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Commander's Message Cdr Ralph Leasure, P

I'm sitting in a warm house in Pawleys Island, South Carolina. And, although it's cold outside, it's nothing like dealing with the snow and ice that's accumulated in Maryland. Diane's work and the weather allowed her to get out early and join us down here so she was able to avoid the worst of it.

Boating seems like such a pipe dream now, but the season is coming. To satisfy the need you can pull up, and save to your channels, America's Boating Channel. The site has been updated with content from all over internet and many other sources. You will find content on almost anything you can think of in boating. The videos are professionally produced and a few even highlight our members. They also include footage shot from drones

and some are hilarious. Check it out.

Speaking of media, The Baltimore Sun was recently sold to David Smith. Mr. Smith is also the Executive Chairman of Sinclair Broadcasting. The newspaper was founded in 1837. It will be interesting to watch how new things develop.

Also in the news, an Annapolis sailor, Peter Gibbons-Neff, completed a cross Atlantic sail in a 21 foot sailboat. Called the Mini-Transat, it is a 4010 nautical mile race from France to Guadeloupe. He finished near dead last but had to deal with a broken rudder along the way. With winds over 40 knots and seas over 10 feet it sounds like a journey not for the faint of heart. The US Patriot Sailing team has over 400 members and is always looking for more.

There's still time left to get your registration in for the National USPS Meeting in Orlando, Florida, February 6-11. This meeting will be special in that our friend Ralph Bernard will be sworn in as National Chief Commander. We will be there along with other members from Annapolis. We'll be looking for you.

Stay warm.

Ralph Leasure, Cmdr.

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Executive Officer Lt/C Diane Leasure

As the weather gets colder and the snow falls, it is easy to dream of warmer weather and boating on the Chesapeake Bay. I recently read a Chesapeake Bay Foundation article that contained some interesting facts about the bay that I wanted to share.

- ★ The bay holds about 18 trillion gallons of water.
- ★ Only about half of the water in the bay comes from the ocean - the rest comes from its huge watershed. The watershed is approximately 64,000 square miles and extends from Cooperstown, New York to Norfolk, Virginia.
- ★ The deepest part of the bay is more than 170 feet deep and is called “The Hole”. A large part of the bay is quite shallow.

- ★ The bay produces about 500 million pounds of seafood a year.
- ★ At one time, tens of millions of oysters were harvested from the bay. Today, harvests have fallen to less than one percent of those historic levels.
- ★ There is so much history associated with the bay. The first indigenous people settled in the Chesapeake Bay area circa 9,500 B.C. The bay as we now know it was created about 10,000 years ago when melting glaciers flooded the Susquehanna River Valley. More than 3,600 species of plants and animals call the Chesapeake Bay home.

Years ago, before we were boaters, I read James Michener’s *Chesapeake*. I know I found it quite interesting at the time, but plan to re-read it, as his meticulously researched book will have more meaning to me now, as a boater who loves all that the Chesapeake Bay has to offer.



District 5 Annual Spring Conference Ocean City, Maryland

District 5 will hold the annual Spring Conference and Change of Watch at the Holiday Inn Oceanfront in Ocean City, MD from 21-24 March 2024. Please note that this is a change of venue for District 5. This conference offers important training for new and returning officers on local squadron bridges. It is also an excellent opportunity for networking across squadrons. Don't miss this opportunity to spend time with fellow boaters! The event culminates with the Change of Watch for the District. This fun event features a banquet, the Change of Watch, and the distribution of District awards to the squadrons.

The link to the Winter issue of the Mark 5 (the District 5 newsletter) is here:

<https://abc-midatlantic.org/squadrons/6243/mark5.pdf>

It contains all the information about registering and getting rooms at the hotel.





Administrative Officer

Lt/C Peggy Slattery, S

“February is the border between winter and spring.”

