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## 2016 District 5 Fall Education Conference Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Resort Cambridge, MD 17-20 November 2016

This year's Fall Education Conference in Cambridge will be fun and rewarding. In addition to the many sessions D/Lt/C Chuck Wells, SN has planned, there will be a Casino night on Thursday evening, a movie night on Friday and, of course, a great banquet on Saturday night. Keep checking the District web page for updated schedules.

In addition the Hyatt offers many amenities from the large indoor pool, to the golf course, tennis courts, and the full service spa. There are several dining options while at the resort, as well as numerous restaurant and shops in historic downtown Cambridge. Also, within a short drive is a local vineyard and a corn maze.

This resort is also pet friendly, be sure to bring the whole family!

To start your trip planning, http://visitdorchester.org/ and http://cambridgemainstreet.com/

Please contact me if you have any questions.

D/Lt John O'Reilly, JN-IN



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## Communander's Message

### Cdr Randolph W. Stow, AP



Boats and boating people, what a great combination. We are special and we should recognize that in ourselves. We don't simply board a vessel and blindly trust that we'll arrive at our destination by some combination of common sense and good fortune. No, we take it further and learn to navigate safely around other vessels and on the waterways. We learn to keep a well-found vessel, keep a weather eye and prepare for the unexpected. And then we turn around and share that knowledge and experience with others. And above all we are engaged in the activities we truly enjoy.

In 2014 there were 12 million registered boats in the United States. According to the NMMA, 2014 saw an increase of 6% in traditional power boat (non-PWC) sales and 34% in sailboats. They estimate that 35% of adult Americans participated in recreational boating at least once in that year. While the numbers are big, I think the news is the increases and the indication of growing interest in boating. Most of these boaters likely know nothing or very little about our organization and who we really are. I challenge you to reach out to someone and introduce them to our community of boaters and show them what we have to offer.

While thinking about what we have to offer, I'm reminded of the District Summer Rendezvous and Council. What a great series of events. Judy and I were fortunate enough to be hosted by the Cruise Director, Stf/C Ralph Bernard, AP and Nance onboard Four Play. The weekend activities at Mears Point Marina were in the capable hands of Kent Narrows Sail & Power Squadron with the able assistance of Annapolis. Every leg of the cruise and event of the weekend was well organized and thoroughly enjoyed by all. If you missed out this year, make it a point to join your District friends next year. And while you're making plans, don't forget what's still coming up in the next few weeks.

The Sail Regatta and Fall Festival at Herrington Harbor South is 21-23 October. Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron is taking the lead planning a weekend you don't want to miss. While thinking about Annapolis, consider lending a hand for the two major boat shows: U.S. Sailboat Show, 6-10 October and the U.S. Power Boat Show, 13-16 October.

The Fall Educational Conference returns to Cambridge, MD at the Hyatt Regency, 17-20 November. There will be some new offerings and the National Educational Officer V/C Craig Fraser, SN will be on hand to not only represent the Chief Commander, but also to discuss the direction of educational programs for the United States Power Squadrons.

I want to thank each of you for what you do to make your squadrons, and therefore the United States Power Squadrons so meaningful and effective. It's "Boating Well Done." Bravo Zulu.







### <u>D5 2016 FALL CONFERENCE RESERVATION FORM</u> 17–20 NOVEMBER 2016, HYATT REGENCY, CAMBRIDGE, MD

Member RankName		Membe	r Grade
Member RankName Address	_City	State Zip (	Code
SquadronPosi	tion	First	Timer?
E-Mail	Phone		
Spouse or Other Attendee			
Rank Name	Grade	First Time	er?
Thursday 17 November			
Casino Night – Enjoy an evening of e	xcitement playing selec	t table games.	
At the start of the night, you will be given \$10,000		dditional amounts ava	ilable for purchase during
the event. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the		-	9
	#	<b>@</b> \$5.00	\$
Friday 18 November – Movie night - Free			
Saturday 19 November			
Saturday Lur	nch		
All meals are served with Tomato Bisque soup	and a dessert of Cho	colate Mousse	
Choice of:			
Sliced Flank Steak Wedge Salad	#	@ \$29.00	\$
Stuffed Chicken Breast	#	@ \$29.00	\$ \$
Vegetarian Penne Pasta	#	@ \$29.00	\$
Saturda	y Dinner		
All meals come with Eastern Shore Ranch Sala	d and a dessert of Ap	ole Pie Choice of:	
Slow Roasted Sliced Pork Loin	#	@ \$45.00	\$
Seasonal Fish with Local Garnishes		@ \$45.00	\$
Gnocchi Alla Romana	#	@ \$45.00	\$
TOTAL ENCLO	DSED		\$
Please specify any dietary needs.			

