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Commander's Corner
Cdr Kathleen Nowroozani, SN



The District 5 Fall Conference at the beginning of November was informative and fun. It was great to see so many of our district friends and we were given a preview of the inlet drone videos from America's Boating Channel that are available now [here](#). If you haven't seen these, I highly suggest taking the time. Spring Conference information will be available soon and we are excited to be able to book our room so we can look forward to another fun weekend with friends and keeping our bridge and members informed about the happenings at the District and National levels.

With the change in United States Power Squadrons becoming America's Boating Club, several other things have been updated in the National and District bylaws. It is time for us to start thinking about updating our bylaws with the option to have fewer bridge members if and when the time for that becomes a reality. National has created a model of squadron bylaws to help us with this. You can find them by going to the www.usps.org site. Log in, then click on Committees-Rules-Squadron By-Laws-Download Model-By-Laws to see the most recent changes. We need to put together a committee to do this for our squadron in January and I will be asking for volunteers at the January Meeting. Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time to this committee.

I am looking forward to hosting our district representatives, Stephanie Ward and Paul Merollo for our Holiday Party this year. Hopefully, we can get Paul to have some fun stealing during our Pollyanna Gift Exchange this time! The years with the most stealing are certainly the most fun, I hope to see you all there.

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Sporting Clays



Delhigh Power Squadron



Cyrus, Vince, Chris and Oliver ready to get started.



Jessica shooting with Greg, Joe, Brent, Eric and Ken observing.



Chris shooting with Oliver and Vince watching.



Ken shooting with Brent and Joe following the shot.



Joe shooting with Ken, Greg and Brent watching .



Vince and Oliver heading to the next station.



Cyrus, Oliver, Vince, Chris, Joe, Ken, Jessica, Eric, Randy and Brent smiling for the camera.



Joe, Jessica, Ken, Eric and Brent with the No Trespassing sign.



Oliver, Chris, Randy, Vince and Cyrus getting ready to shoot.



Oktoberfest



Bob, Eileen, Ed, Cyrus, Chris, Jeanette, Randy and Kathy smiling for the camera.



Bob and Ed after enjoying dessert with Jeanette, Eileen, Cyrus and Randy at the dining room table.



Jeanette and Ed with the appetizers.



Jeanette, Bob, Cyrus, Randy, Eileen, Ed and Chris eating soup and chatting.



Kathy and Chris are all smiles.

If you are not happy
single, you won't be
happy married.
Happiness comes
from Boats, not
relationships...



Somebody left their phone on the table and found this selfie by Cyrus a few days later!



Brew Tasting



Delight Power Squadron



Mark, Cyrus, Sergio, Michele, Mary Lee and Kathy smiling while trying new beers.



Cyrus and Kathy posing with the decorations.



Michele, Ed, Mary Lee, Sergio and Eileen passing out dessert.



Sergio, Michele, Eileen, Ed, Mark and Mary Lee finishing dinner.



Ed with his cake to celebrate his donating 100 gallons of blood to the Red Cross. Congratulations and Thank You!



Kathy, Cyrus and Mark taking a break from their conversation for a selfie.



Ed and Eileen getting ready to head home.



Cyrus and Sergio have celebratory cigars after the Astros win!



Michele and Kathy are festive with their Halloween headbands.



Road Rally Dinner



Eileen, Joe, Cam, Nikki, Bob, Mark, Mary Lee, Michelle, Fernando, Cyrus, Kathy, Chris, Brent, Jane and Ed at dinner.



Michelle, Fernando and Nikki before dinner.



Michelle and Eileen catching up.



Joe and Cam sporting tans from their recent cruise.



Mark and Mary Lee smiling for the camera.



Cyrus and Kathy waiting for everyone to arrive.



Bob, Kathy and Chris taking a minute to pose for the camera.



Ed and Eileen are all smiles.



Brent and Jane ready to order.

HAPPY HANUKKAH





Holiday Party



200 Main Street, Stockertown

Saturday, December 10

6pm



Drinks and vegetable crudite

Buffet Includes:

Yankee Pot Roast, Chicken Marsala,
Rice Pilaf, Green Beans, House Salad.
Chocolate Cake and Coffee.

