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Membership Meeting

**Tuesday 04, August 2009 @1900
Brevard Veteran's Center
400 Sykes Creek Pkwy, Merritt Island, FL**

Monthly Speaker

Admiralty Lawyer, Steve Moon from Banana River Sail & Power Squadron.. Mark this on your calendar and plan to attend.

ATTENTION ON DECK

This will be the last mailing of "The Soundings" due to the high cost of printing and mailing. The Soundings is available via our website www.cbpsps.com and it is in beautiful color. If you do not have an email address, or for some reason would like to still receive a mailed copy, please notify Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan after August 10th. She will be out of town until then. You will find her email and telephone number in the roster. Thank-you for your consideration.

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**THE 10TH OF EACH
MONTH**

We welcome comments,
boating stories and any
articles of interest you'd
like to submit...

E:Mail an Attachment to
debra.burleson@bellsouth.net

AT THE HELM

Commander Lance H. VandeBerg, P



Summer has arrived and we find many of our members on extended vacations. Hope they are all having fun and maybe a little boating too.

Planning continues for the upcoming fall conference and it seems to be coming together very nicely. We last met at Jay's house on the 18th of June and will meet again on July 9th at the Veterans Center.

We have scheduled another Vessel Safety inspection day for July 25th at Kelly Park and Lee Wenner Park. Anyone you know that has not had an inspection this year is encouraged to attend or call one of our inspectors to get it done for this year.

We lost another member last month, Carlton Meyers, and were asked to attend the funeral service in uniform. Six members of our squadron were in attendance. Carlton was a long time member of our squadron. He is survived by his wife, Verdell and three daughters.

This will be the last mass mailing of the Soundings to every member. If you would like to be kept on the mailing list, please let us know.



Lt Doris Valentine receiving an award for sharing her trip of the Amazon River & surrounding areas.

Lt's Robert Goldstein, AP & Adrienne Goldstein, AP receiving P/C James C. Kneeland, JN award



EXECUTIVE OFFICER

P/C Kermit Forbes, P



Following are the various things we are planning within the Executive department:

Public Relations – We tried to get information out about the most recent safe boating course and were not very successful, therefore no students came from our publicity. We will need to spend money and advertise in a way that the right people read it.

Co-op charting – We had one outing to mark the various Manatee signs on the Banana River between 528 bridge and 520 bridge. Nothing else planned at this time.

Radio Technical – nothing planned at this time.

Safety- nothing planned at this time.

Boat show – nothing planned at this time.

Legislative – We need a chair for this committee.

Liaison – nothing happening at this time

Vessel Safety Check – We have surpassed 100 vessel safety checks. We had a planned vessel safety check at Kelly Park during safe boating week. We are planning another July 25.

I tried to get each of the committees together during June and was not successful.

ASSISTANT SEO

P/C John F. Mulkey, P



On June 9th we finished our public boating course. America's Boating Course is the newest course put out by the USPS.

Ten out of the eleven students who took their test passed. The one student who didn't pass will be given the opportunity to take another test.

My thanks to the people who made this course possible. Instructors were Fred Adame, Sue Kneeland,, Gerard Meunier, Johan Neve, Dennis Petersen and Paul Ragusa. The Proctors were Howard Bernbaum, Bob Flanagan, Larry Hatfield and Leonard Senibaldi. Doris Valentine, Marion Sweigart, Duane Balkema, and Kermit Forbes helped with recruitment.

Congratulations go out to our latest Marine Electronic students who all passed: David Keene, Gerard Meunier, Paul Ragusa, Francesca Ragusa, and Leonard Senibaldi.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

LT/C Gerard Meunier, JN



Membership:

Please welcome new members Anna and Dennis DOERR of Merritt Island who will be sworn in at the July General Meeting. Their phone numbers are 502-523-4171 for Anna and 321-305-5641 for Dennis. We will be planning an Introduction to USPS meeting for all our new members in the Fall. Not so new members will be welcome also, as we will present the basics of our organization. Date and venue TBD. Don't forget Membership recruiting is everyone's responsibility. So, bring them in...

We should soon have an Application for Membership on our Web site www.cbpsps.com.

Dues are \$67.40 for an Individual and \$103.50 for a Family.