#### Meal Reservations must be placed by Thursday 11 November 2016

Hosted by the District 5, make checks payable to "2016 D/5 Fall Educational Conference"

Send to: Bobby Blaker

91 Blondell Court,

Timonium MD 21092-2006 bobby.blaker@comcast.net

410-308-2148

If you have questions, please contact:

P/C John O'Reilly at 410-228-1856 or john@yellowsunfish.net

Room Reservations must be made by Friday 21 October 2016 to obtain USPS discounted rate of \$136.00 plus tax

Reserve your room directly with the Hyatt by visiting the website

https://resweb.passkey.com/Resweb.do?mode=welcome\_ei\_new&eventID=10346838\_Or by calling 1(888) 421-

1442 and mention US Power Squadrons- District 5 conference



## **CPR & First Aid for Boaters**

USPS District 5, is pleased to sponsor a CPR and First Aid Course designed especially for boaters. The program, taught by American Heart Association Certified Instructors who are all USPS members, covers the following topics:

- \* CPR for Adults and Children/with and without face mask
- \* Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Training
- \* First Aid Basics
- \* Medical Emergencies
- \* Injury Emergencies
- \* Environmental Emergencies
- \* \*Special Medical Concerns and Emergencies for Boaters\*

Upon completion of the training, students will receive an American Heart Association Course Completion Card in CPR & First Aid. This certification card is accepted by the USPS for anyone needing certification for BOC and by the USCG for Captain's License requirements. It has a two-year expiration date.

 Date:
 November 18, 2016

 Time:
 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

 Location:
 Hyatt Regency

 100 Heron Blvd

 Problem 10 Al 212

Cambridge, MD 21613

Cost: \$75.00\*

\* An AHA approved CPR Face Mask is required for this course. If you do not have one, a mask will be available for purchase at the class for \$15.00.

For more information or to register for the course, contact:

Alan Karpas SIMD@verizon.net 301-767-5905

#### \*Special Medical Concerns and Emergencies for Boaters\*

This portion of the training was developed by Dr. James A. Brown, JN (USCG Licensed Master and member of the Rockville Sail & Power Squadron)



Use of American Heart Association materials in an educational course does not represent course sponsorship by the American Heart Association. Any fees charged for such a course, except for a portion of fees needed for AHA course materials, do not represent income to the Association.





### **USPS District 5**

CPR/First Aid Registration Form Hyatt Regency – Cambridge, MD Course Date: November 18, 2016

Name:		_ Date:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone: _		
Email Address:			
Squadron:			
	<u>CPR</u>		
New Certification: $\square$ Renewal: $\square$ (	Please attach a copy	of your curre	nt card)
Expired Certification:   Date of la	ast class:		
	<u>First Aid</u>		
New Certification: $\square$ Renewal: $\square$ (	Please attach a copy	of your curre	nt card)
Expired Certification:   Date of la	ast class:	340	
	<u>Fees</u>		
Registration - \$7	75.00	\$ 75.0	<u>00</u>
Mask - \$15.00*			
Will Share a Wo	rkbook (Deduct \$5.00	)) **	
	<u>Total</u>	r <u></u>	
* Each student must have their own m	nask.		
** The new 2016 Heart Association mar	nual is required for this c	ourse. Couples	attending together can

### Cutoff date for registration is November 4, 2016

Please mail completed registration form with your check to:

Safety Institute of Maryland (SIMD) 8800 Earl Court Bethesda, MD 20817



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## United States Power Squadrons®

### 2016 D/5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament, and Fall Festival

The 2016 USPS District 5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament, and Fall Festival, hosted by the Annapolis Squadron at Herrington Harbour South, will place on the weekend of October 22nd.

