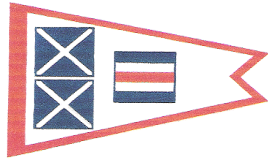


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The Marco Men's Club

Newsletter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is Thanksgiving Day and I am in my office looking out my window. It is another beautiful day on Marco Island. We are fortunate to live in Paradise. This is certainly true, since Naples, Marco Island and the Everglades are officially known as--- **The Paradise Coast of Florida.**

We have a lot of things for which we should be thankful. The most important thing is our health. My partner used to say that you cannot have and enjoy anything including family, wealth, and prestige if you do not have your health. In spite of COVID 19 most of us are surviving, prospering and enjoying life. However, we all remember and miss those whom we have lost due to the pandemic. Some of us are fortunate enough to share today with friends and family. Others will do so during Christmas, Hanukah and the New Year. Due to the benefits of modern medicine, many of us are able to see better, hear better, play better (new knees, hips and shoulders), control our blood pressures and diabetes better, keep our hearts beating and fight and survive cancer.

We also have the **Marco Men's Club!**

This past month we have had some great events. Thank you, **Arne Sandberg** for the excellent **Coed Luncheon** after November's General meeting at the **Sand Bar**. **Dave Tobiasz** and **Warren Dettinger** were able to host a "sold out" exclusive cruise on the **Marco Island Princess** for our **Welcome Back Party**. Most everyone had a great time. Unfortunately, some members did not have their expectations met. I would like to thank those members for bringing it to my attention. We as a Board and as event hosts endeavor to make every event that we sponsor the best that you will attend. We will continue to strive for that in the future. Finally, a thank you goes out to **Randle Grossman** for hosting a fine dinner at **Brio Italian Grill** followed by a great holiday performance by **Mannheim Steamroller** at **Artis-Naples**.

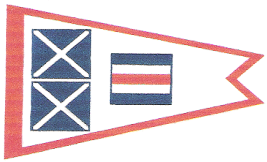
This month we will see the Marco Players at the Town Center for a performance of "**The Hallelujah Girls**". On December 9th, Police

Chief, **Tracy Frazzano** will speak at our General Meeting. Following the meeting, you should plan to attend the **Coed Holiday Luncheon** at Naples Lakes Country Club. On February 12th plan to attend the **Coed New Member Luncheon**. All current members are welcome to attend.

To help celebrate our 30 years as the Marco Men's Club, our Senior Vice President, **Warren Uhl** has something special planned for our Annual General Meeting in January. As you can see, we are planning a very active "season". Check out the flyers in the club Newsletter.

Meanwhile, have a happy and healthy Holiday Season.

Jerry Swiacki



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COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY CLUB

Computer/Technology Club typically meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:30 a.m. This is an informal round table discussion group. Beginners, experienced and in-between are all welcome. Reservations are not required. Contact **Charlie Erker** at 239-259-8054 Or charles.a.erker@gmail.com .

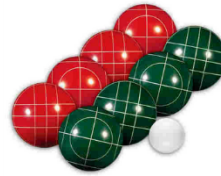
INVESTMENT DISCUSSION CLUB



This is a gathering where opinions are valued, facts are appreciated and experience is not necessary, but prized. An open and broad discussion of topics relating to investment raised by those present, is conducted. The Club typically meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1:30PM at the Marco Lutheran Church. We will be meeting in the choir room, please enter through the administrative offices.

Contact Don Koppel Ph:856-906-4318. Meeting status will be through an eBlast the week before the meeting.

BOCCE BALL



Bocce is on! It is time to sign up. As your "commissioner", I'd like to report that the city parks are changing the way they apportion court time. No idea at this time when we will be playing. But, will do my best to get Tuesday-Thursday afternoon time we have had in the past. Will not know until December 2nd. In the meantime, please submit your teams, couples or individual requests that want to play. Send me an email with the following:

Name of players, day of play-Tues or Thurs., or both.

I will be in touch with all signed up members by December 7th.

Play begins January 4, 2022 for the Tuesday group.

