



The Chowder Chatter

Monthly Newsletter of the Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society

Next Full Moon: September 17

September 2005

ARE WE THE JEFFERSONS?

Hopefully, we will be out of Salty Sam's by the time the next two-foot tide comes through the front door of the clubhouse. Good-bye to the mold-spores that are living and breathing throughout the entire clubhouse. The mold is the result of the first flood of 2004 followed by Hurricane Charlie. The health condition was exacerbated as a result of CMCS being locked out of the clubhouse for seven (7) weeks after the storm. When we were admitted, some of our members became ill trying to clean-up. We asked Salty Sam's to hire a professional environmental clean-up company, and we received a resounding NO! We received the big "NO!" even though we were required (forced) to pay rent for the seven weeks. We then requested they use the rent money to pay the environmental company. No!, No!. On the bright side, that's water under the door, as "*we are movin' on up, to the west side. To a de-luxe clubhouse in the sky.*"



COMMODORE
Russell Vance
574-4704

The last ten days of CMCS August 2005 are going to be fun for some members and a nightmare for others. The fun/nightmare difference depends on what your responsibilities are to CMCS. We are looking at the Liberty Ashore Committee for the Bingo Party, the Ladies Bridge Club and volunteers for packing and moving the club, the Summerset Committee for Skipper/crew packet night and the Skipper/crew dinner race meeting, and then the final removal of necessary essential materials from the clubhouse. All these responsibilities, and we are still two days away from Summerset, normally our biggest undertaking of the year. This means a ton of members are working hard for the club, and we hope you are included.

A big thanks to these CMCS members who have stepped up to assume responsibilities for our club in 2006: Susan Burton, *Website*; Doreen Milbrandt, *Storekeeper*, Mary Lou Mullins, *Chowder Chatter*; Susan Reekie, *Ladies Bridge Club*; and Monica Smith, *Liberty Ashore*. Several other members have expressed interest in Flag Officer and Board positions. Their names will be submitted to the 2006 Nominating Committee. Our club has many members that would do a great job in forwarding CMCS in a positive way. Are you willing to help us in 2006? Please stay involved—your participation and support are the keys to CMCS success. Note: The septic inspection committee and dumpster rollout committee rosters have been filled.

Located in this Chowder Chatter is the CMCS revised schedule of events from late August through December 2005. This schedule is also posted on our website. There are changes such as dates and times compared to your 2005 CMCS calendar. (Example) The CMCS calendar indicates the September General Membership meeting to be on Tuesday, the 13th at 7:30 p.m. This meeting is now scheduled for Tuesday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m. And, hopefully, you will be in Cape Coral. Cut and hang this revised schedule on your refrigerator for the remainder of 2005.

Also, located in this Chowder Chatter are the directions to the Cape Coral Power Squadron. Should you have any questions, please give me a call. Let's continue to have a great CMCS 2005.

The best, Russell

Vice Commodore
Elise Missall
489-0422



We're ready—are you?

Well, the applications are arriving, the tee shirts are printed, the Sponsors outdid themselves and the door prizes are still coming in.

All of the door prizes and the auction items, i.e., the Colgate Performance Sailing Course, will be awarded at the Awards Dinner on Sunday night.

If you have made dinner reservations, you will receive your dinner ticket(s) at the Naples Sailing and Yacht Club the evening of the dinner. **NO** dinner reservations will be accepted at the Skipper's Meeting.

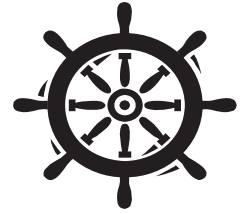
The Skipper's packet will contain the Race Rules and Regulations, tee shirt(s), tide charts, Naples street directions with taxi 'phone numbers. Also, included will be various sponsor gifts, both little and semi-little!!!

The Summerset Committee has been conducting various chants to the wind gods and thus far, it is looking for our 40th Annual Summerset Regatta.

Bob Gerry is still looking for cruisers to join him in a Sunday afternoon sail south of Naples. Call Bob at 275-4827 and join in on the fun...and you'll be back in plenty of time for the Awards Dinner.

And, if you have not sent in your application yet.....Shame On You. Hurry up or you will miss the biggest event of the year. This is our signature event and is recognized from Marco Island to St. Petersburg and beyond. See you there.