Planning for this event, the District's most FUN activity, is being orchestrated by Annapolis Cdr Joel Hilden.

D/Lt Stu Myers is serving as the Sail Regatta Chair, with P/D/C Bernie Karpers as Fishing Tournament Chair, and Lt Georgiana Maszczenski as Fall Festival Chair.

Boaters and landlubbers will be welcome for docktails on Friday afternoon 21 October to Herrington Harbour South, which boasts a seven-foot MLLW approach channel, ample transient slips, on-site inn with guest rooms, suites, and condos, and Beach Pavilion for Captain & Crew Meetings and the Awards Banquet.

The on-the-water events are scheduled for Saturday afternoon 22 October, followed by the Awards Banquet Saturday evening.

The event will close with a farewell breakfast Sunday morning 23 October.

### D/5 SAIL REGATTA, FISHING TOURNAMENT & FALL FESTIVAL 2016 21–23 October Herrington Harbour South Hosted by The Annapolis Squadron

### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### Friday 21 October

1300-1700	Arrive by land or sea Friday afternoon.
1700-1800	Pitch-in "Welcome to Herrington Harbour Party."
1800-2000	Optional "Dinner at Mango's on the Bay."

### Saturday 22 October

0830-1000	"Breakfast at Beach Pavilion."
1000-1100	Captains & Crews Meetings at Beach Pavilion for sail race and fishing contest.
1130	First signals for race and contest.
1200-1600	Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament, and for land lubbers: Crafts.
1800-1900	"Cocktail Party" (cash bar) at Cabana Bar.
1900-2200	"Awards Banquet" in Beach Pavilion.

### Sunday 23 October

0930-1100	"Breaktast at Beach Pavilion."
	Menu includes Saturday's fresh-caught fish.

### COME BY LAND OR SEA AND HAVE A GREAT TIME WITH D/5 RACING, FISHING OR JUST VISIT-ING WITH EVERYONE!





### D/5 SAIL REGATTA, FISHING TOURNAMENT & FALL FESTIVAL 2016 21–23 October 2016 Herrington Harbour South Hosted by The Annapolis Squadron

Name:			_ Squadron:	
Address:				
Phone:	Cell:		E-mail:	
Event Registration F	ee:	Number	r @ \$10.00	Total \$
Saturday and/or Sun	day Breakfasts:	19	_ @ \$10.00	\$
Saturday Awards Ba	nquet			
	Adults Children 10 & under		_ @ \$32.50 _ @ \$15.00	\$
Sail Regatta Entrand Fishing Tournament	e Fee (per boat) Entrance Fee (per fish	erman)	@ \$20.00 @ \$10.00	\$ \$
		•	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:	\$
If you are planning to	compete in the race,	please fu	rnish the following informati	on:
Skipper's name:		Sailii	ng vessel name:	
Sail number:	PHRF rating,	if known:	: Squadron:	
Boat manufacturer, model, size, and color:				
Class (please circle one): Single-hull Multi-hull				
I agree to abide by the regulations and sailing instructions governing this event. I agree that it is solely my responsibility to decide whether to start or to continue to race. I voluntarily assume the risk of participation in this event and release the United States Power Squadrons, District Standardolis Sail & Power Squadron, Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron, and those conducting this event from all liability for any injury or damage that may occur.				
Signature of Owner/S	Skipper:		Date	e:
Make your slip reservations directly with Herrington Harbour South 410-741-5100 Ext. 120 Make Guest Room or Suite Reservations with the Inn at Herrington Harbour 410-741-5100 Deadline for event registration is 14 October 2016				
Send your completed registration form & check made payable to D/5 2016 Regatta to: Cdr Joel Hilden, P				

409 Fox Den Lane Millersville, MD 21108

For additional information please call 410-624-8515 or e-mail joel.a.hilden@gmail.com.



