

MSC Tackle Box

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Dedicated to Safe Fishing in and Around Marco Island



President's Message for January 2019



Happy New Year to all,

As I was completing this message, I received some sad news. A long-time member and a personal friend has passed away, Jack Markel. On behalf of the club our condolences go out to Barbara and their family. He will be missed.

I would like to start by thanking Anna Hutchings and her crew of volunteers for producing a wonderful Christmas party. The food, room, music from Rose and Tom and centerpieces were just perfect. Many compliments were given to me for this event. Also, I would like to thank John Baker for organizing the decorators and street walkers for the street parade and those who annually participate in the event.

January brings us the opportunity for a few new Board of Directors to be voted on at the meeting. We also have some current board members who have completed their terms (many did multiple terms) and are leaving the board. I would like to thank Howard Laskau, Mike Larsen, Dave Rasmussen and Andrea Battaglia for all they have brought to this club. I hope we all realize that we are a big successful club here on Marco Island and it's because of the people who volunteer their time that make it better for all of us.

You know, as I am writing this, I realized we should recognize others who have given their time over and above to make us a better club. To name a few, Dave and Susie Walsh over 10 years organizing picnics and taking all the pictures. Vic Ordija, the quiet one, has run the Triple Crown for at least 7 years, and started and organized our successful Kayak division.

Now in closing, I would like to remind everyone of some special upcoming events. Aside from regular fishing events we are having the world renown WACK A WHITING tournament. Also, in the planning stage is the famed DEAL OR NO DEAL for March. So start to gather your prized possessions and get them ready for sale. I will keep you all posted.

Remember; start the new year off right, go fishing!

See ya' at the bait shop. Pete A

PS. Please help our club to be 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 December

Get LEADER BOARD updates using the link below.

[Link to LEADER BOARD](#)

Fish of the Month (FOM) as of December

Get FOM updates using the link below.

[Link to Fish of the Month](#)

Kayak Fishing in Rookery Bay **December 14, 2018**

It was a tough day fishing in Rookery Bay for seven kayakers that ventured out on a very winding December morning. While a variety of fish were caught on this day, most were small fish. Weather conditions deteriorated further as the morning wore on forcing most of the kayakers to quit fishing earlier than normal. Nevertheless, the group enjoyed the event even considering the challenging conditions. Attending the outing were, Gary Costley, Dave Dodd, John Baker, Ron Scriver, Ken Robertson, Mike Larsen and Vic Ordija.



Kayak Fishing at the Fakahatchee Strand State Park November 30, 2018

Originally scheduled for Thursday, this kayak fishing outing was postponed due to cold weather. On Friday, our small group of six kayakers enjoyed a calm and mostly overcast day which made fishing for Bass a very enjoyable event.

The group in total caught over 80 Largemouth Bass; most however were small fish. As the morning wore on, larger fish were caught with Howard Laskau catching a 19 inch Bass.

On this day, plastics were the lures that were found to be most effective. A couple of large fish were also reported hooked but lost.

This site in the Fakahatchee Strand State Park is a former quarry that has very deep water but an excellent vegetated shoreline and a huge population of Bass. Mayan Cichlids and other fish species are also present.





Offshore Report by Ed Shebert



Ed Shebert has been MSC Offshore chairman for the last year. It has been a challenging time but Ed has built a group of very dedicated offshore captains. His latest report follows. Thank you Ed for all your hard work.

The Editor

Ed has left me a little extra space, in that there was no Offshore activity this month, so I want to use this space for coming events announcements.

COMING EVENTS

In February there will be the annual **Sheepshead Tournament** the Captains' meeting will be the 11th, Fishing will be the 13th (alternate day 14th), and the awards ceremony on the 18th. All the details are available on the MSC website, "Current Events".

In March the annual "**Baiting Beauties**" event will be held. The dates are March 11th thru the 13th. More details will follow in next months newsletter and on the website.