Entertainment/Boating:

1) The Sunset Grill Rendezvous/Lunch was a great success with FIVE boats, the new record to beat for this year, and 32 members. We will look for other locations to combine such activities for both boaters and non-boaters in the Fall.

2) With regards to Kars Park, this is still reserved for NASA/military personnel. We are working on a way for CBSPS to be allowed to rendezvous/picnic there sometimes this fall.

3) Sat July 25th: Banana River Raft-up South of Lock

Both these Indian River and Banana River Raft-ups are located near road accesses

4) The August Boating Activity will be in conjunction with the Saturday August 15 Picnic at Lee Wener Park.

Presentations:

Tuesday July 7th: Brazil and the Amazon River with our very own Doris Valentine.

Tuesday August 4th: Admiralty lawyer Steve Moon from the Banana River Squadron will be with us.

Bring your questions about the Law of the Sea.

Tuesday Sept 1st will be our famous Italian Night, which does not need any presentation!

I will be gone till mid-August to see family, including a niece's wedding in France where I have not been back in 6 years. I hope you all have a healthy and fun summer.



Blessing of the Fleet Photos



Secretary

Lt/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



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Coco-Nauts Corner
President 1/Lt Susan Forbes, S



Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. We had a great time at our house when the Coco-Nauts had their picnic. The food was wonderful, many people saw old friends and made some new ones. We had a short meeting as the September general meeting will be the Italian night and we are having a White Elephant auction. So search thru your attic and bring a wonderful item that you don't use and someone else might cherish. The proceeds from this auction will be donated to the Squadron for the expenses of the October conference.

Speaking of the conference, we will be providing the food for the Friday night happy hour and Saturday night, plus the light breakfast on Saturday morning. So even if you aren't a member of the Coco-Nauts, please make something for one of these affairs. Everyone needs to help.

The next meeting for the Coco-Nauts is Sept. 9th at noon at the Cocoa Beach Library. It will be a brown bag luncheon and we will supply drinks and dessert. Anyone who wants to help with the dessert, please call me at 449-8784.





Galaxy 23

D/Lt/C James De Palma, SN
Administrative Officer

Thanks to all who made the Picnic an outstanding success. Those who attended the fabulous breakfast at La Cita CC were the first to see the increased attendance and participation. We filled the room completely with no room to spare. Next year I'm sure we'll have to move to their larger room to accommodate our group.

The Titusville Sail and Power Squadron really worked hard to put on another outstanding event. The Cardboard Boat Race brought out all the talent we have in the district. They provided a very exciting show that we'll look forward to in coming years.

Our next event of course is the Governing Board in Kansas City. Mark the dates of Sept. 8th thru 13th on your calendar. If you attended the breakfast you know the serious issues that confront us and understand that your attendance at the GB this year is very important

Cocoa Beach Sail and Power Squadron is already planning a great Fall Conference. The particulars are elsewhere in this issue but you'll notice the program and the location are certain to provide a fun weekend for all of us. The dates of October 2nd through 4th are not that far away to begin thinking about your lederhosen and dirndl skirts to make this a roaring success. Have you ever heard of a quiet Oompa pa Band?? Note the 11% tax saving if you book your hotel reservation through Cocoa Beach Power Squadron by August 28.

Harris Chain Sail and Power Squadron announced that its' TOYS 4 TOTS program is underway. CDR Tim Henke. AP gave us some details at the breakfast and asked each Squadron to put the details of the program in its Newsletter. This is a tough year economically and this program may provide the only happiness for a child in many homes.

KING NEPTUNE FESTIVAL date is set for November 14 in Melbourne. Mark that date down, too since it'll provide a good seafood prelude for the turkey that'll come along shortly thereafter.

