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AT THE HELM

Cdr. Gerard Meunier, SN



It is with high anticipation for our Squadron to have a great year that your Bridge Officers have put in place knowledgeable and enthusiastic teams in each Department.

As you know, USPS will celebrate its 100th Anniversary next January. We should all feel pride in belonging to this resilient organization which has served our country so well in the past and will undoubtedly endure to see its bi-centennial. Those of you who were at the Change Of Watch heard me talk about our goal of "220 in 2020", in other words, increase our membership by close to 60% in 7 years.

Your new Executive Officer, Lt/C Bob Rutigliano, soon to be AP, has already challenged us to do better than that. CBSPS will reach its 50th Anniversary in 2017; yes, we also have a significant history. Would it not be nice to prove him right and become the best Squadron in our District 23?

We have been deemed as "Doing It Right" by USPS standards. Nice......but I trust we are capable of "Doing It Better". The Executive committee and all our committees are establishing 2013 objectives and tactics to achieve our strategic goals.

This will, of course, be a communal effort and I know that you will participate to the very best of your abilities. Let's have a fun and productive year together.



February general meeting speaker, Matt Culver, of Florida Area - Boating & Waterways Program Coordinator at Brevard County Government

EXECUTIVE OFFICER LT/C Robert Rutgilano



Although P/C Jay Longway, P, has stepped down from the bridge, he will continue on this year as our Liaison between CBSPS and the Veterans Memorial Center and Brevard County waterways. Our webmaster, P/Lt/C Rick Schoonmaker is bringing our website into the 21st century with the aid of Lt. Winnie Crawford, JN. Winnie is also researching Face Book as a possible means to get the word out to the younger generation.

Our Public Relations Committee is chaired this year by Lt. Jerry O' Meara. Jerry has jumped in with both feet and is actively exploring such avenues as Radio, movie screen and social media advertising. Our Vessel Safety Check program is off to a good start with 8 VSC's completed as of 02/05/13 general meeting. P/C Kermit Forbes, P, continues to chair this committee as well as our Co-op charting efforts with the county which is well underway.

As part of our community service, Kermit, myself and 2 members of the Titusville Sail & Power Squadron took part in a Safety Fair presented by a local boy scout, David Itrich to obtain his Eagle Award. The fair was held on 02/09/13 at Joe Lee Smith Park Community Center, located at 419 Washington Ave., Cocoa. We demonstrated PFD use and the importance of wearing them, fire extinguishers inspection and sound signals. There was also a drawing for a reconditioned bike donated by the Sheriff's ranch.

This year we are exploring the possibility of setting up out tent at the Orlando boat show. We have been offered a free site for 3 days. This is an opportunity for all 3 squadrons to come together and pick up new members for the entire county. John Mulkey and I are researching the building of a Emergency Dewatering System mock up for display and demonstration at our tent events. Something to draw people to the tent and perhaps show them how to save a sinking vessel.

At the Change of Watch ceremony we received some very positive comments from acting D/C Tim Henke. During a conversation after the ceremony had adjourned, he stated he was very impressed with the number of awards presented, and told me he wished our enthusiasm would spill over into other squadrons in the district.

I ask all committee's and departments to work together for the common goal of the squadron. Let's work together like a well oiled machine, and reach the goal of 220 members in 2020. I believe we can attain this goal ahead of schedule, but it will take some effort from all of us to do it. See you on the water.





ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER LT/C Louis Harlow, AP



The view from the bridge is interesting. I hope the coming squadron year will be exciting and beneficial to all. If I can be of any assistance in regard to squadron activities or operations in general, please do not hesitate to call. I would appreciate hearing ideas specifically pertaining to boating activities, guest speakers, and entertainment.

Vessel safety checks are an important starting point for boating safety. If you haven't had your vessel checked please do so soon. Also, if you have friends and neighbors in need of vessel safety checks please let them know we can make house calls.

Sail safe, always remember one hand for the boat one hand for yourself.

SECRETARY LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



New rosters will be coming available soon. If you have any changes, please let me know. You may either, call me, or email me. (See page 1 for contact information)

Happy Birthday to all who will be celebrating a Birthday in March 2013.

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SEO P/C Sandra R. Schoonmaker, SN



Educating the public was one of the original goals of USPS's founding members, and 100 years later the organization is still the national leader in this arena.

Many of our members remember the traditional requirement of joining any USPS squadron included taking a public boating course that could last as many as 12 weeks, and passing the test at the end of the course. But times have changed and so has USPS.