## 2016 District 5 Summer Cruise "Randy's Ramblers"

District 5 started its summer cruise in Sassafras Harbor where Judy and John Gill orchestrated a tremendous pizza and wings party. This was a fine beginning for "Randy's Ramblers." The Gills even provided a very fine lightning show after the party. Thanks, John and Judy. Rick & Lisa Marinelli, Mike & Barbara Walter, Penn & Linda Hess, Ralph & Nance Bernard, Jacki & Matt Carugno and Judy & Randy Stow along with the Gills were in attendance.

After one night the cruise then went to Havre de Grace where it was over 100 degrees with no pool, but the group had a lot of fun exploring the historical town. The cruise was joined by Brad and Meg Humphrey, Dave and Nancy Bernard, and John Wilmot and Betty, whose birthday we celebrated, and Sam and Hilda Freeman. Even without the cool refreshing pool, everyone had a good time.

The next stop was at Rock Hall Landing where we found out that Durnings, the ice cream store, was closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. We were able to make do with the new ice cream place near the grocery store. The cruise was joined by Bernie and Kathy Karpers, Jim and Nancy Gorman, and Joel Hilden in his new boat, SWAY.

After two days at Rock Hall, we then traveled to our final destination, Mears Point at Kent Narrows. Although we had heard of shallow water entering the Narrows, none of us had any problems getting in the marina.

The cruise was very successful even though we missed some of our regulars due to unforeseen circumstances. Hopefully, next year we will be just as good or even better.

A special thanks to Ashle Cocca and Britne Bernard for the wonderful job on the cruising guide, it was great.

Thank you to all the cruisers for all their assistance.

Stf/C Ralph A. Bernard, AP





2016 D/5 Cruise - Randy's Ramblers





## United States Power Squadrons®

### A Behind-the-Scenes Glimpse of the 2016 D/5 Summer Rendezvous

The 2016 USPS<sup>®</sup> District 5 Summer Council & Rendezvous, like the D/5 Summer Cruise that led up to it, owes its success to an enormous team effort. Each of the many activities had its own leader, who not only delivered a terrific event-within-the-overall-event, but also coordinated with his or her peers to ensure the optimal outcome for the entire weekend schedule.

John Hall had the largest job as Navigation Contest Chair, while Stu Myers raised the bar on the Dinghy Hunt to include aspects of a Predicted Log Contest and expand the scheduling to make that activity much more interesting to more participants.

Chuck Wells contributed an additional valuable educational component with a seminar focused on the fire extinguisher trainer.

Michael Payne and Mark Galasso teamed to make the charter fishing event a total success – with participants catching the maximum number of fish allowed for the boat.

Dave Bernhard and Jim Gorman brought their considerable experience and expertise to their roles as co-chairs of the Corn Hole Tournament.

Dan Ehrenfeld demonstrated great creativity, appealing to young people in attendance, with the D/5 Olympics. Bernie Karpers displayed just as much creativity in his interactive "Ask the Doctor" session on heat injuries.

Terry Slattery attracted a diverse group to the crafts activity, featuring nautical rope bracelets, with Georgiana Maszczenski, Carol Rechner and Peggy Slattery adding trivets, wine-charm holders, and more. Lars Lindenhall appealed to those who prefer culture, fitness, or shopping with a choice of field trips to local attractions.

Carole Tulip and Lee Myers put on an amazing raffle with a huge variety of nautical, libational, and other assorted items.

And last but not least, Sari Lafferty teamed with Marie Murphy on the delicious Awards BBQ Banquet, appropriately featuring a Bravo Zulu cake, and Dave Teets as the highly energized emcee.

Thanks to all who made this event a success!