As you can see we have a pretty full calendar of activities. Every squadron needs all the help it can get to make these events a success. Titusville Sail and Power Squadron has certainly showed us all the way with the outstanding event we all just enjoyed. Summer is upon us and we can't emphasize enough the need for **SAFE BOATING**. A great place to start is a **VESSEL INSPECTION** and I'm sure you have yours scheduled already.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS:

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

July

25 - Saturday, Boating Activity TBA

28 - Tuesday, 1830 Executive Committee Meeting- Merritt Island Library

August

04 - Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting - Brevard Veteran's Center

15 - Saturday, 1600-2000 CBSPS Fundraiser - Lee Wenner Park Cocoa Village Causeway

25 - Tuesday, 1830 Executive Committee Meeting - Merritt Island Library

29 - Saturday, Boating Activity TBA

September

01 - Tuesday, 1900 CBSPS General Meeting & Italian Night - Brevard Veteran's Center

09 - Wednesday, 1200 Coco-Nauts Brown Bag Luncheon - Cocoa Beach Library

10-13 USPS Governing Board - Kansas City

22 - Tuesday, 1830 Executive Committee Meeting - Merritt Island Library

26 - Saturday, Boating Activity TBA

October

2-4 D23 Fall Conference-Cocoa Beach Holiday Inn

06 - Tuesday, CBSPS General Meeting - Brevard Veteran's Center

14 - Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Meeting/ Salad Luncheon , St. Davids by the Sea Episcopal Church, Cocoa Beach

Note:

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

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COOPERATIVE CHARTING IN A NUTSHELL

Part One of Three
 Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN

Members of our squadron are offered three programs that give us the opportunity to provide a service to outsiders: Basic Boating education courses, Vessel Exams and Coop Charting. The latter has to do with furnishing the National Ocean Service (NOS) with information that helps keep their charts up-to-date.

Nautical charts, which are a true marvel of information, got their start in 1807 when the Congress appropriated \$50,000 for President Thomas Jefferson to have the nation’s coastline surveyed and charted. This original project was to take no longer than one year.

Those ‘Marching Orders’ were the basis of the organization that was to be later known as the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey (USC&GS) and today, the National Ocean Service. Back in 1960, the USC&GS initiated a program to provide a series of specially designed nautical charts for the recreational boater. The idea soon evolved to enlisting the services of the members of USPS to assist in the maintenance and updating of these charts culminating with the Memorandum of Agreement signed January 1963 by the NOS and USPS.

Since April 1, 2003, all USPS districts have been submitting their Cooperative Charting reports via the CCWeb. After USPS members collect the data in the field, they will input it onto a collection of forms using any web browser. Once this data has been validated, the data from the forms is stored in a database on a server located at NOAA headquarters Maryland. This information will be quality reviewed by the Nautical Data Branch to determine if it should be forwarded to the cartographers to update the nautical charts and/or *US Coast Pilots*. On average, USPS submits 7237 Nautical items per year to NOS.

Coop Charting consists of six programs: Range Line Surveys, Nautical Chart Update Surveys, Coast Pilot Updates, Small-Craft Facility Reports, Depth Surveys and the Inspection Surveys.

(submitted by Lt Robert W. Schaefer, P)



BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 19 August 0900 at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!



FALL CONFERENCE FUNDRAISER

Cocoa Beach Sail & Power Squadron

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Specifics

Lee Wenner Park

300 Riveredge Blvd.

Cocoa, FL 32922

Sat. Aug. 15th 2009

Come by Boat or Car (fun, fun, fun!)



Time:

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Cost:

\$10 Per Person



Info:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Wine,
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Why:

Raising Money for Costs Associated
with D23 Fall Conference

All D23 Squadrons Invited: If you plan to attend contact
Lt Doris Valentine @ (321) 452-1835 or dvalent321@bellsouth.net

D23 Fall Conference Planning

As you're aware Friday evening's theme is Oktoberfest and will feature a dynamic multi-talented duo who focuses on German/Bavarian music and will provide a variety of music/songs from other countries. Our Oktoberfest will be a celebration of all ethnic groups. Friday evening's dinner will be a German buffet, with tossed salad, pretzel rolls, hot German potato salad, pickled beets, German cucumber salad, bratwurst, sauerkraut, sauerbraten, chicken-noodle salad, potato dumplings, braised red cabbage, German green bean casserole, apple strudel and finally black forest cake.

The registration tables will be open on 2 Friday Oct. from 1400-1800, and on Saturday from 8a-1200. The hospitality suite will be open from 1600-1800 on both nights, with the Coco-Nauts providing the finger-foods and the Silver Tridents tending bar.