Marco Island Christmas Parade December 15, 2018

There several sets of photos submitted regarding the annual Marco Island. Tony Saputo and Howard Laskau were the photographers. Thanks to you both.



MSC float before the parade start



Things got dark as the parade started



L to R: Betsy Wohltman, Janice Laskau, Patty Arcidiacono, Bobbie Ordija



L to R: Betsy Wohltman, Patty Arcidiacono, Gloria Robertson (tree), Janice Laskau, Bobbie Ordija

Marco Island Boat Parade December 9, 2018

Tony Saputo took these picture from Barry French's boat. It was a perfect night to be on the water with friends.



The Guys are charting the course



The Girls are enjoying the ride



Best in Parade Winner, Capt. Mike
Rushalk's "Euphoria"



YOUR DUES ARE DUE!

- Dues for 2019 MSC membership are payable from Nov. 1, 2018 through January 3, 2018
- This 2-month time period is your **only opportunity** to renew your 2019 MSC membership
 - Late renewals will not be accepted!

Tell your friends that new members are accepted

until February 7th.

Click the link below NOW before you forget!!

[Click Here to Renew Your Membership](#)



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January 2019		Fish of the Month: Pompano
Date	Event	Information & Comments
January 2-6th	Offshore Fishing Event	Pick a Day
January 3	General Meeting	Rose History Auditorium 7PM Speaker Pete Rapp
January 7	Board Meeting	8:30 Coast Guard Auxiliary Station, Caxambas Park
January 14	Buddy Trip	Details to Follow
January 15	Captains' Meeting Pompano Pounder	Moose Lodge 4PM
January 16	Cuban Style Picnic	Sarazen Park at Noon See Attached Flyer
January 17	Pompano Pounder Event	See Attached Flyer
January 19	Kayak Trip "Hell's Gate"	See Website for Details
January 20	Whack a Whiting Event Captains Meeting	See Attached Flyer Moose Lodge 4PM
January 21	Whack a Whiting Fishing Day	See Attached Flyer

February 2019		Fish of the Month: Sheepshead
Date	Event	Information & Comments
February 1-6th	Offshore Fishing Event	Pick a Day
February 7	General Meeting	Rose History Auditorium 7PM Speaker Rob Modys
February 11	Board Meeting	8:30 Coast Guard Auxiliary Station, Caxambas Park
February 11	Sheepshead Captains Meeting	Moose Lodge 4PM
February 12	Kayak Trip	See Website for Details
February 13	Sheepshead Fishing Day	Details to Follow
February 14	Sheepshead Event Alt. Fishing Day	Weigh-in to follow whichever day is fished
February 15	Miami Boat Show	Walker Marine Bus Trip
February 18	Sheepshead Award Ceremony	Details to Follow
February 20	FeBREWfest Picnic	See Attached Flyer
February 25	Buddy Trip	Details to Follow

March 2019		Fish of the Month: Spotted Seatrout
Date	Event	Information & Comments
March 3-9th	Offshore Fishing Event	Pick a Day
March 7	General Meeting or Deal no Deal	Rose History Auditorium 7PM or Marco YMCA
March 11	Board Meeting	Time and Location to be Confirmed
March 11-13th	"Baiting Beauties" Event	Details to Follow
March 15	Trout "Spottacular" Captains Meeting	Details to Follow
March 18	Trout Event Fishing Day	Details to Follow
March 26	Kayak Trip Everglades City	See Website for Details



Update from the Editor December 2018

Editors' Update for December

As the year comes to a close, your editor has a few comments about our waterways and in particular the Water Advisory Committee, (WAC). The recent meeting was quite with reports regarding water sampling, monthly samples vs. quarterly and high levels of contamination in Smokehouse Bay. Sam Youngs, absence was noticed now that he is on the City Council. Also, come February WAC will be looking for new committee members. Keith Wohltman put out a "e-blast" detailing how one can join committees and which ones need members. If you have the time and are concerned about Marcos' water, WAC membership is an excellent way to get involved.