-- Terri Guillemets

Once again, we find ourselves almost but not quite at the beginning of a new season for on-the-water activities. I hope you had the opportunity to start thinking about the upcoming boating season, and you are beginning to make plans for yet another great year with Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron. As you know, I stand just at the end of my term as Admin. We have had interesting speakers and great parties this past year. I hope you had the opportunity to join in often. If not, be sure to block those meeting dates for the coming year into your calendar now. Our incoming

Admin, Bruce Arey, will be planning some great dinner meetings as well as a few fun parties. Be sure to be a part of that. Also, don't hesitate to share your great ideas with Bruce. Your leadership team is always on the lookout for new ideas.

My final dinner meeting as Admin (on February 1) will feature one of our own members – Tony Martin. Tony promises to entertain us with a great story of the intersection of law and the high seas. That's all he will tell us. I can't wait to hear this one. I hope to see you at that meeting as well.

This year, we hope to try something new. We are combining Founders Day and Change of Watch into one big party. Plan to join us at Pirate's Cove in Galesville for brunch on Sunday, March 3. See the ad in this issue for all the details. See you soon!

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For Valentine's Day**
<http://asps.qbstores.com>



ASPS Dinner Meeting

Thursday, February 1, 2024

Elks Lodge - 2 Pythian Drive,
Edgewater, MD 21037

6:00 PM - Social Hour

7:00 PM - Dinner

7:30 PM - Speaker - Tony Martin
"My Hope" - A tale of rejection;
desperation and redemption,
maritime adventures and the law.



Meal will include: Salad,
Shrimp Creole, Seasoned Beef Tips w/Onions,
Cajun Rice, steamed Broccoli,
Dinner rolls & butter, Desserts.

Vegetarian meals will be plated and served.
Vegetarian Option: Pasta Primavera and red sauce.
Please indicate vegetarian
when you send your response.

RSVP by Monday, 29 January, 4 PM to
aspsdinnerreservations@gmail.com
or call Lorrie at 410-305-0232

\$25.00 per person by cash or check at the door.
Make checks payable to Annapolis Elks.

Note: All no-show reservations
are responsible for the cost of the dinner.





**Join Us As We Celebrate
Founders Day and our Change of Watch**

**Sunday Brunch
11:00 AM
Sunday, March 3, 2024
Pirate's Cove
4817 Riverside Drive
Galesville, MD 20765**

**Menu
Breakfast Link Sausage
Pecan Smoked Bacon
Red Skin Breakfast Potatoes with Onions and Peppers
Farm Fresh Scrambled Eggs
Breakfast Egg Stratta – an onions, peppers, ham, cheese,
Italian bread egg bake
Cream Chipped Beef over Biscuits
Oven Baked French Toast
Smoked White Fish Dip with
marinated red onions and crackers
Fresh Cut Fruit**

**RSVP by Wednesday, 28 February, 4 PM to
aspsdinnerreservations@gmail.com
or call Lorrie at 410-305-0232**

**\$25.00 per person by cash or check at the door.
Make checks payable to ASPS.**

Note: All no-show reservations will be charged \$25.00







Seated next to Georgiana, our speaker for the evening, Severn Riverkeeper, Sara Caldes.



The 2022-2023 ASPS Proposed Slate of Officers P/C Bruce Arey, JN

I wish to thank all of the people who have generously volunteered their time and talents to lead Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron into the upcoming year.

Please read over the list below. This proposed slate of officers will be voted upon at the February meeting. At that time, nominations for vacant positions will be taken from the floor. New officers will be inducted at the Change of Watch brunch on Sunday March 03 at Pirate's Cove in Galesville.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming meetings.

Bridge

Commander: P/D/C Jeff Short, JN-IN
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 P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S
 P/C Peggy Slattery, S
 Edwin Sunderland, JN
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Rules Committee:

P/D/C Jeff Short, JN-IN
 P/C Stu Meyers, AP
VACANT

Please look at the list above and volunteer for any of the vacant positions. ASPS needs the support of its members if it is to continue as a viable organization. If you wish to volunteer, please contact any of the members of the nominating committee.

If you look at the last page of the Anchor Watch, you will see a number of appointed positions that are not on the list above. If you would like to volunteer for any of these, please contact any member of the bridge or executive committee and tell them that you would like to serve.