Cost is \$42 per person

(Checks made payable to Delhigh Power Squadron)

As always we will be collecting new, un-wrapped toys to drop off at



This year you can also click the picture above and make a donation without ever leaving the house.

We will also be doing a Pollyanna Gift Exchange. Please bring one gift per couple or one gift per person valued at no more than \$20 if you would like to play.

RSVP to P/C Robert Rendish, P
527 Elm Street
Emmaus, PA 18049

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January Meeting and



Potluck

Wednesday, January 4

Nowroozani House

6:30pm

Chicken Parmesan and Pasta will be served.

Please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share.

When I was a kid



As an adult





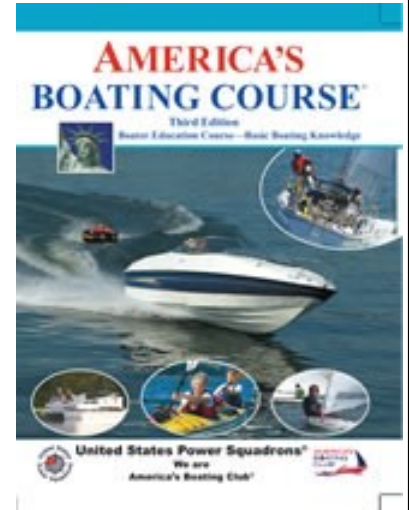
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For more information or to register for the course contact Sergio at slambo3@gmail.com





America's Boating Club Lehigh Valley

Invites you to join us for some hockey



Vs.



Saturday, January 14, 2023
PPL Center, Allentown
7:05pm

Tickets are in section 112
Doors open at 6:05pm

\$25.00/person
(Checks made payable to Delhigh Power Squadron)

Please RSVP to Kathy
at k.now@mac.com or
(956) 240-5553

Join us for a

Wine & Chocolate Pairing



Saturday, February 4, 2023
Lebeduik Residence
3pm

Please bring wine and chocolates or candy or cookies to pair with it.

Wine glasses, plates, napkins, etc. will be provided.

Please RSVP to Kathy
at k.now@mac.com or
(956) 240-5553





FOUNDER'S DAY

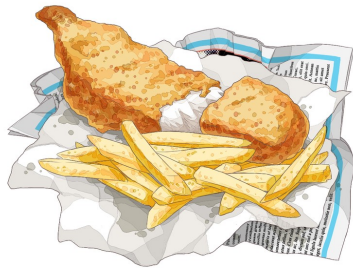
Meeting



Wednesday, February 8
6pm

Founder's Day is the meeting where the incoming bridge is voted on, please make an effort to attend.

We will order off the menu.



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2023 Summer Rendezvous
Thursday June 22– Sunday June 25
Rock Hall, MD

Reserve Your Room

Mariners Motel
5681 South Hawthorn Avenue
Rock Hall, MD
410-639-2224

Room Rates:

Thursday \$155
Friday and Saturday \$215
+county and state taxes

Cancellation policy is at least 48 hours prior to check in time.

More information as the date gets closer.





VSC Corner

By: P/C Keith Knoblach,



We had a great summer out on the water but it is now the time of year for us to have our boats up on the hard, ready for below freezing temperatures. This is the time to go through all the gear that you have taken off of your boat and make sure that it is ready for Spring. Check the expiration dates on your fire extinguisher and flares, wash your lines and PFDs, check the inflation of your inflatables and replace anything that has seen better days now so that you are ready when the weather warms up.

This is the time to research and learn, here is an article about how to keep your boat battery from dying over the winter [Helping Your Boat Battery Survive Winter Storage - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](https://www.practical-sailor.com). There are many virtual courses offered by America's Boating Club, head over to the website and learn something new while you're cozied up sitting by the fire and we'll all be prepared to boat safer when Spring arrives.



