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Membership Meeting

**Tuesday September 3, 2013 @ 1800
Brevard Veteran's Center
400 Sykes Creek Pkwy. Merritt Island**

Monthly Meeting

There will not be a scheduled speaker for our August meeting, but we have our famous Italian Night, starting at 1800, with the general meeting to follow! See flyer on page 11 for pertinent details!

Attention On Deck

The aluminum can collection effort to pay for the "100th Anniversary Celebration", was much lower than anticipated. Please do bring, all your soda/beer cans at the next meeting, so we can avoid a charge for this event!

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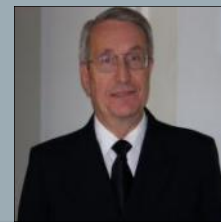
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We welcome comments,
boating stories and any
articles of interest you'd
like to submit...

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AT THE HELM

Cdr. Gerard Meunier, SN



Dear Members,

This is the last Soundings before the deadline to register for the D23 Fall Conference. That will be at the Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront on Friday, Saturday and Sunday 4, 5 & 6 October. So...do fill out the Registration form included in this issue of Soundings and mail it ASAP with your check to P/C Susan Kneeland, SN. We were able to get a very preferential rate of \$99.00 (tax included) valid from October 1 to 9. So make it a Staycation!!

Our Past Commanders have been very generous toward a fully stocked bar for Suite 711 where they will provide free drinks on both Friday and Saturday evenings. Our Squadron Auxiliaries will be ready to feed you Saturday morning with their free continental breakfast, also in Suite 711.

Besides the Luau party by the pool deck on Friday night, we have lined up some very interesting activities for Saturday. At 1000, come and join us for a "South Pacific sailing Adventure", followed by information about the new Cape Canaveral Cruise Terminal and at 1400, the "Art of vegetable carving" with our very own chef Bob Mittauer, AP.

We have many door prizes and expect some exciting raffle items such as Kennedy Space Center tickets, Orlando Solar Bears tickets, a very nice piece of jewelry and more. Those will be drawn and distributed after the Saturday night Luau Plated dinner. Then, enjoy your water views room and get ready for the Sunday "N" Club presentation or a surfing lesson at the Hilton beach.

All the above and more is highlighted on our website. Go to www.CBSPS.org and click on D23 Fall Conference. Take a look!

See you soon at one of our activities (see the Calendar of Events in this Soundings or our always updated website www.CBSPS.org) with your non-member friends and, of course, at the D23 Fall conference.

A banner with the text "220 in 2020" in large, bold, red letters on a white background.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER LT/C Robert Rutigliano, AP



As mentioned at the August general meeting for those who did not attend, we have reached capacity for the yacht club room where we will hold the 100th anniversary ceremony. We had sign up sheets at the past meetings and it was announced in e-mails sent out by Brian to every one. We have had an overwhelming response and I thank you all.

The speakers have been scheduled, decorations are in the works, the menu has been ordered and the programs are being designed. Remember we want to put our best foot forward so the uniform for the event is class G. Short sleeve white shirt, shoulder boards, gold buttons and name tags. I ask every squadron member who has a class G uniform to please wear it. We are working on having several members of the media there so lets look good.

The committee responsible for organizing the event does not want the members to pay for their meal so we have been actively talking to local businesses asking for sponsorships. We have had some success but we need more funding to pay for the event. If you know of a business that might be interested in sponsoring the event, let me know and I will e-mail the form to you. Just fill it out and give it to them as their receipt, collect the amount and a business card to be used on our program. We have also received some donations from members and will be grateful for any other donations we receive. Thank you all.

Several members of our squadron joined the Banana River SPS on their cruise on the St Johns river with two power boats and one Kayak powered by our Commander. We cruised north to Possum Bluff for a cook out. It was a great day on the water and a new experience for most of us.

Due to a very hectic job related work load, our public relations officer had to step down. We are in serious need of some one to fill this position for the remainder of the term. Especially just before two big events, the 100th anniversary ceremony followed by the D-23 fall conference. Any one with some experience in this area please contact me a.s.a.p. Thanks again.



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Thank you,
Tammy Brown
USPS Headquarters Marketing Director

SEO

P/C Sandra R. Schoonmaker, SN



Having just returned from the northeast where it already feels like autumn, it is nice to be back to Florida where summer just keeps on happening. That being said, we are experiencing the “back to work” mode of the northerners, which means the education department is back in business with a series of new classes.