From John And Betty Wilmot at Deep Creek

“We're starting to plan our August party,
but Old Man Winter seems to be getting in the way.”

John

Before



After





Dinner Delights

Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S

If you missed our January dinner meeting, you missed a great presentation by Sara Caldes, our very own Severn Riverkeeper. Sara's title for the presentation was, "Saving the Severn – One Creek at a Time." Here's some of the information Sara shared:

- The Riverkeeper program started around the Hudson River, and it has grown into the National Waterkeepers Alliance.
 - The goal for the Severn Riverkeeper program is to remove the Severn River from the EPA's impaired waterway list. This means bringing down the total load of problems such as E.coli.
 - The focus is to stop pollution from entering the Severn River.
- The group works on restoration projects. It also advocates for the river at both state and national levels.
 - The Severn River is a small estuary. It is only 14 miles long. Its source is the Severn Run. The entire watershed encompasses only 81 square miles.
 - Over 50% of the nitrogen in the Chesapeake Bay comes from stream bank erosion.
 - The Severn River's worst pollutant source is stormwater runoff.
 - There are 18 Riverkeepers in the Chesapeake, and all report their rivers and streams as having problems with low oxygen content.
 - Sara shared information about projects undertaken to rebuild and restore streambeds.
 - The program works to create stream and wetland complexes. Currently, Anne Arundel county has more bogs than any other county. Most of these bogs are in the Severn River watershed.

If you were unable to join us, you missed a great presentation about the current and future health of the Severn River. As always, we are able to offer dinner meetings that bring together friends who love boating. We also always offer informative speakers, so you can learn something interesting about boating on the Chesapeake Bay and beyond. We look forward to seeing you soon.



Sara Caldes
Severn Riverkeeper,
Chesapeake Rivers Association, Inc.



Boating Links to Browse

It is the middle of winter. It is cold! It is dark! Watch a few Distant Shores videos about sailing in the Caribbean to make you feel better. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-RhmDrxuxpXx96KsNVCrDw>

From Chesapeake Bay Magazine: [365 days on the water](#) in a year. This is how he did it.

From Practical Sailor: [Keeping the shore power system safe.](#)

For more nautical-related links, see the "Links Page" on the ASPS website: <http://aspsmd.org/wrappers/pages.php>

From Practical Sailor: [the boat show survival guide](#), how to navigate the boat show and get the most out of it for the time you spend.

Celestial Tools - Download the latest version of this application to gain access to the new features and ensure the most accurate results. A description of the code, including download instructions, can be found on the USPS website. Log in at www.usps.org/member-s-log-in and go to the Navigation Committee Page. Click on "Offshore Navigation" and then click on Celestial Tools. For those familiar with the application, you can download it directly from <https://github.com/unitedstatespowersquadrons/celestial-tools/archive/master.zip>. Email: Mike Guler

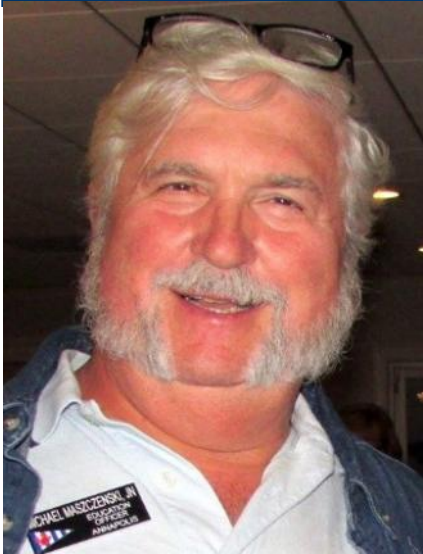
For trip ideas in the Chesapeake Bay area: <https://www.visitmaryland.org/unique-experiences/chesapeake-bay-loop?gad=1&gclid=EAlaIqObChMI0ZyZfvzqAMV9E1HAR2ebqfREAAAYiAAEgldkvD BwE>
This site changes frequently. Bookmark it and return on a regular basis for all sorts of activities in the area.

