



Gale Tales

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Up Coming Events

May 2022

Event	Date	Time	Place
Run for the Roses Happy Hour	May 7	5:00 PM	Morgan's Home
DWBH	May 10	5:00 PM	Swordfish Grill
Terra Ceia Regatta	May 21	Noon	Terra Ceia Bay
Terra Ceia Regatta Party	May 21	5:00 PM	Tropic Isles Yacht Club



I feel the excitement is building for the Terra Ceia Regatta and Party. I can't believe it is only three weeks away. We still have room so registration is easy, just go to msasailing.org and click on the Terra Ceia link in the upper right corner. Let us know by email if you want a shirt or we can provide them later after the big day.

On the Horizon

Event	Date	Time	Place
Mini Golf	June, TBD	TBD	Sumgglers Cove
Classic Movie Night	July 22	7:30 PM	Sarasota Opera House

But first, this was a good month of exhibits, parties and sail-aways. The DWBH was well attended at the Sea Hut Restaurant in Palmetto. Linda and I went back by boat the next week, navigating the shallow waters and found there was no dock at the end. But we lifted our dog Lucky over the rails and tied up to the deck in the back. It was a good adventure, there and on the trip back.

Terra Ceia Regatta and Party May 21st



Although Linda and I couldn't attend the Imagine Glass of Art trip I understand it was a huge success. Linda wanted to go to say she had gone to the restaurant with three sisters theme, she is one of three. Give credit to Gail for once again providing a great venue to attend. She showed me a picture of the infinity glass exhibit, a series of triangular mirrors that appeared to go on forever. I heard from others that it was a great trip. Gail and Chuck are

going to Prague this month so we may have a break from the activities she has planned.

This past Friday we boarded a boat out of Margaritaville on Manatee Avenue to join up with the sail-away group assembled in the harbor at the end of Bridge Street. I tried to take a selfie of the group but at arm's length couldn't get everyone in the picture. I'm sure it was well documented with photos from others that will provide their take on Friday night.



Saturday night 11 of us met at the Bridge Street Inn and Restaurant for dinner and entertainment. To my delight the two-person band played a song written and performed by a friend of mine in Ohio. The words might have been offensive because it was about marrying a young, dumb, rich nymphomaniac. But everyone learned the words and sang along when the chorus kicked in. At the end of their set they sang God Bless the USA by Lee Greenwood and the entire bar stood up, arm in arm and sang the words.

Sunday morning we met again, this time at the Island Creperie on Bridge Street of Bradenton Beach. It was the end of a good, long, sail-away weekend arranged by Rick and Adelia Jackerson.

Now we look to the future. If you are reading this you likely were invited to the Run for the Roses

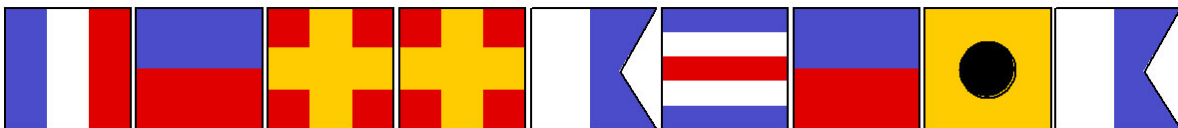
party at Carla and Gary Morgan's house on Saturday, starting at 5 PM. The party leads up to the Kentucky Derby when the best three-year old thoroughbreds race 1 ¼ miles at Churchill Downs in Kentucky. Mint Juleps will be served. Bring an appetizer, it is BYOB with Kentucky Derby attire admired. Their address is in the MSA directory or you can write me and I will gladly share it with you.

And then there is the DWBH on May 10. LuAnn Zajaczkowski has arranged for us to visit the Swordfish Grill in Cortez at 5 PM. Please let LuAnn know if you are attending as soon as you know by sending her an email at luann01@comcast.net. The restaurant offers some of the best seafood in the area with a wonderful water view.

The signal flags last month spelled out Wink. It might have been the only flags owned by the Florida Maritime Museum but it is good to keep this line of communications alive. See if you can decipher the signal flags this month.

