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Please remember to bring your, non-perishable food items, for the Brevard Sharing Center, to our next membership meeting, on De-						
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AT THE HELM

Cdr. Lance H. VandeBerg, P



This past month has been very busy with lots of squadron activities going on. The Harvest Party was a huge success, with over 70 people attending. A special thank you to Doris Valentine, and all the other Coco-nauts, that made this event possible.

Our speaker for November, was our scholarship award recipient of \$1000, Elisabeth Merton, a senior at the Florida Institute of Technology majoring in Oceanography. It is the intent of the squadron, to continue to offer a scholarship award annually in honor of P/R/C Richard H. Schnoor, SN. (picture below)

The nominating committee has been working on filling the next slate of Bridge officers and hopefully everyone that is given the opportunity to serve is able and willing to contribute to the success of the squadron. The Change of Watch was rescheduled to February 2^{nd} at the Oceanfront Hilton due to other conflicts.

Our next Executive Board meeting will be held at the Merritt Island Library on November 29th.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.



L-R: Lance VandeBerg, P, George Maul, PhD (FIT), P/R/CJane Schnoor, & Elisabeth Merton (FIT)

D23 Proficiency Award presented to: L-R: Lt. Gene Millner, AP & Lt Dave Keane, JN, by Lt/C Gerard Meunier, N



EXECUTIVE OFFICER P/C J. P. Longway, III, P



Once again, thanks to all those members who take time to put forth and support our initiatives that make the Squadron informative and fun in achieving set goals.

The Public Relations Committee continues to pursue various media, and other means of communication, that provide timely CBSPS informational releases, and related items of interest to the membership and the community. Any member with suggestions as to how we can be more efficient & effective in getting the 'WORD OUT" about the Squadron activities, to promote safe boating throughout our community, please contact Lt Lou Harlow, AP, P/C Kermit Forbes, P, or myself.

Our certified examiners are constantly looking for opportunities to provide free Vessel Safety Checks. Presently 125 inspections have been performed, with a potential for some others before year's end. Thanks for a job well done!

P/Lt/C Rick Schoonmaker, SN, and Lt Winnie Crawford, JN, continue to identify measures to enhance the Squadron's Website. We are still in the process of transferring point of contact/ownership of the Website solely to CBSPS. Please take the opportunity to review the ongoing changes & updates, and feel free to offer recommendations to make the site more informative and useful.

A number of meetings are being held to: I.) Perform surveys in the Indian River for the County's Natural Resources Management Office; 2.) Establish new 2013 Budget; and, 3.) Initiate Fall Conference planning.

Plan on attending upcoming events, i.e., Holiday Dinner Dance, Coco-Nauts' Holiday Luncheon, and the 2 Feb 13 Change of Watch.

"Donna & I wish you all a very enjoyable, healthy & safe Holiday season"

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New Members

L-R: Elissa Watts, Judy Shapow, and Brian Watts

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER LT/C Robert Rutigliano, P



Our October cruise to Sunset Café for lunch started out a bit breezy but before lunch was finished, the wind gods settled down and it turned out to be a lot of fun. 10 members and 3 boats took part in the event. After lunch the "EASY GOING" and the "JUDY WON" took a cruise south along the canals to a point where we re-entered the Banana river again, then headed north to Ski island for an hour or so before heading for the dock. A beautiful day on the water.

Our Halloween party was a great success with a large turn out.

I must admit, I was quite surprised when entering the room to see all the elaborate costumes. Each one better then the next. We had a few visitors from Banana River squadron as well as district. There were Witches, Ghouls, Cowboys, Vikings, Vampires, Knights and various other great costumes. There was singing, story telling, drinking, eating and I think I even saw a werewolf howling at the moon. The decorations were very well done. This turned out to be a great success. Thanks to the entertainment committee and any one else who put this together. Well done.

Our next on the water event is on November 18th. With a cruise to Samsons island and picnic. Boats in the Banana river and Sykes creek should rendezvous at the south side of S.R. 520 bridge at 12 noon, and convoy to the Grand canal. Those coming from the Indian river should rendezvous off Cocoa Village at 1130 hours, to allow enough time to round Dragon point to arrive at Samsons island at 1300. Please fly your burgee's and ensigns. They are as much an advertisement for the USPS as flyers, newspaper adds and brochures. We will monitor channel 72 on the VHF radio. I would like to know how many boats plan to attend, so please e-mail or call my cell phone. Dock space at the island is limited, and we may have to raft up so if we know your coming, we can stand by the dock to assist in getting you tied up. I can take a few extra people if you need a ride. Just call me.