Ladies Bridge Club
Mary Lou Mullins
541-2479



**“Half the fun is getting there. . .
and back”**

On Wednesday, September 14, 7:00 p.m., the **Ladies Bridge Club** will meet at **Paradise Pizza, 842 Lafayette Street, Cape Coral, #945-1555** (*One block south of Cape Coral Parkway at Chester Street—near Coronado—next door to Mr. C's.*) Cindy Carlino, Kathy Light, and Doreen Milbrandt will bring their Bahamian cruising photos and albums to pass around and informally tell us how they spent their summer vacations! You are welcome to bring and share your cruising photos and stories, too!

FREE pizza

Wine/\$3, Beer/\$2.50, Soda, tea, coffee/\$1.00
1/2 carafe/\$6, bottle/\$10.50

If you plan to attend, please call Mary Lou at 541-2479 or email (marylou@swfla.rr.com) by Monday, September 12.

Thanks. . .

Ladies Bridge Club members convened at the CMCS Clubhouse on Sunday, August 21 at 9:06 a.m. armed with tape, newspapers and boxes to inventory* and pack up the CMCS sailing paraphernalia in anticipation of our move in September to the Cape Coral Power Squadron.

Grateful thanks to the 25 CMCS members who wrapped, packed, taped and loaded. *A special thank you to CMCS Member Dee Dee Cheek who called me and volunteered to do the inventory on her laptop computer of every item/box packed. WAY TO GO, Dee Dee!

Liberty Ashore
Monica Smith
699-9678



**OUR 1ST OPEN HOUSE AND
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
AT
THE CAPE CORAL POWER SQUADRON
6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 20, 2005**

**Bring A Friend. . .
Bring Two Friends. . .
Or More. . .**

Let's fill the place up with CMCS Members,
New Members and Friends. Cake will be
served; the bar will be open with beer, wine
and coffee.

There is a cake decoration contest so bring
your favorite decorated cake and win!!

*******Bar Information*******

**The BAR will only take TICKETS
You can get your tickets at the front door**

*******Donations*******

HURRICANE SOCIAL
Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005
6:00 p.m.
Cape Coral Power Squadron

With the racing season starting back up,
let's all come to the NEW facility, cool
off, relax and enjoy a delicious meal with
friends.

Our **Category 5** Cook for the evening is
our own **STEVE ROBIN!!**

The **"hunkered down"** menu will be:

CHARLEY'S Chicken
marinated grilled chicken breasts
GENE'S Jambalaya
will raise the roof
IVAN'S Incredible Salad with
tornado dressing
DENNIS the Menace Dessert
FRANCES' Hurricane Punch

**This evening will be more FUN than a
hurricane!!!**

**\$7.50 per person—including the
Hurricane Punch!**

Deadline to R.S.V.P is September 14th

HURRICANE SOCIAL
Saturday, September 17, 2005
6:00 p.m.

of Persons attending: _____

Names of persons attending: _____

Amount enclosed @ \$7.50 per person _____

Make Checks payable to CMCS
Mail to Darrell & Monica Smith, P. O. Box 10032, Cape Coral, FL 33910

Deadline is Wednesday, September 14!!!!

Diane Fowler

Rear Commodore of Racing
540-0016



Who's the newest CMCS published author?

It's our own Rear Commodore of Racing, Diane Fowler! This month's Mainsheet Magazine (for Catalina owners), has an article about Diane new twist on The Ladies Day Race. Check it out!

Countdown to Summerset

With just DAYS to our BIG event of the year, we ask all racers to PLEASE mail your entries to Marla Parker ASAP! This is the 40th Annual Summerset Event.

Did you know our Club was FOUNDED by a group of RACERS? Come on out and show your support for the Club. Not to mention, win a FABULOUS custom made (by Mary Naylor) award. This includes a photograph of YOUR boat, with skipper's name and boat name—all in a matted and framed award. Suitable for hanging on YOUR brag wall! This ALONE is worth the entry fee!

CMCS Website: www.cmcs-sail.org

Have you visited CMCS's website recently?

You will find LOTS of useful information and news.

Please continue to check out the website for entry forms and sailing instructions



Upcoming Racing Events Schedule:

Summerset Regatta

Wed., Aug. 31, 7:00 p.m.

Skipper & crew meeting — plenty of food, drink & FUN!!
(LAST meeting at the Salty Sam's Clubhouse)

Sat., Sept. 3, 9:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m.