Junior Navigation (JN) will begin 03 September at the Cocoa Library at 1300. Five students are enrolled. Instructor P/D/C Fred Adame, SN, is a nationally recognized USPS educator. His students have high success rate that is in direct relationship with his understanding of the subject matter and caring attention to the needs of the participants.

On 09 September, Sail Class will begin. This class is not taught as frequently as our navigation courses so members are encouraged to take advantage of this offering. 1/Lt Winnie Crawford, JN and Lt. David Keane, JN are co-instructing at Wuesthoff Hospital’s Sports Medicine Building at 1900. If you are interested in this class, register at seo@cbsps.com.

On Saturday, 14 September, our fourth ABC Class will be taught in one day at Wuesthoff Hospital. Due to the number of students already enrolled we have had to change the venue from Boaters’ Exchange although the students will still be asked to purchase their books from them in advance. If you know of any boaters who would like to take advantage of this last class of the year, please have them enroll with registrar@cbsps.com.

Then on 23 September, Lt/C George Shapow, S, will teach the Marine Communication Class at Cape Canaveral Hospital. This is a new course and the students will benefit from George’s experience with radio technology including SSB. Sign-ups are through seo@cbsps.com.

This series of courses will be the last to begin in 2013. The education department is currently working on the classes for January and February. The schedules and locations will be posted on our WEB site as soon as the details are worked out.

And last but not least, congratulations to P/C Susan Kneeland, SN, who has been nominated by CBSPS for the USPS Chapman Award. Susan’s name has been submitted to the District Education Officer who makes the choice of the educator whose name will be submitted to the National Committee. This annual award is given to the top 5 educators in the nation. Regardless of the results, we all know that Susan is the TOPS with CBSPS!

Congratulations to the following students who have successfully completed Marine Electrical Systems:
 Bob Brown, AP, Ken Charles, N, Winnie Crawford, JN, Garry Pepin, P, Ron Raphael, S, Bob Rutigliano, AP, Ron Sageser, AP, and George Shapow, S.

Also successful completion of Cruise Planning:
 Ron Sageser, AP and Len Sinebaldi, N

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
LT/C Louis Harlow, AP



Squadron mate Duane Balkema organized a great squadron join up at Grills on Route 1 on Saturday 3 August. A good time was had by all and the food was excellent. Thanks Duane you are appreciated.

Preparations are gearing up for the 100th anniversary for the United States Power Squadron. Executive Officer Bob has an event planned for 27 Sept , watch the web site for details.

Also, don't forget the District Conference will convene 4 October and we are the host squadron.

“ A collision at sea can ruin your entire day”
 Attributed to Thucydides, 5th century B.C.

“The most advance nations are always those who navigate the most”
 R.W. Emerson, 1802 - 1883, Society and Solitude

SECRETARY
LT/C Marilyn Flanigan, P



Welcome back to those who have been traveling around this summer, having a great time I hope. I spent 3 weeks in Michigan and it was nice, but very HOT up there also.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our September Italian Night, and all that good food. The new updated Roster is available on the website. Check it out, and if you need to make any changes, call me or email me with the correct info. My phone # and email address is on page 2 of the Soundings.

We already have a change for the Roster: Mary Jane Schoor, 7415 Orchestra Lane, #2102, Melbourne, FL, 32940-2633. Phone # and email the same, no change.

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

Fred Adame	9/12
Marilyn Flanigan	9/15
Steven Keyes	9/08
Trent Milliken	9/22
Pamela Scott	9/04

If your name is not listed on the monthly Birthday List, it's because it is not in DB2000 records. Please call or email me, and I will update our records. Thank you.

COCO-NAUTS CORNER

Debra Burleson, PRESIDENT

Our next meeting will be held on September 11th at Brano's Italian Grill in Cocoa Beach, starting at noon. This will be an important meeting for us to plan our involvement in the D23 Fall Conference, which our squadron is hosting this year at the Hilton Cocoa Beach Ocean Front Hotel, October 4th-6th. Our auxiliary, will be responsible for providing finger foods, on Friday and Saturday nights, prior to dinner, and pastries, juice, coffee, and possibly fruits, or yogurt, on Saturday morning. Please mark your calendar, and plan to attend our next luncheon.