If you miss signing up at the meeting, you have until November 23 rd. to call me and get your name on the list. Duane needs a week to set it up allowing for a few foul weather days. Lets have a good turn out for this event.

See you on the water.



SEO

Lt/C Gerard Meunier, N



Well, it's Holiday time again, and the last SEO report for calendar 2012. A little review of the Education Department accomplishments is in order:

We did 3 ABC3 classes and 24 Students earned their Florida licenses. This generated 20 or so new CBSPS members. Welcome to our new members once again. It is our hope that you take full advantage of all the activities and continue your boating education.

A Boating Safety presentation day was done at Edgewood High School with over 700 students attending.

Five classes were taught by our knowledgeable Instructors to 45 members, including 5 from other squadrons. This should result by year-end in 4 new Education Proficiency levels and one Education Achievement level for a squadron total of 36 and 20, respectively.

CBSPS received the District 23 Education Proficiency award at the 2012 Fall Conference. Since its inception in 1991, CBSPS has received this award 9 times out of 22 years, more than any other squadron in our district. You can help us keep this up by taking the next AP course starting 14 January at BVMC and/or that missing 3rd Elective.

All in all, not too shabby! We could even say "Pretty Darn Good!!"

But we intend to do even better in 2013 with, not only, 4 ABC3 classes and probably one high school Boating Safety presentation, but also, the introduction of the Boat Operator Certification (BOC) program in Brevard County. Four members have already signed up for their "Passports" toward achieving the IN (Inland Navigation) level. This is a program of courses, seminars and demonstrations, all of which will be offered next year by your friendly squadron. So come and join us in this new education adventure.

Happy Holidays!



SECRETARY LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas.

Remember to keep in your prayers, our troops all over the world, and those who have so little left after hurricane Sandy destroyed their homes.

Happy Birthday to all in November and December.

November		December	
Duane Balkema	11/22	Ken Charles	12/19
Susan Forbes	11/02	Lea Collins	12/16
Larry Johnson	11/03	Brian Grigsby	12/06
Marcia McConkey	11/25	George Guerrero	12/30
Tammarra Mycoskie	11/16	Gerard Meunier	12/27
Patricia Parsons	11/19	Bud Miller	12/16
Scott Sievers	11/10	Joan Montfort	12/07
Michael Stone	11/10	Bob Rutigliano	12/01
		James Scott	12/04
		Frank Sebree	12/30
		Wendy Wahl-Perry	12/07

Photo Gallery (Harvest Party 11-11-12)









COCO-NAUTS CORNER DORIS VALENTINE, PRESIDENT

We had a very successful Harvest Party on the 11th of November with 79 members and guests attending. Everyone enjoyed the great turkey, ham and other foods brought by our wonderful cooks! The wine and beer flowed and the locale was just perfect. A good time was had by all !!!!!

We want to thank all those who contributed to the "Adopt-a-troop" collection with items to be sent to Afganistan. You did good.

Coming up is the Squadron December meeting on December 4th at which the Coconauts always bring the sweets to share along with the Eggnog, etc. supplied by the Board. Therefore, do your cookie or brownie or cakes baking or buying and present in person or send along on that date. ************At the same time we will be collecting food (can goods, package goods, etc.) for the Brevard Sharing Center to help the needy at Christmastime.

Our December meeting will be held on <u>Saturday</u>. The 15th of December at Brano's on A-1-A in Cocoa Beach. Lunch at a cost of \$12 which includes salad. Entrée, dessert, drink and gratuity will be served. As in other years, spouses are invited. Marian Sweigert is collecting for this and if you cannot make the Christmas Squadron meeting, please send her your check.