We still teach a public safe boating class but it is either in one whole day or two consecutive half-days, welcoming new members who pass the test by giving them the first six months for free. And if the boater is interested in taking our courses, the public boating course requirement is waived, and membership granted.

Last year CBSPS adopted another initiative for public boating education. We now enroll non-members in any of our Elective Courses and from the Advanced Grades, Seamanship and Piloting. A premium is charged for class attendance, but if membership is accepted within the class period, that amount is applied to the first annual dues payment.

And this past month we introduced still one more boating education opportunity to both our members and the public.....a Basic Weather Seminar. A series of these seminars is planned and will be advertised both in this publication and on our WEB site at www.CBSPS.com. These two hour seminars introduce the basics of their subject matter, and for many CBSPS members, a much needed refresher course.

With all this activity, the classes are filling up rapidly and sometime to capacity, determined by the classroom space and subject matter covered. A reminder: signing up for a class is a commitment to attending. Books are special ordered and the instructor prepares hand-outs and other materials based upon the enrollment numbers. If you are unable to attend, please give the instructor or the SEO one week notice. In many cases there is a waiting list for the class and your space can be filled from that list.

Education Class Schedule

April 8: Engine Maintenance – Wuesthoff Hospital

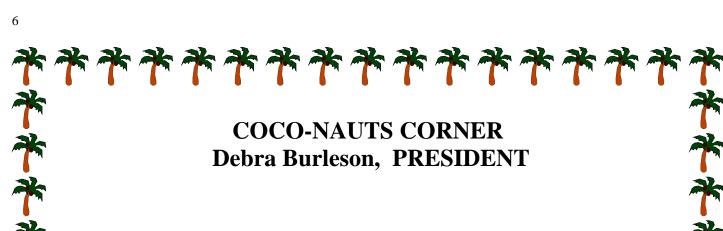
April 13 & 20: ABC III – Port Canaveral Yacht Club 0900-1500

April 22: Seamanship – Cape Canaveral Hospital -2100

April 27: Basic Charting Seminar – Port Canaveral Yacht Club 1000-12000

June 8 & 15: ABC III – Cape Canaveral Hospital 0900-1500

June 22: VHF Radio Seminar – Port Canaveral Yacht Club 1000-1200



Wow, we had 24 ladies, that attended our annual friendship salad luncheon, that was held on February 13th, at the Cocoa Village Marina!!! Our next meeting is going to be held on March 13th, at the Island Tiki Grill, in Merritt Island.

I am getting excited, about having a card/game party this year! Pam Johnson, and I are going to meet, and, try to work out, all the details prior to our next meeting!!! If all goes, as planned, we will have the game party in early May of this year. Members, and guests, alike, certainly enjoyed the previous game parties that our auxiliary put together.

Of course, we are also going to sell tickets for Macy's Shop For A Cause, which will be in August of this year. This is an easy fund raiser for our auxiliary. We get all the money for the tickets we sell, and Macys, donates to the March of Dimes.

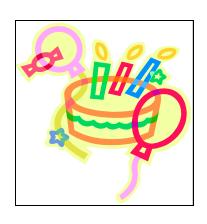
March Birthdays

05 - Jane Schnoor

06 - Pamela Johnson

14 - Barbara Millner

28 - Evelyn Tribout





February 2013

28 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

March 2013

- 05 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center (Chili cook-off 6p)
- 13 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Luncheon, Island Tiki Grill, Merritt Island, FL
- 23 24, Saturday & Sunday, Harbortown Marina, Merritt Island, FL
- 28 Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

April 2013

- 02 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center
- 06 Saturday, 1130, Meet the Bridge, Kiwanis Park
- (08 Monday, Engine Maintenance class, Wuesthoff Hospital
- ₹ 10 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Luncheon, TBD
- 13 & 20, Saturday, 0900-1500, ABC III, Port Canaveral Yacht Club
- 22 Monday, 2100 Seamanship class, Cape Canaveral Hospital
- 25 Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island, Library
- 27 Saturday, 1000-1200, Basic Charting Seminar, Port Canaveral Yacht Club

May 2013

- . 07 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center
- 08 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Luncheon, TBD
- 11 Saturday, D23 Picnic & Boating Outing, Titusville
- 18 Saturday, 1100 Blessing of the Fleet (same location as last year)
- 18-24, Saturday, Safe Boating Week

