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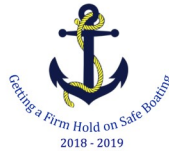
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DELHIGH POWER SQUADRON

DELHIGHLIGHTS



District 5



Commander's Corner

Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP

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Summer is surely here, with temperatures in the nineties, the sun high in the sky and very bright, and thunderstorms popping up quickly.

Delhigh members have been busy. For the Beltzville Cleanup and Vessel Safety Check's we teamed up with The Coast Guard Auxillary this year doing VSC's and would like to do that more often. They were great to work with and we all had the same agenda of keeping boaters safe on the water.

Our Summer Rendezvous was a good time with a little bit better weather than last year. The wind could have been less but our time was filled with other activities.

Our July Poolside Meeting was a success. We covered a lot of business and enjoyed a great cookout afterwards. I am looking forward to our August Meeting at The Iron Pigs Game. This has been a great time every year. Musikfest is coming in August, with good food and a wide variety of music for all to enjoy. Our Fall Trailer Boat Rendezvous on the Delaware River is all set to go, let's hope the weather is going to be good.

The Bridge members have been busy setting our future activities up, The Oktoberfest, Holiday Party, and Founders Day to name a few.

Remember when out boating, stay hydrated, wear your sunscreen, protect your head and face by wearing a hat, wear you life jackets, and watch the skies for bad weather. Have a great time boating, and other activities this summer. I am excited to get together with you all. Let's all have fun.

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Where is the Gavel?

By: P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN

This 4th of July weekend we were visited by some friends from Potomac River Power Squadron. They have a great tradition where each commander gives the next commander a new, engraved gavel. When Cdr Ed Gassaway, S and Assistant Treasurer Opare Densua arrived we learned that Ed had his gavel. We also realized that we had the Delhigh gavel as we would be hosting the upcoming July meeting for Delhigh and decided to have a little fun with it. You can see pictures on this page of where the gavels were hanging out while they were together!

It's always good to learn about the traditions and experiences from other squadrons as it gives you ideas for new events for your own squadron. We were also given a hand getting our DBA paperwork started and looking up a few other things that we should have been working on already.

Thanks to Ed and Opare! We had a great time with you and are proud to bring some of the things you shared with us back to our squadron! Hopefully we will see you again soon.





Beltzville Lake Clean-Up and Vessel Safety Checks



Vessel Examiners Kathleen, Michael and Keith ready to get started.



Michael mid-exam.



Bob ready to get ABC info out to boaters.



Vince, Doug, Kathy and Cyrus heading to the no wake zone to look for trash.



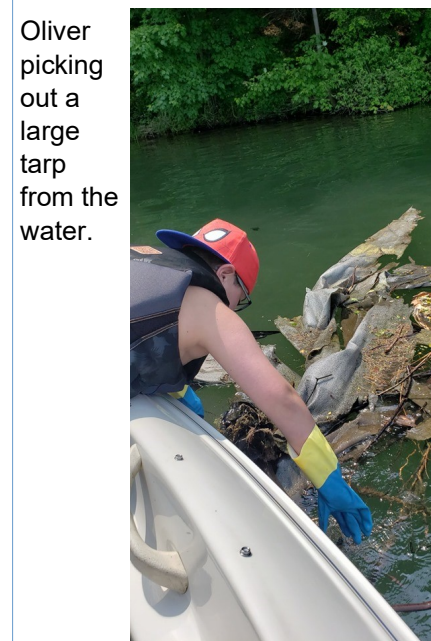
Jaden on the lookout.



Jaden, Oliver and Vince posing for a picture.



Jaden, Vince, Keith, Oliver, Kathy, Doug, Bob, Michael, Cyrus and Kathleen with our bags of trash.



Oliver picking out a large tarp from the water.



Our VSE's with USCGA members FSO-DV Leon Regis and William Durdon, FC, SO-DV who were also out at the ramp offering vessel safety checks for the day.

Keith doing a vessel safety check for a boater.





Ice Cream Social



Chris Brown grilling some burgers and dogs.



Keith, Cyrus and Doug enjoying the sunshine.



Kathy, Kathleen, Ginny, Eileen and Diane clearly not picture ready.