From Practical Sailor: Everyone has to deal with [applying new bottom paint](#). This article will help you decide how to go about it: DIY or professional job.

From Practical Sailor: [Marine cleaners for every job on your boat.](#)

From Practical Sailor: [The best way to clean and maintain ropes and lines.](#)





Educational Officer

Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N

It is not too early to plan to attend the D-5 Spring Conference, March 21 to 24, 2024 at the Holiday Inn Oceanfront Hotel 6600 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842. Registration materials are already posted at ABC-Midatlantic.org. There will be updates for district activities and in-service training. This is also the D-5 Change of Watch.

On February 17 & 24, 2024, the ABC III course will be offered for those needing the Boating Safety card. We will also offer the new Marine Navigation Course starting March 19, and running to May 14, 2024. The Marine Navigation course is no longer in the beta testing phase and the completed course is now being offered. Books are now available in printed form not just e-book.

Marine Navigation Course

Date: Tuesdays March 19, 2024 to May 14, 2024

Time: 6:45pm - 9:00pm

Where: ZOOM, Login Information Provided after Registration

Materials: Provided through Emails

Instructor: Mike Maszczenski

Fee: Member ASPS \$80.00, Non-Member \$90.00. Fee covers book, and plotter. Dividers can be provided for an additional \$15.00. Printed text orders need to be in by February 19, 2024.

Marine Navigation is the first of the navigational classes focusing on techniques for piloting a boat in coastal and inland conditions. The course emphasizes planning and checking along with the use of GPS and other electronic systems for determining position, and introduces digital charting along with traditional charting, compass and dead reckoning skills. Plotting, use of the compass, aids to navigation, electronic tools and a host of related topics are included in this all-new approach to coastal, inland and river piloting. This course uses the Bowditch Bay practice chart and local charts, the USPS 4"X15" plotter and dividers. Computer with OpenCPN must be student provided.

The Student Kit includes the Student Manual, the Plotting and Labeling Standards Learning Guide and instructions for downloading, installing and using OpenCPN. OpenCPN is a free, marine navigation program that is state-of-the-art and in wide use by commercial and recreational boating enthusiasts. OpenCPN runs on a variety of environments, including Windows, Android tablets and phones, and MAC OS, but not iPhones or iPads. (The larger screens of desktop or laptop computers work best.)

ABC III

Date: Saturday February 17, 2024 & February 24, 2024

Time: 9:00 am – 1:30pm

Where: Bay Ridge Marina Community Center

Materials: Arranged pick up or download

Instructor: Ronald Ricketts, Patrick McGeehan and Michael Maszczenski

Fee: Bay Ridge members Free, ASPS Members \$10.00, Non Members \$35.00

This course is the best introduction or review of boating being offered. It covers the basic boating terms, rules of the road, the Maryland laws you need to know, and fundamentals of boating. The book is in both E-Book and hard copy format. Remember, if your birthday is after July, 1972 each state requires that you

have had and passed a boating safety course to operate a recreational vessel. America's Boating Clubs offers the America's Boating Course III to fill that requirement. The course consists of 8 hours of instruction and a test. Passing the test with an 80% or better gets you the Boating Safety card. The class is going to be a live course at the Bay Ridge Marina community center. Attendance for both days is required.

Emergency Marine Communications

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2023

Time: 6:45pm – 9:15pm

Where: ZOOM - Login information provided after registration

Materials: Provided through emails

Instructor: P/C John Wesley Nash, SN-IN

Cost: Free (Not a USPS seminar – ASPS member produced seminar)

Many boat owners/operators have little knowledge on how to use their VHF marine radio or understand its capabilities, especially during emergencies. This seminar will be informative and useful to both the primary and secondary boating participants. It addresses subjects that all boating individuals should know, from those with little or no VHF marine radio experience, to those with extensive knowledge.

All fixed VHF marine radios sold since 1999 are required to have DSC (Digital Selective Calling) capabilities. Less than 25% of today's recreational boaters have their radios properly programmed or have the knowledge to initiate or receive DSC distress, urgency, safety, and routine radiotelephone calls to or from other vessels or shore stations. Even less are experienced with or aware of the many other useful capabilities of properly programmed DSC marine radios.

