebrate the mid-point of the MSC Triple Crown Contest with our sponsor, Morgan Stanley!

If you want to enter to compete for **Best Chef** call John Baker at 239-970-0296.

Fill out the reservation form on Page 2 and mail today!

### **MSC Triple Crown Picnic Reservations**

Wednesday, September 11, 2019 Sarazen Park, Marco Island, 4:00 PM

### Bring your own beverages

Member names	
Guest names	
Members @ \$7 each	\$
Guests @ \$11 each	\$
TOTAL	\$

Make checks payable to MSC and mail to:

Ron Scriver 133 Balfour Drive Marco Island, FL 34145 Questions? E-mail Ronscriver2@gmail.com

Reservation Deadline is Saturday, September 7, 2019

Last Updated July 8, 2019

#### **CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES**

Beginning in October 2016, MICA no longer issues stickers for vehicles, rather requires that vehicles have a person aboard with a current MICA membership card. In the past, as a courtesy to the club, they had allowed club members without MICA membership to park in the lot if they were attending the picnic. However, due to complaints from MICA members that the lot was full during picnics, we no longer have that luxury.

Please be aware that the fine for parking on a swale within the vicinity of Sarazen Park is \$95.

#### **HOW TO PARK FOR PICNICS:**

- 1) Marco Island residents can purchase an ID card at the MICA office (above the Mutual of Omaha Bank on San Marco and S. Barfield) for \$140. You will need a tax bill or homeowners insurance policy with your name on it. http://www.marcocivic.com/applications/ The ID for your wallet (or on a lanyard) allows you to park any vehicle in the lot. However, it appears that the ID card does not replace the old sticker, ie. you can't let someone else drive your car, they will look at your card to make sure you are in the vehicle. Also, MICA has been leaving notices on cars (including convertibles) that the card must be left on the windshield (not on list of 27 rules or on MICA website). Be aware if someone steals your ID card for following this dumb rule, it will cost you \$25 to replace it. Maybe leave a copy of your card on the dashboard instead?
- 2) Get a Collier County beach sticker from the library or Caxambas boat ramp, and park in the Collier County parking lot, which is adjacent and east of the MICA lot. You cannot park in the MICA lot with this sticker. The stickers are free to Collier County residents, but you need your car registration. Note that in season on very nice days, the Collier County lot could be full by mid-morning. \*
- 3) Pay the fee for parking in the Collier County parking lot of \$8 (correct change required). \*
- 4) Find a ride from someone who has a MICA card.
- 5) Be aware that MICA rule #15 states: "MEMBERS MAY NOT SHUTTLE GUESTS. MEMBERS MAY ENTER ONCE WITH UP TO FIVE PERSONS ONLY".
- 6) Park at a friend's house/condo that lives within walking distance. I'm not allowed to say who they are (we have many) but you can check the roster. Maybe buy him/her some beers at Happy Hour.

\* The Collier County rangers who sometimes patrol the Collier County parking lot, have been telling picnic goers that the lot is for "beach parking only" and not for attending picnics (I doubt if this has been tested in court). So if you park there you should appear as if you are going to the beach. Passing chairs over the fence will probably get you busted. Because of liability issues, ANYONE CLIMBING OVER THE FENCE WILL BE EJECTED FROM THE PICNIC WITH NO REFUND.

Note: These are these that latest rules as 1/23/2018. See the date-stamped <u>CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES</u> for any changes.

### Marco Sportfishing Club

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