



ON THE HORIZON

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**OUR NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE ON
WEDNESDAY 18 APRIL AT THE BOWMAN RESTAURANT**

COMMANDER

J. STREET BROADBENT, AP



First, I want to thank you all for your support during this past year while being your XO - especially with the Vessel Safety Checks, the Baltimore Boat Show and all those who will be helping with the D-5 Spring Conference and Hospitality Suite. **Thank You!!!!!!!!!!!!**

What a Wonderful time we all had at our 56th Dundalk Change Of Watch!! There were 61 people in attendance.

I want to thank you for putting your faith and trust in me to lead us through the upcoming year! I have had a couple people start jesting and calling me "Boss". I hope to be a "Leader" instead. It's not just up to one person, it takes all of us working together to set goals and get things accomplished. I believe that this is one of our squadron's strongest assets.

I would like our emphasis for the coming year to be on: Membership: Recruitment, Involvement and Retention. The theme that we will be promoting is "Fishing For New Members". I would like to challenge each and every one of us for bringing in at least one new member. Susan Rudy has done an admiral job with recruiting over the last several years, but it hasn't been easy for her. It's time for us all to step up to the challenge! Imagine how nice it would be to have a larger squadron, with more members who become active and begin helping with the various activities.

I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Safe Boating year!! (I just wish Mother Nature would begin to cooperate!!)

Respectfully submitted,

CDR J. Streett Broadbent, AP

Please Welcome Aboard Our New 2018-19 Bridge!

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Squadron Educational Officer Lt/C John Lewis Hall, AP

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Our Meeting Place

The Bowman Restaurant on Harford Road. 410-665-8600. Our regular meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month (except July) and start at 7:30 Those of us planning to eat should plan to arrive around 6:15 p.m. and we'll order from the menu. Those not planning on eating may arrive at any time but the meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. The best parking is on the left of the building and then enter through the double doors on the side.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

LT/C GLENN HALDEMAN, AP



Safety Report

With the beginning of the boating season, this is the time to check your fire extinguishers, and other safety equipment. Fire extinguishers are required on all fuel operated vessels. The number required depends on the size of your boat.

The big thing is they must be readily accessible, not locked up in your boat where they are hard to reach.

It is always a good idea to have one in each of your cabin(s) somewhere in case a fire breaks out near you, so you can get out.

With all the Squadron's Vessel Examiners, ask one of them to ensure you have all the necessary equipment you need. This also helps the Squadron meet their VSC's (Vessel Safety Checks) requirements for the year.

Have a Good summer and keep your dry side up and your wet side in the water!

Respectfully submitted,

P/C Kenneth H. W. Finck, AP

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER
John L. Hall, AP



Learning a different kind of navigation and safety. Mary and I first joined the squadron because we were now using my Dad's boat and we knew that there was a whole lot we needed to learn. Over the years we have become very comfortable cruising our local area and really even the east coast. However with our new boat in Florida we are starting a whole new learning curve with wonderful new experiences. Each time we go we get to put to use some of the things we learned through our many courses and travels with the squadron.

Mary and I, accompanied by our wonderful crew of Tracey and Roy Stuenes, recently had the pleasure of voyaging to the Dry Tortugas and Fort Jefferson. The run is approximately 135 nm from our marina in Cape Coral. Once you leave Sanibel Island to your starboard and Ft Myers beach fades in the distance to port you have about 120 miles of open water to cross. Well open except for the crab pots every mile or so until you are 25 miles offshore. At the end of that run is a tiny island less than 1/10 of a square mile in area. Next to it is Loggerhead key which is even smaller. Our plan was to spend at least two nights anchored there.

Ft Jefferson is approximately 70 nm West of Key West. Loggerhead key is 3 miles west of that. Finding it without GPS must have been quite the task back in the day. Also when you head there you need to be extra prepared from every point of view. There are no marina's or supplies. Although there are rangers at the fort and a few other boaters around you are out of range of almost any communications except for satellite. Any help may be hours away. Once the park closes for the night there are probably less than 200 people within 50 miles of you.

On Day 2 we decided to explore Loggerhead Key by dinghy. We packed everything we thought we'd need for the trip and headed out. As we were leaving I ran down the check list. Lifejackets – check. Fuel – check. Oars – check. VHF handheld – check. PLB – no. Now normally I wear the PLB (Personal Locator Beacon) with me whenever I am out solo in any kind of boat from the kayak on up. Maybe we don't need it with all four of us along... No we're going back for it!

We had a wonderful day on the island which was about as deserted as it could be. We started slowly across the open three miles of water so we didn't get soaked from the waves. Well north of the island and still very far from home we heard a loud clunk and the engine died. At this point the wind, waves and current were taking us due west to Mexico only 800 nm away. And to make matters worse we didn't have a Zarpe either! At that instant it seemed like a pretty good idea to have that PLB and VHF along. Fortunately it was just a line fouled in the prop and we were going again in a few minutes.