The seminar will include the following topics:

- ★ Why VHF marine radio for emergency communications
- ★ Minimum radio functions all crew members need to know
- ★ Importance of daily radio checks
- ★ New changes for VHF radios and a new USCG tool to save lives
- ★ Importance of backup or handheld VHF radios
- ★ What is DSC and what's required to make it work
- ★ Using digital selective calling (DSC) for distress

Title: AIS Electronics for Boaters

Date: Thursday, March 21, 2024

Time: 6:45pm - 9:15pm

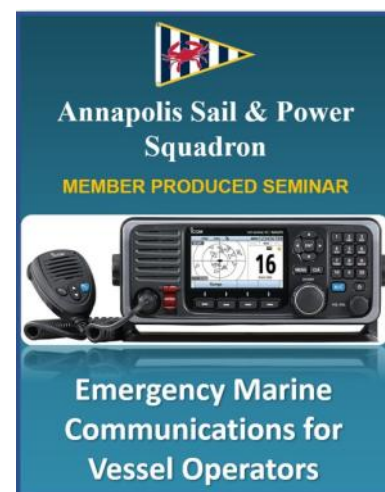
Where: ZOOM - Login information provided after registration

Materials: Provided through emails

Cost: ASPS Members \$10.00, Non Members \$20.00

Instructor: P/C John Wesley Nash, SN-IN

With the Automated Identification System (AIS) for marine vessels, you can avoid collisions in crowded waters by knowing the name and locations of other boats and ships, how close they will come, and when to act. Many AIS systems also broadcast your boat's information to other boats so they can also make better, safer boating decisions. Our AIS Electronics for Boaters seminar can help



you decide if an Automatic Identification System is right for you, and show you how AIS and radar differ. AIS electronics are not just for commercial vessels. More recreational vessels are employing this technology for safer cruising.

What you will learn:

- ★ What does AIS do and how does it work?
- ★ Do I need an AIS System?
- ★ How is AIS different from radar?
- ★ How do I use AIS to navigate more safely?
- ★ How do I integrate AIS with my existing electronics?

Register for this course: [Register Here](#)



Registration for All ASPS Sponsored Courses

Please register as soon as possible. If you are planning to have a printed text, shipping time is 3 to 4 weeks. So, early registration is mandatory to have you book in time. Materials must be ordered, and materials-pick-up arranged for the virtual classes. [Click Here to Register](#) or email seo@aspsmd.org, or call 410-739-7800. If you do not get an answer, please leave voice mail with contact information. When registered, you will receive an email confirmation. Other information and directions for prep and fee payment will be emailed as the start date for the course or seminar approaches.

Course and seminars from our neighbors:

Go to <https://www.abc-midatlantic.org> to find course listing from all the squadrons in the district.

Americas Boating Club Kent Narrows

ABC III Starting February 24, 2024

To register contact John Locke 443-262-6892 or Locke806@gmail.com

ABC-Baltimore (Dundalk Sail and Power)

February 20, 2024 Advanced Piloting - Live class in the Towson area. \$85 members, \$135 Non-Members
Send **name, phone #, email, and if USPS member**, Squadron to: seo@uspsdundalk.org or Susan Rudy 410-971-9199.

Member Benefit



Whether you are looking for an upscale hotel, an all-inclusive resort or something more cost-effective, US Power Squadron members can save on rooms at nearly 7,000 participating hotels worldwide. Wyndham Hotels are offering *USPS Members 20 percent off* the "Best Available Rate" at participating locations every time you travel.

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New Life Jacket Labeling

P/C John Wesley Nash, SN-IN

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) has adopted a new standard for labeling and terminology of life jackets, also known as PFD (Personal Flotation Device). Although the standard was defined several years ago, manufactures are still transitioning between the old and new standards. I recently visited a marine supply store with a large selection of life jackets for sale from many different manufacturers. About half of the new life jackets were labeled with the new standard, the rest with the old standard. I'm familiar with the new standard, but I wanted to know how familiar the sales personnel were. Very few were. Becoming familiar with the new labeling and terminology of life jackets will benefit any boater.