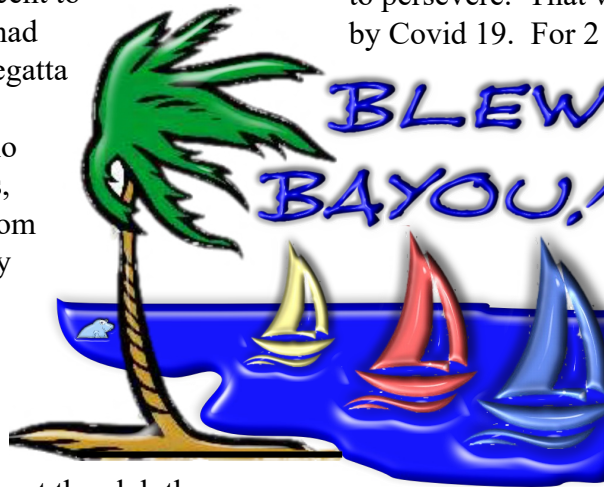
I hope to see you at the Terra Ceia Regatta and Party on May 21. Until then, happy sailing.

Tom Briggie
Commodore



TERRA CEIA REGATTA
"THE SAME BUT DIFFERENT!"
MAY 21ST, 2022

Manatee Sailing Association has been around for a longtime! We were chartered way back in 1985 and thankfully some of the original members are still with us who can tell us the way it was 37 years ago. But the one thing that hasn't changed was that even back then, a group of members sailed around scenic Terra Ceia Bay for fun and challenge. Members Sally and Tom Quinn live right there adjacent to the park and pavilion that had been home to our annual regatta for a long time. Another important MSA family, who sadly are no longer with us, lived just down the road from the Quinn's, Bill and Sandy Futhy. (Sandy was MSA greeter at all the meetings and she would welcome members and guests with a famous smile and provide any information about the club they needed to know. She was our beloved Ambassador!) Well, way back then as sailors do, a few MSA members decided to have a friendly little race on Terra Ceia Bay with a party at the Quinn's house after. As the story goes, a trophy being the usual reward for the winner of a race was discovered merely by accident. You see, Sally had a funeral urn that had at one time held the remains of her great, great, great, great grandfather. She was cleaning out a closet and threw the ornate metal monstrosity in the trash barrel. Bill Futhy passed by the barrel while visiting and spotted the metal urn sticking out of the trash. He picked it out, took it home and put a wood base on it. Voila! The coveted Annual Terra Ceia Trophy was born. For 20 years, the trophy was presented to "MSA members only" who had the best scores of the Terra Ceia race. The funeral urn/trophy was retired recently mainly because it was disintegrating and that there was no more



room to put winner's names on the base. (No one protested, I might add!) The Quinns used to host the party segment of the Terra Ceia Regatta at their home for years until the club grew and the number of attendees became unmanageable. Then we moved over to the Terra Ceia pavilion and park for the subsequent gatherings. Weather was always an issue and I can attest after trying to place tablecloths on the tables, that the strong winds were always a problem. Pesky bugs made the evening soiree a nightmare at times no matter how much we sprayed. But we managed to persevere. That was until we were blindsided by Covid 19. For 2 years we have had to put this tradition on a back burner. And in doing so, we have had to make changes and assimilate into a new revised 2022 addition of Terra Ceia. First of all, we will hold our party inside the delightful Tropic Isles Yacht Club Conference Hall. That means that tablecloths do not have to be secured down and bugs will not be hassling us during the evening hours. Although there will be 2 races on Terra Ceia Bay, the course will be slightly changed to accommodate the new venue location. Instead of having our meal catered and having to struggle with rising costs, we will each bring a dish to share with our friends. So if you are a new member to MSA and the 2022 Terra Ceia Race and Regatta is your first experience, you won't realize that we have had years of history to get to this point. And for members who have been around for a long time as I have, we may look a little different, but we are still the same. Enjoy the changes and revere the past. See you at the 2022 Terra Ceia Regatta and Race on May 21st and let's make history one more time!

Gail Gordon
MSA Social Secretary

**IMAGINING GLASS IN A WHOLE NEW WAY!
MSA SOCIAL EVENT, APRIL 21, 2022**

We were a lucky 13 that turned up in the parking lot of the Imagine Museum of Contemporary Art Glass on W. Central Ave in St. Petersburg on April 21st. It was a gorgeous day as we waited for the doors to open at the front of the huge blue building.



As I was early, I had taken the time to walk around to enjoy the spectacular mural painted on the east and north sides of the structure. A school of animated fish circled the façade. They looked



as excited as we were to have a look at what was locked inside this place. At 10 A.M., we were welcomed through the doors by our enthusiastic guide, Judy, who invited us to explore with her. We ogled the artwork around us. The lobby was packed with a treasure trove of spectacular glass art pieces one of which looked like a collection of colorful long boat hulls hanging from the ceiling. Charles asked but it was not for sale! Bummer!



