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Commander's Message

Cdr Jeffrey Short, JN-IN

As another boating season fast approaches, we are preparing to welcome a new bridge to Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron. At the Founders Day Celebration, held in early February, our membership voted on and passed a new budget to take effect on 1 March 2018. We also voted on the new slate of Bridge Officers and Executive Committee. What a wonderful team has volunteered to lead us into the new year. Please make an effort to thank them and to volunteer your skills, knowledge and time to assist them in making this next year another exciting and eventful one.

Our Founders Day Celebration was held at Renditions Golf Course in Davidsonville, and the turnout was amazing! Despite the nasty weather outside, we filled the place. The event was kicked off with a moving and patriotic Presentation of Colors by the Color Guard from the Training Ship Reina Mercedes. These fantastic cadets, ages 8-12, moved with precision and professionalism. It was wonderful to watch them practice and drill to perfection and equally wonderful to see their efforts supported by their families and adult leadership. I hope ASPS can continue our relationship with CDR Balay, his Color Guard and the rest of the cadets from the Training Ship Reina Mercedes.

We were honored to have District 5 Commander C.M. Kohlenberg, P, and his lovely wife, Judy, come all the way from Seaford, DE to speak to us on Founders Day. He updated us on where the United States Power Squadrons and District 5 are headed in the near future. In keeping with the new effort to be America's Boating Club®, there is a move to modernize the culture of United States Power Squadrons®, yet maintain the traditions that bind us together as an organization. So far, I think it is working. There has been an uptick in attendance at many of the ASPS events recently, and D/C Kohlenberg has seen the same at the District level.

We finished off the day by welcoming new members Jim and Diane Eklund, followed by a very interesting and humorous presentation by our own Art Pine, AP, entitled "Salty Language." After all these years of being called a "loose cannon," now I know where the term came from. Thank you Art!

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Baltimore Boat Show 25-28 January 2018 Baltimore Convention Center

Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron members Lt/C Ron Ricketts, S, and Lt/C Tony Martin, JN helped man the booth, as well as associate members P/Stf/C Alan Karpas, JN-ACN, P/C John Wilmot, JN, and Betty Wilmot.



The simulator was a great draw. It is an entertaining and illuminating activity. If you have not tried it out, make sure to attend the fall boat shows where we will have it on display.

Commander Cont. from Page 1

This is my last Anchor Watch as the Commander. I had a fantastic time, and I really encourage you to give it a go. Serving on the Bridge or the Executive Committee, or in any capacity that you can, is extremely rewarding and really a lot of fun.

I thank those of you on this year's Bridge and Executive Committee for all of your support. I also want to convey my appreciation to those largely unsung heroes in ASPS that don't necessarily get the recognition they deserve. Thank you P/C Kathy Nash, AP, for keeping the Lunch Hooks coming out and for keeping the Facebook site active and informative. Thank you P/C John Wesley Nash, SN-IN, for your exquisite attention to detail proofreading the Anchor Watch and for keeping the website current. Thank you P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S, Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN, P/C Kathy Nash, AP-IN, and Lt Linda Sweeting, for all your hard work on the Anchor Watch. Thank you Lt Peggy Slattery, S, for collecting all the ASPS awards and tracking our activity as the long time historian, and for sending cards to those ASPS members in need of cheering up. Thank you Lt Tom Campbell for being the backbone of the Budget Committee since its inception many years ago. Thanks to Lt Linda Sweeting, JN, for always being there in the background with your camera to document our smiling faces. Thank you P/C Howard Cupples, JN, for your wonderful invocations at every dinner meeting. Thank you P/C Lee Myers, AP, for your tremendous efforts arranging the monthly dinners and for all of your hard work on putting on the Founders Day and Change of Watch celebrations.

Thank you to everyone that has had a part in making this past year a success and so much fun. We don't always know who is doing the work, but we certainly appreciate the wonderful times that we have when the work gets done. And, it is all of you that we have to thank.

A very special thank you goes out to those of you who have volunteered to serve on the new bridge and executive committee. We are looking forward to a wonderful new year. Now let's get out and make the water a fun and safe place.





Administrative Officer

Lt/C Noni Rondeau, JN

Founders Day 2018 is behind us and what a success: from the Flag Ceremony presented by the Navy League Cadet Corp from the Training Ship Reina Mercedes, to the scrumptious brunch and superb venue of Renditions Golf Club!

As stated during my last official report, this event would not have been as successful without the tireless efforts of P/C Lee Myers, AP. Thank you for being my rock when it came to membership meetings that involved food...feed them and they will come! Words are not enough to truly express my gratitude.