Michael and Bella.



Randy, Eileen and Cyrus enjoying the ice cream selection.



Fran's son David, Fran and Ed relaxing.



Randy, Jeanette, Kathy and Doug enjoying dinner.



Summer Rendezvous



Cyrus, Kathleen, Kathy, Randy, Doug and Jeanette after Thursday nights ExCom meeting.



Ginny, Doug, Chris, Kathleen, Randy and Jeanette enjoying cocktail hour.



Cyrus, Kathleen, Oliver, Doug, Kathy and Vince ready for dinner on Friday.



Cyrus, Kathleen, Vince, Oliver, Kathy and Doug escaping the heat.



View from Friday nights cocktail hour.



Chris and Cyrus deep in conversation.



Kathleen, Cyrus, Doug and Kathy after lunch on Friday.



Vince, Oliver, Jeanette, Randy, Michael, Chris, Ginny, Doug, Bob, Kathleen and Cyrus at lunch on Saturday.



Jeanette, Randy, Michael, Chris, Ginny and Bob at dinner Saturday.



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Summer Rendezvous



Delhigh Power Squadron



Chris navigating to lunch.



Oliver, Vince, Kathleen and Cyrus heading back after lunch.

Chris telling Kathleen where to go, I bet he's been waiting a long time for this chance!



Oliver navigating back from lunch.



Jeanette heading back from lunch



Kathleen, Doug and Kathy heading to lunch.



Sunset at Mears Great Oak marina.



July Poolside Meeting



FI/Lt Oliver Nowroozani with the bridge, Gary, Bob, Keith, ASEO Kathleen, Michael and Jeanette.



Life as commander is so hard when your block is so far away from the gavel...



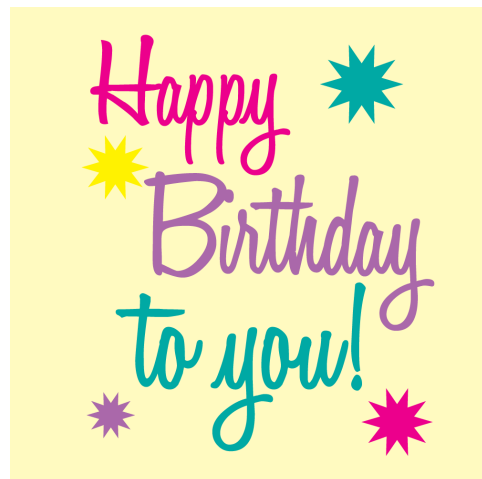
Fran giving the invocation to start the meeting off right. This was the best invocation I've ever heard!



Most of the crowd, Dave Montuori, Chris, Fran, Diane, Eileen and Ed.



The outside crowd Eileen, Ed, Diane, Dave, Chris and the bridge (sitting) Gary, Bob, Keith, Kathleen, Michael and Jeanette.



August

P/C Jeanette Meisner, AP

P/D/C L. Chris Brown, SN

Amy Fontana

P/Lt/C Don Ludwig, AP

September

Eileen Muschlitz

P/C Ginny Brown, P

P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN



12 year old Oliver manned the grill as his dad was out of town working and mom was filling in on the bridge as ASEO.



All was fun until it got late!
Jeanette, Keith, Ginny, Bob, Chris and Michael.



Musikfest Mania

Returns for Delhigh Power Squadron!

Wednesday, 7 August
Main Street, Bethlehem
1800

We will meet on Main Street in front of
Hotel Bethlehem.

Come join Delhigh at Musikfest!

Eat some food, enjoy some music,
hang out with friends!

