

# MIACC

## *At the Helm*



### Marine Safety Meeting: March 28

**March 2024**



## MARINE SAFETY & SECURITY FORUM

*The forum is open to all members of the marine industry, public and media.*

**Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.**  
**Orange Blossom Library, in their Sugden Theater**  
**2385 Orange Blossom Drive**

The Collier County Sheriff's Office in conjunction with the Marine Industries Association of Collier County will be hosting a Marine Safety and Security Forum. Speakers from the Collier County Sheriff's Office, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Naples Police Department, Marco Island Police Department and Marine Industries Association of Collier County will be providing some traditional safety and security information in addition to updated trends and issues.

**In Person - Orange Blossom Library, in their Sugden Theater**  
**2385 Orange Blossom Drive**  
 Attendance is limited to 75 people.

#### **Virtually - WebEx**

Anyone who can't attend can view the event virtually. Please register through this Eventbrite site and we will send you a WebEx link to view. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/858326135577>

Please contact Lieutenant Brian Sawyer with any questions 239-252-0703.



### **Main Deck:**

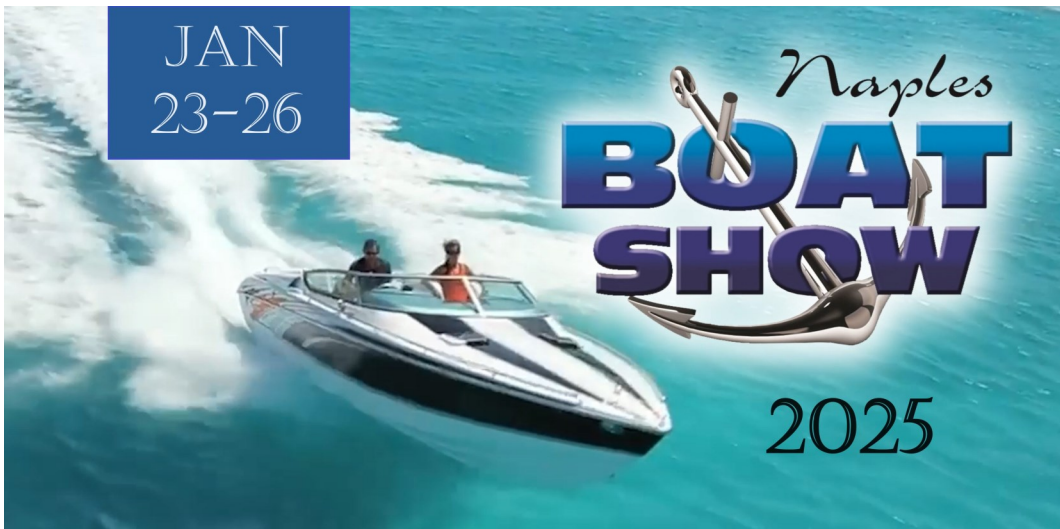
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### **Welcome Aboard New Members:**

*Share the benefits of membership  
 With your colleagues!*

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## Keewaydin Preserve Update



The paver pathway is complete! Thank you Accurate Pavers for your support of Keewaydin Preserve and the MIACC Foundation!!!  
Thank you Manta Films for capturing each project so beautifully!!

## Member News



### ◆ JOB LISTING

Sales Support Administrative Assistant

Location Naples Florida Office

#### **Company Profile**

Galati Yacht Sales is a leader in the marine industry with over 150 employees. We have been committed to exceeding the expectations of our customers since 1970. We have 13 locations throughout the Gulf Coast including Costa Rica and Mexico as well as locations in California. We offer competitive wages, benefits, 401(k) and more. DFW & EOE

#### **Job Description**

We are currently seeking a self-motivated, organized, enthusiastic individual to provide full-time administrative support to our sales office in Naples, FL. This position is primarily Monday through Friday; some weekends are required during occasional sales events.



- ◆ In today's digital age, a high-performing website is an essential tool for boat dealers, acting as the dealership's online face and giving customers with a virtual showroom and a platform for smooth interactions. Here, we'll look at the key characteristics that make boat dealer websites effective, delving into the details of each and clarifying the distinction between features and pages. It's essential to note that features are website functionality, whereas pages are discrete parts with specific information. Understanding this distinction, despite its connectivity, is critical for good website design and development. Moving forward, we'll go over the top pages that every boat dealer should have on their website to ensure success.



## Member News & Events

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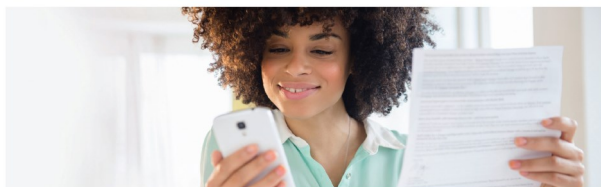
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- Invoice and donation capabilities
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- Optional site fee to help offset processing cost
- No login required
- Optional integration with QuickBooks Online
- Customers can receive invoices via email and/or text
- Real-time reporting including the option for email notifications

