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SOUNDINGS DEADLINE: THE 10TH OF EACH MONTH

We welcome comments, boating stories and any articles of interest you'd like to submit... E:Mail an <u>Attachment</u> to

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AT THE HELM

Commander John F. Mulkey, P



With the new year upon us, I think about all the people who have helped me complete another year as Commander. This is a position that is very rewarding, but without a lot of help it would be a very difficult task. My thanks to all of you.

The Holiday Party at Rockledge Country Club was wonderful. The food was outstanding and a good time was had by all.

At the January Membership Meeting we are having a Chili Cook-Off. Bring your best pot of chili in a crock pot and it will be assigned a number. The membership will then vote for the chili they liked the best and you will have bragging rights for the year. We will provide dinnerware, bread, crackers and beverages.

The District 23 Winter Council Meeting will again be held at the ARC Center in Daytona Beach on Saturday, January 22, 2011.

The USPS National Meeting will be held January 31 to February 5, 2011 at Coronado Springs Resort, Disneyworld. If you have never been to a National Meeting you should make an effort to attend. There are meetings on all kinds of subjects and vendors of all types. I will have a copy of the agenda at the January Membership Meeting so you can pick the day or days best suited to your interests.

Change of Watch is Saturday, February 26, 2011 at the Eau Gallie Yacht Club. This will be a sit-down luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. Choices will be either Baked Salmon or London Broil. Attire will be navy blazer, grey pants or dressy casual. The food at the yacht club is fabulous. This is one COW you won't want to miss.

Merri and I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy New Year!





I want to thank all of my committee chairmen for all their help this past year. I hope all members of CBSPS had a Merry Christmas and I wish all of you a very Happy & Healthy New Year.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER LT/C Joseph S. Auchter, JN



The Wednesday lunch bunch sailed with USSPS Captain Mark Anderson on his charter boat the Dolphin. The cruise through the Barge Canal, the lock, Port Canaveral and Skyes Creek was enjoyed by all. A Christmas cruise is also planned for December.

Below are some interesting Marine news reports from the magazine "Messing About In Boats."

The Oasis of the Seas was about to depart from Port Everglades when somebody spotted a Florida Burrowing Owl (a bird of special environmental concern) that made a home in the ship's mini golf course on the upper deck. Wildlife personnel safely removed the pint-sized bird and released it somewhere more suitable.

For several years now the thick anechoic coating on several Virginia class subs has been peeling off in patches that sometimes measure hundreds of square feet. The US Navy is investigating why the sound absorbent stuff has been causing "fail to sail" problems; particularly affected has been the USS Texas.

Because a tugboat had run into Wat Ka Rong's floating market in Thailand, it broke adrift. It then sank about 20 small boats and slightly injured several people while running amok. The floating market is about 100m long and can support 200 shoppers and markets. Police filed charges of reckless driving.

Happy Holliday and a Happy New Year to all



Squadron Education Officer LT/C Paul A. Ragusa, AP



JN is moving along, they are heading down to the beach to get their sun sights and then returning 4 hours later to take another set of sights.

On the December 11th and 18th the education team will be at Blue Points Marina, teaching The Americas Boating Course 3.

The next classes to be scheduled are Seamanship and Weather. Sign up sheets will be put out as soon as we have the date & location set

SECRETARY LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



I want to thank all of my committee chairmen for all their help this past year. Volunteers like you are what keeps our squadron going.

Thanks to everyone for the donation of food to the Brevard Sharing Center. They were very happy to receive so much from all of you. Filled a large shopping cart FULL!!! Thanks Again!! I wish all of you a Very Happy New Year, filled with Happy Times and Good Health.

<u>Please update your Roster:</u> New Email: Frank Sebree: <u>sebree1933@gmail.com</u>



Christmas Party Rockledge Country Club 04 Dec. 2010





Coco-Nauts Corner President, Lt Debra Burleson, S

The Coco-Nauts had their annual Christmas party at Brano's Italian Grill in Cocoa-Beach. We had 32 persons attend the event, and Howard & Rhoda Bernbaum read some of Howard's short stories! Howard will soon be the author of his first short story book coming out within the next couple of weeks via Amazon.com, and the book will also be available for Kindle! Congratulations goes out to Howard!



Our next meeting will be held at the Merritt Island Moose Lodge on Jan. 12th @ 1130a. You may choose to bring a brown bag luncheon or order from the menu at the lodge. We will also vote on the Coco-Nauts executive committee at this meeting. The committee members will remain the same as last year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year each and every one of you!