December

Joseph Arieta, S
Michele Lamboy, P
P/C Keith Knoblach, AP
Nikki Lebeduik
Marilyn Ludwig

January

Lt. Don Ludwig, Jr, S
Mary Lee Sebring, P
P/Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN
P/C Robert Rendish, P

HERE'S A LITTLE SONG I WROTE CALLED
(IT'S ALMOST TIME TO WINTERIZE THE BOAT)





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



Administrative Officer's Report

This past Saturday, November 12, 2022, members of our squadron met for dinner at a favorite local restaurant. The occasion was a get together to remember the many years of our annual Road Rally. Traditionally, at the finish of our Road Rallies, we would gather at a restaurant to review, go over the results of the participants, and determine the winner, second and third place positions.

When I first joined Delhigh Power Squadron, the Road Rally was designed, arranged, and organized by long time member, Ron Gable.

He was a man of detail and specifics. He knew how to put together a challenging, mind-exercising event. He would take us into the countryside in and around the Lehigh Valley, often in small towns, villages, and on roads some of us have never driven on before. We had great times exploring the areas we were traveling in, and figuring out the answers to the questions from visual as well as written clues given to us.

Well, after Ron Gable retired, one of our past commanders stepped up and continued our Road Rallies. P/C Michael Lebeduik III, JN, took the reins and started to organize and arrange our Road Rallies.

I've been on and participated in several Road Rallies, and Mike did a fantastic job of arranging and organizing our Road Rallies with as much detail, challenging questions, and difficult clues that equaled the great work Ron Gable put into the Road Rallies. It was a lot of work.

This past Saturday we gathered together in a tribute to our past Road Rallies, and to the person who put all of it together for the last several years, to provide an event that was different, yet challenging, fun, yet sometimes mind-boggling, and always a good time with fellow members and friends of the squadron.

Thank you Mike.

We will always remember you.

We lost you way too soon.

Your friend, Bob.

We have been busy this Fall with many fun events. Sporting Clays and Oktoberfest worked well on the same day again and what great weather! Thank you to the Meisner's for hosting Oktoberfest again this year.

Brew Tasting was a fun twist on Halloween and Beer Tasting and we also got to celebrate Ed and his 100 gallons of donating blood with the Red Cross, what an accomplishment! Thanks to the Lamboy's for having us all over.

It was great to see everyone at the November Meeting and Road Rally dinner, thanks to all for making these events a success.

The Holiday Party is coming up soon, don't forget to RSVP to Bob. This year D/C Stephanie Ward, AP and her husband Paul Merollo will be joining us, I hope to see you all there.

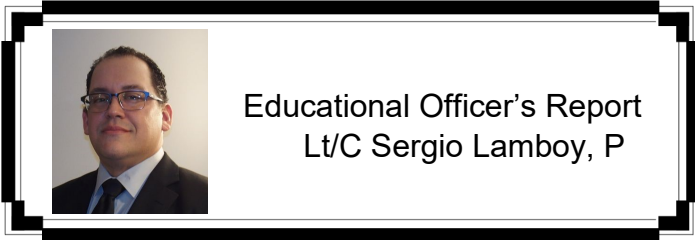
January is a busy month for us. The January meeting is Weds. Jan. 4th, Sat. Jan. 14 we are teaching ABC-3 and going to a Phantoms Hockey Game, Sat, Jan 21 we are teaching again and have an Ex-Com meeting after.

Our Wine and Chocolate pairing is Feb 4th and don't forget that our Founder's Day Meeting was pushed back until Weds. Feb. 8th.

Contact a bridge member with questions for ideas for new locations for events.

Happy Holidays.





Educational Officer's Report
Lt/C Sergio Lamboy, P

It seems that we have arrived at the point in the year at which we scramble to get our boats put away for the winter and at the same time try to prepare for the onslaught of holidays ahead of us. We are passed the beauty of fall and its torture of fallen leaves that feel as if I will be raking forever. As I rewrite this article, I'm watching the first few snowflakes fall and that means we have closed out another fun-filled year of boating with friends, spending time in the sunshine on the water together. I am not sulen by the turn of the season, but looking forward to the many gatherings we have planned ahead. My favorite is the Christmas party. I do so enjoy the ruthlessness of the Polyanna and most of all, seeing the generosity of our membership when it comes to the Toys-For-Tots table. One thing for sure it's always overflowing. I know we have many more opportunities to celebrate and gather over the course of the year, but Christmas is my favorite. Before I end this portion of my article. I wanted to wish all of you the happiest of holidays and the safest and most joyous new year to come. I look forward to many more sun-filled days on the water with all of you. For a simple guide to getting your boat ready for the coming winter check this link to Boating Compass, "Winterize Your Boat" [https://boatingcompass.org/winterize-your-boat/?](https://boatingcompass.org/winterize-your-boat/?mc_cid=27af06ffef&mc_eid=4346fc2eed)