The changes are complex and hard to completely cover in just a few pages. I will explain the basics. A positive feature of the new standards is being easily understood by just knowing the basics.

The USCG traditional way of labeling life jackets were by Type: I, II, III or V. The new standard is based on icons and graphics. The buoyancy is shown in newtons, not in pounds of flotation. Using newtons, icons and graphics will allow the labeling of life jackets to be the same in Canada, Europe, and the United States.



- Rated @ 50-newtons
- Swim skills expected
- Not recommended for weak or non-swimmers
- Close to shore with immediate assistance
- Very minor waves
- No turning ability



- Rated @ 70-newtons
- Some time to wait for rescue
- Calm or sheltered waters
- Minor waves
- No turning ability



- Rated @ 100-newtons
- Offshore waters
- Further from help
- Moderate waves
- Some turning ability, check icons



- Rated @ 150-newtons
- Offshore waters
- Long time for rescue
- High waves
- Turning ability



- Rated @ 275-newtons
- Survival suit – heavy load
- Offshore waters
- Long time for rescue
- Very high waves
- Turning ability



The charts below show basic comparisons between old and new life jacket labels:

Scale for Performance Icons:

Old Type	New Icon
Type I	100 or 150 and Turned
Type II	70 and Turned
Type III	70 and No Turn
Type IV	Called a throwable
Type V (special purpose vest that met either I, II, or III standards)	Check the icons



New Turning Ability Icons:



Life jacket WILL NOT turn an unconscious wearer face up



Life jacket WILL turn an unconscious wearer face up

New Limitation of Use Icons:



No water skiing



No personal watercraft or wakeboarding



No tubing

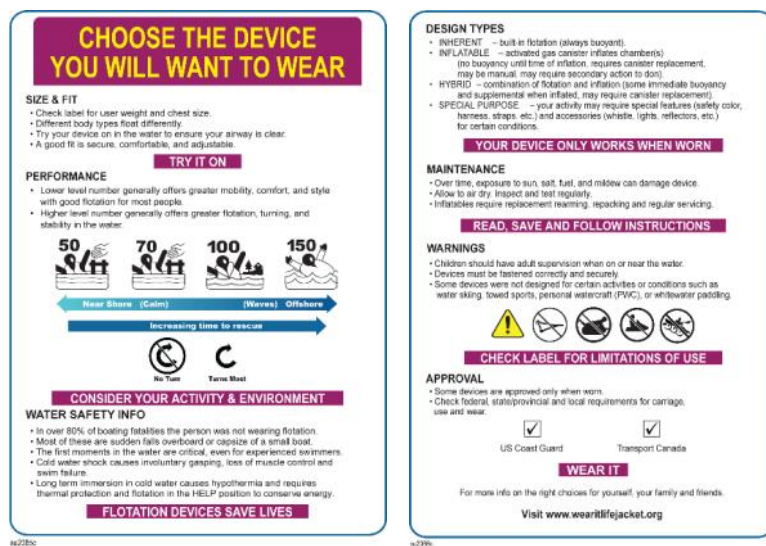


No white water paddling

Remembering the meaning of all the new icons may not be practical. To address that challenge, the new standard mandates new life jacket labels and new purchase labels. The purchase labels must be attached to each new life jacket for sale.



Example of a New Label on a Life Jacket



Mandatory Life Jacket Purchase Labels

America’s Boating Channel has produced an excellent video summarizing the new labeling standards being adopted for Life Jackets. It can be viewed on YouTube via this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9v1_Eed4m90

Other Important Life Jacket Information:

Life jacket laws & regulations vary from state to state. If a state has not adopted their own life jacket laws & regulations, then the United States Coast Guard rules apply.