Judy invited us to have a seat in a guest area and she gave us the brief story of the origin and progression of making glass throughout history. She had been a teacher so she knew how to capture our interests and get us ready for a tour of the gallery. At first glance I was amazed at the size of the many extensive collections that were displayed in various chambers on 2 levels. I thought, for a mere monetary investment, we would be entertained here for some time. There were so many incredible pieces in the gallery but at this time, I will only preview 2 that were so outstanding, they took my breath away. Our first encounter was accompanied by a video of



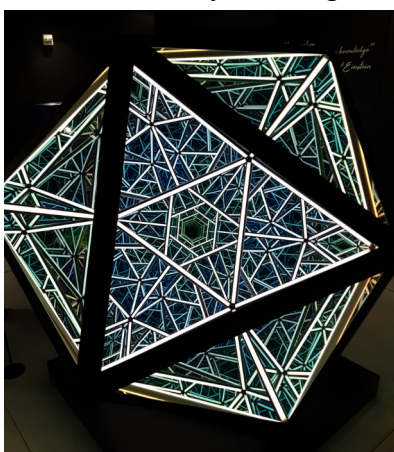
the artist who had been commissioned by the museum's founder, Trish Duggan, to design a large piece of artwork. Apparently, the museum selected an artist of the year....and for 2022 the artist was an American, Martin Blank, because "his work distinctively expressed motion, sensuality and the powerful resonance of human landscapes". The piece was entitled, "If a River Could Tell a Story". It was a journey of self discovery which contained 52 elements, was 8 feet at the tallest point, 13 feet in length and 3 to 8 feet in width. Within the blue and green glass multileveled sections we could identify important figures such as Buddha and Gandhi and yet the fluidity of this river of humanity was completely cohesive. "I work in the way forms relate to each other to cut a line in space that flows, turns and carries the eye around the piece" said Martin Blank and I totally agreed. Judy allowed us to gather within the curve of the glass river to take a group



photo. Within the room was a smaller piece by Blank of equal beauty called the “Swimmers.” It was impossible to select a favorite so I didn’t even try.

After Judy pointed out some of her favorites pieces in the gallery and other art work that were so unusual and

intriguing, we were left to explore the gallery on our own. But not before we gathered at a room called Nirvana which contained over 1000 glass Buddha created by the founder herself, Trish Duggan. We walked back through the rooms on the second floor making sure we didn’t miss anything before heading downstairs to the street level. There were unbelievable art glass in each room but one piece was more than worth the price of admission. It was nothing short of amazing! It was called “Portal Icosahedrons” created by Anthony James. A person could get lost at this look into infinity! “The geometric globes of 20



identical triangular facets were a mathematical experiment in unity used by Plato to demonstrate an ideal compositional system of perfect symmetry in

three dimensions. This sculpture brought a rigid and gleaming tangibility to the abstraction of the numerical calculations of flawless coherence. A system thousands of years old was translated into modern metals and technological light.” It was a

showstopper! We explored every chamber of this gallery until it was time to leave for lunch. I recommend this outstanding museum and if it matters at all, I rate this museum a five star attraction not to be missed. Even the gift shop was amazing!



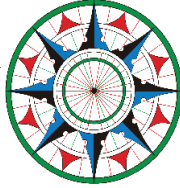
Several of the group walked a few blocks to 3 Daughter Brewery for a few beers and some food on the deck and under the awning on a spectacular Florida spring day. And a few more MSA members continued their exploration of the eclectic Grand Central area of St. Petersburg fast becoming one of my favorite nearby communities. Thank you for joining me for this wonderful discovery not far from our own back yards.

Gail Gordon
MSA social Secretary



CRUISING NEWS

We are encouraged by the additional participation at the April Sailaway. Friday, April 29, three boats met up at the Bridge Street anchorage with another couple coming by car. Jazz brought Charles, Debi and LuAnn, and Aurora



brought Denny and Brigid. Adelia and I arrived on a motor boat with Tom and Linda Briggie. We picked up the boat at

Margaritaville off Manatee Avenue and we rafted up with Aurora. This was our first progressive happy hour. Charles, Debi and LuAnn dinghied over and we had our initial happy hour on the Briggles' Freedom motor boat. We were all squeezed together in a tight circle, but it was great fun to be with such a nice crowd. The weather was beautiful and food and drinks began to flow. It's been quite a while since I anchored at Bridge Street, and it was nice to see that some of the derelict boats were gone.