[mc_cid=27af06ffef&mc_eid=4346fc2eed](https://boatingcompass.org/winterize-your-boat/?mc_cid=27af06ffef&mc_eid=4346fc2eed)
Now back to the business at hand... education. Kathleen and I recently returned from the annual Fall Educational Conference and there was a lot of excitement about the new Roku TV app for 2023. It's not just a relaunch of the YouTube "Americas Boating Channel". This new app-based version on Roku will have so much more to offer. Other than educational videos, there will be new videos on the different inlets along the Intercoastal Waterways and how to safely navigate them. The commander and I got a sneak peek at the first three inlet videos available, and the production value and information offered is top-notch. Also, there will be entertainment-based shows; many of them classics like "The Love Boat", "Flipper", and for something a little more current, all the different series of "Below Deck". As you can see, there is a maritime theme here. Honestly, there is too much to write about in this article. You will just have to check the channel when it becomes available on your smart tv or Roku device.

Continuing with educational endeavors, we have scheduled another ABC-3 class at Peters Marine in Allentown for 2023. It will be held on Mar 11th and 18th. Details are on page 7 and at boatinghighvalley.com. It was necessary to schedule a second class because as of now, our first offering in January is full and Dennis had a number of inquiries about a second class to be held.

In closing, I look forward to stealing someone's Polyanna gift at the Christmas party this year. See you all there. HAHAAAA!

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Submit your best snapshot!

The past two years have been a time of uncertainty and closures, but one thing remained a reliable pastime—boating! In fact, more people than ever took to the water during the pandemic to enjoy recreation and togetherness.

For The Ensign's 2023 Photo Contest, we want you to send us your best photos from your recent cruises, weekend getaways, raft-ups or other on-the-water activities! Finalists will be voted on during the 2023 Annual Meeting in February, and the winners will be featured in the Spring 2023 issue.

To submit your high-resolution photos, fill out the [form here](#). Please include a caption for each picture, containing pertinent information such as names and location.

Email ensign@hq.usps.org with any questions. Deadline to submit photos is Dec. 31, 2022.

National Cruise

Cruise with us in 2023 and 2024

We hope you'll join the many of us already signed up to sail out of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on the Celebrity Beyond immediately following the 2023 Annual Meeting in February with stops at Nassau, Costa Maya, Cozumel, and Grand Cayman from Feb. 26 to Mar. 5. Take advantage of the current Celebrity promotion or the exclusive group pricing, which includes drinks, Wi-Fi, and tips.

It's not too early to sign up for our Feb. 11–18, 2024, cruise on the new Celebrity Edge series ship, the Ascent, as it stops at San Juan; Tortola, BVI; and Basseterre, St. Kitts and Nevis. As always, take advantage of the current Celebrity promotion or the exclusive group pricing, which includes drinks, Wi-Fi, and tips. Your support of these cruises helps raise funds for America's Boating Club. For more details, call 727-403-0406 or click my name to email me. [-Dawn Eckhart](#)

[Eckhart](#)



Click to go to [America's Boating Channel™](#) to see videos about safe boating and boating education!



DISTRICT 5 NEWS

The Fall Educational Conference for District 5 was a fun weekend in November! There was a great raffle where we all won prizes, and Sergio and Kathy got to see a sneak peal of the Inlet Drone videos coming out at the end of November by America's Boating Channel. There were many interesting and informative classes (so much so that we didn't take any pictures) and it was great to see many of our District 5 friends. As you can see from the pictures we also had a good time exploring local eateries.

The Spring Conference and Change of Watch is being held at the Princess Royale in Ocean City, Maryland March 30—April 2, 2023. Mark your calendars now and more information will be in the next Delhighlights.



Beer tasting at the Guinness Open Gate Brewery.