December Birthdays

11 - Carolyn Bonnett21 - Donna Longway



Cocoa Beach Sail & Power Squadron 2011 Nominations

Bridge

Commander: P/C Kermit B. Forbes, I	P
Executive Officer: TBD	
Educational Officer: P/C John F. Mulkey, AF)
Asst. Educational officer: P/D/C Fred P. Adame, S	SN
Administrative Officer: P/C Lance H. VandeBerg, P	
Secretary: Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan, P	
Asst. Secretary: 1/Lt Carolyn Bonnett, P	
Treasurer: P/C Michael A. Stone, P	
Asst. Treasurer: P/R/C Carmen Adame, AP	

Members at Large

Scott S. Sievers, P P/C Susan L. Kneeland, SN P/C Jay P. Longway III, P Robert (Bob) Rutigliano

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ChairP/C J.P. Longway III, PAsst. ChairP/C Michael A. Stone, PMemberLt/C Paul A. Ragusa, AP

Auditing Committee

ChairP/C Edward W. Bonnett, SNAsst. ChairLt Robert W. Shaefer, PMemberP/C Marion (Bud) Miller, JN



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS:

January 2011

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• 04 -Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center (Chili cook-• off)

- 12 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Meeting/Luncheon, Merritt Island Moose Lodge
- 22 Saturday, D23 Council Meeting Daytona Beach

27 - Thursday, Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

<u>February 2011</u>

- 01 Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center
- 6 09 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Friendship salad luncheon, Cocoa Village Ma-7 rina
- 8 03 06, Thu Sun, USPS Annual Meeting, Walt Disney World, FL
- 26 Saturday, 1130 Change of Watch, Eau Gallie Yacht Club
- 24 Thursday, Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

<u>March 2011</u>

- 01 Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center
- ²09 Wednesday, 1132 Coco-Nauts Meeting/Luncheon, (Location TBD)
- * 18 20, Fri Sun, D23 Spring Conference & COW, Orlando FL

CBSPS members are invited to meet and eat each Wednesday at 1130 at the Cozy Corner Café at 2425 N. Courtenay Pkwy. Breakfast and light lunches are available

check website (cbsps.com) or e-mail for updates

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January Boating Report, P/C Duane L. Balkema, AP

We hope everyone enjoyed watching one or more of the Christmas Boat Parades in December. And thanks to those who came out to participate, particularly, on the Blue Dolphin boat ride with Mark and Michelle Anderson.

For January the bridge has decided to have a Chili Cook-off at the regular Squadron Meeting which negates our planned "Cruise to Sunset Café" event planned for that same week. Too much food activities if we do it. We will look to a later date. P/C AI Pappas, SN is pushing for another scheduled event. Talk to me please.

Boat Report 4--My Sea Ray 31 Foot Sedan Bridge Economy Project Cost reduction is my project with a SRV 310 of 1982 Sea Ray Flybridge vintage. To answer a couple of comments on Report 3, I do want to advise that reverse rotation Model AS15-71CR Velvet Drive Transmission is intended to reverse the output rotation. That is why the model number includes CR in its nomenclature. By handling the outputs to each side as described I was able to use the props, struts, and 1.250" monel shafts that came with the boat. But of course the 17 x 17 x 1.250 props took too much power to turn so I had to lessen the bite quite a bit. Remember I have no intention of running at full RPM and really no one uses that measure except to check out rated output. I have the original sheet that Sea Ray water tested this one and am surprised to see they did not prop it turn higher RPM. This particularly in that a new boat is always loaded down by the new owner with all kinds of toys and guests on board. (More to come on the project)

BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 22 December 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!





CBSPS Photo Gallery

Annual Egg-Nog & Cookie Party & Joan's 50th Birthday party - 07 Dec. & Coco-Nauts Luncheon 11 Dec.!

















Abandon all Hope Ye Who Enter Here

Attention All USPS D23 Pirates

and Wenches

Beware og

Save the Date March 18-20, 2011

for the D23 Spring Conference and COW

Mark your charts for Orlando

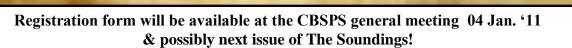
Newly renovated Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort

King and double room rates=\$89 + taxes

Applebee's restaurant in the hotel, free shuttle to Outlet mall, Disney, Universal and I Drive

Friday night will be Pirate Theme with live dancing music and a poolside buffet. Prizes for the best costume! Photo opportunity with pirate couple cut-outs! Saturday night will be the D23 COW. There will be lots of auction items as well as door prizes. Keep watch for more information

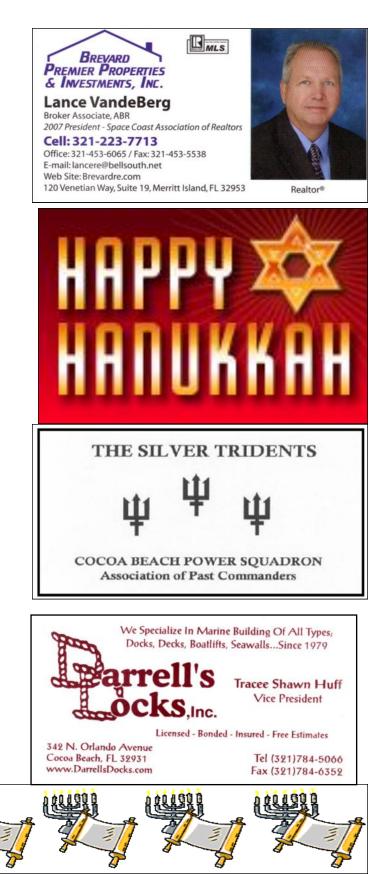
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