Jim and Lynne McGinnis arrived by car and while Charles took his crew back to Jazz, Linda brought the motor boat to the floating dock at the Bridge Street Pier to pick up Jim and Lynne. We all then progressed to Jazz for the second half of Happy Hour on Jazz. The weather was perfect, including a two minute light sprinkle just to remind us that we must respect Mother Nature. It wasn't long before 7 pm arrived and it was time to get the Freedom Boat Club boat back home before it turned into a pumpkin, (which happens at dusk).



Adelia and I wish we could have spent the night on the water with the Jazz and Aurora crowd, but Free Spirit is still out of commission. I have done some mechanical detective work on the motor and I am beginning to be optimistic that we will be able to make it to the Terra Ceia festival. This event was our first event with MSA and it convinced us to join the club. We were very sad that the event was canceled last year due to covid 19 and we are glad to see it returning this year. I highly recommend you come out and party with us. We are very fortunate that John Castellano reserved the Tropic Isles club house for us. Come by boat if you can or by car if you can't come by boat, but enjoy the camaraderie of our MSA gang.

Saturday there was a brief but powerful storm at 4 pm which helped liven things up. The same group of 11 MSA members met at the Bridge Tenders restaurant at 5 pm for a great dinner. The rain cooled things down so that outside dining was perfect. Adelia, my southern bell, is always on the hunt for chicken livers which is hard to come by in Florida. She had a chance to

try "Fred's chicken livers" which was an appetizer. It got two thumbs up from the Southern blond. The Bridge Tender had a very good, but very loud band. I was very surprised that everyone in the restaurant stood up and held hands when they played the "Proud to be an American" song. It was very heartening to see a bunch of

strangers acting like we are all capable of being friendly together instead of being in conflict with each other. Wouldn't it be great if that could catch on here in the United States.!

Sunday morning we all met at the Island Creperie for a brief trip to Paris for crepes and croissants. Luckily Adelia made a reservation that morning because there was a large crowd in front of the small restaurant. Once again,

everyone showed up. Adelia and I got a parking spot right in front of the restaurant which is located on Bridge Street, which was a miracle. We got to say good-bye to Jim and Lynne who are going up north until September. Patti Korn arrived by bike and we got to say good-bye to her as she is going on a trip to Croatia. We warned her to keep a lookout for



missiles coming from Russia.

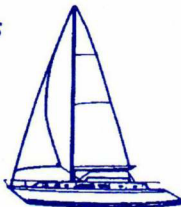
At this point we normally say, "Let us know if you are planning on joining us, either on a boat or driving over.", but the next boating event will be the big Terra Ceia party and race which is not our event per say, so you can still call us, but you may not get the information you are looking for. We hope to see you at Terra Ceia, with or without a boat.



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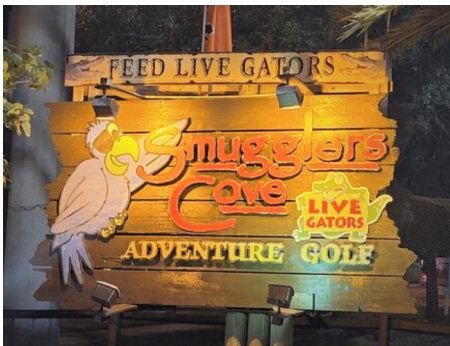
TERRA CEIA MAY 21ST

This particular event needs no introduction! This race and regatta is our history...past, present and future. The races are being organized by our Race Captain, John Castellana and the committee boat will be provided by Tom and Linda Briggie. The theme of the day is "Blew Bayou" which was Mike Spellacy's idea before Covid hit. The twist of the theme is clever. Note there are dates on the sailboats in the design that "blew" by us these past 2 years. The race starts at noon and the party will begin after the races and will be held this time at the Tropic Isles Yacht Club located at 1503 28th Ave W, Palmetto. Please bring an entrée or dessert to share with the group plus your own preferred beverage. Music and dancing at the club will be provided by Soundwaves Sarasota. \$15 will cover party expenses and collector T-shirts are available for \$15 each. This is a no brainer!!!! Sign up to race, participate at the party and have a great day all around! Terra Ceia only comes once a year (and sometimes not at all). See you there!

ON THE HORIZON

JUNE, 2022 (TBA) DINNER AND NIGHT MINI GOLF AT SMUGGLERS COVE

Enjoy an evening on the greens with a few entertaining obstacles.



JULY 22, 2022

FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE SARASOTA OPERA HOUSE

The annual Classic Movies at the opera house are making the long hot summer bearable. This July we will be privileged to see "To Kill A Mocking Bird" on the big screen. This is a story about a single father raising his 2 small children in the Deep South when racial prejudice was the way of life. Gregory Peck stars as Addicus Finch, a lawyer who takes on a trial that proves to threaten all involved. We will enjoy dinner at a local restaurant steps from the opera house. Watch for emails to sign up.