Coastal race from Ft. Myers Beach to (Gordon Pass) Naples
Party on pool deck at Comfort Inn on the Bay. Name badges will be required and distributed at the party.

Sun., Sept. 4, 10:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

Two (2) triangle races off Naples coast
Dinner and Awards Ceremony at Naples Sailing & Yacht Club

Mon., Sept. 5, 8:00 a.m.

The Stagger Home

The Hurricane Race - (Saturday Only)

Thurs., Sept. 15, 6:30 p.m.

New Racer's Seminar in our NEW room on 2nd Floor of Power Squadron Building, 917 SE 47th Terr., Cape Coral.

Thurs., Sept. 15, 7:30 p.m.

Skipper's Meeting, 2nd Floor, Power Squadron Building

Sat., Sept. 17, 10 a.m.

Paul Perisho (945-3063) will run race as Diane is out of town

Festival of the Islands Race

Thurs., Sept. 29, 6:30 p.m.

New Racer's Seminar, 2nd Floor, Power Squadron Building

Thurs., Sept. 29, 7:00 p.m.

Skipper's Meeting, 2nd Floor, Power Squadron Building

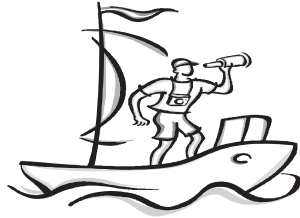
Sat., Oct. 1, 10 a.m.

Festival of the Islands Race / Saturday ONLY
(Calendar says 2 days; but it's just Saturday)



Cruising Report

Chuck & Doreen Milbrandt,
Cruise Directors



Tween Waters (NOT South Seas) August 12-14, 2005

We had a GREAT cruise to Tween Waters Resort with most boats arriving on Friday. Backup lights were not required (Yea!), as everyone could just pull in and plug in. It was a beautiful weekend as the temperatures were in the 90s and the pool and beach were enjoyed by all.

Friday evening, we went to dinner at RC Otters just up the road on Captiva via the Tween Waters van. The beer was cold, the dinner was fine and the company was the best!

Saturday was potluck at the dock. Hurricane Charlie drinks flowed through a very fine dinner hosted by all. White tablecloths and great food! Not much was left as we were all hungry.

The boats that participated on the cruise were:

Shadowfax	Sea Puppy II
IX	Windswept
Island Time	Chase the Clouds
Dawn Treader	Fidelis

Saturday arrivals:

Air Supply
Debra
Bud's Sailcat with Al Eastman

Pauline and Jim Wiley came on wheels

The entertainment flag was passed to one of the Saturday arrivals and the boat shall remain nameless. It should be flying at Summerset! Hint: Just ask this active racer what happened!

Most motor/sailed home on Sunday. We thank all those who participated for a fabulous cruise!

You are missing out if you don't sail out!

Doreen and Chuck Milbrandt, FIDELIS

Remember:

The prize of a lifetime. . .

In addition to their generous cash donation to the Summerset Regatta, **CMCS Honorary Members, Steve and Doris Colgate** have once again provided us with a certificate for a week's sailing course at Offshore Sailing School. To help defray Regatta expenses and ensure our annual contribution to the Edison Sailing Center, we will be raffling off this certificate.

The winner may claim either a Learn to Sail or Performance Sailing Course. Raffle tickets will be on sale from now until the Summerset Awards Banquet on Sunday, September 4, and the winner does not need to be present to receive the prize. Tickets are priced at three for \$5.00. This is a fantastic prize with a value of \$995.00. Don't miss out on your chance to claim it.

Buy your raffle tickets ASAP. You could be this year's WINNER!

FOR SALE

Apelco XCD 250 Depth Gauge/Fish Finder (no transducer) measures to 250 feet with mounting bracket \$30.00

NEW Combo Bow/Foredeck Lite in original package. For boats under 20 meters. Paid \$90.00. Yours for \$70.00

Al Eastman 540-1944

Doreen Milbrandt
Storekeeper
541-0614



“And the best dressed sailor award goes to:”

The following CMCS Gear is available from the Ship’s Store or by calling Doreen Milbrandt.