P/D/C Marty Lafferty, AP





## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Cdr Cocktail Party





## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Activities







## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Flag Raising





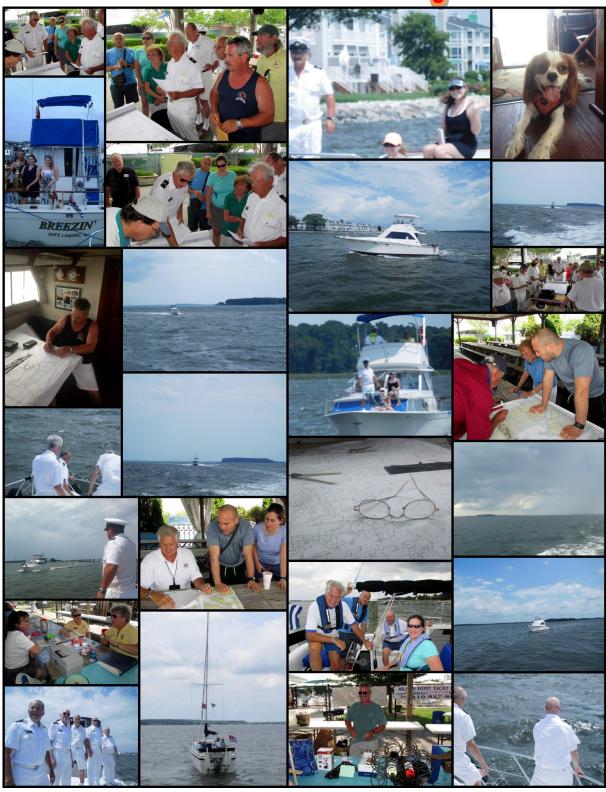
## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Council Meeting







## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Navigation Contest





## D/5 Summer Rendezvous Awards Dinner







## D/5 Summer Rendezvous





## DML - A New Resource for District 5



The United States Power Squadrons (USPS®) Digital Media Library (DML) will debut on 1 October. This article outlines how you can leverage this new resource and who to contact to learn more about it.

What is the USPS DML? The USPS® DML features a new website and mobile app at uspsdml.org hosting the centerpiece of this project – a series of twenty new safe boating videos – plus additional boater educa-

tion digital media.

As a squadron member, you're invited to preview the pre-launch version of DML <a href="here">here</a> and try-out its live links to the library's presence on major social networks, search-box for safe-boating content, and scrolling carousel with clickable thumbnails of DML streaming videos. There are also a welcome video tour of the library and animated sections previewing boater education slideshows and displaying boating safety images.

What do the DML videos cover? The new videos provide full coverage of ANSI powerboat standards and POTW. Two new DML videos will premiere each week from early October through late December totaling 20 videos in all, 3-to-5 minutes each, showing multiple types of boats, diverse boater demographics, and a variety of on-the-water venues; produced with professional voice-over narration and music, and released in American-English and Spanish versions.

Topics include Announcing the DML, Welcome to the DML, Life Jackets, Vessel Safety Checks, Planning Ahead, Vessel Inspection, Preparing for Departure, Departing, Steering Basics, Stopping and Holding Position, Pivot Turn, Getting on Plane & Operating on Plane, Maneuvering on Plane, Stopping a Boat on Plane, Anchoring a Boat, Man Overboard, Preparing for Arrival, Docking, Mooring and Shoreline Landing, and Securing the Boat.

**How does the DML help District 5?** There are two major ways this project will provide value to our USPS educational mission. First, the DML itself will serve as one large promotion for squadron classrooms. Each short video will function as a commercial for a USPS® course or seminar – and every piece of digital media in the library will have a hyperlink to learn more about the subject matter and take visitors to a place to sign-up for squadron classes.

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Second, the DML will serve as a new audio-visual classroom resource. Its videos, slideshows, and images are being designed to be incorporated into your curriculum to enhance the learning experience of your students, and each will have its own guide recommending methods and strategies for using that piece of media for best effect.

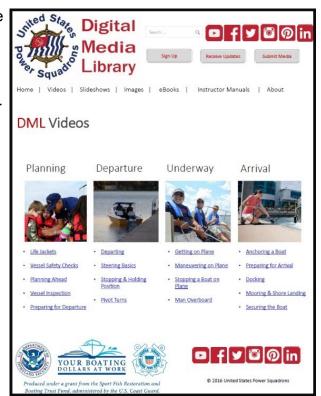
When will the DML and its content be available? The methods-and-strategies guides will be introduced in Pittsburgh, PA at the United States Power Squadron National Governing Board Meeting. Filming and editing are ongoing through the end of September. The online properties will launch 30 September and all the initial video content will be uploaded and redistributed on social networks by the end of December.