As an example to how life jacket laws & regulations can vary, look at the comparison below between Maryland and Florida:

In Maryland, children 12 years old and younger are required to wear a USCG-approved life jacket or PFD at all times when aboard any water vessel less than 21 feet in length, except when the child is below deck in an enclosed cabin or when the vessel is moored or docked. A child under the age of 4 must wear a life jacket with additional safety precautions. (See <https://dnr.maryland.gov/boating/Documents/recreationvessels.pdf> for Maryland State requirements for recreational vessels.)

In Florida, children under 6 years old are required to wear a USCG-approved life jacket at all times when aboard any water vessel less than 26 feet long that is underway. Florida does not specifically require that young children must wear a life jacket that has additional safety precautions.

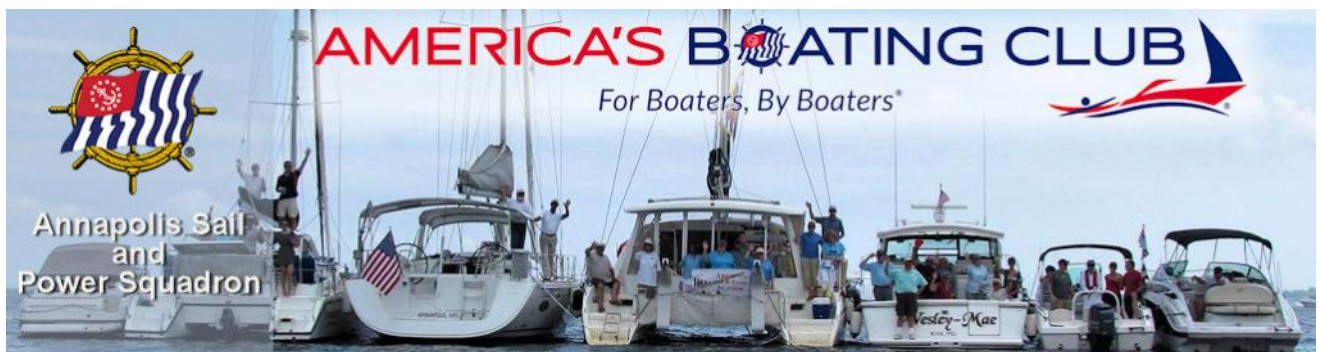
Always check the life jacket laws & regulations for the state where you are boating. And, remember that all life jackets must be USCG approved, must be in serviceable condition, and must be properly stored.

Always feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning information about life jackets. You can reach me via email jwn54@outlook.com or via phone at 703-887-1836.

Changes to your phone number, address, e-mail?
Please contact P/C Kathy Nash, AP-IN
at roster@aspsmd.org or 410-703-9559



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facebook@aspsmd.org.



P/R/C William C. Eldridge, SN

Vessel Safety Check

To arrange for a
VSC for your boat,
contact Bill at
vsc@aspsmd.org.



Calendar of Coming Events

United States Power Squadrons® Events

06-11 Feb National Meeting - Orlando, Florida

District 5 Events

20-24 Mar D/5 Spring Conference, Ocean City, MD

Squadron Events for Annapolis and Nearby Squadrons

01 Feb ASPS Dinner Meeting
 10 Feb Advanced Piloting Course begins - offered by ABC Balt.
 17 Feb ABC course - Bay Ridge Community Center
 22 Feb ASPS Exec Bd meeting - ZOOM
 24 Feb ABC III Course begins - offered by Kent Narrows
 29 Feb Emergency Marine Communications seminar
 03 Mar ASPS COW & Founders Day - Pirates Cove - 11:00 a.m.
 West River - Galesville, MD
 19 Mar Marine Navigation course begins
 21 Mar AIS Electronics for Boaters seminar

For a complete list of ASPS Squadron Events, see:

<http://www.aspsmd.org/calendar/month.php>



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Boating Club/
Baltimore/
Dundalk
[Web Page](#)

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If you know of anyone sick or in the hospital,
please contact our sunshine lady.

Betty Rouse Wilmot
sunshine@aspsmd.org



ASPS Squadron Leadership 2023 -2024

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Flag Lieutenant: P/C Stu Myers, AP

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Law Officer: P/C Anthony Martin, JN

Executive Officer: Lt/C Diane Leasure

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