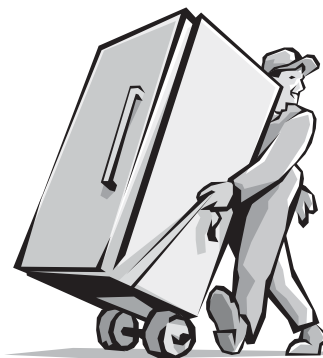
CMCS tee shirts	\$10.00
Summerset tee shirts (2004)	5.00
Sport shirts with collar and sailboat logo (Special Order)	25.00
CMCS Baseball-style cap	15.00
CMCS Wine Glasses	5.00
CMCS License Plates	12.00
CMCS Coolie Cups	2.00
CMCS Burgees	15.00
Tote Bags (Blue)	15.00
Sale (Sail) items in basket	2.00

SPAM, SPAM & MORE SPAM SOCIAL was a success!!

Approximately 60 people attended the SPAM Social and found a new appreciation for SPAM. We all found out that SPAM could be made in many different ways; in bread, pasta, dip, sushi and much more.

Thanks to all who brought a dish and came out. It was a lot of **FUN!**

Monica Smith
Liberty Ashore



CMCS NEEDS A LARGE REFRIGERATOR!

The club needs a refrigerator that is a **minimum of 25 cubic feet** in size to accommodate our bar supplies in the new clubhouse. A commercial beverage refrigerator would also be ideal, as we do not require a freezer compartment. If any member has such a refrigerator they would like to donate, please contact Russell Vance (574-4704).

Outboard Motor



**1996 Honda 9.9 hp
4-stroke outboard**

Long shaft, electric start plus recoil starter backup. F-N-R on tiller handle. 3-blade prop. Runs great.
\$875.00

Call Dick @ 541-2479

WE MADE IT ! – Sunday, August 21, 2005

Thanks to many volunteers, we managed to pack and ship all of our club materials and equipment. We were in by 9:06 am and out the door by 11:06 am. More information about the great move will be in the next Chowder Chatter.

MILEMARKERS

Ned Christensen (PASSION III) underwent bypass surgery and is now doing well on the mend at home.

Jerry Pim (GOPHER BAROQUE) had a triple bypass. He is now home and recovering.

Bud Bone, a relatively new member, is ill as well.

Please take a moment to drop a line in a card, say a prayer and wish these fine men smooth sailing in the days ahead

Mary Lou Mullins
Chowder Chatter Editor
541-2479
marylou@swfla.rr.com



Learning the ropes...

As the new Chowder Chatter Editor, I will not make you anxious and mention how many years it has been since I produced a newsletter—on an electric typewriter! If you are having a curious moment sometime—ask me what was the topic of *that* newsletter production.

The next Chowder Chatter deadline is 12:00 NOON, Saturday, September 24.

Keep the articles, notices and photographs coming! Sometimes submissions for The Chowder Chatter will outpace the space available for publication. We will make every attempt to debut them in the next month's issue.



Halloween Cruise



**Nancy Donaldson & Steve Robin,
Cruise Directors**



Nancy, grandma-to-be, and Steve would greatly appreciate a volunteer or two to take on the Halloween Cruise to Danger Island on October 29-30, so she can be there for THE BIG EVENT—a new grandchild.

Two exciting events in late October!

In October, CMCS has their traditional, fun-time Halloween Cruise to Danger Island.

We have also been invited to participate in something new in Cape Coral. It is the **Pirates in Paradise Dinghy Parade**. Their definition of a Dinghy is any motorized vessel under 24 feet that can also clear a 10-foot bridge. On Saturday, October, 29, this event will start at Rum Runners at Cape Harbour. The Parade will leave Rum Runners about 2:00 p.m. and go on a prescribed route.

There will be many, many monetary awards, gift certificates, vacation packages, dinner certificates and Captain Morgan Rum giveaways.


Awards are for Pirate Attire, Wench attire and the decorated Dinghy that could “shiver me timbers”. Entry is free. If interested in this event, please email me. I will keep you up to date with further developments.

Tom Buckard – captaintcb@earthlink.net

Marketplace

Let's thank our fellow sailors and friends for supporting our newsletter, by supporting their businesses! And, don't forget to tell them you saw them in *Chowder Chatter!*

Editor's Note:

At the end of each classified and display ad, you will note a number in parentheses. This number correlates with the first of the month the ad will be deleted from the newsletter. (For instance, a 12 denotes December 1st). All classified ads will be run in the Chowder Chatter for not more than 3 consecutive months. It is your responsibility to notify the editor if you wish your ad to appear another 3 months. All display advertisers will be billed either on a 6-month or annual basis. 