Art Pine, AP, our Guest Speaker at Founders Day, presented an enlightening talk and entertaining slideshow on “Salty Language” - modern day words and phrases that derive from the age of sail. Art has a long and illustrious biography; a former naval officer and veteran reporter, he covered military affairs for the Los Angeles Times. You often see his articles in SpinSheet and their sister magazines. We are fortunate to have Art as a member of our Squadron! At Founders Day, Art was speaking as a representative of CAPCA, the Chesapeake Area Professional Captains Association. To find out more about this organization, go to <https://www.capca.net/>.

For anyone desiring to know more about the origins of marine words and phrases, below are a few books recommended by Art Pine:

- ★ *When a Loose Cannon Flogs a Dead Horse, There's the Devil to Pay*, by Olivia A. Isil
- ★ *A-Z of Sailing Terms*, by Ian Dear and Peter Kemp
- ★ *Ship to Shore, a Dictionary of Everyday Words and Phrases Derived from the Sea*, by Peter D. Jeans
- ★ *An Ocean of Words, a Dictionary of Nautical Words and Phrases*, by Peter D. Jeans
- ★ *Origins of Sea Terms*, by John G. Rogers
- ★ *Jack Tar and the Baboon Watch*, by Captain Frank Lanier
- ★ *Not Room Enough to Swing a Cat*, by Martin Robson

I overheard so many members rave about the food served at Founders Day and how pleased they were with the location. Attendance was well up over last year. So, for many this was a first. If you want to experience more from Renditions Golf Club and your Squadron, please join us at the 77th Annual Change of Watch on 10 March. The deadline was Friday, 23 Feb. You **MUST CALL** (no e-mails please) P/C Lee Myers, AP, at 410-647-4793 for any last minute changes to attendance. Lee is working directly with the venue and we have hard dates as outlined in our contract.

As my time as your Administrative Officer comes to an end, I want to extend special thanks to Lt Kathy Slattery, AP, our Membership Chairperson. When so many organizations are struggling with membership, she has helped grow our Squadron. Our first New Member Appreciation Picnic was a huge success thanks to Kathy and the help of many. We are fortunate Kathy has agreed to stay on in this capacity. Membership falls under the purview of the Admin Officer, but we are all in this together. If you know someone interested in learning more about the United States Power Squadrons[®] and the benefits of membership in the Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron, please have them contact Kathy. She is reachable at kslatteryasps@gmail.com or 410-280-5468. Kathy, it has been an absolute pleasure to work with you. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do.





May is National Pet Month!

Help Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron celebrate National Pet Month. We want to support those pets who have not found their forever home. We will have a drive at our May meeting for those animals currently living at the SPCA of Anne Arundel County. Plan now to bring something to donate. Here is a beginning list of the things needed:

Pet food (unexpired) Cat toys Milk Bones Washable dog toys
 Cat beds Bath mats Towels, all sizes Clorox wipes

Be sure to read the April [Anchor Watch](#) for a complete list of all the items on the SPCA of Anne Arundel County Wish List!

We are searching for pictures and vignettes about boating with pets for a part of the May Membership Meeting. If you have any, please send to Georgiana Maszczenski at gmaszczenski@hotmail.com.

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Last, but in no way least, THANK YOU Lt Lacey Davidson, S, for stepping up and being our Boating Chairperson and all around first-class helper. As a newer member, Lacey brought fresh ideas for events and did an excellent job coordinating. Although boatless, Lacey jumped right in and successfully arranged the many boating events in 2017. By the way, Lacey is always willing to hitch a ride on a member's boat (sail or power) and can be great crew.

There were so many other members that helped on special committees. Lacey, Kathy, Lee and I send our heartfelt thanks, as you helped make each and every event easy and, most of all, fun.

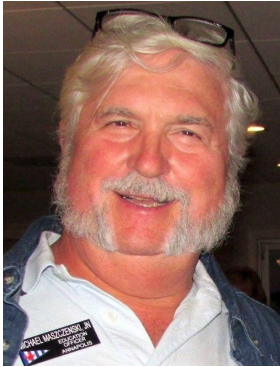
Spring is 20 March 2018, and soon we will be boating.

Cheers!

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”

~Elizabeth Andrew





Educational Officer

Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N

Upcoming, we have a wonderful variety of seminars. Please take advantage of them. Share our course offerings with friends. We are open to all.

Most seminars are one session each. They will be offered **Wednesdays** at Annapolis Senior High School. Check the ASPSMD.org website and the next Anchor Watch for additions or changes.

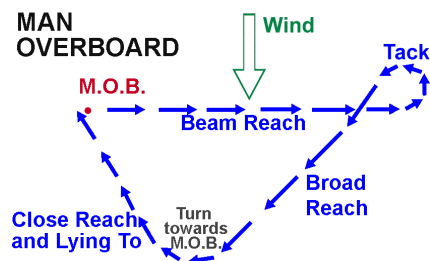
Man Overboard

Instructor: P/C John W. Nash, SN-IN and P/C Kathy Nash, AP-IN

Date: Wednesday, 28 February

Cost: \$35.00

This seminar is designed to teach boaters how to react, and then, how to recover a crew member or passenger who accidentally falls overboard. The seminar covers vessel set-up and MOB equipment, maneuvering to keep the rescuer close to the MOB, the responsibility of the MOB in this emergency situation, and methods of recovering the MOB.