In order to make this trip successful and fun we used everything we learned from the power squadron courses. We were at sea from dawn on Friday until Sunday afternoon in Key West. The core courses from Basic boating through Seamanship, and the Navigation were essential. Also many of the elective courses. Weather, Cruise and cruise planning and all the supporting courses.

Stay safe out there and keep learning.

Calendar of Pending Courses:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Member / Non Member</u>
ABC (Basic Boating)	West Marine Rosedale	Tuesday 4/3/2018	Four Weeks	\$32
ABC (Basic Boating)	West Marine Rosedale	Tuesday 5/1/2018	Four Weeks	\$32
Sailing – To be announced.				

Respectfully submitted,
 Lt/C John L. Hall, AP - SEO

SECRETARY Lt/C Ned Dexter, P



Your Humble Scribe

G'day', sailors! Absolutely nothing is happening in the dark and glamorous world of minutes-taking, or much in the boating world either. I have put in to remain your Secretary for the coming year, if you choose to honor me with re-election.

Here's follow-up to a question that came up last year about the depth of the Knapps Narrows channel just above Tillman Island. This month the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers began a \$1.4 million maintenance dredging project at the Narrows. The dredging will restore the channel to at least nine feet. Recent silting has left its depth as shallow as 1.5 feet in parts. Work has begun on the east side of the drawbridge first, then will proceed to the west side, according to the Army Corps of Engineers. About 100,000 cubic yards of material will have to be removed. The Army Corps of Engineers hopes to have the project completed by Memorial Day.

Other than that, I attended a wonderful seminar given by Pettit Paints at Maryland Marina last month. The instructor was very knowledgeable, having worked in a boatyard for decades, and had many practical tips about how to choose and apply both bottom paint and topside paint. He covered fixing cracks in the gelcoat with various epoxy products, too. He was influential enough that I dropped a couple hundred on enough paint to re-do old Certainty's deck - might help hold her together.

I have actually started working on the old thing: repainted the rudder, refinished the tiller, and got them remounted with some new hardware for the vertical control lines. But checking the boat revealed more water in the bilge than she has when she's in the water - time to reset those portlights, I guess! O well, I set the bilge pump on auto in case the snowmelt gets in too.

So, even though we're ashore, keep an eye on the weather (driving is more dangerous than boating)!!

Your humble scribe,

Ned Dexter, S, Secretary



TRUFFLE, The Boating Safety Dog!!!!



THE DREADED CAP'N REDS !!



**DUNDALK SAIL POWER SQUADRON
56TH CHANGE OF WATCH
24 MARCH 2018**





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 D/LT/C BRADLEY HUMPHREY, JN**

TREASURER
Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP



All bills have been paid, all deposits have been made, and the Squadron is in excellent financial shape.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP



P/C Bernie Karpers, SN receiving his Life Membership from Chief Commander Luis Ojeda, SN at the National Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL.

TAKE A LOOK AT THE D/5 WEB SITE TO SEE MANY OF THE INTERESTING PICTURES FROM OUR RECENT SPRING CONFERENCE & CHANGE OF WATCH THAT WAS HELD IN OCEAN CITY.

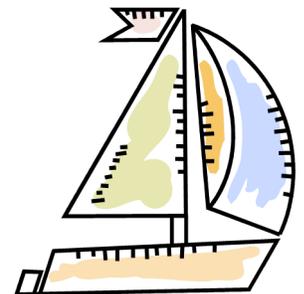
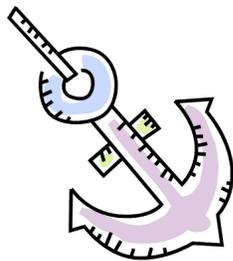
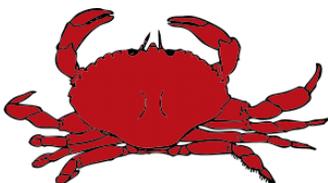


**DUNDALK SAIL & POWER SQUADRON'S
CRUISE & EVENTS SCHEDULE**

- 4 April Executive Meeting The Bowman Restaurant
- 5-8 April D/5 Spring Conference/Change of Watch—Princess Royale—Ocean City MD
- 18 April General Membership meeting—The Bowman Restaurant