Michele, Sergio, Cyrus and Kathy having beers and lunch at the Guinness Open Gate Brewery.



Cyrus making a call from the Guinness phone booth.



Cyrus, Kathy, Michele and Sergio after enjoying dinner and fried ice cream.



One last stop on the way home at Lancaster Brewing Company for some grub.



ABC Lehigh Valley's 'Loopers'

By P/Lt/C Doug McKenzie, JN



Delhigh Power Squadron

Greetings from the crew of Sea Stories. At my last writing, we were about to start the Atlantic Intra-coastal Waterway. Our journey continued past Norfolk, VA on to Coinjock, where the roast beef was



Kathy hanging out with Orville

as good as always. Then we finally got a good weather window to go to the Outer Banks. This was our first time there and it was fabulous! We spent some time at Kittyhawk where the Wright Brothers made their famous flight. There is a great park and museum there. We also rented a jeep and drove out onto the beach; another first for me. After four days on Manteo Island, we headed over to Ocracoke for two more days. The beaches are fantastic; water is warm, and the scenery is amazing.

After leaving the Outer Banks we headed to Oriental, NC then on to Beaufort, NC. We planned on a few days there,

but we started hearing about a storm in the Caribbean named Ian, so we waited there for 15 days to see what it would do. Turns out, best decision I've made in a long time. Ian devastated our home port in Fort Meyers. There is nothing left. We know people there that lost their boat, the only home they had. So very sad. Luckily, we had no direct problem from Ian, or later from Nicole. We always managed to get to a safe place. I almost feel guilty knowing so many people who lost so much.

While working our way south, we met up with Rich and Bea in South Carolina. It's always a pleasure to see them!



Dolphin getting some serious air

Another neat place we found was Marineland on the Palm Coast. The original theme park in Florida, which opened in 1938 and is still in operation today. Great dolphin shows and all kinds of marine life displays.



Sunsets on Ocracoke Island are beautiful

Taking the ICW through South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida is fun and challenging. Lots of twists and turns, including eight-foot tidal swings, and fantastic scenery! We anchored out more than usual during this stretch, and it was wonderful. I loved being out there. On November 1st we finally made it to our new winter home in Pompano, FL. We will be at the Sands Resort and Marina for the winter. If any of you are heading down to Miami this winter, look us up.



Boating Links

If we have studied anything during COVID it is ventilation. Here are some tips on how to improve your boats ventilation. [Simple Tips to Improve Boat Ventilation - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](https://practical-sailor.com)



What we learned from Hurricane Ian. [Ian Exposes Risks to Boats in Hurricane Zone - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](https://practical-sailor.com)

In need of better boat fenders? Learn to build your own here. [Building a Better Boat Fender - Practical Sailor \(practical-sailor.com\)](https://practical-sailor.com)



22 mistakes you can avoid and what steps you need to take to stay safer. [22 Avoidable On-the-Water Mistakes – Boating World](https://BoatingWorld.com)

Idiots driving boats caught on camera really does describe this well. Clips get better and better as the video goes on, watch to the end for the best ones! [IDIOTS DRIVING BOATS CAUGHT ON CAMERA #3 - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)



Wondering about national boat sales numbers? Read this article from NASBLA on the number of new boats being sold the first half of this year. [New Boat Sales Dip Below Pre-Pandemic Levels through July](https://www.nasbla.com)





If you're putting your boat into storage this winter, one of the simplest jobs you can do to save you headaches next spring is to make sure you've treated your fuel system for storage. For owners of diesel engines, you want to protect your tank against biological growth—primarily fungus and bacteria. For owners of gasoline powered boats—the bad side-effects of ethanol fuel are your chief enemy.

Our [test of biocide treatments safe for diesel fuel](#) appeared in July of 2009, with Biobor, Racor, Starbrite, and Valvtect all rating well.

And for those with gasoline engines, the problems with ethanol (see below) require a specialized product. The August 2012 has an update on our [test of ethanol fuel additives for marine engines](#). BioborEB again proved its superior ability to fight corrosion. Sta-Bil Marine Formula, Star Tron, and Mercury QuikStor (the most expensive treatment, by far) picked up recommendations. Sea Foam came in as the low-budget contender.

