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## Membership Meeting

**Tuesday November 13, 2012 @ 1900**  
**Brevard Veteran's Center**  
**400 Sykes Creek Pkwy. Merritt Island, FL**

## Speaker Of The Month

**George Maul, PhD, and honorary member of our squadron, will be the speaker at our November membership meeting.**

## Attention On Deck

**Don't forget Harvest Party on Sunday November 11th, 1400 at the Space Coast Board of Realtors, in Merritt Island, FL!!! (same location as last year)**

**Correction to flyer on pg. 12: music provided by Les' Quintet**

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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 Attachment to **debra.burleson@bellsouth.net**

# AT THE HELM

## Cmdr. Lance H. VandeBerg, P



I have just recently returned, from a 2 week vacation trip to Oregon this month, and I am trying to get back into the swing, of all that is going on in our squadron.

There are many activities, as usual, in the fall time frame, such as, planning for next year's events and budgets. Several committees, are currently meeting, to accomplish, what needs to be done for the next year. Several members, have stepped up, to help, plan these functions, and should be congratulated, on all their efforts.

Our next Executive Board meeting, will be held at the Merritt Island Library on October 25th!

The speaker for our November meeting, is Dr. Maul, from Florida Technical Institute, and the recipient, of last year's \$1000 scholarship award.



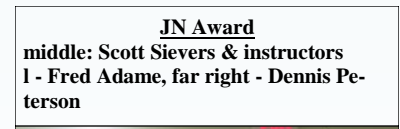
**SN Awards (middle 4 persons)**  
l-r: Roy Merritt, Ann Merritt, Gerard Meunier, & Ken Charles



**Leadership Development**  
l-r: Sue Kneeland, Fred Adame, Bob Brown, Sandy Schoonmaker, Bob Rutigliano & Ron Rafael



**Cruise Planning**  
l-r: Diane Schommer, Cliff Schommer, Gene Millner, Winnie Crawford, instructor: Al Pappas, Ken Charles, & Bob Rutigliano



**JN Award**  
middle: Scott Sievers & instructors  
l - Fred Adame, far right - Dennis Peterson



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



First, and ‘yes once again’, thanks to all those members who make time to put forth and support those efforts that make the Squadron interesting, successful and fun in achieving set goals and events.

The Public Relations Officer’s Committee continues to meet and pursue various publications and other means of communication, to provide timely CBSPS informational releases and related items of interest to the membership and the community. If any member has any suggestions/recommendations as to how we can be more efficient & effective in getting the ‘WORD OUT’ about the many activities, etc., that the Squadron offers to promote safe boating throughout our community, please contact Lt Lou Harlow, AP.

P/C Kermit Forbes, P, with his team of ‘certified examiners’ constantly look for opportunities to promote and provide free Vessel Safety Check for any person(s). They presently have performed approximately 130 inspections. Great work!

P/Lt/C Rick Schoonmaker, SN and Lt Winnie Crawford, JN have taken the initiative to re-establish and maintain the Squadron’s Website, after the sudden passing of Lt Larry Carr, P. They met and obtained information from Cathy Carr as to what we need & don’t need. We will need to transfer ownership of the Website from Larry to the Squadron.

In the near term, a number of meetings will be held to: 1.) Perform surveys in the Indian River for the County’s Natural Resources Management Office; 2.) Review & status Public Relations initiatives; and, 3.) Initiate 2013 Nominating Committee planning.

Upcoming events start with our D23 Fall Conference, ABC Boating Course, Halloween Party, Harvest Party, Coco-Nauts’ Holiday Luncheon, and Holiday Dinner Dance. Please plan to attend all, or as many as you can.

### SUPPORT YOU SQUADRON



Scott Jackson, of Edward Jones,  
October speaker of general meeting



Site Folder Checkers  
l-r: Fred Adame, George Hess

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

### LT/C Robert Rutigliano, P



There was an Operations Training class held on September 8th. At Cape Canaveral Hospital. P/C Sandy Schoonmaker SN conducted the class assisted by P/C Susan Kneeland SN and P/D/C Fred Adame SN. Those members in attendance gained some detailed information on the many functions of Squadrons, District and National. Thanks to our instructors for sharing their expertise.

Orientation was also held on September 29th., for new members. P/C Susan Kneeland SN presented a very informative program. Judy Shapow became a squadron member at the conclusion of the program. Welcome aboard Judy.