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Commercial establishments: Copy scanner ready would be appreciated and be prepaid. Make checks payable to CMCS and mail to Tom Buckard, CMCS Fleet Purser at 211 SE 20th Court, Cape Coral, FL 33990.

CMCS Members business card size ads are welcome.

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Members may place ads for sailing related items for FREE.

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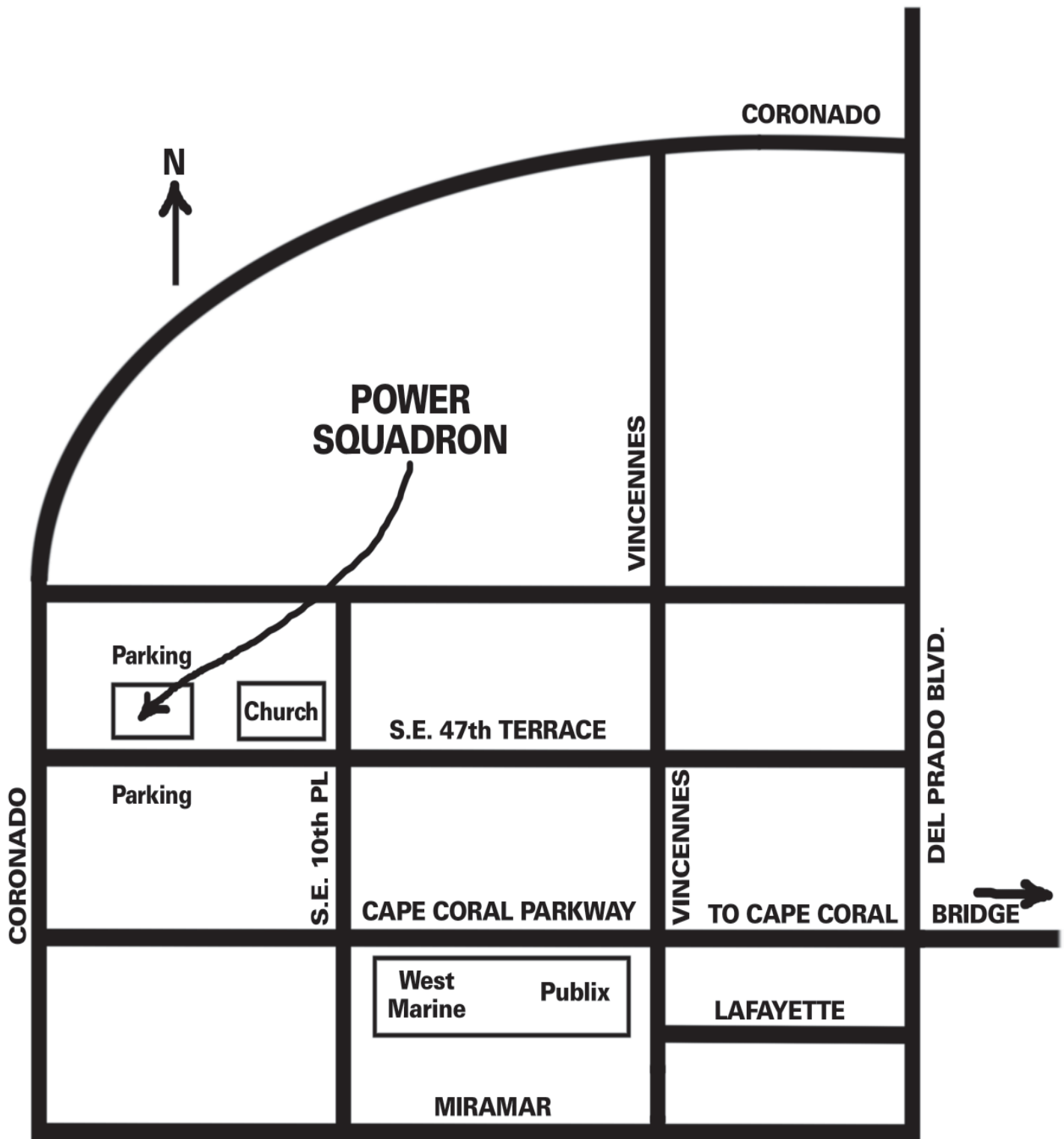
The Top 18 Reasons To Join CMCS