The island is filling up and our waters are looking better with Red Tide in retreat. Hopefully, the fishing will get better. The club has an abundance of events coming in the next few months, check out the calendars and flyers in this newsletter.

In closing a somewhat sad but meaningful picture has been select for this months' edition. It was taken by John Baker at Tiger Tail Park and submitted by Allan Bristow. Allan's caption is more than appropriate given all holiday dinning this time of year.

Wishing All a Happy Holiday Season, your Editor can be reached at pfwanzenberg@yahoo.com.



"Be careful not to Bite Off more than You Can Chew"

2019 Whack a Whiting III

Date: Monday, January 21, 2019

Backup Date: None

Sign-Up: at the January General Meeting on January 3rd at the Whack a Whiting table. Or at the Captain's Meeting.

Capt's Meeting: Sunday, January 20th – 4PM at Moose Lodge 1990 located at 30 Marco Lake Drive, Marco Island

Fishing Hours: Captain's choice: Any 5 hours

Prizes: Boat prize – 1st thru 5th - Total inches of whiting using up to 3 fish.

Photos of all fish tallied required for submission.

No limit to anglers on the boat.

Entry Fee: \$20.00 per MSC angler, \$25.00 per non-member, due by no later than the Captain's Meeting on Sunday the 20th.

Entry fee includes chance for prizes and the party at Joe Perino's house at 6 PM that night. The fee includes the party for the angler and significant other or a guest.

EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- MSC backwater boundaries apply. South only to Everglades National Park boundaries. (Camp Lulu)
- "No Guide" Rule applies. (you may not fish with a guide, or be on a guide's boat)
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Joe Perino by 5:30 PM, on Monday January. 21st via email rivpress@aol.com
- Prize amounts will be determined by the number of anglers participating.

For questions and to submit pictures of your catch:

Joe Perino

rivpress@aol.com

Mobile: 631-804-5341

The party

If the weather is poor and we don't fish the party goes on no matter what.

It will be basically a cocktail type of party. There will be wine, beer and spirits along with hors d'oeuvres, and sandwiches. For those of you who attended in previous years, you will remember that it is not fancy but the camaraderie is immeasurable.

Date: Monday, January 21, 2019

Time: 6 PM

Address: 1530 Buccaneer Ct., Marco Island

Phone: 239 389-2781



"Pompano Pounder" (Ver 2.0...12.05.2018)

Date: Thursday, January 17th 2019

Backup Date: Friday, January 18th 2019

Capt's Meeting: Tuesday, January 15th – 4PM at Marco Island Moose Lodge on 20 Marco Lake Dr.

Fishing Hours: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Tide Info at Coon Key:

Low Tide:	4:48 AM	(-.3')
High Tide:	11:20 AM	(2.7')

Solar-Lunar Activity: Major Period: **HIGH ACTIVITY** from 9:04 am to 11:04 am

Event Target Fish: Pompano

Prizes: Boat prize – 1st thru 5th – Total inches of 6 largest Pompano (**6 fish limit**)
Individual – 1st thru 3rd – Largest Pompano

- (measured from closed mouth to fork of tail) – *photos of all fish tallied required for submission*

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per MSC angler. \$15.00 per non-member, due by no later than the Captain's Meeting on Tuesday the 15th.