RSVP to
K.now@mac.com
Or (610) 351-5192

Trailerboat Rendezvous



Saturday, 24 August 2019
1200

Ridley Park Marina
Swarthmore Avenue Boat Ramp
401 South Swarthmore Ave, Ridley Park

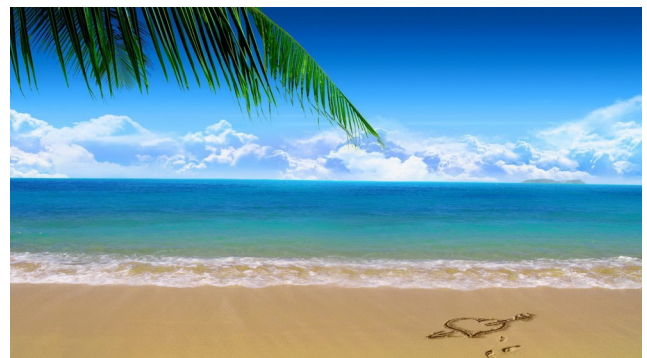
Come out for an afternoon on the Darby
Creek Delaware River!

You don't need a boat to participate, we will
have lots of room for extra passengers to en-
joy the sights and the ride!

We will dine at Stingers Waterfront Restau-
rant 1600.

You are welcome to bring along a light lunch
to enjoy on the boat.

Please RSVP to Keith at keithk56@aol.com
or (610) 509-3526



CHILI COOK-OFF



September Meeting and Chili Cook-off!

**Wednesday, 4 September
1830
at Star of Bethlehem Lutheran
Church**

P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN will be
judging only 1st, 2nd and 3rd best!

Judge will be providing garlic bread so
bring your favorite chili recipe or find a
new one and bring it on by.

Feel free to try chicken or steak or
green chili, think outside the box!

Then enjoy a taste of all the chili before
our September meeting!



and Social Hour

**Saturday, 21 September
1700**

Nowroozani Residence

Tacos, chips and salsa and guacamole
will be served.

Please bring a bottle or a six pack to
taste and share
or an appetizer or dessert.

RSVP to Kathleen at
k.now@mac.com
Or (610) 351-5192



Delhigh will be attending the Cider and Wine Festival
Saturday, October 5 2019 1100-1500

Tickets for Session 1 can be purchased [here](#).
(The initial page has last year's info but the purchase page is up to date)
To meet up RSVP to Keith at keithk56@aol.com or (610) 509-3526



Delhigh Power
Squadron invites you to
our annual



**Saturday, 19 October
1700**

Come join Delhigh for
some Fall Fun
At the Meisner Residence

Bratwurst & Sauerkraut
will be provided

Please bring an appetizer, side
dish or dessert to share and feel
free to make it a German dish!

Please RSVP to Jeanette by
13 October
Email

jeanette@meisnerservices.com

Call or Text (484) 221-0039

Delhigh Beer Tasting at



76 Lehigh Street, Catasauqua

**Saturday, 26 October
1400**

Beers from Taylor House Brewing and other
local breweries on tap, and a few drinks
made with sprits from Gallows Hill are avail-
able along with flights for tastings.

And

Dinner at



1808 MacArthur Road, Whitehall

1700

Order off the menu at this locally owned
and operated Mexican restaurant.

Please RSVP for one or both of these
events to Kathleen at

k.now@mac.com or (956) 240-5553



BACK BY POPULAR REQUEST

PLEASE KEEP THIS DATE OPEN
Delhigh Land Navigation Contest

The 21st Annual Fall Road Rally
16 November 2019
----Rain or Shine----



Come one, Come all!!!!!!!!!!

Please set this date aside to attend the "2019 Annual Road Rally".

If you have never been on one of our "Road Rallies" before, you have no idea what you have been missing.

This is not a "race".

It is a day spent making new friends, with family, a spouse, a friend or a companion, for a drive on roads that you would probably never think to travel.

Please invite your friends. The more entries we have makes for a more enjoyable day.

The objective is to follow the directions, find the pictures enclosed along the way, answer a few questions and just enjoy the day and the scenery.

It will start at the 'Starlite Diner', 233 North Rt. 100, Allentown, PA., 18106, (on Rt. 100 just south of Rt. I-78), phone number – (610) - 395-4031. We will meet for breakfast to get our instructions. (Breakfast is on your own or just be there before the instruction time.) Breakfast will begin at 0930 instructions will start at 1000. PLEASE be at the diner by 1000 before the instructions start. First car out will start approximately 1030.

******* *It is suggested that there are three or more individuals in the vehicle to locate pictures and help answer questions.*

Find your way to the half way point, turn in your first set of instructions and receive your second set of instructions to get you to the final destination for dinner.