VHF/DSC Radios

Instructor: Ron Ricketts

Date: Wednesday, 7 March

Cost: \$35.00 **Optional Quick Guide:** \$10.00

VHF radio is the mainstay of coastal communication and essential for emergency communications. Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is rapidly becoming a reality as more Coast Guard Rescue 21 System operations go live. This seminar explains basic VHF operation along with the operation of the new DSC radio, MMSI numbers, making emergency calls, and radio selection.

Trailing Your Boat

Instructor: P/Lt/C Gary Antonides, AP

Date: Wednesday, 14 March

Cost: \$35.00 **Optional Book:** \$15.00

This seminar was updated in 2014. It explains how to select a tow vehicle, discusses the correct towing hitch for the intended use, and has information to aid in choosing a trailer that has the features that meet your needs. It explains how to safely trailer your boat, why you must match the trailer hitch ball to your trailer hitch, the need for and types of trailer brakes, and the importance of correct electrical connections.

Tides and Current

Instructor: P/C John W. Nash, SN-IN and

P/C Kathy Nash, AP-IN

Date: Wednesday, 4 April

Cost: \$35.00

The seminar deals with how the sun and moon create tidal patterns, sources of information about tides and tidal currents, simple ways to predict height of tide and current flow, and how to use both print and electronic tide tables. Each student receives a full color text booklet on the subject for future reference.

Anchoring

Instructor: Purnell Delly

Date: Wednesday, 11 April

Cost: \$35.00 **Optional Quick Guide:** \$10.00

The new Anchoring Seminar has been prepared to assist boaters in understanding the issues and problems involving the theories of anchor weight, the methods used to anchor, and the choices of anchor types for the area of boating. The slides and notations on anchoring are intended to raise awareness of the need for correct anchor choices and the mechanics of proper anchoring techniques. The knowledge gained from completing this seminar will increase the student's understanding of the conditions and situations involved in anchoring a boat and the need for a proper anchor choice. The kit comes with 6" x 8.5" color manual of the slides with documentation suitable to be kept on the boat or your bookshelf.



Introduction to Navigation (two sessions)

Instructor: P/C Richard Hughes, SN-IN, Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N, and Purnell Delly

Date: Wednesdays, 25 April and 2 May

Cost: \$35.00

The Introduction to Navigation seminar replaces Basic Coastal Navigation, and presents information to enable beginning recreational boaters to practice safe passage using navigation charts with Global Positioning System (GPS) technology on devices such as chart plotters. This seminar introduces recreational boaters to navigation using charts in combination with GPS and the electronic navigation software, Open CPN. Continued education on using Open CPN software is provided in the follow on advanced courses such as Piloting and Navigation. Navigation chart and Open CPN data is introduced through no-cost website access. (<https://opencpn.org>).

Knots, Bends and Hitches

Instructor: Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN and Lt Linda Sweeting

Date: Wednesday, 9 May

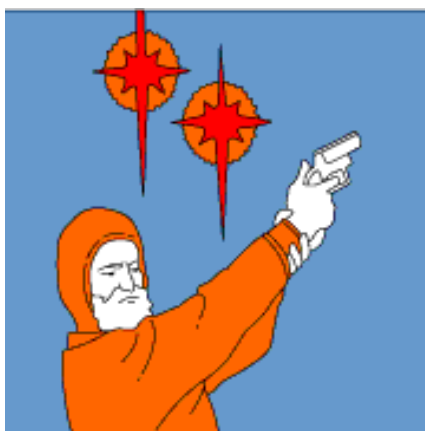
Cost: \$35.00 **Optional Book:** \$15.00

This seminar is a hands-on "learn how to tie knots" program geared to a wide range of audiences. Participants learn about knots and learn to tie a set of the most useful knots. The kit comes with a 6" x 8.5" color manual of the slides with documentation suitable to be kept on the boat or your bookshelf

Visual Distress Signals with Flare Demo and Practice

Date: April (exact day TBD)

A joint seminar with Kent Narrow Sail and Power Squadron will be held in April just in time for everyone to be digging out those old flares before



s p r i n g commissioning. The site will be at the Kent Island Yacht Club. Complete details will be coming in future Anchor Watches and on the aspsmd.org website.

Register now! Having your registration now lets us plan the future.