#### Features and functionality

- Instant Invoice
  - Electronic Invoice Presentation & Payment (EIPP)
  - Can provide customers with invoices via email or text
  - Customer can click and pay in seconds
- E-Bill Presentation
  - Electronic Bill Presentation & Payment (EBPP)
  - Organization can upload bills for consumer to locate and pay
  - Includes "View bill PDF" feature
- Recurring Payments
  - Automates payments and subscriptions
  - Schedules set by merchant or the customer
  - Reduces late/forgotten payments
- QuickBooks Online Integration
  - Simplifies accounting with payments automatically applied
  - Real-time reporting
  - Eliminates manual entry
- iVR Payment Capability
  - Ability for customer to pay invoice via phone
  - Bilingual support available

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## Member News & Listings



### SNOOK BIGHT MARINE REBUILDS AFTER HURRICANE IAN

Taking the lives of over 150 people and causing over \$112B USD in damage, Hurricane Ian hit the Fort Myers Beach, Florida area with massive destructive power. Directly in the path of the storm's full force was Snook Bight Marina, a Suntex property. Today, the world-class marina is rebuilding with a state-of-the-art Golden Marine Systems floating aluminum dock array as its centerpiece.

The storm completely tore away all of Snook Bight Marina's wet slips, fuel dock and piles. Making matters worse, the 15' surge left 8' of water in the marina office, store and storage barn, where it destroyed the company's forklifts.

Suntex put the reconstruction project out for bid and chose Golden Marine Systems with Panama City, Florida-based RJ Gorman Marine Construction as the contractor. Fabrication of the replacement Golden 850 Series Aluminum Dock sections began in earnest at Golden's ISO 9001:2015-certified Fort Myers production facility.

The 850 Series is manufactured using only premium marine-grade 6061-T6 aluminum. Integrated E-Tracks allow the 12" cleats to slide fore and aft to accommodate individual vessels. The array at Snook Bight Marina is comprised of a 240' center walkway with two 8' W x 725' L cross sections, each with 11 4' W finger piers. Smaller docks close to shore are ideal for day use. All are covered in fade- and slip-resistant Endeck composite decking.

Located on picturesque Estero Bay, Snook Bight Marina is a full-service facility with 70 interior and linear slips for vessels up to 50' in length. It features a 200-boat drystack operation, rentals, sales and service, a Suntex membership club and award-winning waterfront restaurants. Its website is [snookbightmarina.com](http://snookbightmarina.com).

Contact Golden Manufacturing, 17611 East St., North Fort Myers, FL 33917. 888-909-5438 or 239-337-4141. [sales@goldenboatlifts.com](mailto:sales@goldenboatlifts.com); [www.goldenboatlifts.com](http://www.goldenboatlifts.com); [www.goldenmarinesystems.com](http://www.goldenmarinesystems.com).



### 2024 INVINCIBLE 33' CATAMARAN



#### JUST ARRIVED

AquaMist Hull / White Trim  
White Honeycomb Upholstery  
Twin Mercury Verado V10 400's  
FISH RIGGED!

### 2024 INVINCIBLE 37' CATAMARAN



#### ARRIVING MARCH 2024

Kingston Grey Hull / White Trim  
White Honeycomb Upholstery  
Quad Mercury Verado V10 400's  
FISH RIGGED!

### 2019 INVINCIBLE 37' CATAMARAN



#### JUST REDUCED TO \$535,000

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## MIPAC 1st 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

## Upcoming Events

MIACC Safety & Security Forum: Orangetree Public Library  
Meet the Candidates Membership Meeting  
July Member Meeting: Naples Princess  
Docktail Party  
Christmas Boat Parade

March 28 at 10:30am  
May TBD  
July TBD  
Oct TBD  
December 14

## Invasive Fish Round Up



# INVASIVE FISH ROUND UP

## April 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>, 2024!

Help save our waters and have a chance to win **AMAZING PRIZES!**

**Registration**  
\$10 per adult angler  
Free for junior anglers  
Must register by 7am, April 26th  
**More information at:**  
<https://bit.ly/2024CISMA>  
**Or by scanning the QR code**

\*All proceeds go to the Southwest Florida Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area

**Competition Categories**  
Heaviest Aggregate Catch  
Invasive Slam (Most species)  
Heaviest Fish

**Prizes**  
Fishing lures for all junior anglers  
Draw string bags for all anglers  
Top prizes to be announced

**Fun Activities**  
Fish printing  
Fillet demonstration  
Educational booths

**Rules**  
• Adult and Junior (<16) Divisions  
• Up to 4 anglers per team  
• All legal methods of take allowed  
• All fish must be captured between 4/26-4/28/24

**Weigh-In**  
Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup>  
12pm-3pm  
Bass Pro Shops,  
Gulf Coast Town Center,  
Fort Myers



**Our Mission:** Marine Industries Association of Collier County (MIACC) is a not-for-profit membership-based organization focused on the responsible growth of the marine industry for the benefit of its members, recreational boaters, the community, and the environment.

**Our Goal:** MIACC represents recreational boating and member interests at the Local, State, and Federal levels; Issues of interest include Water Access, Recreational Boating, Commercial Boating, Free Trade, Advocating for Property Rights, and Legislative or Regulatory initiatives that impact these interests.

**Our Members:** Members include Dealers & Manufacturers, Boating & Professional Services, Charters, Marine Contractors, Boat Lifts, Shipyards & Storage, and Equipment & Accessories.



**1st Quarter Contributions available !**  
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