It will end at a place to enjoy good food, have fun, share good fellowship, present the Awards and have a raffle.

I'm positive everyone will be pleased.

All of our past rallies have proven to be a world of fun, and a challenge for the driver and his partner, called the Navigator". Communication between driver and navigator is a plus. (Ask any anyone who has attended.)

It's simple. **Follow the directions; know right, left and how to count! Just enjoy!!!**

****Please send in your reservation form by 8 November 2019.**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again.

*Chairman P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN
and Your Road Rally Committee*



**Road Rally Reservation Form****Reservation Form 'MUST' be returned by 8 November 2019**

Send a completed form and check made payable to:
 'Delhigh Power Squadron'

Send to:

P/C Michael Lebeduik, III, JN
 3514 Nicholas St.
 Easton, PA 18045

Questions:

Cell Phone: (610) 730-2798
 Email: TJA.ML3@verizon.net

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Of people attending: _____

Of children under 10 years old: _____
 (Children under 10 yrs. old -- \$20.00)

Of cars participating: _____

Is this your first "Road Rally" with Delhigh? YES _____ NO _____

Your Email: _____

If a USPS Member

Squadron Name: _____

Your Phone #: _____

NAME of individuals in car: Driver: _____

Navigator: _____

Crew: _____

Menu will be:

'Individual Platter – Sit down Dinner'

Please choose one per person:

Scallops – Pan seared in fennel lemon sauce: x 38.00 = \$ _____
 (Served with penne)

Veal Parmesan, served with a side of pasta: x 35.00 = \$ _____

Roast Duck: x 38.00 = \$ _____
 (Roasted in a honey glaze until crispy & golden brown)

Total: \$ _____

Salad

Rolls with Butter

Chefs Choice of Vegetables

*(Alcoholic Beverages are on your own tab.)

Regular and Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea and Soda

Dessert

COME AND ENJOY THE DAY!!!!



Executive Officer's Report
Lt/C Robert Rendish, P

I am pleased and honored to be active once again in this squadron.

We just enjoyed our annual 2019 DPS Chesapeake Bay Rendezvous at the resort marina, Mears Great Oak at Fairlee Creek this June.

Fortunately the weather was much better and more cooperative this year.

Thursday evening started with the Executive Committee meeting pool side, finishing with dinner provided and delivered by Milano's Pizzeria of Chestertown. I was told the pizza was excellent, even with the occasional bugs that added to the evening.

On Friday the rest of us arrived at Great Oak to meet for cocktails at one of the picnic areas overlooking the narrow entrance to Fairlee Creek. What a beautiful view. It was worth it after experiencing one of the worst drives I've had negotiating traffic on the Blue Route and 95 south.

A change in plans had us dining in the new Rockfish Restaurant at the marina. The food was good, ordering off the menu or choosing their extensive dinner buffet.

Saturday we all met for lunch at one of my favorite places on the bay, Waterman's Restaurant in Rock Hall. I had to have a cup of my favorite Maryland crab soup with just a "touch" of sherry. Under the tent at Waterman's, it was comfortable for a nice lunch of shrimp, mussels and other delights with a breeze coming in off Rock Hall Harbor.

After our lunch, some came on board the Meisner's 39 ft Carver "Living the Dream" for a sunny, relatively smooth ride north, back to Mears Great Oak Marina for the afternoon.

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Educational Officer's Report
Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN

Ahoy Mates! Summer is here and I hope you are all out on the water enjoying your boats! This season is bitter sweet for me, I'm selling my boat and it's killing me to not be enjoying the marina life and all the fun we've had at the Jersey Shore. But I need to sell Happy Hours before I can buy my next boat;)

We will be teaching Seamanship as soon as the new books are printed. Seamanship has been completely revamped and is now called Boat Handling. The e-books are available now with the print copies coming out later. Delhigh is excited to teach the new Boat Handling ASAP.

There are a lot of seminars available for you to take, 35 to be exact. There is something for just about any topic you want to learn more about and I encourage you to go to the national website [HERE](#) and see for yourself what's available.

Even we seasoned boaters can learn new things. It's time for all of us to take advantage of the opportunities given to us.