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

CBSPS BOATING SCHEDULE 2013

March 9, Saturday April 13, Saturday	Cruise to SAMSON ISLAND PARK, Saturday lunch at 12:30, Come self-contained with food and drink Cruise to Water Ski Island near the Locks, Eat at 12:30, Fire provided to grill on (why no overnight)
May 11, Saturday	Cruise to/watch District Cardboard Boat RaceTitusville District 23 Picnic
May 18, Saturday	Blessing of Fleet, 11:00 AM Banana River (just south of HWY 520 Bridge & West) (same location as last year)
June 29, Saturday	Off-Shore Fishing Event—Meet West of Canaveral Lock At 6:00 AM w Fishing Rods, Bait & ready to fish
July 4, Thursday	Raft up and Watch Cocoa Fireworks 7:30 PM
August 3, Saturday	Cruise to Grills on Indian River, eat of menu 1:00 PM
Aug 17, Saturday	Cruise N on Indian River, Raft-up and overnight 1:00 PM
Sept 21, Saturday	Treasure Hunt in Cocoa Beach Canals, meet South of 520 Bridge @ 1:00 PM, PRIZES Raft up and overnight
Oct 26, Saturday	Slow Boat Cruise thru Sykes Creek to Audoban— Overnight (Depart 528 Kelly Park on Banana River at 11)
Nov 18, Sunday	TBD
Dec 16, Saturday Eve	Cruise toWatch Cocoa Beach Christmas Parade
Jan 20, Saturday 2014	Cruise to Bird Island S on Banana River & Overnight

If an event is not planned for the 4th Saturday, call P/C Duane Balkema, Boating Chairman at: 452-5892 and Lets meet out on the water and have an impromptu event. Our beautiful waters are to be enjoyed.

Jan 14, 2013 revised 1/30/13 w LH—rev 2/10/13 GM

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Boating Report by P/C Duane Balkema, AP

WELCOME BOATERS!! We have worked a new schedule for 2013 that is included on page 8 in this issue of the Soundings. (I am getting direction to combine some events with Banana River and Titusville Sail and Power Squadrons. We are open to your suggestions as well.

Our next Squadron Event will occur as this issue is first published. February 23, 2013 at 12:00 we plan to cruise to and meet at the Spoil Island Just north of Water Ski Island, which is also a spoil island just NW of Canaveral Locks. Call and advise if attending at 452-5892. Come self contained with eats and drinks. A fire can be arranged if by agreement we need one.

We plan to <u>Cruise to SAMSONS ISLAND March 9</u>, <u>2013</u>, <u>Saturday arriving at 1:00 PM</u>. This is significant for two reasons; one that we didn't make it to the island the last scheduled time and two that it is a Banana River Sail and Power Squadrons scheduled event. Call and advise if attending. We can head there from several distinations arriving as a group if desired.





The next blood donation will be on 06 March @ 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!







CBSPS ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF

March 5, 2013 @1800 (prior to general meeting)
NO CHARGE!!!!!







Bring your favorite Chili to share with others & Soups are welcome too!

Members will judge your chili entries only!

Plastic-ware and crackers will be provided!!!

A sign-up sheet will be at the February meeting, or contact Doris Valentine @321-452-1835 if you plan to attend!

MEET THE BRIDGE KIWANIS PARK, MERRITT ISLAND SATURDAY, April 6, 2013







Cost: \$6 p/p

Social and 50/50 Raffle: 11:30-12:30

Lunch:12:30 - until????

Games: corn hole, horse shoes, and volleyball

Hot Dogs, hamburgers, beverages, and paper products will be provided. Everyone should bring a side dish to share!







Contact: Doris Valentine @321-452-1835 to pay ahead and sign up



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Phone: 352-735-1146 cah1773@aol.com

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This is a FREE course that runs approximately 2 hours as a component of the Spring Conference.

PLEASE NOTE: Seminar registration is required. Please incorporate this seminar with your plans to attend the weekend of information and fun!

American Cancer Society

Cocoa Village Relay for Life Cancer Walk April 27, 2013 @1500 Riverfront Park in Cocoa Village

Last year CBSPS raised over \$1700 Goal this year over \$2000



Members are invited to join our team to participate in this fun event, and help raise funds by member donations for the ARC. Unfortunately cancer has touched many of us, our loved ones, or friends. Your donations go to support Cancer Research, and services, that has resulted, in an increasing survival rate from this dreaded disease. It would be appreciated, if you would sign up, and bring a donation to the next meeting. Donations can also be mailed to relay team chairman P/C Bud Miller. Checks should be made out to ARC, with our squadron's team name (CBSPS) noted. In next month's issue of "The Soundings", we will include information, on how to, donate, by credit card.

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