December Birthdays

07 - Joan Montfort

08 - Janet von Berg

16 - Lea Collins

25 - Arlene Bestow





December

- 01 Saturday, 1100 Treasure Hunt Cocoa Beach Canals
- 04 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center, Merritt Island
- 08 Saturday, 1800 Holiday Dinner Dance, Clarion Hotel, Merritt Island
- 15 Saturday, 1200 Coco-Nauts Holiday Luncheon, Brano's, Cocoa Beach
- 20 Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library
- 25 Tuesday, Christmas Day 2012

January 2013

- 08 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center, Merritt Island
- 09 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Luncheon, TBD
- 14 Monday, 1900 Advance Piloting class begins, Wuestoff Hospital
- 17 20, Thursday Sunday, USPS Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL
- 19 Saturday, Rendezvous at Bird Island on Banana River
- 24 Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

February 2013

- 02 Saturday, 1200 COW, International Palms, Cocoa Beach
- 6 05 Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center
- 11 Monday, 1900 Piloting class begins, Brevard Veteran's Center
- 13 Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Friendship Luncheon, TBD

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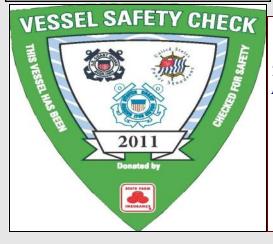
Boating Report by P/C Duane L. Balkema, AP

November 18, 2012, Sunday, at 1:00 we are arriving SAMSON's ISLAND NATURE PRESERVE. This is a very beautiful spot in Brevard county that is accessible only by boat. The weather is cool & very windy it turns out. Bob & Bobby plan is to arrive at Kelly Park at 11:00 and head south on Banana River on his Easy Going taking Sue Kneeland n Neighbors. George & Judy Shapow on their new Pontoon Boat + New Members, the Watts on their boat. Duane n Marge Balkema start from Son n Laws place on Satellite Beach canal front Home nearby. Duane & Marge & John arrive at dock at SAMSON ISLAND at 12:40 & wait until 1:40. It was windy & cold. Called Bob Rutigliano to find out they were nearly swamped by waves with 6 inches of water coming over the floor, Just north of HWY 520 bridge. They turned around and headed back to Kelly Park and had a picnic. It was quite a cool day. Thanks for braving the weather.

December 1, 2012, Saturday at 1:00 is to be our Treasure Hunt in Cocoa Beach Canals. We have a 10 boat participant minimum for this event. Call Duane Balkema 452-5892 or Bob Rutigliano if you are participating.

January 19, 2013, Saturday is our Annual Cruise to Bird Island, south of Hwy 520 Bridge on Banana River and Overnight. If good weather maybe we can get good participation. Last year there were no overnights but six boats came and thanks to Diane & Cliff on Have Knots, we had grandkids participating.

Enjoy the Christmas Parades if you can as participant or just to watch. We had watching as an event last year with 3 boats, Prime Time, Easy Going and Have Knots



BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 09 January @ 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!





Cocoa Beach Sail & Power Squadron 2013-2014 Nominations

Bridge Officers & Executive Committee

Commander:

Lt/C Gerard Meunier, JN

Executive Officer

Lt/C Robert D. Rutigliano, P

Educational Officer

P/C Sandra R. Schoonmaker, SN

Administrative Officer Lt Louis F. Harlow, AP

Secretary ??

Treasurer George Shapow

Asst. Educational Officer ??

Asst. Administrative Officer 1/Lt Robert A. Brown, P

Asst. Secretary ?

Asst. Treasurer P/C Michael A. Stone, AP

Members at Large

P/C Lance VandeBerg, P P/C Susan Kneeland, SN

Scott Sievers, JN John Scholtz, P

Rules Committee

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Asst. Chair/2 years P/C Marion (Bud) Miller, JN

Member/3 years Lt David Collins, JN

Nominating Committee

Chair P/C Kermit Forbes, P
Asst. Chair P/C John F. Mulkey, AP
Member P/C Susan L. Kneeland, SN

Auditing Committee

Chair D/Lt Robert W. Schaefer, P Asst. Chair P/C Marion (Bud) Miller, JN

Member Clay Berichon, P

Section 11.1 of the CBSPS By-Laws states: Candidates for elective positions to be voted upon at the annual meeting may be nominated (1) by the Nominating Committee as herein provided or (2) by petition in writing signed by at least five active members in good standing and filed with the secretary at least 15 days before the date of election.

Submitted by: Lt Paul Ragusa, AP,

P/C Kermit Forbes, P P/C John F. Mulkey, AP







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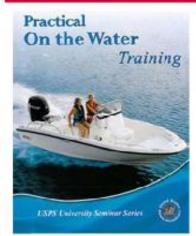






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