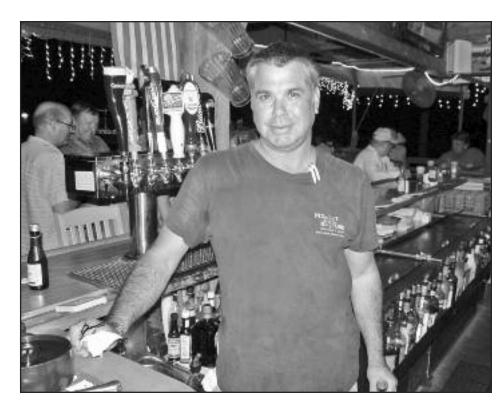
## Bartender of the Month Ed Carboni

Pilot House



Ed Carboni has been featured in the Coconut Telegraph before as Artist of the Month for his writing, and as you read more about him you'll discover that he would most definitely be featured again if this paper had a "Traveler of the Month" category. His life has taken him on many adventures and now has him at home. bartending at the Pilot House.

In addition to being a bartender, Carboni is a world traveler licensed Merchant Marine Officer, and an avid scuba diver. He was born and raised in Philadelphia, where he graduated from Holy Family College. Carboni's extensive travels have allowed him the privilege of seeing every continent on earth with the exception of Antarctica.

During his travels a few misadventures have occurred, including an ill-advised midnight encounter with an African bull elephant in Kenya, a not-quite-as-planned shark feeding in the Bahamas, and a

search-and-recovery operation in the Caribbean for a tall ship's anchor in 100 feet of water with no visibility where a moray eel looked just like a length of chain. In Ireland, he was once presumed dead!

In 2001, Carboni found work on the Miami based liveaboard dive vessel. Sea Fever. as a deck hand/Dive Master. Over the course of three years cruising the Bahamas he worked as engineer, first mate and eventually earned his 100ton Merchant Marine captain's license. Also during that time he had the opportunity to log over 700 dives, taking him over the 1,000-dive mark. After leaving the Sea Fever in 2004, he worked as cook/emergency diver on the sail training tall ship, Concordia while it circumnavigated the globe. During that time he singlehandedly prepared over two hundred meals daily, helped the crew work the sails in occasional gale force winds

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