Ethanol has added a whole new twist to the fuel storage game, and since many of our readers still rely on good ol Atomic Four gas engines, and most of us have outboards to care for, I've included some relevant background information on the problems with E-10 fuel and why we need to take fuel storage seriously.

Phase Separation

For many years, methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) was the oxygenate of choice for reformulated gasoline. MTBE was very soluble in gasoline, forming a stable blend with physical properties consistent with conventional gasoline. MTBE was also found to contaminate groundwater. For this reason, it was removed from the nation's reformulated gasoline pool.

Switching to E-10 brought some unintended consequences, not the least of which was the process called cooling-induced phase separation, a process by which typically 1 to 3 percent and potentially 8 percent of the fuel can precipitate to the bottom of the tank. Here's how it works:

Ethanol is soluble in gasoline only if the alcohol is very dry. Unfortunately, the mixture is hygroscopic, drawing water from the air. In addition, the blend can become unstable when the temperature drops with the change of seasons. During the day, as the temperature rises, ethanol's vapor pressure increases markedly. In fact, E-10 begins to boil at a mere 95 to 105 degrees Fahrenheit. (MTBE gasoline, by comparison has a far more stable vapor pressure.) These rapid changes in vapor pressure effectively act as a pump, drawing more humid air into the tank every night.

In addition, E-10 is an active absorbent. A half-full tank will become moisture saturated within 30 to 90 days, depending upon the temperature range and humidity. (Unless there is a leak, MTBE can collect water only from condensation, which is usually caught by a fuel/water separator.)

In E-10, the solubility of water decreases with temperature—0.6 percent is soluble at 85 degrees, but only 0.4 percent at 32 degrees—and when the solubility drops due to cooling, a portion of the water drops out of suspension, along with six times its volume in ethanol.

Tips for Storage of Ethanol Fuel

- Run only the highest-octane gas for your last tankful of the season, burning as much E10 out of the tank as safely possible to negate ethanol's affinity for water absorption.
- If completely emptying the tank is not practical (empty tanks can increase fire risk), then fill the tank with non-E10 gas, leaving 10 percent room for expansion.
- Carefully stabilize the remaining fuel (check engine manufacturer for recommended stabilizer) and run the engine long enough so the stabilized fuel can circulate through the entire fuel system.

When commissioning, fill the tank with high-octane fuel. Check fuel-water separators consistently. Have spare separators on board.

By Darrell Nicholson—Published Dec. 14, 2016 Updated Nov. 9, 2022 Practical Sailor Blog



Nautical Quiz

Define the following terms:

1. **ALOOF** (not like Greta Garbo)
2. **APRON** (not what you wear in the kitchen)
3. **BAGGYWRINKLE** (not like a sailor's skin)
4. **BANK** (not where you put your money)
5. **BUMPKIN** (not the country kind)
6. **BUNT** (not a baseball play)
7. **BUTTERBALL** (not a turkey)
8. **CONTRARY** (not like Mary)
9. **CRADLE** (not a baby bed)
10. **DERELICT** (not a skid row bum)
11. **FAKE** (not like a \$3 bill)
12. **FETCH** (not retrieve)
13. **HEAVY** (not the bad guy in the movies)
14. **LEE** (not Robert E.)
15. **MARRY** (not to wed)
16. **ROACH** (not the bug)
17. **SHEET** (not a bed cover)
18. **STIFF** (not a morgue habitu )
19. **TACKLE** (not a football player)
20. **RAKE** (not a yard tool)
21. **YARD** (not what you rake)

Nautical Quiz Answers

1. **Aloof:** At a distance. Old term meaning "to windward."
2. **Apron:** A knee-like piece of wood or other material secured inside a boat's bows in the angle between the stem and the keel to reinforce both.
3. **Baggywrinkle:** Frayed rope ends matted together for use as chafing gear. Usually wound around a stay and secured there to keep the stay from rubbing against a sail.
4. **Bank:** An underwater plateau, higher than the adjacent bottom. Also, a shallow area of soft or shifting ground, as a mud bank or sand bank. Also, the shore of a river or stream.
5. **Bumpkin:** (also boomkin) A short outrigger at a sailboat's stern, or two such pieces joined at the outboard end. It provides an "anchor" for the lower end of a backstay or a support for the block used with the mizzen sheet.
6. **Bunt:** The central area of a sail, distinct from its edges (luff, etc.) and corners (tack, etc.).
7. **Butterball:** A one-design, cat-rigged boat. Centerboard. Overall length: 9 feet 6 inches. Beam: 5 feet 9 inches. Fixed

draft: 4 inches. Sail area: 49 square feet. Designer: Richard T. Miller.