The Coco-Nauts will host the Harvest Party again this year on November 10th, from 2-5p, at the Space Coast Association of Realtors on 105 McLeod St., Merritt Island, FL 32953. We will need help with the set-up for the party prior to the event, and the break-down/clean-up afterwards!!! The cost will be \$6 p/p, and bring a dish to share with others. The \$6 charge is to help defray the expenses of building rental, paper products, meats, utensils, decorations, and other items necessary to make the event happen. A reminder flyer will be included in the next issue of The Soundings! Last year we had around 70+ people attend! There's not many places you can go to all-you-can-eat buffet for \$6 p/p, and a shared dish, with the comradery of fellow squadron members, and their family/friends!

September Birthdays
15 - Marilyn Flanigan





GALAXY D23 NEWSLETTER



From the District Bridge
D/C Timothy Henke, JN
D23 Commander

As District Commander, it was great to recently go back to my roots and teach a 2 1/2 hour segment of the United States Power Squadrons' America's Boating Course (ABC3). It is refreshing that even though I am handling the business of the district, I can jump in and teach those beginning on the course of safe boating, education.

All of our squadrons have events going on, I will be proud to relay this information as I represent District 23 at the Governing Board meetings in San Antonio just after Labor Day. I am here to represent each and every one of our members. Have an Idea for the Governing Board? Drop me a line and I will take it with me. The Governing Board is where we cumulatively decide the direction of OUR USPS. For squadrons, for those squadrons that are not able to make the trek to San Antonio, please forward your proxies to me ASAP.

While it seems that we are up to date on everything we are not. I have visited several of the D23 squadrons and have collected their ribbons on the 100th anniversary flag. Several squadrons need to get themselves on the schedule to complete this task. The end of the year is rapidly approaching and schedules will be getting tight - quickly.

With everyone migrating back to sunny Florida, it time to get our squadrons geared up for the fall season. The fall conference will be held at Cocoa Beach. They have a great facility and program lined up for all of us. Yes US, everyone is invited to the fall conference. Don't miss this great time of fraternity and of course a bit of business to take care of. Remember that the fall conference is the time to bring all of those teaching aids for the District Competition.

I know that everyone is striving to obtain their merit mark for calendar year 2013. Get those vessel safety checks completed and logged into the system, teach those classes, complete those civic service projects. Complete the projects for all the committees. The Merit Mark committee has to have all of their submissions in before the district cruise.

By the release of this transmittal, I hope that everyone has heard of the District 23, 2nd annual "officially - unofficial" Casino Cruise out of Port Canaveral on November 2, 2013. This years' theme is - Welcome Home to all of our members. It seems that all squadrons have quite a few members that travel, during the summer months. To get "the gang" together, once most everyone is back home, we have slated the cruise a little later this year. What a deal and no dock lines to deal with.

Well it is time to get back to work, there is so much to do before the change of watches start to take place.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS:

August 2013

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

September 2013

03 - Tuesday, 1300 JN class begins, Cocoa Library

03 - Tuesday, 1800 General Meeting - Italian Night, Brevard Veteran's Center

09 - Monday, 1900 Sail class starts, Wuesthoff Hospital

11 - Wednesday, 1200 Coco-Nauts Luncheon Brano's Italian Grill, Cocoa Beach

21 - Saturday, 1000 Boating Outing, Cocoa Beach Canals

23 - Monday, Marine Communications class starts, Cape Canaveral Hospital

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

27 - Friday, 1100 Ribbon 100th Year Flag Ceremony, Port Canaveral Yacht Club

October 2013

01 - Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center

04 - 06, Friday - Sunday, D23 Fall Conference, Cocoa Beach Oceanfront Hilton

09 - Wednesday, 1130, Coco-Nauts Luncheon, TBD

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

26 - Saturday, 1000 Boating Outing, Sykes Creek

November 2013

02 - Saturday, 0930 D23 Cruise on the Victory Casino

05 - Tuesday, 1900 General Meeting, Brevard Veteran's Center

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

July 27, Saturday, Banana River Sail & Power Squadron had a boating event on the St. Johns River at HWY 520 to include trailer boaters and Kayaks. CDR Gerard paddled his Kayak and Bob Rutigliani and Gary Phippen launched their power boats to participate. Its reported they had a good time on the river.

August 3, Saturday We cruised to Grills on Indian River, just North of Pinneda Causeway on US1. We had 4 boats participate and we all got to look over a squadron members really neat Glacier Bay 26 fully outfitted for offshore fishing. 24 people enjoyed meeting in the restaurant.

