



**Brevard County Memorial Veteran's Center
April 4, 2023 Business Meeting**

6:30 PM

Refreshments

7:00 PM

Guest Speaker:

**Robin Courtney
has arranged for
an exceptional
presentation by
wildlife**

**conservationist
Julie Albert and
Marine biologist
Joel Cohen who
will talk about the**

Right Whale Project. You will not want to miss this!



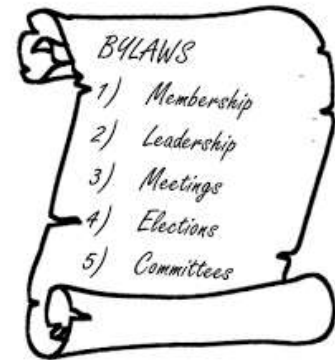
MEMBERSHIP



7:30 PM: Important decisions requiring membership vote

❖ **By-laws approval:**

- The updated by-laws have been approved by



national and need membership approval.

- Copies of the current by-laws along with those approved by national are on the website: www.cbpsps.org.

- Hard copies will be at the meeting



- ❖ **Budget approval**

- Hard copies were available in March and will be at the April meeting

- ❖ **Other financial votes:**

- Education Fund dispersal
- I Bonds consideration





BOATSHOWS

2023 / 26th Annual

CFFW Marine Flea Market
Saturday and Sunday
April 1st and 2nd, 2023
8am-4pm daily

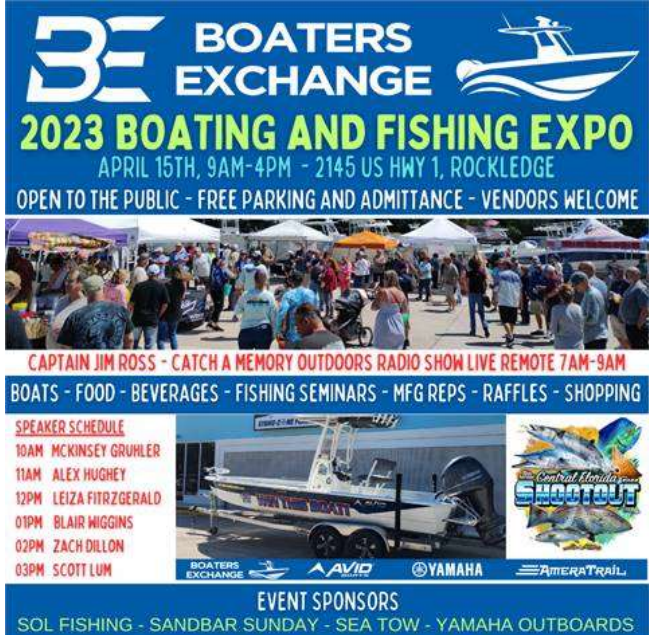



- Executive Officer John Gonzalez has filled the slate of volunteers for the Cocoa Beach information tent. Members are encouraged to

stop by and visit.

Boaters Exchange
Boating and Fishing Expo
April 15, 2023
9am-4pm daily
2145 US Highway
Rockledge, FL

Volunteers are needed to work
at this event. Sign up at the April meeting or at
XO@cbsps.org.



BE BOATERS EXCHANGE 

2023 BOATING AND FISHING EXPO
 APRIL 15TH, 9AM-4PM - 2145 US HWY 1, ROCKLEDGE
 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - FREE PARKING AND ADMITTANCE - VENDORS WELCOME