I am excited to tell you that Delhigh has approved buying and lending ABC books for any students that do not want to purchase them. This will allow us to keep teaching the ABC course.

D/5 is running a JN course online for anyone who has passed AP. If you are interested please contact P/D/Lt/C Jim Heckman, SN at JLHeckman4929@gmail.com



This years Ice Cream Social was, as always, very yummy and a lot of fun! Members were fed burgers and dogs and macaroni and cheese before the ice cream was dished out, what a treat! Photos of this event are on page 3.

The coming events are updated in the calendar at the end of this issue and on the google calendar. There is information in this issue on all Delhigh events through October and it is also available on the website.

Please note that we have room for members who do not have boats at the Trailerboat Rendezvous at Ridley Park! Please let Keith know if you would like to attend with your boat and how many more passengers you can accommodate or if you would like to ride on someone else's boat. We did this trip last year and there is so much to see, it really is a great day out on the water.

Beer Tasting and Dinner is also set up for the end of October. Even if beer is not your drink of choice, please feel free to join us for dinner! We are going to be eating at a new restaurant for us and are hoping to enjoy the menu, the company and great margaritas!

We finally were able to conduct our Vessel Safety Checks at Beltzville Lake on 1 June. This is usually done during National Safe Boating week but on water training and a fishing contest prohibited us from completing our mission that week.

We arrived, set up and were ready to get to work, when the Coast Guard Auxiliary approached us. We both had scheduled the same day for our VSC day. We worked together doing Vessel Safety Checks and talked as a group. They were a great group of guys.

The weather was perfect, the boaters were eager to be on the lake as well as have a VSC completed. Delhigh had three VE's and the Auxiliary had two VE's checking vessels.

Cdr Keith Knobloch, AP, P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN and myself completed twelve VSC's. Nine passed and three failed. This year seemed to be the year of boaters not having their registration or federal and state regulations on board. Other items were fire extinguishers out of date, navigation lights not working, no visual distress signals and blowers not working.

As always we inform the boater about the regulations and items that need to be corrected to keep them in compliance. We also talk to them about America's Boating Club and taking courses to keep them up to date and being a safer boater. We do our best to educate the boater while we have their attention.

It was a good day for Delhigh VE's and it helped to establish a good working relationship with the Coast Guard Auxiliary, D5NR Division 15-11, Northern Lakes Unit. In the future we plan to schedule VSC's with the Auxiliary as well as doing our own.

If you have not had a Vessel Safety Check please contact a VE to have one done.

As always have a safe boating season.



USPS NATIONAL NEWS

America's Boating Conference



Sunday, 8 September -
Sunday, 15 September 2019
Louisville, Kentucky

Join District 5 at this fun and informative national conference! There is a whole week of events planned that you can already sign up for when you register. You can find all of the information that you need here:

[Information and Forms](#)

DISTRICT 5 NEWS

District 5 Fall Educational Conference

7-10 November

Fredericksburg Hospitality House



This is a fun and educational weekend with our District 5 friends. There are lots of courses to take along with raffles, commanders receptions and meals shared. Mark your calendar NOW and there will be more information coming regarding classes and activities.

[USPSD5.org](#)

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After a warm and very relaxing afternoon, we all met at the pool for refreshments before leaving for the Harbor House Restaurant for dinner. Owners' Michele and Dan greeted our group as we arrived and their staff provided excellent service to support the wonderful dinner we had in their nautical themed renovated restaurant at Worton Creek. I enjoyed their specialty crab cakes, and they were the finest I've enjoyed in quite some time. A raffle and prizes were won afterwards, and a fantastic time was had by all.

This is the third or fourth Rendezvous I've planned over the course of my membership with this fine boating organization. Every time I have enjoyed it immensely, the planning, the menus, the emails, the phone calls, but it couldn't be done without the dedicated members who drive this squadron forward.

On behalf of the squadron, I would like to thank Cdr Keith Knoblach, AP, P/C Kathleen Nowroozani, SN, P/C Jeanette Meisner, AP, and 'Captain' Randy Meisner, AP of the vessel "Living the Dream" for their great help and thoughtful guidance.



