



NWS Tampa Bay Area Visits the Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society

Your National Weather Service office in Ruskin recently presented a marine weather safety presentation at a meeting of the Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society in Cape Coral. During the presentation meteorologist Mike Cantin discussed the mission of the NWS, and displayed the many features available for mariners at www.weather.gov/tampabay, and made a plug for marine weather spotters. In addition, Cantin displayed an experimental marine weather site still in development and sought feedback. Comments about NWS Ruskin's marine weather services were overwhelmingly positive, and the group was very excited to hear about the 24 hour availability of meteorological expertise by calling the office. Over 70 people attended the event which began with a desert contest, and ended with a general meeting for the group. The Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society is a group of boating enthusiasts dedicated to teaching safe boating techniques and bringing together people with a love of the water.