On September 15th. Brevard county's "Keep Brevard Beautiful" program held a clean up of several islands in our area. Three boats and 11 C.B.S.P.S. members participated and cleaned up the spoil island north of S.R.528 bridge in the Indian river. We removed 18 bags of trash, 2 grills and a crab trap. After the clean up we had lunch at the Old Florida sea food grill. All in all, a good day.

Our next on the water event is on October 20th. We will be cruising to the Sunset Café on the Banana river for lunch. Members with out boats can meet us there at 1130.

## SECRETARY

### LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P

Welcome back to those members, who were seeking cooler weather in the north this summer. This is the time of year when hopefully our weather, here in sunny Florida, will start to cool down for nice boating, and even if you have to wear a sweater or jacket, we can all say AHH...doesn't this feel good!

#### September Birthdays (belated)

Pamela Scott	9/4
Siegfried Lissek	9/11
Fred Adame	9/12
Marilyn Flanigan	9/15
Wayne Senesac	9/21
Bob Flanigan	9/22
Trent Milliken	9/22

#### October Birthdays

Denise Stone	10/8
Jan Scholtz	10/19
Charles Dodds, Jr.	10/27

Hope you have/had a Great Birthday!!

If your name is not on the birthday list each month, it's because you didn't tell us when you joined and became a member of CBSPS, so it's not in DB2000. If you would like, we will be glad to add your name to our birthday list.

Please call the Secretary, Marilyn, at 452-4602 or email [bobmar2215@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobmar2215@bellsouth.net)

## **SEO**

### **Lt/C Gerard Meunier, JN**

#### **America's Boating Course**

Once again the Education Department will be ready for an influx of students at the October 13 & 20 class to make it as successful as the one in July. Hopefully the efforts with Flyers distribution, Internet communications and Press Releases to the local newsprint will pay off. Come and join us in this gratifying effort to bring CBSPS closer to our goal of "220 in 2020".

#### **Member classes:**

CBSPS helped 4 USPS members (2 at CBSPS and 2 at TSPS) to reach the Navigator grade. Seven students passed the Cruise Planning course. Congratulations!  
Weather started Sept 10 with Instructor Lt Win Crawford, JN and her 18 students. Seamanship had to be rescheduled to February 2013.

#### **Education Proficiency Award**

At the District Fall Conference, CBSPS received the District Education Proficiency Award for the most Members who achieve AP + 3 Electives. I fully intend that we keep this award for a few years and have proposed a challenge to the District Education Officer.

**We can do it!** CBSPS has quite a few Pilots with 3 or more Electives; so register for the January AP class. Also, our Members with AP, JN and N grades who have only 1 or 2 Electives, take or request another one of our Electives. **Let's do it!**

#### **Boating Operator Certification (BOC)**

This relatively new USPS Program has not received much attention as yet. I will do a short presentation at our next General meeting. The Jacksonville Power Squadron will be offering the Boat Handling demonstration, one of the requirements for BOC, on Saturday January 12. A few of our Members have already signed up. **Come and join us!**

A graphic with the words "HAPPY HALLOWEEN" in a bold, bubbly, orange and yellow font with black outlines, set against a white background. The text is slightly shadowed to give it a 3D effect.



**COCO-NAUTS CORNER**  
**DORIS VALENTINE, PRESIDENT**

**THE COCONAUTS MET ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> AT THE TIKI BAR ON MERRITT ISLAND WITH 17 MEMBERS ATTENDING. MOST OF THE MEETING WAS ADDRESSED TO SETTING UP THE HARVEST PARTY SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> (VETERANS DAY) AT 2:00 PM AT THE SPACE COAST BOARD OF REALTORS ON MYRTICE AVE. – JUST BEHIND WENDYS. IF YOU HAVE NOT SIGNED UP BY NOW, PLEASE CALL DORIS VALENTINE – 452- 1835 . ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS EVENT, WE DO NEED TO KNOW HOW MANY WILL BE ATTENDING.**

**PAM JOHNSON ADVISED US THAT HER NIECE’S HUSBAND HAD JUST BEEN DEPLOYED TO AFGHANISTAN AND IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT WE SPONSOR HIS TROOP WITH VARIOUS ASSORTMENTS OF SNACK FOODS, TOILET ARTICLES, ETC. THE BOXES AND THE MAILING EXPENSES ARE PROVIDED AND ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS FILL THOSE BOXES! THERE WILL BE FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS AND WE WOULD HOPE THAT THE SQUADRON WOULD WANT TO BECOME INVOLVED AS WELL.**