EVENT RULES

- Captains of all boats must be a MSC Member.
- MSC backwater boundaries apply. South, only to Everglades National Park boundaries. (Camp Lulu)
- "No Guide" Rule applies. (you may not fish with a guide, or be on a guide's boat)
- Photos required for all fish registered for boat or individual prizes - Measure fish to nearest ¼"
- Turn in Tally Sheet, and photos, to Mike Larsen, by 5:00 PM, on Wednesday, Jan. 18th, via email.
- Prize amounts determined by number of anglers participating PLUS \$200 in club funds

For questions and to submit pictures of your catch:

Mike Larsen
Backwater Events Coordinator
mike_larsen@keysight.com
Mobile: 239-315-9235



ANOTHER CUBAN PICNIC
NOTE: There has been no price increase in FOREVER



Sarazen Park 12 Noon
Wednesday, January 16, 2019
\$10.00 Members

\$13.00 Guests
***\$5 penalty after January 9**
\$5 penalty for walk-ins (plus \$5 late fee)
assuming event not sold out

*Check must be RECEIVED by January 9, 2019

Pulled Pork, Beans & Rice,
Chicken, Plantains, and More

Beer, Wine, Pop, Ice Tea and
Water Included

Questions?? Call Dave Walsh 389-9755

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MEMBER'S NAME: _____

Number attending _____

Members/Family @ \$10 = \$ _____

Guests @ \$13 = \$ _____

Late fee @ \$5 per person* = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

NOTE: New Parking Rules Apply

Make check payable to **MSC**

Mail SEPARATE checks for each picnic to:

(Same envelope OK)

Dave Walsh

1530 Caxambas Ct.

Marco Island, FL 34145

SAVE THE DATE:

St. Pat's Picnic catered by Jason's
 Wednesday, March 20, 2019

FeBREWfest XIV



Sarazen Park 12 Noon
Wednesday, February 20, 2019

\$15.00 Members
\$18.00 Guests
***\$5 penalty after February 13**
\$5 penalty for walk-ins (plus \$5 late fee)
Assuming event not sold out

*Check must be RECEIVED by February 13, 2019

Brats and Sauerkraut, Roasted Chicken,
German Potato Salad and Red Cabbage

Catered by Pepper's

Beer, Coors Light,

Wine, Pop and Water Included

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MEMBER'S NAME: _____

Number attending _____

Members/Family @ \$15 = \$ _____

Guests @ \$18 = \$ _____

Late fee @ \$5 per person* = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

NOTE: New Parking Rules Apply

Make check payable to **MSC**

Mail SEPARATE checks for each picnic to:

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11-11-2018

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 [CURRENT PICNIC PARKING RULES](#) for any changes.

Marco Sportfishing Club

2018 Board of Directors

Pete Arcidiacono	President*
Keith Wohltman	Vice President*
Andrea Battaglia	Treasurer*
John Baker	Secretary*
Dave Dodd	Assistant Quartermaster
Jim Lane	Member-at-Large
Mike Larsen	Backwater Coordinator
Howard Laskau	Past President/Public relations
Victor Ordija	Leaderboard/Fish of the Month Coordinator
Dave Rasmussen	Newsletter Advertising
John Moore	Member at-large

* MSC Officers

Marco Sportfishing Club

2018 Activity and Event Directors, Committee Chairs and Assistants

Fishing-related activities:

Fishing Committee Chair	Position vacant
Backwater Events Coordinator	Mike Larsen
Buddy Trips	Joe Perino
Kayak Events	Victor Ordija
Pied Piper Trips	Howard Laskau
Triple Crown Tournament Director	Victor Ordija
Offshore Events Coordinator	Ed Shebert

Other Activities:

Assistant Quartermaster	Dave Dodd
Assistant Treasurer	Mick Haldeman
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MSC Historian/Name Tags/50-50	John Baker
Membership Coordinator	Phil Wanzenberg
MSC email Editor	Keith Wohltman
MSC Equipment/ Storage Manager	John Baker
MSC Newsletter Editor	Phil Wanzenberg
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Picnics	Dave Walsh
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Webmaster	Ed Crane

Member Privacy Statement

Marco Sportfishing Club's Board of Directors has established a privacy policy concerning the distribution of its members' contact information. For security and confidentiality reasons...phone numbers, email and physical addresses will be distributed only to MSC board members and event leaders. The club roster will never be sold or provided to any individual member, sponsor, outside organization or business.

May 7, 2018