If you would like to add your name to a class list for any of the offerings, please use the ASPS registration link below to reserve a seat now. You may cancel your reservation at a later date, but putting in your name early gives me approximate numbers to facilitate ordering materials. To suggest an additional course or seminar offering, please contact me.

Register online.

Go to: <http://bit.ly/qKN8ad>. You can also email me at michaelm_aacps@hotmail.com or aspsmd.class@gmail.com. Or, you can call 410-739-7800. Please include your full name, the class you want to sign up for, and a phone number in case further information is needed.

Location for all courses and seminars:

Annapolis Sr. High School, Riva Road, Room 130 or Room 132.

Please watch the website <http://www.aspsmd.org> for course and seminar updates.

Inclement Weather Policy:

Classes will be rescheduled if Anne Arundel County Schools are closed during a scheduled class or seminar. Please monitor the news or the <https://www.aacps.org/> website during times of inclement weather. If evening school activities are cancelled, the ASPS class will not be held.

Check Kent Narrows Sail and Power Squadron for additional courses. If ASPS doesn't have the course you need, check with our friends across the Bay Bridge. Access "Tidelines", Jan/Feb Newsletter at (<http://bit.ly/2Cuxorq>).

KNSPS will be offering **Junior Navigation.**

Date: March 2018

For KNSPS Courses and Seminars, Contact:

Joe Burke, 410-279-0862 KNSPS.SEO@gmail.com or register on-line at www.usps.org.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/USPSKNSPS>



Executive Officer

Lt/C Anthony Martin, JN

Your incoming bridge has hit the ground running. We had our first meeting on 29 January 2018. Even before that meeting Peggy and Georgiana set about reviewing the calendar and coming up with ideas and suggestions for boating and social events. Many thanks goes to Noni for sharing “local knowledge” on where the deep water lays. If you have any thoughts on what you would like the squadron to do, in the coming months, please share it with your bridge. In addition to activities and events, if there is a particular speaker that you think would interest the general membership, please share their bio and contact information as well.

Planning for the D-5 Conference Hospitality Suite, is well under way. Many thanks are owed to P/C Joel Hilden, P, and his wife, Sandrine, for offering their home as a meeting site. We are fortunate this year to have the energy and creativity of P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S, and Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN, in the concept and presentation phase. Their talent coupled with the passion and leadership that P/C Lee Myers, AP, and P/C Stu Meyers, AP, bring to the task is sure to result in another memorable exhibit. This initial effort, when joined with a hearty response from the ASPS and Kent Narrows membership ensures another event that both squadrons will be proud of. If you have not already committed to doing so, please consider giving a hand to set up and take down the exhibit.

If time or distance is keeping you from participating in the team effort at the D-5 Conference, fear not, we have some other events on the horizon. The gentle reader will recall that at our January Dinner Meeting, a show of hands suggested that the Squadron participate in the **Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show**. That show is scheduled to run from **20-22 April 2018 (Saturday – Monday)**. You can **volunteer** to help with that exposition by **clicking on the link below**. In so doing, we can take advantage of the opportunity to introduce *America's Boating Club*[®] to many, in a one on one setting. **As always, the Squadron needs help in setting up the exhibit and taking it down. Your effort in that regard is always appreciated.**

I will be joining Commander Short, JN-IN, at the United States Power Squadrons[®]/America's Boating Club[®] Annual Meeting in Orlando, Florida from 18 February, through 25 February 2018. A full report will follow in next month's edition. In closing, I think it appropriate to mention that this article is the last time that I am writing as the Executive Officer. My term as your XO has been both interesting and enlightening. Much has been learned, but nothing was more emphasized than the fact that a great group of people make up our squadron. I want to thank everyone for making my job easy. A special thanks is owed to Noni and Jeff, who worked well together and kept me from falling off the deck.

ANNAPOLIS SPRING SAILBOAT SHOW

20-22 April 2018

Volunteer to work at the booth of Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron.

Sign up sheet here:

<https://tinyurl.com/SpringASPS>



Founders Day Brunch 11 February 2018 Renditions Golf Club

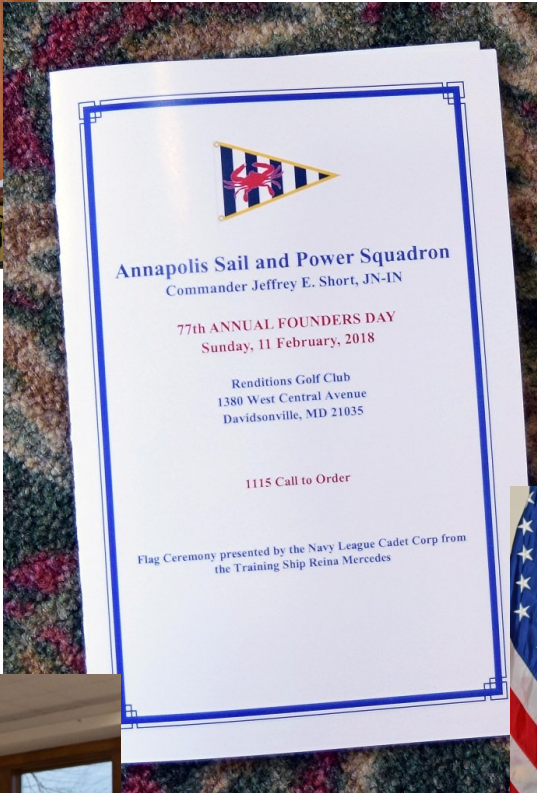
Here are a selected few of the pictures from the meeting. Linda has made a permanent folder in a dropbox for all of them at :
<https://tinyurl.com/2018ASPSpix>
Your editors,
Georgiana, Linda, and Carol