If you have any questions contact:
Warren Uhl at 727-247-5167 or
MMC.BocceLeague@gmail.com

Travel Discussion Club



The next Travel Discussion Club meeting will be on Wednesday, January 5th at CJ's starting at 11AM. You can stay and have lunch with us, or go after the meeting – your choice. Please bring your questions, ideas, and suggestions.

Hints for those planning trips:

1. Check online for specific requirements when you plan your trip.
2. Take proof of your vaccination status.
3. Consider purchasing travel insurance.
4. Double-check your passport early. It takes 4 ½ months to renew.
5. Apply for TSA PreCheck or Global Entry.
6. Pack multiple masks. (Pack extra masks, hand sanitizer, Lysol spray, wipes, and water in your carryon bag).

In the meantime, sources to research ideas for travel can be found on "Travel Club" webpage.

To access the "Travel Club" webpage click on the following link:

<https://marcomensclub.com/ComingEvents2/002TravelDiscussionGroup.pdf>

Let me know if I can help in any way.

Contact **SILKY SULLIVAN**

marcosilky@yahoo.com or 239-404-3249.

SPORTS UPDATE

Sports Chair **Pat Wright** will take a look at future sports events as information becomes available. Contact **Pat Wright** at pwright44@msn.com or 518-369-6441

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to the guys who set up the room. Chairman **JERRY DEFIBAUGH, RICH CARLSEN, DON LALLY, DEREK MULLINDER AND DON KOPPEL.**

MMC HATS AND SHIRTS

The order form for Hats and Shirts is available on-line on the MMC Website, under the **MISCELLANEOUS** header. Click on **CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES** to obtain Order Form and Instructions.

SICKNESS AND BEREAVEMENT

Please telephone **George Vitta** at 586-942-8056 or email

golflover3@yahoo.com regarding information of illness or death of members, their spouse, and immediate family. George will notify the MMC board.

CRUISES



THE MMC “50th” CRUISE AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND OCTOBER 22 - November 3, 2022

ABOARD CELEBRITIES 5 STAR SHIP, **THE ECLIPSE**, 15 DAYS, 14 NIGHTS VISITING 7 PORTS, “2” NIGHTS HOTEL TO ENJOY SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA TOURING SYDNEY AND THE COUNTRY, ON CLUB’S PRIVATE COACH. **THREE FREE CELEBRITY PERKS.**

THE CLASSIC BEVERAGE PACKAGE, SHIP GRATUITIES AND WI-FI. CLUB IS RECEIVING A LARGE REQUEST FOR THIS CRUISE SPACE.

CURRENTLY 90 PEOPLE CONFIRMED IN 48 STATEROOMS.

A VERY POPULAR CRUISE. LIMITED STATEROOMS AVAILABLE IN EACH CATEGORY, WITH CELEBRITY EARLY BOOKING STATEROOM ON-CREDIT BONUS OF \$200.

THE MMC “51st” CRUISE CHINA, TAIWAN, JAPAN FEBRUARY 17- MARCH 4, 2023

SIXTEEN DAYS, TWELVE NIGHTS SAILING ABOARD CELEBRITY’S 5 STAR SHIP **“THE SOLSTICE”**,

VISITING 10 PORTS OF CALL IN CHINA – TAIWAN AND JAPAN. “3” FREE PERKS: THE CLASSIC BEVERAGE PACKAGE, SHIP GRATUITIES, UNLIMITED SURFING WI-FI, AN EARLY BOOKING BONUS FOR \$200 ON-BOARD STATEROOM CREDIT, A PRE-CRUISE VISIT STAYING IN HONG KONG, CHINA 3 DAYS/2 NIGHTS, ENJOYING MMC PRIVATE HONG KONG TOURS. 5 STAR HOTEL, DAILY BREAKFAST, HOTEL AND SHIP TRANSFERS, MIAMI ECONOMY ROUND TRIP AIR. TOKIO SHIP AIRPORT TRANSFERS, PORT CHARGES, TAXES.

CURRENTLY 11 STATEROOMS BOOKED, 19 GUESTS.

