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Welcome Aboard New Members:

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Member News & Events

◆ NEWS FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thank you to Naples City Council for your support and trust in voting to combine our 52nd Annual Naples Boat Show and our Downtown Naples Boat Show THIS January!! This long-standing Naples tradition will now feature yachts IN WATER at the Naples City Dock with transportation to and from our larger show at the Naples Airport!

We can't be more excited for this great opportunity to offer a little (or big) something for everyone! Watch for more information and vendor applications to follow in the next months



◆ PURE FLORIDA

Robin Rosario won the Sales Star Award for Pure Florida 2018

Kids cruise free every Sat 10 am with paid adult

We are fully open for business even though Tin City is undergoing new docks

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Logan Quataert has joined Pelican Isle Yacht Club's management team as new Club Controller. Logan comes on board at the conclusion of a \$4.8M renovation, and brings a background in private club accounting and finance as well a phenomenal level of member service and effective leadership. Formerly at Grey Oaks Country Club as the Accounting Manager, Logan is familiar with all aspects of Club Accounting, and earned his degree in Business Finance from Florida Gulf Coast University. Logan was selected to join the PIYC team at a time of expanding Lifestyle Offerings, increasing Social and Boating activities, and continuing Membership Growth. Logan will oversee the financial operations of the Club as well as contribute to

the strategic planning for the Club and Membership in the enhanced facility.

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Could Those LED Lights on the Boat Be Causing Your VHF Radio or AIS to go on the Fritz?

U.S. Coast Guard issues Marine Safety Alert on potential interference problem

With their low battery draw, cooler operation and sturdy construction, LED lights have been popular with recreational boaters. The lights may also be causing poor VHF radio and Automatic Identification System (AIS) reception, according to a [Marine Safety Alert](#) issued by the U.S. Coast Guard on August 15. The [BoatUS Foundation](#) for Boating Safety and Clean Water is urging boat owners to follow the Coast Guard's simple test procedures for LED interference and report any instances to the Coast Guard Navigation Center.

The alert, issued for informational purposes, outlines reports received from mariners concerning radio frequency interference caused by LED lamps that "were found to create potential safety hazards." In some cases, the Coast Guard says, the interference may cause problems if mariners need to call for help. The interference can affect VHF voice communications as well as Digital Selective Calling (DSC) messages, and it may also affect AIS because they also use VHF radio. In particular, masthead LED navigation lights on sailboats may cause problems due to their close proximity to antennas.

The Coast Guard advises that it is possible to test for the presence of LED interference by using the following procedures:

1. Turn off LED light(s).
2. Tune the VHF radio to a quiet channel (for example, channel 13).
3. Adjust the VHF radio's squelch control until the radio outputs audio noise.
4. Re-adjust the VHF radio's squelch control until the audio noise is quiet, only slightly above the noise threshold.
5. Turn on the LED light(s).

If the radio now outputs audio noise, then the LED lights are causing interference and it is likely that both shipboard VHF marine radio and AIS reception are being degraded by LED lighting. Potential solutions include contacting an electronics repair facility to address the problem, changing the LED bulb to incandescent bulb or fixture, or increasing the separation between the LED light and antenna.

The Coast Guard also requests those experiencing this problem to report their experiences to the [Coast Guard Navigation Center](#) by selecting "Maritime Telecommunications" on the subject drop-down list, then briefly describing the make and model of LED lighting and radios affected, the distance from lighting to any antennas and radios affected, and any other information that may help them understand the scope of the problem.

If you'd like to learn more about VHF DSC radio or AIS operation, BoatUS Foundation has online courses and a free DSC VHF tutorial at [BoatUS.org](#).

We Invite You to Beautiful SWFL



Dear Family, Friends, and Guests from Around the World,

Pure Florida invites you to feel safe and excited to have a fun on-the-water experience in Southwest Florida. You will find that on your vacation there may be some days you'll want to concentrate on inland activities and other days you can enjoy on-the-water activities, like Pure Florida in Naples or Fort Myers.

We are doing our best to use our social media platforms to continually update guests on what we are seeing when we go out on the water with videos and photos in real time. It is important to Pure Florida that you continue to have the world-class experience that you have come to expect at our destination. We welcome phone calls and emails to receive up-to-date information and help you choose the best experience for your family.

At Pure Florida, we do not shy away from the understandable concerns on our social media. We wanted to take this opportunity to express that we are open for business and will continue monitoring our water quality and encourage you to do the same. You can visit [Paradise Coast](#) for the latest beach conditions.

What is Red Tide?