Saturday morning will begin with the Coco-Nauts providing a continental breakfast from 0730-0900 in the hospitality room. Conference orientation will begin at 0830, and the staff breakout sessions will be from 0900-0930a. At approximately 0945, the remainder of this conference sessions will be devoted to local guest speakers who have some things that we'll be able to connect with. The luncheon buffet will start at noon. The call to order for the D23 conference will be held at 1315 using the district's agenda. The evening's formal dinner will be starting at 1830 with a cash bar, following dinner at 1930. There will be door prizes, raffles, and a 50/50 drawing. The conclusion of the conference will be on Sunday morning, with the 0900 "N" Club Breakfast.

Note: We are gathering information on entertainment for the "first-mates" on Saturday afternoon. If needed, carpooling will be provided by CBSPS members volunteering.

Co-ordination with D23 and other squadrons has been underway for quite some time, since September '08 and will be continuing with planning meetings on a more frequent basis.

Sign up early to take advantage of the tax exemption on the hotel rate. Plan to join the many members in taking part in a celebration of enjoying food, entertainment, singing, dancing, and fellowship.

P/C J. P. Longway III
Conference Planning Committee Chairman





Oktoberfest At The Beach

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off the beer steins, and iron up your
lederhosen and enjoy the
USPS District 23 Fall Conference
2-4 October 2009

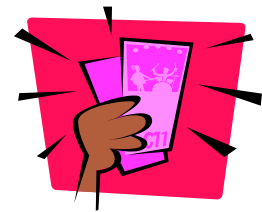
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2-4 October 2009

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 SUNDAY “N” CLUB BREAKFAST – FULL AMERICAN BUFFET (juices, fruits, eggs, potatoes, meats, pastries, etc.) # @ \$14.00 _____

TOTAL MEALS \$ _____
 HOTEL & MEAL TOTAL \$ _____

Contact CBSPS for any special diet needs. Please make checks payable to CBSPS and mail to: P/C Susan Kneeland, SN

Who Am I?

I was born in Brooklyn, NY during the depression in 1928. When I was an infant, my Father died, and my Mother sent me to live with my Grand-Parents in Austria. My Grand-Parents returned me to the USA, when Hitler came to power in 1933. I attended grade schools in Brooklyn NY, and high school in Long Island NY.

In 1945, I enlisted in the navy during World War II., but I did return back to NY to finish high-school. I re-enlisted in the navy in 1947 as I realized “being a sailor” was lots of fun, at least most of the time! Upon re-enlisting, I attended electronics school, and while there met a group of submarine sailors. Their stories, and demeanor, plus the comparatively informality, convinced me, that this was the way to go! I qualified as a submarine sailor in 1949, and was promoted to Chief Petty Officer in 1954.

I was married in 1955, and moved my family to various states in the USA and overseas as well, as duty called. In 1957, I was commissioned as an Ensign in Idaho.

In 1968, I was transferred to the Naval Ordnance Test Unit at Cape Canaveral, and I moved my wife and three children to Patrick Air Force Base.

I joined Cocoa Beach Power Squadron in 1972, then was elected as Commander in 1972. I achieved the grade of Navigator, and I have taught most of the courses the USPS offers. I certainly enjoy being an active participant of the Cocoa Beach Sail and Power Squadron.



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Who Am I was Jane
Schnoor

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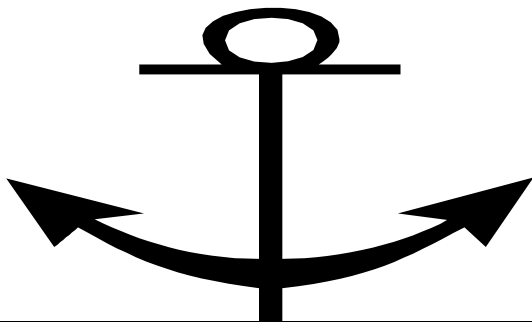
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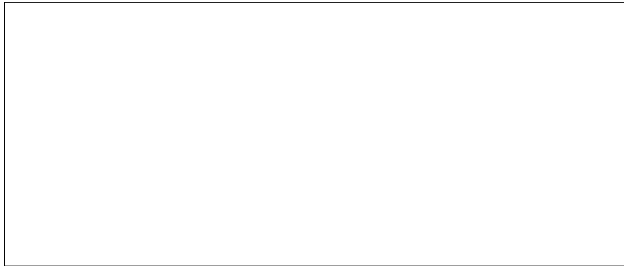
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