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COCONAUTS WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup> AT A NEW VENUE FOR US ...COZY CORNER ON COURTENAY....SAME TIME - 11:30.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO JAN SCHOLTZ. CARMEN MILLIKEN, SUSAN FORBES, MARGE BALKEMA. PAT PARSONS AND MARCIA McCONKEY**



**GALAXY**  
**D23 NEWSLETTER**  
 October 2012

**D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann**  
**D 23 Secretary**

The key function in any organization is communicating with its members and in our case it is the responsibility of the Secretary. A number of methods can be employed to disseminate messages such as newsletters, e-mails, telephone calls, texting. But these methods are next to useless. USPS members are fortunate to have a topnotch database in DB2000. As the name implies it has been around for a dozen years. Like so many other tools at our disposal, it is maintained and regularly updated and improved by USPS volunteers.

DB2000 offers access to basic and necessary information to keep the show going. Getting ready to start a new course and who are the potential students in the squadron? No sweat – it takes less than five minutes, even allowing for frequent sips from your coffee mug. Another couple of minutes and you have a spreadsheet ready for your phone calls or e-mails. Is the newsletter editor wondering who all has birthdays next month? Same procedure; it takes a few minutes.

Unfortunately, DB2000 is underutilized and at times avoided. Like all technology, it takes interest and an investment of time to learn to use it and to recognize its potential. After that it is clear sailing. So, you ask, who should use DB2000? Simple – anyone in a position that deals with the wants and needs of squadron members.

Usually it is the Secretary's function to keep the database current – members are urged to report address, phone and e-mail changes, which are uploaded to USPS and are available in seconds to other members. Secretaries also spend significant time compiling rosters or directories, mailing them out and which become outdated in short order. A better way is to learn to use DB2000 and have current information at your fingertips.

At year's end the task of submitting the Historian and Merit Mark reports is significantly easier than it was a decade ago. Talk to your Secretary or any DB2000 user to get you started – you will be surprised by its ease and benefits.



## Galaxy 23

**From the District Bridge**  
**D/Lt/C Timothy Henke, JN**  
**Executive Officer**



Detroit 2012 Governing Board Review

Oct 2012

I was tasked to represent District 23 at the Governing Board in Detroit. First and foremost on the agenda was to present the resolution that we, as a district, sent through the channels for consideration. Extensive preparations, were made, to have all resources available, once at the meeting. I have to thank the entire District Bridge and several other members that offered support in making this presentation. It was just a FABULOUS power point that listed all of the critical points that this resolution, was bringing to light. Second and just as importantly, I would thank Ken Scherz of Jacksonville for taking on the position of ADEO and thus, coming to Detroit in a very supporting role. His assistance was multifold and invaluable. Thanks Ken! Even though a valiant attempt was put forth, the District 23 resolution did not pass the Governing Board.

Looking forward, next year is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States Power Squadrons. From the start of the celebration at the National meeting in Jacksonville, the next entire year, is a series of celebrations. (and opportunities to recognize our organization at each level)

To kick off the celebration a 100 year logo has been commissioned. At the National Meeting, each district commander will be awarded a full sized ensign with the 100<sup>th</sup> logo to take back to their district. During the next year, each squadron will have the opportunity to add a supplemental ribbon that reflects their squadron. We will have each squadron create a special event or ceremony to commemorate this event. At the 2014 National Meeting, all Ensigns, complete with squadron ribbons are to be returned, to start the meeting. All in all, this next year will be very special for the entire organization. To get the word out to the entire world, the amateur radio subgroup will be setting up a special Ham radio station in JAX. The ships store has a line of special 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary clothing and items. There is also a supply of commemorative ensigns for every member to purchase.

The challenge to each and every squadron is, how are they going to publicize the 100<sup>th</sup> in amongst their other various public relation efforts? Don't forget that the District 100<sup>th</sup> ensign is coming around, for the additional of the squadrons' ribbon.