Storm precautions while boating

Protect yourself from lightning on the water



Being caught out on the water during a thunderstorm can be frightening. It happened to me while offshore in our sailboat.

Most lightning strikes occur in the afternoon with 70% occurring between noon and 6 p.m. As the air temperature warms, evaporation increases. This warm, moisture-laden air rises and evaporates, forming fluffy cumulus clouds. As more moisture accumulates, the clouds darken and change into cumulonimbus, or thunderstorm, clouds.

Well-developed cumulonimbus clouds have a flat anvil-shaped top and can reach 40,000 feet or more. The cloud's upper portion develops a positive electrical charge and the lower level a negative electrical charge. Lightning occurs when the difference between the positive and negative charges—the electrical potential—becomes great enough to overcome the resistance of the insulating air and force a conductive path between the positive and negative charges. This potential may be as much as 100 million volts.

Lightning strikes represent a flow of current from negative to positive (in most cases) and may move from the bottom to the top of a cloud, from cloud to cloud, or (most feared) from cloud to ground. When lightning does strike, it most often strikes the highest object in the immediate area. On a body of water, that highest object is a boat.

When caught in a storm

- Stay in the center of the cabin if the boat has one. If it has no cabin, stay low in the boat. Don't be a human lightning mast!
- Keep arms and legs in the boat. Do not dangle them in the water.
- Discontinue fishing, water skiing, scuba diving, swimming or other water activities when lightning is present or weather conditions look threatening. The first lightning strike can be a mile or more in front of an approaching thunderstorm cloud.
- Disconnect and do not touch the major electronic equipment, including the radio, for the duration of the storm. Lower, remove or tie down the radio antenna and other protruding devices if they aren't part of the lightning protection system.

Avoid making contact with any portion of the boat connected to the lightning protection system. Never be in contact with two components connected to the system at the same time. If a boat has been (or is suspected of having been) struck by lightning, check out the electrical system and compasses to ensure no damage has occurred. —*John Schwab*

This article first appeared in Scuttlebutt, newsletter of North Strand Sail & Power Squadron/26.



A BIT OF FUN

Row Your Boat

O U T R I G G E R T A L
K O N F T A O B G U T V
S U B M A R I N E K F A
N B A G O R E F D L T T
P D R T B R C P O O L S
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G R T L P E T E L F F G

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FERRY
GONDOLA
HOVERCRAFT

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OUTRIGGER
PADDLE
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2019-2020 Calendar of Events



Delhigh Power Squadron

Musikfest Mania
Wednesday, 7 August
Hotel Bethlehem
1800

November Meeting
Wednesday, 6 November
Morgan's Local Flavor, Allentown
1800

Phantoms Game
TBA

Trailer-boat Rendezvous
Saturday, 24 August
Ridley Park Ramp
1300

D/5 Fall Conference
7-10 November
Fredericksburg Hospitality House

Founder's Day
Wednesday, 5 February 2020
Miguel's of Belfast
1800

Sept. Meeting & Chili Cook Off
Wednesday, 4 September
Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church
1830

Sporting Clays
Saturday, 9 November
Lehigh Valley Sport Clays
1000

Bowling
Saturday, 15 February 2020
Hampton Lanes
1100

Tacos and Social Hour
Saturday, 21 September
Nowroozani House
1700

Road Rally
Saturday, 16 November
Starlite Diner, Allentown
0930

Game Night
Saturday, 22 February 2020
Meisner Residence
1700

Cider and Wine Fest
Saturday, 5 October
Coca-Cola Park
1200-1600

Wine Tasting
Saturday, 30 November
TBA
1400

Change of Watch
Saturday, 7 March 2020
TBA
1800

Oktoberfest
Saturday, 19 October
Meisner Residence
1700

Holiday Party
Saturday, 14 December
Beck's Land and Sea, Nazareth
1400

All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit. Please contact Gary at gcorcoran14@gmail.com or (610)657-3283 for more information on any scheduled event.

Beer Tasting and Dinner
Saturday, 27 October
Taylor House Brewing
My Tequila House
Catasaqua
1400

January Meeting & Soup/Salad Potluck
Wednesday, 8 January 2020
Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church
1830