What if I miss the USPS NGB Meeting? There will be special sessions showcasing DML video content, methods-and-strategies guides, and more at the United States Power Squadron District 5 Fall Education Conference in Cambridge, MD.

How will the DML be promoted? DML's launch will have a promotional campaign targeting the more than 85 million US boaters who can benefit from safe-boating messages. From October through December, there will be two press releases and media alerts every week introducing the DML and each new video as it comes online. There will be a corresponding push of each title across major social networks. In addition, there will be an affinity groups program with our allies, so that all-in-all the United States Power Squadron DML and its content will be covered by more than ten-thousand media outlets.

Who can I contact to find out more? If you'd like to learn more or get involved in the Digital Media Library project, please contact DML project manager

P/D/C Marty Lafferty, AP at 410-725-7820 or marty.lafferty@uspsdml.org, or DML resource coordinator D/Lt John O'Reilly, JN-IN at 410-412-4027 or john.oreilly@uspsdml.org.







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### **CONTEST RULES**

- May be vertical or horizontal
- Must be on 15 x 20 or 14 x 22-inch poster paper
- Professional illustrations, photos, copyrighted material or computer generated art may NOT be used
- Poster must not be folded
- Posters will be judged for the idea presented more than artistic ability
- One entry per person
- One entry is allowed per person. All entries become the property of United States Power Squadrons<sup>®</sup>, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use the submission for future
- reproduction
- Entry form must be completed in full, legibly printed and adhered to the back of the poster.
- Submission deadline

For more details check out: <a href="http://www.usps.org/national/membership/memcom/awards">http://www.usps.org/national/membership/memcom/awards</a> index.html

### 2016 YOUTH POSTER CONTEST DISTRICT 5 NEWS UPDATE

In the past, D/5 squadrons have submitted their first place (in each age category) posters for judging at D/5's Fall Conference.

This year, squadrons will have the opportunity to submit ALL posters they receive to be judged at Fall Conference. This change will guarantee that ALL our young participants have the opportunity to have their work displayed at a D/5 function and be recognized by a letter from the District Commander.

Judging at Fall Conference will determine District 5's first place winners and those will be submitted to National for judging at the Annual Meeting.

Squadrons are encouraged to participate in this National event. We look forward to receiving posters from all D/5 squadrons prior to the deadline date of 30 September. Posters can be mailed to: Bea Norris, 6769 Windermere Ct., Allentown, PA 18104 or brought to Fall Conference.





### USPS 2016 YOUTH POSTER CONTEST SUBMISSION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY			
Artist Name:	Age*: 6-8; 9-11; 12-14		
Home Address:			
City:	State: Zip:		
Telephone: ( )	Email:		
IS THIS A SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION EN			
	nization information		
School/Organization Name:			
School Address:			
School City:			
Teacher's Name:			
2 1 37			
Squadron Name:			
Contact Name:			
Contact Telephone: ( )	Email:		
District Number:			
Contact Telephone: ( )	Email:		
Name of District Contact:			

#### 2016 Boarman Youth Poster Contest Instructions

Neatly fill in as much of the above form as possible – remembering that if we can't read your name, we can't make out the check. Unreadable forms will be disqualified. (Squadrons and Districts, please make sure to complete your part of the form.) Adhere the form to the back of the poster, but do not saturate with glue as it will destroy the artwork on the front. (Only place the top half of this paper on the poster.)

Posters will be picked up by the Squadron's designated poster contest chairman. Squadrons will choose the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in each age category for submission to the District contest. Squadron and District Deadlines are set by the squadron and district based on their area needs

The applicable district will choose 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners in each age category. Only the First Place posters should be retained by the Poster Chairman for submission to National at the next Annual Meeting in January. The chairman is responsible for making sure that the list of winners is sent to national at <a href="mailto:youth@usps.org">youth@usps.org</a> by January 1 and then delivered to the National Annual Meeting for judging. Return the remainder of the posters to the squadrons.