Cdr Jeff Short, JN-IN, welcomes all to the Founders Day celebration.



Opening remarks were provided by D/C C. M. Kohlenburg, P, pictured here with wife, Judy Kohlenburg.



Lt/C Noni Rondeau, JN, put together a lovely program for the day.



Cdr Jeff Short, JN-IN, congratulates Tom Richardson, AP, for completing AP at the age of ninety. Way to go, Tom!



Lt/Cdr Tony Martin, JN, and Noreen Martin. Tony will be sworn in as the new commander at Change of Watch in March.

Cdr Jeff Short, JN-IN, swears in new members Jim Ecklund and Diane Ecklund. P/C Sam Lyness, SN, sails with the Ecklunds and introduced them to the squadron.





P/C Stu Myers, AP, acted as standard bearer for the Founders Day celebration.



Lt/C Jonathan Jacobs, P, enjoys some of the fresh fruit at the yummy brunch buffet. If you did not try the Crème Brulee French Toast, or the Crab Cake Benedict, you really missed out!



Gary Antonides, AP, chats with guests, Bill Vosburgh and Susan Vosburgh, friends from his community.



Jon Evans and Bonnie Evans enjoy the celebration. Jon will be on the executive board starting in March. Read about their recent recue of a boater in the Ensign. <http://theensign.org/not-so-lucky/>



Karen and 1st/Lt Ron Ricketts, S. Ron will be sworn in as Executive Officer in March at the Change of Watch.



Art Pine, AP, entertained us all with Salty Language – commonly used words and phrases left over from the days of sail. See the article on Page 11, especially you “loose cannons on the gun deck” out there!



Lorrie Short sells a burgee to Nina McGarry.





Brunch Bites and Bits

P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S

If you were unable to attend our February meeting, you missed out on a real treat. We held the meeting on Sunday, 11 February in order to also celebrate Founders Day. And, instead of dinner, we were treated to an amazing brunch buffet at Renditions Golf Club. The food alone was enough to make it amazing, but we had two speakers as well – a veritable feast of both food and fodder for thought!

The morning opened with a Flag Ceremony presented by the Navy League Cadet Corp from the Training Ship Reina Mercedes. As always, these young men and women did an excellent job.

D/C C. M. Kohlenberg, P, was kind enough to bring greetings from District 5. He shared some of the ideas being discussed at both the district and the national levels. Here are some of the things you would have heard had you attended this meeting:

- ★ The change to *America's Boating Club*[®] has been well received by the membership.
- ★ Uniform requirements for different events are being revisited to consider allowing squadrons to adapt to their membership rather than just one set of rules.
- ★ Although education is an important part of the organization, there is some consideration about relaxing the education requirements for officers. Squadrons need the flexibility to allow great candidates to serve on the bridge without worrying about specific education requirements. Also, squadrons need to be able to tailor their education programs to the needs of their members. After all, a squadron made up mostly of kayakers and paddle boarders probably won't fill a class on chart plotters!

Our featured speaker was Art Pine, AP. Art is a member of the Chesapeake Area Professional Captains Association, a writer for various maritime publications, and one of our very own members! It was great fun to have him share how Salty Language – the language of sailors – has slowly infiltrated everyday speech. If you had been there, you would have learned the history of quite a few words. Here is just a small sampling:

- ★ **All Above Board** – Today we take this to mean being honest and transparent in our dealings with others. In earlier times, it meant that you could see what a ship was about! The men, the cargo, and other things were all readily visible – if the ship was going about its business. However, pirate ships were not likely to show what they were up to until they were close enough to attack!
- ★ **As the Crow Flies** – Today, this means the shortest distance between two locations. Originally, ships carried a cage of crows. If the ship became lost or unsure of its position in coastal waters, the ship would release a caged crow. The crow would fly straight towards the nearest land, and the ship would get a possible heading!
- ★ **A Clean Slate** – Today, we think of starting with a clean slate when we don't want to have to worry about past constraints. In earlier times, sailors would literally keep notes for the log on a slate! The information on the slate would be transferred to the written log, and the slate would be wiped clean for use by the next watch.