August 17, Saturday, We plan to Cruise the Indian River to the spoil islands just north of where the Barge Canal intersects. Chart references are on a noted page in Soundings. Its Planned to come from wherever and arrive 11:00 (if a day trip) or 1:00 to 3:00 (if an overnight trip), finding a good location and to raft-up. After some sightseeing around the spoil islands, folks who come self contained will grill and eat and talk as darkness comes. Those capable will sleep on their boats and return home the next day. Please call Bob Rutigliano on 514-0753 to coordinate activities. We need several participants to hold the event.

Our September 21, Saturday, Treasure Hunt in Cocoa Beach Canals is cancelled.

Oct 26, Saturday, We plan a “Slow Boat Cruise thru Sykes Creek to Audubon—Possibly Overnight.” We will Depart 528 Kelly Park on Banana River at 11:00 and motor north on Banana River, west on the Barge Canal and into Sykes Creek. We will stop and eat along the way, and plan to check out the action at several members houses along the way. If water is high enough we will make it to Kiwanas Park. We could do an overnight there in the basin and slip over to Applebees for a nightcap.

I asked around, what other boating is happening. Some members are offshore fishing, Crawford's have enjoyed many moonlight cruises on their sailboat with the sailing club and Milners and Shommers longest trip with Skippers has been to Vero Beach. The Grigsby's are enjoying the summer cruising and tubing with their perfect condition 1970 17' I/O powerboat on the Finger Lakes of New York. I will add that Bob Rutigliano took his first outing to Grills on his newly rebuilt I/O power boat. **QUESTION:** Who is the Squadron Member(s) who is on the water the most with his boat? Answer next time.

BLOOD DONATION

The next blood donation will be on 20 August @ 0900am at the Blood Center on US Hwy. #1. All donations are appreciated!!!!



LOOK OUT

By P/C Al Pappas, SN

We've all talked about "Rules of the Road", and we complained about the guys, who don't obey them, or don't even know them....and, we should know, by now, that they are properly called "Navigation Rules."

Did you know that Florida is the only state, (that I am aware of), that specifies, "Each person operating a vessel upon the waters of this state SHALL comply with the Navigation Rules." (Florida Statue Chapter 327.33 (3))?

So What? Well, Rule 5 requires a PROPER LOOKOUT at all times. And, now, what is a "proper lookout"?Hmmmmm!?

A proper lookout, (this includes listening too!), should be: 1. Qualified, experienced, and trained in how, and what, to report. 2. Be vigilant and alert - this requires they be properly equipped, and Dressed. 3. Be properly station ed - must be able to see in assigned direction, and be in communication with the vessel operator. 4. Must be specifically charged with duty as LOOKOUT, and MUST HAVE NO OTHER DUTIES!!! (while actively being the lookout).

The last one effectively precludes being the "tour guide", bartending, or waiter/waitress, as well as posing a problem for single-handers, i.e. wind-surfers, jet skis (P.W.C), and lone fishermen! WONDER ABOUT MARINE PATROL!!

Not too long ago, a sailboat that was headed north went aground, and was stranded at Melbourne Beach, Florida. It was determined that the accident occurred because there was no lookout, and she was sailing by autopilot. The captain, a single-handed sailor, was cited, and fined for not maintaining a proper lookout as required by Rule 5, of the Navigation Regulations. How about that!

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Happy Boating!

R/C Kristi Anderson, P

Member Benefits Committee



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When: September 3rd @1800 prior to General Meeting

Cost: \$5 p/p



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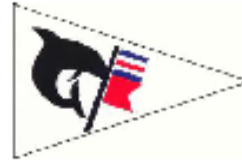


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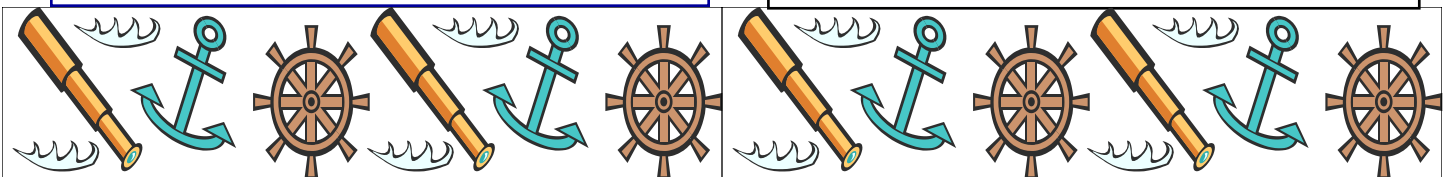
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