CELEBRITY’S POLICY UPDATED COVID-19 INFORMATION:

- **GUEST DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19 WITHIN 14 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE RECEIVES 100 PERCENT OF MONIES PAID.**
- **GUEST WHO BECOME EFFECTED WITH COVID-19 ABOARD SHIP WILL BE FLOWN HOME AT CELEBRITIES’ EXPENSE BY PRIVATE PLANE.**

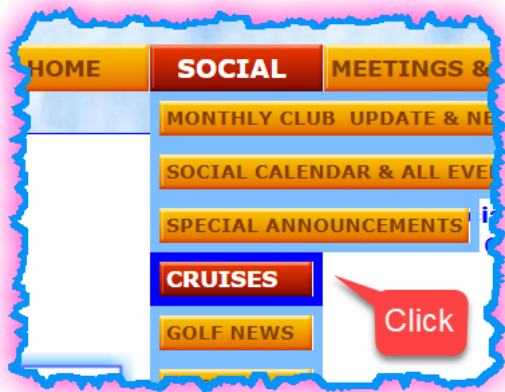
TO VIEW TRAVELEX INSURANCE COMPANY POLICY, please click on Travelex link:

<https://marcomensclub.com/ComingEvents2/998K-50th-Australia-NewZeland-TRAVELEXpolicy.pfd>

PLEASE GO TO THE MMC WEBSITE
& USE THE DROPDOWN MENU,
AVAILABLE ON ALMOST EVERY
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<https://marcomensclub.com/Cruises.htm>



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239-642-0370

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Speakers Calendar
Peter Piro, Program Director

December 9, 2021

Tracy Frazzano

Marco Island Police Chief

Education:

Tracy Frazzano holds two Master of Arts degrees and a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science and Sports Management from Rutgers University. She earned her first Master's in 2003 in Human Resources Training development from Seton Hall University; and her second, in 2010 in Security Studies (Homeland Security and Defense) from the United States Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense & Security (CHDS).

Professional Experience:

Tracy L. Frazzano was appointed the Chief of Police for the Marco Island Police department in August of 2019 based on a national search. Prior to her selection, she was a 25-year member of the Montclair Police Department (New Jersey) serving as Deputy Chief. Her police career includes varied assignments in patrol, investigative, and community policing. Within the Montclair Police Department, she made history as its first female Detective, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and Deputy Chief. Chief Frazzano is a graduate of the FBI National Academy (Session 261) and received the distinguished graduate award, given to the top 1% of the class. In addition to serving on the Board of Directors for the Southwest Florida Police Chiefs Association, she also serves on the board for The Shelter for Abused Women and Children and the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Policy Board.

Proposed Speakers for 2022

January: Rick Lo Castro – Collier County Commissioner

February: Patricia Rutledge – Marco Island Historical Society

March: Dr John Esposito – Reconciling Islam and Christianity

Peter Piro

We are seeking an individual to assume the responsibility of Program Director. Peter will be leaving the position April 1, 2022. He will assist the new director in understanding the process.

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Golf News



Chris Hansen, Golf Chairman

Cell: 630-674-5565

Email: chrishansen16@icloud.com

Message from outgoing Golf Chairman Bob Winterhalter:

Thanks to **Ken Burnham** for coordinating Mondays at Hibiscus in November.

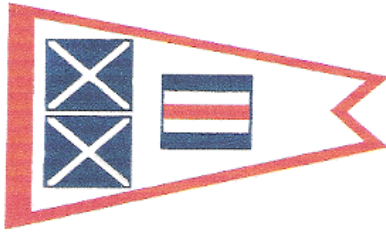
Thanks to all of our coordinators over the past 2 years. The Covid and post Covid scheduling has been a challenge. Maybe my legacy at MMC will be the Covid Golf Chair. My unfilled bucket list has grown, and it is time to pass the chair to **Chris Hansen**, starting December 1, 2021.

Chris and I have reached out to you and, the following have volunteered for Winter duty.

MMC GOLF COORDINATORS WINTER 2021/2022

December	Monday	Jeff Dywan	j.j.dywan@gmail.com	219-718-9615
January	Monday	Ron Bales	rpbmi@comcast.net	239-389-5587
February	Monday	Lou Makris	loumak42@aol.com	781-258-0456
March	Monday	George Vitta	golflover3@yahoo.com	586-942-8056
April	Monday	Tony Tomassone	tonytom_52@msn.com	610-937-2324

Chris Hansen



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