1. You don't have to own a boat to go sailing all year
2. Monthly newsletter : The Chowder Chatter
3. A great web site full of sailing news and events.
4. Monthly membership meetings with guest speakers
5. 15 major social functions
6. 18 CMCS Club Races with prizes awarded to all classes
7. 14 Boat of the Year (BOTY) and/or Associate Club Races
8. 12 Sunfish Races (you do not have to own a Sunfish to participate)
9. 18 Cruises scheduled to various locations and lasting 2 days to ?
10. Major event of the year: Sponsor for the 34th year the 40th Annual Summerset Regatta held Labor Day weekend
11. Large inventory of various CMCS items in Ship's Store
12. Ladies Bridge Club meeting to share knowledge and skills in boating
13. Power boat owners welcome
14. New friends, sailing buddies and personal contacts
15. Always easy to catch a ride at the Skipper's Meetings (usually the Thursday before a scheduled race) held at the Cape Coral Power Squadron
16. Be part of one of the largest and oldest sailing clubs in SW Florida
17. New meeting location at the Cape Coral Power Squadron on the third Tuesday of every month
18. Enjoy the informal friendliness of the sailors of the fleet who welcome everyone everywhere to join in their love of the sea

CMCS Revised Schedule of Events Late August through December 2005

August 28	NOON	Sunfish Races	
August 30	6:00 PM	Summerset Packet Meeting	Salty Sams
August 31	7:00 PM	Summerset Skipper Meeting	Salty Sams
September 3, 4, 5		Summerset Regatta	
September 11	NOON	Sunfish Races	Edison SC
September 14	7:00 PM	Ladies Bridge Club	Paradise Pizza
September 15	6:30 PM	New Racer Seminar	Power Squadron
September 15	7:30 PM	Skipper/Crew Meeting	Power Squadron
September 17		Hurricane Race	
September 17	6:00 PM	Hurricane Social	Power Squadron
September 20	6:00 PM	Membership Meeting and Open House	Power Squadron
September 21	7:00 PM	Board Meeting	Power Squadron
September 24	Noon	The Chowder Chatter Deadline	
September 29	6:30 PM	New Racer Seminar	Power Squadron
September 29	7:30 PM	Skipper/Crew Meeting	Power Squadron
October 1		Festival of the Islands Regatta	
October 1	6:00 PM	Festival of the Islands Social	Power Squadron
October 6	7:30 PM	Skipper/Crew Meeting	Power Squadron
October 8, 9		Kayusa Cup Race & Cruise	
October 11	6:00 PM	Open Grill Nite & Membership Meeting	Power Squadron
October 19	7:00 PM	Board Meeting	Power Squadron
October 20	7:30 PM	Skipper/Crew Meeting	Power Squadron
October 23		No Boca Race	
October 29-30		Halloween Cruise	Danger Island
November 6	NOON	Sunfish Races	Edison SC
November 11-13		Cruise to Sanibel Bight	Sanibel Bight
November 15	6:00 PM	Social	Power Squadron
	7:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Power Squadron
November 16	7:00 PM	Board Meeting	Power Squadron
November 23-28		Thanksgiving Cruise	10,000 Islands & South
December 3-4		Sunfish Challenge Cup Regatta	
December 8	6:30 PM	New Racer Seminar	Power Squadron
December 8	7:30 PM	Skipper/Crew Meeting	Power Squadron
December 10		Commodore's Cup Race	
December 10	6:30 PM	Commodore's Cup Social	Power Squadron
December 13	6:00 PM	Christmas Party & Membership Meeting (Election 2006 Officers & Board)	Power Squadron
December 14	7:00 PM	Board Meeting	Power Squadron
December 27-Jan. 1, 2006		Holiday Cruise	Burnt Store & North