All National entries become the property of USPS, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use the submission. If the posters are not used by USPS, they may be returned to the squadrons.

Further information on the USPS National Competition can be found at: <a href="http://www.usps.org/national/membership/youth/poster.htm">http://www.usps.org/national/membership/youth/poster.htm</a>

\*Age: The age of the child on the day poster is submitted to organization or squadron.

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## Did you know that you can shop at Amazon and help the United States Power Squadron at the same time?



## What is AmazonSmile?

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### How do I shop at AmazonSmile?

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

## Which products on AmazonSmile are eligible for charitable donations?

Tens of millions of products on AmazonSmile are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribeand-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

## Can I use my existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile?

Yes, you use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

## How do I select a charitable organization to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (<u>smile.amazon.com</u>), you need to select a charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at <u>smile.amazon.com</u> will result in a donation.

#### Can I change my charity?

Yes, you can change your charity any time. Your AmazonSmile purchases after the change count towards your newly selected charity. To change your charity, sign in to <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> on your desktop or mobile phone browser and simply select "Change your Charity" in "Your Account."

#### What charities can I choose from?

You can choose from almost one million eligible 501(c)(3) public charitable organizations.

## What if my selected charity does not register to participate in the AmazonSmile program or becomes ineligible?

If an organization does not register to participate or becomes ineligible, you will have a chance to select a different organization and we will reallocate the donations accrued to other organizations receiving donations.

## If I represent a charitable organization, how can I learn more about registering my organization for AmazonSmile?

Go to <u>org.amazon.com</u> to learn how to register your organization to receive donations.

### How much of my purchase does Amazon donate?

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. From time to time, we may offer special, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services or provide for additional donations to charitable organizations. Special terms and restrictions may apply. Please see the relevant promotion for complete details.

## Can I receive a tax deduction for amounts donated from my purchases on AmazonSmile?

Donations are made by the AmazonSmile Foundation and are not tax deductible by you.





### District 5 Members:

I am looking for a point of contact for some overhead cables on the Appomattox and James River for chart 12251 - we are needing to chart the overhead clearance. See attached.

Also looking for the same for Muddy Creek (chart 12225) and Rappahannock River (chart 12237).

Thanks in advance for your assistance., Tara

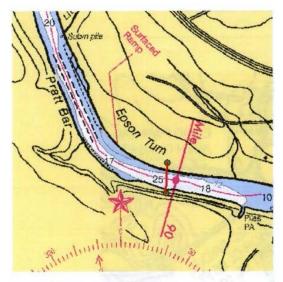
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Tara Wallace, Branch Chief Nautical Data Branch, Marine Chart Division Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service (301) 713-2737 ext. 123

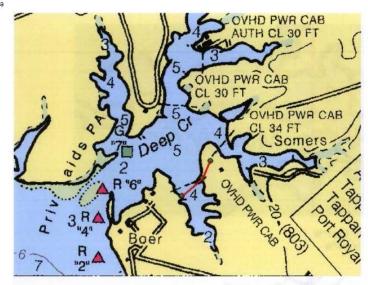


Overhead Vertical Clearance - Chart 12237 - Rappahannock River Chart (IDMS 26066)

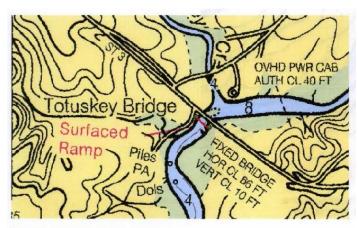
We are in need of the vertical clearances for the following cables. If you would be able to provide a contact from the company that owns the cable.