CAPTAIN JIM ROSS - CATCH A MEMORY OUTDOORS RADIO SHOW LIVE REMOTE 7AM-9AM

BOATS - FOOD - BEVERAGES - FISHING SEMINARS - MFG REPS - RAFFLES - SHOPPING

SPEAKER SCHEDULE

10AM	MCKINSEY GRUHLER
11AM	ALEX HUGHEY
12PM	LEIZA FITZGERALD
01PM	BLAIR HIGGINS
02PM	ZACH DILLON
03PM	SCOTT LUM

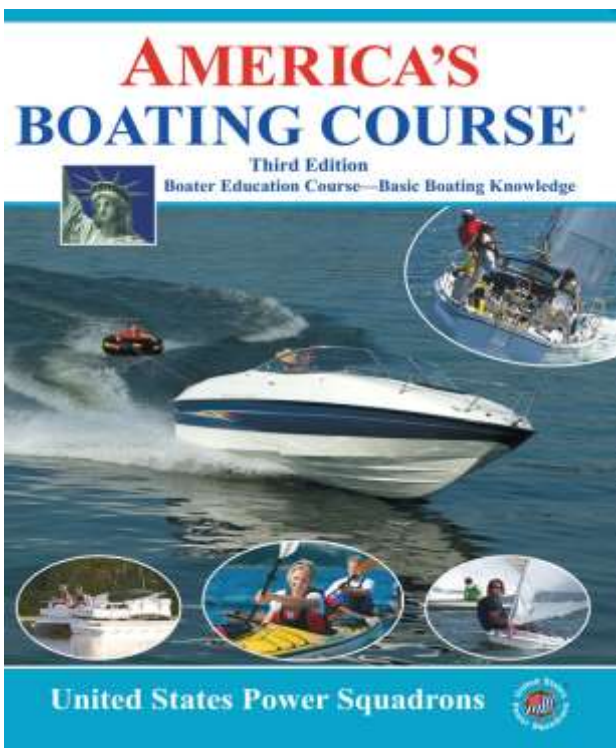
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 SOL FISHING - SANDBAR SUNDAY - SEA TOW - YAMAHA OUTBOARDS



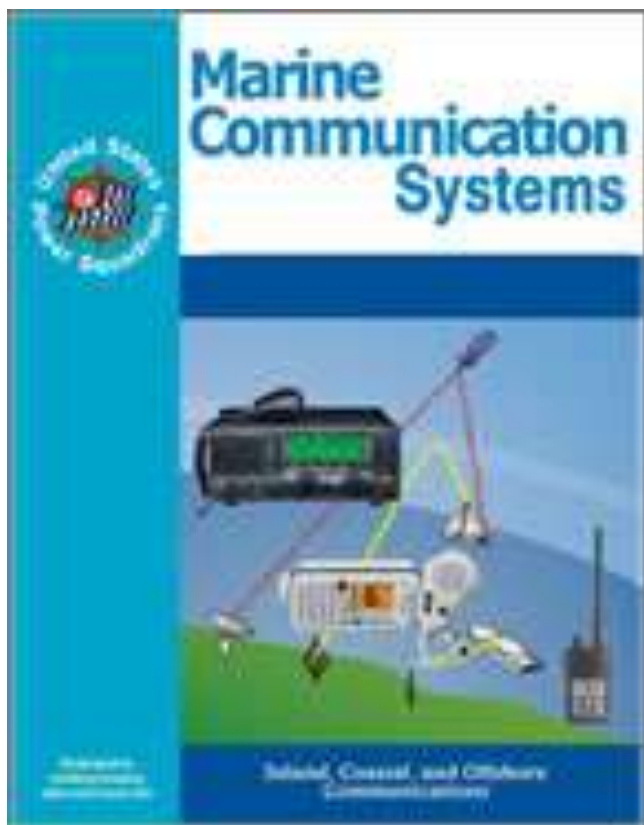
- ❖ April 22: Boaters will travel to the North end of Mosquito Lagoon for a raft-up
 - Waypoint: (28° 50.9' N x 80° 47.2')
 - Contact Cdr. Roy Merritt: rkmerritt@yahoo.co.uk or cell 321-305-3992



EDUCATION



- ❖ **ABC3 Class: April 22nd at Port Canaveral Yacht Club**
 - Refresh your knowledge and invite your voting friends to attend
 - Cost: \$20/for one and \$10/up to three additional family members; free book.
 - Sign up at registrar@cbsps.org



- ❖ **Marine Communications: May 8- June 26**
 - Instructor Roy Merritt will share his extensive knowledge of marine radios at this 8-week class.
 - New venue: Cocoa Village Elks Lodge on Florida Avenue in Cocoa Village
 - Monday nights: 6:00-8:00 PM: member fee: \$83.00 and \$25 for person sharing the book
 - Sign-up at meeting or with SEO@cbsps.org

Other News

- ❖ **Snacks:** Members are reminded to sign up for snack donations for the up-coming meetings
- ❖ **Shirts:** Donna Longway will be taking orders for America's Boating Club shirts and hats
- ❖ **Brevard County Veteran's Memorial Plaza:** Take a stroll through the memory garden where there are two benches donated by America's Boating Club Cocoa Beach. As one of the 16 supporting agencies, our club is also recognized on the signage at the entrance to the park.
- ❖ **Dues:** Cocoa Beach and D23 have once again maintained the annual dues. The national organization has increased their dues by \$5.00 for a single membership and \$7.50 for a family membership. They are facing doubled insurance rates along with the increases in other operating expenses.



VOLUNTEERS BUILD RESILIENT COMMUNITIES



Let's not forget donations of canned food, bottled water, and personal hygiene items to be brought to our monthly meetings.



These items are desperately for the veterans in need, as well as the homeless families in Brevard



**Hygiene
Kits
Needed**

County. All Brevard County Veteran's Center staff and volunteers.

donations are distributed by the

Clean, un-crushed aluminum cans are collected monthly as a fund raiser for our club activities.



And do not forget to bring in the aluminum tabs that are donated in support of the Ronald McDonald House.