**PLEASE NOTE: EVENTS IN BOLD TYPE ARE
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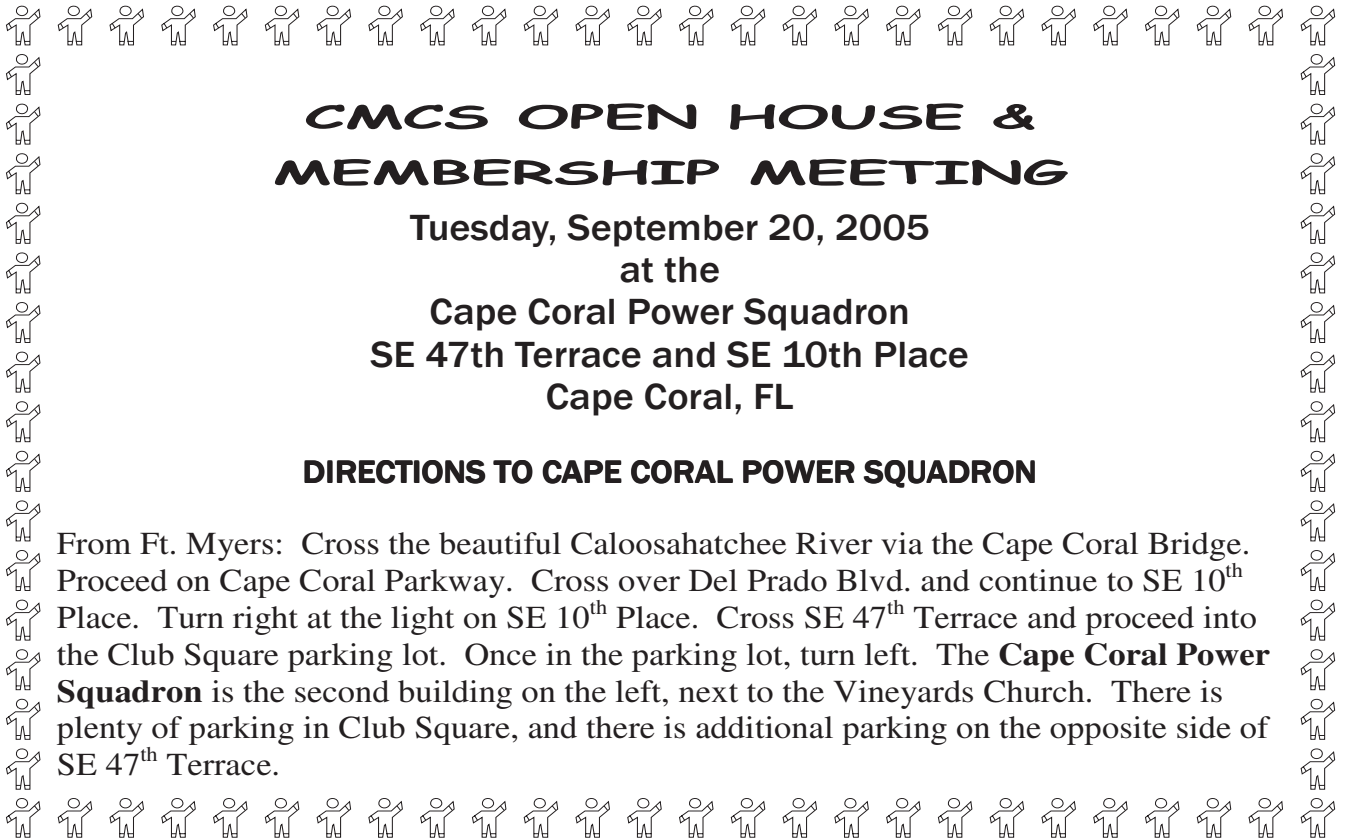


For written directions, see the bottom of the back page. We are anxiously anticipating our move into a clean, new, easy-to-get-to facility with plenty of parking and eateries to fill the hunger pangs before and after club meetings. For those of you who have not had the pleasure of seeing what's in-store for CMCS members, you will be amazed!!

Don't forget our OPEN HOUSE with the cae decorating contest. If you've got a favorite recipe, call Monica and sign-up---You Could WIN a Terrific Prize!



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c/o Mary Lou Mullins
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541-2479 marylou@swfla.rr.com



CMCS OPEN HOUSE & MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, September 20, 2005
at the
Cape Coral Power Squadron
SE 47th Terrace and SE 10th Place
Cape Coral, FL

DIRECTIONS TO CAPE CORAL POWER SQUADRON

From Ft. Myers: Cross the beautiful Caloosahatchee River via the Cape Coral Bridge. Proceed on Cape Coral Parkway. Cross over Del Prado Blvd. and continue to SE 10th Place. Turn right at the light on SE 10th Place. Cross SE 47th Terrace and proceed into the Club Square parking lot. Once in the parking lot, turn left. The **Cape Coral Power Squadron** is the second building on the left, next to the Vineyards Church. There is plenty of parking in Club Square, and there is additional parking on the opposite side of SE 47th Terrace.