AUGUST, 2022

MARAUDERS BASEBALL AT LECOM PARK (TBA)

Take me out to the ballgame
Take me out to the crowd
Buy me some peanuts and crackerjack
I don't care if I never get back
So it's root, root, root,
for the home team
If they don't win, it's a
shame
It's one, two, three strikes
you're out
At the old ballgame





INVITATION TO FUN RACE & PARTY

MAY 21, 2022

The officers and members of the Manatee Sailing Association invite you to join us in the twenty-fourth annual Terra Ceia Regatta fun races on beautiful Terra Ceia Bay.

THE RACES:

- There will be two races -- the first starting at 12:00 pm (noon), the second when the first is completed.
- There will be 2 divisions, boats with ballast and boats with-out ballast. There must be three boats to race in a division.
- Boats wishing to use a flying headsail must declare their intention by Friday, May 13.
- Handicaps: We will accept the handicap of boats on record at MSA; PHRF-WF certificate, current or expired, or you may apply for an MSA handicap before Friday, May 13.
- There is no fee to enter.

THE PARTY:

- We have reserved the Tropic Isles Yacht Club, 1375 29th Ave. W. Palmetto in Tropic Isles Park, for our party that will convene when the races have finished.
- 5:00 pm: Cocktail hour (BYOB)
- 6:00 pm: Dinner
- 7:00 pm: Music
- Awards presented during the band's break.
- In the event of seriously inclement weather the party will go on as planned. The race will be postponed until Sunday, May 22.

REGISTRATION BY MAY 13, PLEASE

FOR INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION FORMS

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MANATEE SAILING ASSOCIATION 2022 RACE & ON THE WATER EVENTS REGISTRATION

This form covers all MSA on the water events in 2022

Skipper's Name: _____ Boat Name: _____

BOAT TYPE, MODEL, YEAR and LOA: _____ email address _____

My Name: _____ My Phone #: _____

My Address: _____ City, ZIP: _____

Race Entry Agreement - Please Read Carefully UNSIGNED, INCOMPLETE REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE REJECTED

In consideration of the acceptance of my race entry by Manatee Sailing Association (MSA), I agree as follows:

1. Representations. If I am the Skipper, I represent that I own, or have permission of the owner to skipper, the boat entered. I certify that my boat is equipped to conform with U.S. Coast Guard, US SAILING and Class/Fleet safety requirements, including a personal flotation device for each crew member. I am fully responsible for the operation and safety of my boat. I represent that I and my crew are physically fit to participate in the race.

If I am crew or Skipper, I represent that my participation in this recreational activity is voluntary and for my enjoyment, that I am free to withdraw at any time I deem prudent, that I am physically fit to participate in the race, that I acknowledge that sailboat racing involves risks, and that I freely assume all risks, including the risks of serious personal injury, death or permanent disability from accident, drowning, exposure, overexertion, adverse sea or weather conditions, loss or damage of my boat or equipment, as well as all unforeseen risks.

2. Rules. I will comply with all US SAILING rules, the ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing and all other rules that govern these events.

3. Insurance. MSA is not my insurer. If I am the Skipper, I maintain insurance policies sufficient to protect myself and my property, including liability, medical and property coverage, which insurance is primary and non-contributory, AND I HAVE ATTACHED A COPY OF THE DECLARATIONS PAGE OF SAID INSURANCE HERETO.

4. Liability Waiver and Release. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I waive the right to sue and I forever release MSA from any and all liability for personal injury or property damage arising from my participation in the race, and if I am the Skipper, I agree to indemnify and hold MSA harmless from any claim, damage, liability, lawsuit, cost or expense, including attorney fees, arising from my or my crew's acts or omissions and from any lawsuit brought against MSA in violation of this agreement.

Today's Date: _____ My Signature: _____

My parent or guardian's signature if I am under 18 years old: _____

Please return this form and attachments to the attention of MSA Race Captain, John Castellana (585)-737-6712
by email to: jcastell382@gmail.com or by mail to: MSA, P.O. Box 14482, Bradenton, FL
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Manatee Sailing Association New Membership Application

Name(s): 1. _____ 2. _____

Other members in household: _____

Address: _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell 1: _____ Cell 2 _____

Email 1 _____ Email 2 _____

Boat Make/Size _____ Boat Name _____

Sail # _____ PHRF _____

Signature: _____

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