Red Tide is a naturally-occurring organism and blooms begin offshore in the Gulf of Mexico. Winds and tides can move red tide closer to beaches and inlets. When red tide blooms it releases a toxic substance into the water and the air that can cause respiratory irritation in humans and can kill fish and sea life. You can further review the MOTE Marine Laboratory & Aquarium's informative [Red Tide FAQ](#)

What is Blue-Green Algae?

The Blue-Green Algae found in the Caloosahatchee River is a phylum of bacteria. It can be found in almost every land and water habitat. It is photosynthetic and blooms are common in waters polluted by nitrogen wastes. It consumes water's dissolved oxygen that can cause fish to die. When the algae begins to die, it can make the water smell bad. In humans, these blooms are an irritant that can cause sore throats and other cold symptoms and can be more harmful to those with allergies and asthma.

Lee County is working with multiple partners to make the clean-up process effective and efficient. You can visit [Lee.gov](#) to get the latest information on what Lee County is doing for the Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel and the Caloosahatchee River.

How Can WE Do Our Part

Everyone plays a part in our environment's success. Here is a great piece from Mote Marine Laboratory to give you ways to help keep our waterways clean:

In general, we can each do our part to help keep our waterways clean.

Even though we don't know everything yet about how human activity relates to a Florida red tide that has moved to shore, we know that there is the potential for coastal nutrients to influence blooms, and we certainly know that excess nutrients and other kinds of pollution flowing into our coastal ecosystems are generally bad for those systems and should be reduced.

One way that we can each reduce nutrients in storms water runoff is to choose yard plants that require less fertilizer, use slow release fertilizer and minimize fertilizer use overall.

There are more tips on how to keep waterways clean [here](#). For instance, being diligent about picking up pet waste.

Pure Florida is continuing our **SAVE20** promotion for guests to receive 20% OFF any experience including private fishing charters. Use discount code **SAVE20** when you book online or let our reservation team member know you would like 20% OFF using the **SAVE20** code when you contact us to make your reservation.

We want to thank [Collier County CVB](#), [Lee County VCB](#), and [Mote Marine](#) for coordinating up-to-date information and partnerships with state and federal agencies during this difficult time.

We do hope that you will continue to cruise, fish and have fun with Pure Florida! We thank you so much for your continued support! We look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Pure Florida

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MIPAC 3rd Quarter Contributions

Marine Industries Promoting Access for Citizens

In 2002 the Marine Industries Association of Collier County formed a Political Action Committee named Marine Industries Promoting Access for Citizens (MIPAC). This action was taken so that we can support issues and legislative candidates who assist the goals and purposes of the marine industries community.

On a quarterly basis, the MIPAC seeks donations of \$50.00 from each member. The MIPAC's mis-

sions and goals are to act upon problematic issues that must be addressed at the legislative level for the growth and protection of the marine industry. Monies collected from the MIPAC donations are used in supporting political decision makers that will tackle the very issues that affect all members of our industry. As a good steward of our member's donations, MIPAC adheres to uniform contribution criteria when determining how much and

to which candidate assistance is allocated.

MIPAC will educate you about the political landscape and issues facing our organization and will strategize political impact. In addition, the committee is always open to suggestions, questions and comments.

Please send your quarterly donations to MIPAC, PO Box 9887, Naples, Florida 34101



3rd Quarter contribution requests will be coming soon!
Please make checks payable to MIPAC

September Membership Meeting: Hamilton Harbor
Marco Boat Show
Christmas Boat Parade
Naples Boat Show

September 20th 5:30-8:00
October 12-14, 2018
December 8, 2018
January 17-20, 2019



Donate items: Support MIACC Foundation

We are in need of items for the Nautical Fleamarket at the Marco Boat Show, So if you have nautical or marine items laying around your home or business that could turn a profit for the Foundation, please let us know so we can pick it up! Thank you!

We Need Your Stuff

Donations can be made to
MIACC Foundation
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NAUTICAL DONATIONS

- * Boats
- * Flea market items
- * Tax Deductible Donations

The MIACC represents you, the marine business owner and your business interests to the government and to the public. At a time when government regulations are expanding, the MIACC is striving to work with government - locally, statewide and nationally to protect equally all marine business concerns. Our goal is to inform our members how their business will be affected and how solutions can be reached if new regulations are at odds with marine business interests. In addition, it is equally important to work with the public in preserving their right to safe and fun boating. The MIACC works with educators and safety organizations to educate the public to practice safe boating. The MIACC also encourages members to put in place hands-on environmental business practices that will prevent pollution and damage to our coastal waters thus protecting boaters' enjoyment of healthy waterways and ensuring a sustainable future for the environment and the marine industry.