Art Pine, AP

Art was kind enough to share LOTS of common phrases with roots in early nautical history. Our meetings give you the opportunity to enjoy time with others who love being out on the water. And, we always have a speaker willing to share knowledge or adventures about being out on the water. Our next meeting will be the Annual Change of Watch on 10 March. Hope to see you there!





Communications Committee Chair

Lt Linda Sweeting

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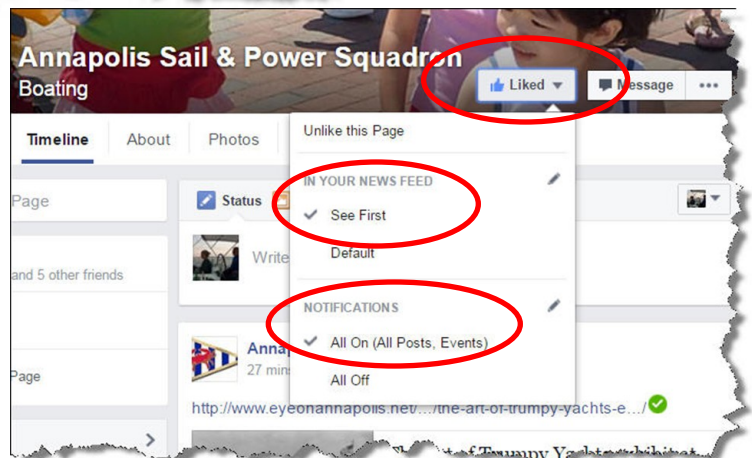


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Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron

77th ANNUAL CHANGE OF WATCH

Saturday, 10 March, 2018

**Renditions Golf Club
1380 West Central Avenue
Davidsonville, MD 21035**

**1800 Cash Bar 1900 Dinner 1945 Ceremony
\$45.00 per person Cutoff for reservations: Friday, 23 Feb 2018**

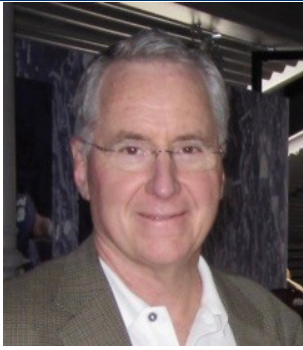
**Want to attend? Have not made reservations yet?
Call Lee Myers at 410-647-4793**

You would look so good in green!



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Safety Officer

1st/Lt Ron Ricketts, S

Welcome to March! We are nearing the home stretch and hopefully leaving winter in the rear-view mirror. The boats may be still covered at the marina but they are eagerly awaiting their owners return to prepare them for an enjoyable summer season.

At Change of Watch on 10 March 2018, I will be taking on a new role in the squadron and will be stepping aside as the Squadron's Safety Officer. I want to thank all of those in the squadron who have helped me along my journey. The past two years seems to have gone by quickly and I have enjoyed writing the monthly safety articles, and becoming actively involved in the VSC Program.

A major focus of the United States Power Squadrons®, now America's Boating Club®, has and will continue to be boating safety. I am pleased to see the investments that are continuing to be made at the national level in that regard. For those that may not have seen it yet, America's Boating Club® now has its own YouTube Channel. The link is provided below. Please take a few moments to check it out.



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1c_rFyt1fGqvdiSauAijAg

I was fortunate to have attended the Founders Day Brunch at Renditions Golf Course last month. As I looked around the room, I was very pleased to see...

- ★ A very well attended event.
- ★ A wonderful team of young cadets showing appreciation to the traditions of our country's heritage.
- ★ An Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron crowd of experienced boaters with an amazing 'collective' mindshare of sea safety knowledge.

Each of those in attendance brings with them knowledge that can be shared. The reality is we are all safety officers in our own right. ASPS is the example for others to follow. I bring this up because, as much as we in the squadron know about safe boating, it is never what people know that gets them into precarious situations, but what they *do not know*. And there are a lot of people out there that DO NOT KNOW.

I would like to ask that all of you think of how you can spread the word, educate the new boaters, and reinforce safety message to all boaters. No one really desires to be needed as a good Samaritan to a boater in distress.

How can you help? ... there are many ways:

- ★ Keep a watchful eye in all boating situations; never be shy to call out what could be a dangerous situation.
- ★ Encourage those with you boat to support the ABC.
- ★ Volunteer at our boat show events.
- ★ Become a certified Vessel Safety Examiner.
- ★ Share your knowledge with others.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to have served as your Safety Officer. Have a great spring and summer boating season. We have many activities in progress for the upcoming season, and I wish all of you a **SAFE BOATING SEASON**.





Volunteer to Help Make This Year Great!