8. **Contrary:** Of the wind, sea or tide, unfavorable to one's immediate desire or need.

9. **Cradle:** A framework, usually wood, that supports a boat during construction, repair or storage.

10. **Derelict:** Vessel abandoned at sea by its master and crew, without hope of recovery.

11. **Fake:** (also called flake) *n.* One turn in a coil of rope, such as an anchor rope, which has been laid so it will run freely.

v. To coil a rope with the running end on top, so it will run freely. Also called "to fake" or "flake down." Also, to stow a sail on a boom by folding it loosely.

12. **Fetch:** *n.* General word for an area or distance to be covered by a boat, or the effort so made — particularly if considerable effort is involved. Also, the distance wind has traveled across open water (the greater the distance, the longer the fetch).

v. To make a desired point — particularly against wind or current. Also, to go, come, hold or change course, as in "fetch about," "fetch to port."

13. **Heavy:** Of the weather or sky, overcast or gloomy. Of the sea, high and strong.

14. **Lee:** The side of a vessel sheltered from the wind, opposite from which the wind is blowing. More loosely, any place out of or away from the wind.

15. **Marry:** To join and secure end to end, as two ropes, so they can be reeved through a block without jamming. Also, to place side by side, as two ropes, so that they can be grasped and hauled in or allowed to run at the same time.

16. **Roach:** *n.* A convex or concave curve in any edge of a sail, formed by cutting the cloths to the desired degree. In pleasure boating, it commonly means the convex curve of the leech, which adds sail area usually not measured in establishing a boat's rating.

v. To cut with a roach, as a sail.

17. **Sheet:** A rope used to regulate the angle of a sail to the wind. A sheet is usually named for the sail it controls, as in main sheet, jib sheet, mizzen sheet. Also, the spaces at the end of an open boat, not occupied by thwarts, called fore sheets and stern sheets, respectively.

18. **Stiff:** Of a sailboat, resistant to heeling from outside pressure, relatively stable. Of wind, strong.

19. **Tackle:** Generic term sometimes applied to equipment, apparatus or gear used afloat, as in ground tackle (collective term for the anchors, line and other equipment used in anchoring a boat). Also, an arrangement of rope and one or more blocks, used in hoisting or pulling aboard a boat. A tackle increases the pulling power of an applied force and may change its direction.

20. **Rake:** The inclination of the masts forward or aft from the perpendicular. Also, The projection of a ship, at stem or stern, beyond the ends of the keel.

21. **Yard:** A long spar, tapering toward the ends, used to support and extend a square sail, lateen sail or lug sail. It normally rests against a mast horizontally or at an angle and is hoisted or lowered by a halyard.

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A BIT OF FUN



Did You Know?

Whistling on a boat is expected to bring upon strong winds and is therefore considered bad luck.

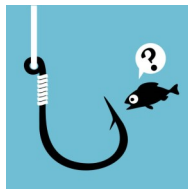


Did You Know?



Bananas on a boat are seen as bad luck especially on fishing boats.

It is thought that fish do not bite on a hook if there are bananas close by.



This is the transcript of the **ACTUAL** radio conversation between the British and the Irish, off the coast of Kerry, Oct 98. Radio conversation released by the Chief of Naval Operations 10-10-01:



IRISH

Please divert your course 15 degrees to the South, to avoid a collision.

BRITISH

Recommend you divert your course 15 degrees to the North, to avoid a collision

IRISH

Negative. You will have to divert your course 15 degrees to the South to avoid a collision.

BRITISH

This is the Captain of a British navy ship. I say again, divert YOUR course.

IRISH

Negative. I say again. You will have to divert YOUR course.