DUNDALK SAIL & POWER SQUADRON CRUISE SCHEDULE FOR 2018

DATES	NAME OF CRUISE	DESTINATION/MARINA	CRUISE MASTER
15-17 June	St Michaels Cruise with the Sea Scouts	Raft-out & various marinas in and around St Michaels MD	Barbara Lash
13-15 July	Wurst Cookout Ever & Hart-Miller Island Tour	Red Eye Yacht Club 2222 Poplar Rd Baltimore MD 21221 410 686-5399	John Hall
20-22 July	Summer Council Weekend Cruise	Canyon Club Resort 900 Ocean Dr Cape May, NJ 08204 609 884-0199	District 5
24-26 August	Crab Feast Cruise	Baltimore Yacht Club 800 Baltimore Yacht Club Rd Middle River MD 21221 410 682-2310	Doug Riley
7-9 September (rain date 14-16 Sept)	Nav E Celestial Navigation Rendezvous	North Point Marina 5639 Walnut St Rock Hall MD 21661 410 639-2907	Susan Rudy & David Blades
5-7 October	Fall Cruise to Nabbs Creek	Nabbs Creek Marina 864 Nabbs Creek Rd Glen Burnie MD 21060	Glenn Hardeman
26-28 October	Down Rigging Weekend	Rolphs Wharf Marina 1008 Rolph's Wharf Rd Chestertown MD 21620 410 778 6389	Steve & Jennifer Dalgarno





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- Many locations throughout the Chesapeake Bay
- Commander's Cruise and Top Gun Cruise to ports as far away as Philadelphia, Cape May, New York, the Outer Banks, etc.
- Take your own boat or crew on someone else's
- **Social Events:** Pitch-in meals, picnics, theme parties, and our Annual Crab Feast

Meetings with knowledgeable guest speakers on interesting topics to include Homeland Security, First-Aid, Weather, Bay History, Winterizing/Commissioning, Engine Maintenance



FOR MORE INFORMATION IN HOW TO JOIN, OR TAKE ANY OF OUR EDUCATIONAL CLASSES, PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF OUR MEMBERS OR OUR BRIDGE.

YOU CAN ALSO GO TO OUR SQUADRON WEBSITE OR FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

D / 5 SUMMER COUNCIL & RENDEZVOUS
 19 - 22 JULY 2018
 The Canyon Club Resort Marina
 900 OCEAN DRIVE, CAPE MAY, NJ



<https://abseconislandps194.wixsite.com.summer2018>

Vessel Registration Form

 <p>Paul Hoffman, CMM PHoffman@CanyonClubMarina.com</p> <p>Canyon Club RESORT MARINA</p> <p>900 Ocean Drive, Cape May, NJ 08204 (609) 884-0199 Fax: (609) 884-6060 Cell: (609) 675-5827 www.CanyonClubMarina.com</p>	Boat Length: _____	Min. Length: _____	Max. Length: _____
	First Night: _____	Last Night: _____	Power Req. _____
Customer Name: _____			
Phone Cell #: _____		Alt. No. _____	
Address: _____			
City: _____		State: _____	Zip: _____
Email: _____			
Boat Name: _____		Boat Make: _____	
Credit Card # _____			



Tentative Schedule

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| 19 JULY | 21 JULY |
| BOATS ARRIVE | FLAG RAISING |
| DOCKTAIL PARTY | EXPLORE THE AREA |
| 20 JULY | CRAFTS & GAMES |
| COAST GUARD TOUR | CONTEST (TBD) |
| CRAFTS & GAMES | DINNER CRUISE |
| COMMANDER'S | |
| COCKTAIL PARTY | |



**2018 District 5
Council and Summer Rendezvous
19-22 July 2018 * Cape May, NJ**

MEMBER

Rank _____ Name _____ Grade _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Squadron _____

SPOUSE/OTHER ATTENDEES

Rank _____ Name _____ Grade _____

Rank _____ Name _____ Grade _____

Rank _____ Name _____ Grade _____

Boat Name if travelling by boat: _____

ACTIVITY FEE (Required per person except children 12 and under-free)

Covers all fees, navigation contest, games, special activity materials, contestant awards, event rentals, etc.

____ @ \$ 5.00 \$ _____

SATURDAY NIGHT AWARD DINNER CRUISE

Herb Encrusted Hand Carved Prime Rib, Chicken

Portabella, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Fresh

Steamed Vegetables, Mixed Greens Salad,

Focaccia Bread, and Cheesecake

Per Adult

____ @ \$55.00 \$ _____

Per Child (12 & Under)

____ @ \$25.00 \$ _____

Navigation Contest on Saturday

Boat Name: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Reservations must be submitted by 9 July 2018.

Make checks payable to: Absecon Island Power Squadron

SEND RESERVATIONS WITH CHECKS TO:

1st Lt Nance Bernard

1127 Riverside Drive

Mays Landing, NJ 08330

Phone: 609-625-0031

E-mail: rb3513@comcast.net

MARINA:

Canyon Club Resort Marina

Cape May, NJ

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