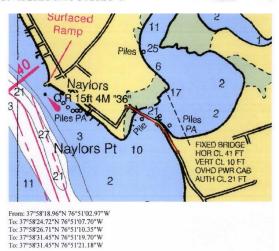
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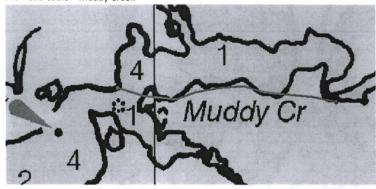


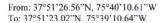
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## United States Power Squadrons®

1. Overhead Cable - Muddy Creek







The US Coast Guard, the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), and the Department of Transportation (DOT) have released a Federal Register Notice announcing a reduction of the Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System (NDGPS). The planned reduction calls for the shutdown and decommissioning of 37 DGPS sites, leaving 46 operational sites available to users in coastal areas. The full notice can be found via this link: https://federalregister.gov/a/2016-15886.

Summary: The Nationwide Differential Global Positioning System (NDGPS) service augments GPS by providing increased accuracy and integrity using land-based reference stations to transmit correction messages over radio beacon frequencies. The service was implemented through agreements between multiple Federal agencies including the United States Coast Guard (USCG), Department of Transportation (DOT), and United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), as well as several states and scientific organizations, all cooperating to provide the combined national DGPS utility. However, a number of factors have contributed to declining use of NDGPS. Based on an assessment by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), DOT, and USACE, the agencies will shut down and decommission 37 DGPS sites, which will leave 46 operational sites available to users in coastal areas. Termination of the NDGPS broadcast at the 37 sites is planned to occur on August 5, 2016.

Please share this notification as you find appropriate. Widest dissemination of this notice is requested to assist with notifying users who may be impacted by this change.

From P/R/C Stephen A. Leishman, SN Wilmington Power and Sail Squadron National Coop Charting Committee for Districts 5, 10, and 15





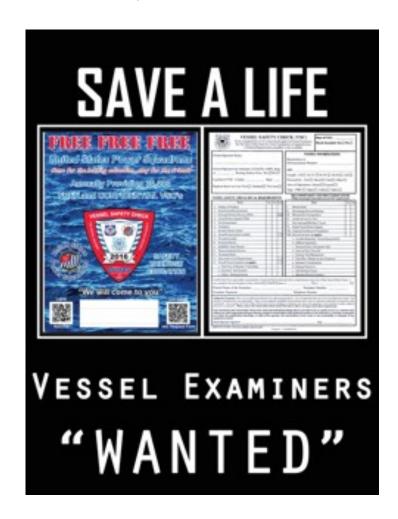


## **DECAL AWARENESS PROGRAM**

There is a new replacement tool in the Vessel Safety Check (VSC) tool box called "DAP" acronym for "Decal Awareness Program". The flyers and posters were designed to display the three primary aspects of the United States Power Squadrons: EDUCATION, SAFETY, and CAMARADERIE. Using the Vessel Safety Check decal at its nucleus is beneficial, as it's a recognizable symbol. Another benefit of the flyer is Squadrons and VEs can add their contact information electronically from their computer. Also displayed on the flyer is the Quick Response (QR) code for the United States Power Squadron web site, plus a QR code for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary VSC locater web site. This is a new National project that adheres to the USPS branding manual policy.

"Save a Life" boater safety signs were designed to be placed at recreational merchant locations & boat ramps. By including the form 7012, boaters will know in advance what is expected in order to pass a VSC. One of the signs is designed to have a Squadron address box and the other is a Universal sign that combines the USPS & USCGAUX. With your leadership and support the Decal Awareness Program can increase the annual Vessel Safety Checks.

DAP Announcement quoted from Safety Committee Webpage Member Site of the United States Power Squadrons® National Website



## UIPCOMING EVENTS

21-28 August USPS Governing Board, Pittsburgh, PA

29 Sept-2 Oct Trawlerfest - Bay Bridge Marina

29 Sept-2 Oct Atlantic City In-Water Boat Show - Farley Marina, AC, NJ

6-10 October US Sailboat Show - Annapolis, MD

13-16 October US Powerboat Show - Annapolis

22 - 23 October Fall Festival, Fishing Tournament & Sail Regatta,

Herrington Harbour Marina, Annapolis, MD

17-20 November D/5 Fall Conference - Hyatt Regency, Cambridge, MD



Sunset at Rock Hall Landing Marina Photo by Judy Stow

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