BRITISH

THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER HMS BRITANNIA! THE SECOND LARGEST SHIP IN THE BRITISH ATLANTIC FLEET. WE ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THREE DESTROYERS, THREE CRUISERS, AND NUMEROUS SUPPORT VESSELS. I DEMAND THAT YOU CHANGE YOUR COURSE 15 DEGREES NORTH I SAY AGAIN, THAT IS 15 DEGREES NORTH, OR COUNTER-MEASURES WILL BE UNDERTAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THIS SHIP.

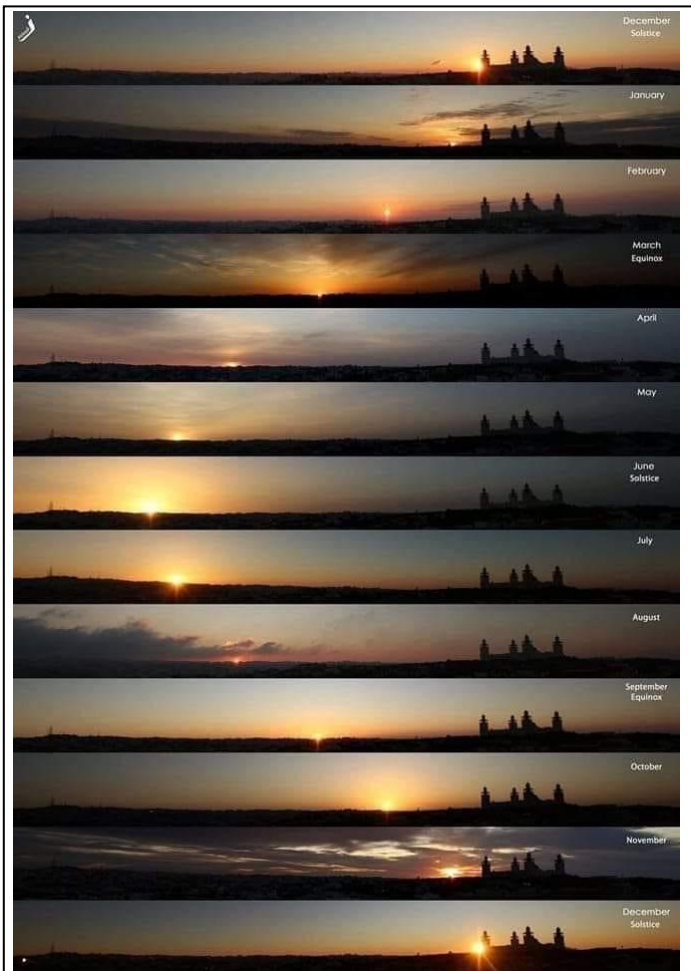
IRISH

We are a lighthouse. Your call.



2022-2023 Calendar of Events

<p>Holiday Party Saturday, December 10 Widows Tavern 6pm</p>	<p>Wine and Chocolate Pairing Saturday, February 4 Lebeduik Residence 3pm</p>	<p>ABC-3 Safe Boating Course Saturdays March 11 and 18, 2023 Peter's Marine 9am-1pm</p>
<p>January Meeting and Potluck Wednesday, January 4, 2023 Nowroozani Residence 6:30pm</p>	<p>Founder's Day Meeting Wednesday, February 8 Hops Fogelsville Hotel 6pm</p>	<p>All Calendar events are subject to change as the bridge sees fit. Please contact Kathy at k.now@mac.com or (956) 240-5553 for more information on any scheduled event.</p>
<p>ABC-3 Safe Boating Course Saturdays January 14 and 21, 2023 Peter's Marine 9am-1pm</p>	<p>Game Night Saturday, February 18 Meisner Residence 5pm</p>	
<p>Phantoms Game Saturday, January 14 PPL Center 7:05pm</p>	<p>Change of Watch Saturday, March 4 TBD</p>	



Photos taken from the same location at the same time of day every month for a year.



The boat used as the S.S. Minnow in Gilligan's Isle was a 1964 Wheeler with a cruising speed of 12 knots- which means they couldn't have traveled more than 41.5 miles. Now I'm starting to doubt if the show was even real.