You might not have time for a large commitment. You may want to take charge of an event. No matter what your desired level of involvement, we'll help you become more involved. And, the stronger the membership involvement, the greater the events and activities! We can have a great year—with your help.

Plan to attend the Volunteers Meeting!
Monday, 19 March 2018 at 1900 (7 P.M.)
Slattery Pool House
1000 Whitehall Cove Road Annapolis, MD 21409



Get On Board

Need more information? Want to volunteer but can't attend this meeting?

Call Peggy Slattery at 443-994-0670.

It takes many hands to accomplish a little thing, and many more for the big ones!

All Hands on Deck! Hospitality Suite Help Wanted! Friday, 6 April 2018 Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD

The annual District 5 Spring Conference is 5-8 April in Ocean City. On **6 April**, Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron and Kent Narrows Sail and Power Squadron will present a hospitality suite.

The theme will be traveling on the bay at night. We will feature educational activities centering on identifying ships and aids to navigation based on the configuration of the lights you might see as you headed home after dark.

We will also be serving brownies, cookies and a special beverage.

How you can help:

- ★ Make donations of food and/or supplies.
- ★ Help with set up and clean up.
- ★ Work the activity.
- ★ Help make displays.

Outside the suite, there will be a skit about being able to navigate using the lights you see. Inside, there will be food and quizzes on identifying ships and aids to navigation based on light patterns.

Want more information? Contact one of us:

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We would like this to be another successful year for both squadrons. Only your help can make that happen. We look forward to hearing from you.



**Fawcett Boat Supplies Lecture Series Here's What's Left!**

Fawcett Boat Supplies
919 Bay Ridge Road
Annapolis, Maryland 21403

All events begin at 7:00 pm. In case of inclement weather, please call 410-267-8681 to confirm.

Thursday March 1: Pam Wall
Sailor, Writer, Cruising Consultant
West Marine Alumnae
A Family Sails Around the World

Tuesday March 6:
Russ & Allison Nichols
Sailing Adventurers
High Latitude Sailing

Thursday March 8: Rachael Miller
CEO/Exec Director
Rozalia Project
Microfiber Pollution of the Seas

Tuesday March 13: Nate Horton
Horton Marine Services
Making Water at Sea!
How To, Installation, Maintenance

Thursday March 15:
Dave Skolnick
Local Communications Maven
Communications Alternatives for Cruisers

Tuesday March 20: Peter Isler
Professional Sailor
"Sailing for Dummies"
"Little Blue Book of Sailing Secrets"

Thursday March 22:
Chuck Hawley
Transatlantic Sailor
US Sailing Safety at Sea
Committee Chairman
Former West Marine VP
1. Sailing Transatlantic (Quickly) on Playstation
And
2. Cruising the French Canals

Tuesday March 27: Fawcett Beer & Wine Tasting Night
Beer Tasting Courtesy of Atlas Brew Works
Open Microphone Entertainment
Amateur Singer/Songwriters
Encouraged To Sign Up Early!
Sign Up Sheet At Store Front Counter

Thursday March 29: Scott Noyes
Fawcett Staff
Care of your Outboard Motor...
So she will be there when you need her!

Tuesday April 3: Nigel Calder
Sailor, Writer, Storyteller
Introduces His New Book:
"Shakedown Cruise"

Thursday April 5: Niall O'Malley
Sailor & Maritime Historian
Tall Ships & Baltimore's Maritime History
PowerPoint Presentation Followed by Conversation

Tuesday April 10:
John Kretschmer
Sailor, Writer, Storyteller
From His Upcoming Book...
"Sailing to the Edge of Time, The Promise, Challenge, & Freedom of Ocean Sailing"

Thursday April 12:
Kent Mountford
Estuarian Ecologist
Environmental Historian
La Bohème
A Bahama Dinghy History

Star Gazers and Navigation Students:

- ★ **Celestial Tools V 5.6.4** includes feature enhancements and is available on the United States Power Squadrons® website. Click this link: [ONCom Software and Tools web page](#).
- ★ The link above will take you to the United States Power Squadrons® web page. You will need your **user name** and **password** to log in.
- ★ After you have logged in, copy this URL, <https://www.usps.org/index.php/departments/13000/13000-educational-committees/13260/13260-software-and-tools> and paste it into the box at the top **replacing** the USPS home page URL with this one. (Do not put it in a new tab.) **Read this page**. Then,...
- ★ Scroll down to the **ALL USES** section and download the **PDF Document**, the zipped copy of **Celestial Tools**, and the **Revision History PDF file** if you need it.
- ★ Email [Stan Klein](#) with any questions.
- ★ **New Note:** Look for the latest version of Celestial Tools **V 5.6.6** on the [ONCom Software and Tools web page](#), available since early February. This update contains a single bug fix.