There are also many other programs that are being debuted. The Coast Guard is starting a PV – Visitation program. Brunswick boats is coming out with an integration of our education efforts to complement their boat sales. The BOC committee continues perfecting their two established levels of certification and are finalizing the off shore programs. USPS will have an expanded, 6 station, learning center at the National Boy Scout Jamboree.

There is so much going on, that Ken and myself could not cover every meeting !

One thing that I do know is, that there is Something for Everyone, and the next year is going to be huge.

Remember without U, there is no sqUadron. Think about it, become involved and enjoy.

**Boating is Fun... we'll show you how!**



## 2012 CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS:

### October

- 13 & 20 - ABC3 class at Cape Canaveral Hospital
- 20 - Saturday, 1200 Rendezvous at Sunset Café on Banana River
- 25 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library
- 27 - Saturday, 1800 Squadron Halloween party, Cocoa Village Marina

### November

- 11 - Sunday, 1400 Harvest Party Board of Realtors Association (Veteran's Day)
- 13 - Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center, Merritt Island
- 14 - Wednesday, 1130 Coco-Nauts Meeting, Cozy Corner, Merritt Island
- 18 - Saturday, 1300 Cruise to Samson Island Park on Grand Canal
- 22 - Thursday, Thanksgiving Day 2012
- 29 - Thursday, 1800 Executive Committee Meeting, Merritt Island Library

### 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

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*

## **THANKS TO OUR BOOSTERS**

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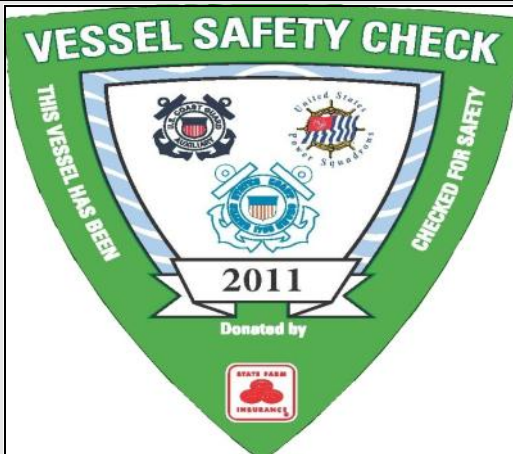
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## **Boating Report by P/C Duane L. Balkema, AP**

November 18, 2012, Sunday, at 1:00 we are going to SAMSON'S ISLAND NATURE PRESERVE. This is a very beautiful spot in the county that is accessible only by boat. That keeps the traffic down keeping it clean. If arriving by your own boat, go to docks are on Grand Canal between Tortoise Island and Lansing Island. Get to wide and deep Grand Canal from the south by going thru Mathers Swing Bridge at the south end of Merritt Island on the Banana River, heading north 1/8 mile. Head east for 700 feet and then Grand Canal turns north and is basically straight until you hit the land mass that becomes Pineda Causeway. Coming from the north, go south under Pineda Causeway and within 300 feet you will turn east into a wide marked canal. Note the interesting signal aids. After 1/5 of a mile, the markers direct you south into Grand Canal. This is a fun and interesting trip getting to Samson's Island particularly since Mathers Bridge is one of the few remaining swing bridges still in use. Will see you there. Come self contained. ((If you don't have a boat, you can catch a Pontoon Ferry by going to the Satellite Beach Fire Department at 1390 S. Patrick Drive. It leaves at 1:00 sharp and returns you at 3:30. This is bad information according to their parks department at 777-5207 as they tell me that their motor has a blown engine and they don't have budgeted money to fix. Problem!!)) ((It makes me think that my boat now has 3 event completed with the engine fix and reinstall))

September 16, 2012 Bob Rutigliano organized a group to participate as a USPS Squadron in the annual Keep Brevard County Beautiful event by organizing an Island cleanup. The Spoil Island located just northwest of the intersection of Indian River and Barge Canal was cleaned carrying off the island, 18 bags of trash, 2 smashed grills and 1 destroyed crab trap. Bob & Bobbie Rutigliano, Rick and Sandy Schoonmaker, Scott Sievers, John Mulkey, Bob Brown, Jan and John Scholtz, and Duane and Marge Balkema participated. Scott brought his beautiful "Fishing Magician II", Bob his "Easy Going" and Duane his "Prime Time" boats to haul trash.