April Membership Meeting—Not to be missed!
12 April 2018 — Elks Lodge, Edgewater, MD
Guest Speaker — Jack Shaum

CHESAPEAKE BAY STEAMBOATS

Chesapeake Country by Steamboat. This program focuses on the many relatively small passenger and freight steamboats that traveled the Bay and its rivers daily for many decades, providing a lifeline between the rural areas of the Chesapeake Bay country and the metropolitan areas of Baltimore and Norfolk. These steamers were a very important element in the economy of the region, carrying farm products and seafood from the rural areas to city markets in the days before roads and railroads, and returning with manufactured goods, medicines, building materials, and other goods not readily available in rural areas.

Picture sourced from <http://jlaschulman.tripod.com/id16.html>



Jack Shaum is a retired print and broadcast journalist who spent nearly 50 years in the business. He rode his first steamboat at the age of eight, which started a lifelong love of steam-powered vessels. He is the author of *Lost Chester River Steamboats: From Chestertown to Baltimore*, co-author of *Majesty at Sea*, a history of early 20th Century passenger liners, and co-ghost writer and co-editor of *Night Boat on the Potomac*, a history of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company.

A native of Baltimore, he began his career as a reporter with *The News American* in Baltimore and then became press aide to Maryland Congressman William O. Mills. That was followed by nearly 30 years as news anchor and reporter for news-talk radio station WBAL in Baltimore. He left that position in 2002 and wrote for *The Bay Times* and *Record Observer* newspapers in Queen Anne's County for 14 years until retiring in August 2016.

From 2002 to 2011 he was editor-in-chief of the quarterly journal of the Steamship Historical Society of America, and was also its Mid-Atlantic columnist from 1975 to 2011. Other interests include Maryland history, the American Revolution, classical music, trains, and model railroading.

For 20 years, he and his wife Martha traveled as lecturers on several East Coast cruise ships. They have two daughters and four grandchildren and live near Chestertown, Maryland.



Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show

20-22 April 2018

Look at all of the great things to see and do at:

<https://www.annapolisboatshows.com/annapolis-spring-sailboat-show/>

Then, volunteer to work at the booth of
Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron.

Volunteer sign up sheet here:

<https://tinyurl.com/SpringASPS>

Please type carefully ... the URLs are case sensitive!
Please help your squadron. Volunteers get free admission.

Questions?: boatshow@aspsmd.org

Reserve your spot now!

Help Wanted!

Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron has an exciting opportunity for members to become vessel safety examiners for the 2018 season.

Conducting courtesy vessel safety checks is a critical component of the Power Squadron's boating safety mission. Being an ASPS examiner is a fun and personally rewarding activity that does not require a significant time commitment. You meet lots of boaters and see many interesting boats.

You do not have to be a safety expert. The combination of excellent USPS training materials and the help available from experienced ASPS examiners will mean that you can quickly become an effective examiner.

Please contact Homer Sandridge at (443)-831-0564, or email sherrysand@hotmail.com to get more information and to determine if this role is a good fit for you. — D/Lt Homer Sandridge, N



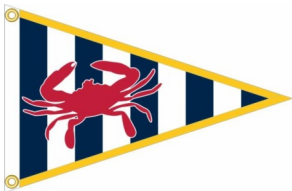
Calendar of Coming Events



<http://www.usps.org/>



<http://www.uspsd5.org/>



<http://www.aspsmd.org/>

United States Power Squadrons® Events

District 5 Events

*5-8 Apr D5 Spring Conference—Date Changed from 3/22
Ocean City, Maryland

Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron Events

- 01 Mar ASPS Dinner Meeting— **CANCELLED**
- 03 Mar Operations Training — Date Changed from Feb
- 07 Mar VHF/DSC Radio Seminar
- 10 Mar Change of Watch
- 14 Mar Trailing Your Boat Seminar
- 17 Mar Luncheon and Tour of AACO Food Bank
- 19 Mar Volunteers Meeting at Slattery Pool House
- 22 Mar Executive Committee Meeting
- 04 Apr Tides and Currents Seminar
- 06 Apr Hospitality Suite, D5 Conference, Ocean City
- 11 Apr Anchoring Seminar
- 12 Apr Membership Dinner Meeting—Date Changed from 4/5
- 20-22 Apr Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show
- 25 Apr Introduction to Navigation Seminar
- 03 May Membership Dinner Meeting & Pet Supply Drive
- 09 May Knots, Bends and Hitches Seminar
- 7 June Membership Dinner Meeting **ADDED TO CALENDAR**

For a complete list of ASPS Squadron Events, see:

<http://www.aspsmd.org/calendar.htm>

Changes to your phone number, address, e-mail, etc.?
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select option number 7, OR email
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Deadline for April Newsletter:
Monday, 19 March 2018

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