At our September 22, 2012 Cruise/Raft-up & Watch Cocoa Beach Airshow, south of Sunset Café Bob and Bobbie Rutigliano on "Easy Going" and Duane and Margie Balkema on "Prime Time" rafted up and watched the airplanes and marine life. A great day weather wise and we had lots of fun doing it.



## **BLOOD DONATION**

*The next blood donation will be on 14 November @ 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!*





**Please Join Us For a Harvest Party Celebration**

*Bring a Covered Dish or Dessert to Share with 6-8 Friends*

*When: Sunday, **November 11**, 2012*

*Time: 1400-1700*

*Cost: Free*

*When: Space Coast Association of Realtors*

*105 McLeod St.*

*Merritt Island*

*This is a Coco-Nauts sponsored event, therefore, the ham, turkey, paper products, utensils & beverages will be provided.*

***PLEASE BRING A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER!***

For an accurate headcount, please sign up at the September meeting or  
contact: Debra Burleson @

321-454-3171





## ***CBSPS HOLIDAY DINNER DANCE***

***WHEN: SATURDAY, DEC. 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2012***

***TIME: 1800***

***WHERE: CLARION HOTEL, MERRITT ISLAND***

***PRICE: \$25.00 P/P INCLUDING GRATUITY***

***DRESS: SEMI-FORMAL (CLASS A UNIFORM)***

***A Buffet Will be Provided including Standing Rib Roast***

***Music By: TBD***

***Cash Bar Available***

***Please Make Reservations and Pay at the September Meeting or***

***Contact: Doris Valentine @ 452-1835***





## United States Power Squadrons® Boat Operator Certification Skill Demonstration



Jacksonville Sail and Power Squadron, is hosting 'Boat Operator Certification' on-the-water demonstration by candidates on 12 & 13 January 2013 at Lamb's Yacht Center 3376 Lakeshore Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32210.

Inland Navigator activities will be conducted on 12 January 2013 at 08:00

Coastal Navigator activities will be conducted on 13 January 2013 at 08:00

### Event Details:

**Lamb's Yacht Center**  
3376 Lakeshore Blvd  
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January 12, 2013 Inland Navigation

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Information contacts:

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Prerequisites:

1. BOC Passport is required for each level applied for.
2. IN On the Water (OTW) (not certification) must be completed before CN OTW.

If you desire both IN & CN, you will need IN on 11<sup>th</sup> and CN the 12<sup>th</sup>. Prior registration is required, spaces are limited.

Registrants will receive information regarding participation.

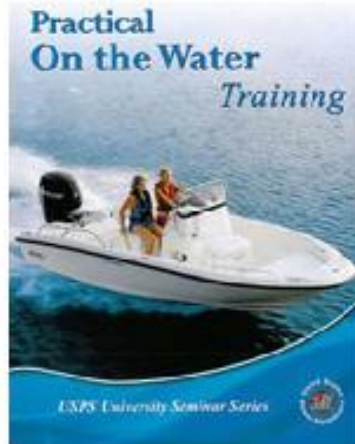
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### SATURDAY ALL-DAY

- District Council and Conference meetings.
- SkyWarn Class and certification from NOAA
- US Coast Guard Personal Visitation Presentation
- Afternoon "Spouses" event
- Lunch and Dinner events on site
- Hospitality Room

### SUNDAY MORNING

- St John's N Club Breakfast
- Guest Speaker
- Semi-Annual Meeting

### WHEN:

March 1-3, 2013

### WHERE:

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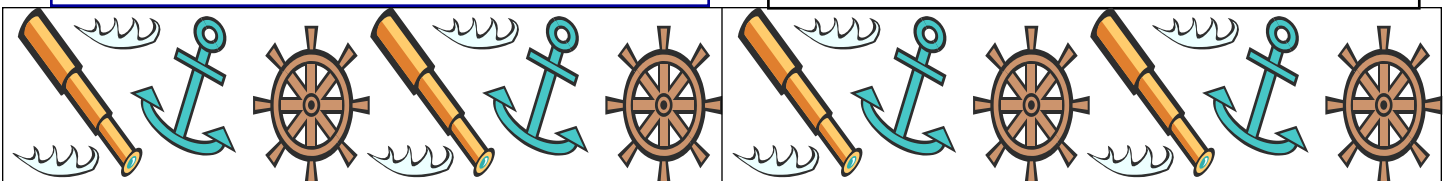
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