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from Bare Cove
and Hidden Harbor Yacht Club

2013-14 OFFICERS

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Bob Gibbs

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Dick Eckhouse

seminars
Will Dawson

A belated Happy New Year to you all.

This will be my last commander's message after two years of holding the office. I was honored by many of you at the last squadron meeting where I was given the H. James Gorman, Jr. Curmudgeon of the Year award. I honestly did not think I would win the award but having done so I am pleased to be honored in Jim's name and hope to live up to all the duties and responsibilities that come with it.

Our new commander, Will Dawson, will have his hands full after the change of watch and I trust all of you will continue to give him your assistance and advice. Currently as Squadron Executive Officer, SEO, he has organized both ABC3 and Piloting/Advance Piloting courses starting in February 2014 to be given through Hingham Continuing Education and I hope you will enroll in a course to continue your boating education.

Also in February you will find many of us will man the booth at the New England Boat Show that runs from February 22 to March 2nd at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center. We hope you drop by our booth. Also, our next meeting is February 11th at the Tinkerer's Son in Norwell (announcement elsewhere). After that we have our Change of Watch which will likely occur in March or April. Details of all these events will be emailed to all of you so watch for it.

At this point I would like to thank our bridge for all the help they have given me. Frank Clolkosz as Executive Officer pitched in whenever I needed him to help me. He is also the Squadron's Boat Show Coordinator. Ginny Gray is secretary and provides the information you see in these newsletters as well as working on the boat show with Joe Kelleher at the District level and helping with social events. Also assisting Joe is Todd Kaminski. Our Administrative Officer, Bob Gibbs, is our primary recruiter and membership chair and has brought in many new members. Will Dawson, as mentioned above, is our SEO, and has run several courses over the last two years as well as being an advisor to me.

He is also responsible for instructor development.

Our treasurer, George Murphy, keeps me honest and runs a very tight ship.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

February 11 - monthly meeting

February 21 - March 2 NE Boat Show (please volunteer some time to man the USPS booth.)



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Our webmaster is Andria Gallagher who also serves as Merit Marks chairwoman. Bob Barker and Bob Ernst have been assisting in our courses as instructors. Jim McIver has been arranging flotillas which are an important part of our social activities. Finally, I get help at the District level from Cindy Madden and Marine Ferrante. As much as I am a curmudgeon I would be a real terror without all their assistance.

As always feel free to contact me or Will Dawson with your ideas, suggestions, and criticisms so that we can continue to offer what you want and need.

Dick Eckhouse, SN
617-894-0907

2013 MERIT MARK RECIPIENTS

Dick Eckhouse, Ginny Gray,
Will Dawson, Bob Ernst,
Jim Gorman, Bob Barker,
Bob Gibbs, George Murphy, Adria
Gallagher, Todd Kaminski, Frank
Ciolkosz, Jim McIver

**EVERY
MOORING
BOUY MUST BE
WHITE IN
COLOR WITH A
BLUE BAND**

Before leaving the launching ramp for the first time check the nozzles on your fire extinguishers. Spiders have a habit of building a community there. Use the point of a pencil or other pointed object to remove the web.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING MAN THE BOOTH AT THE N.E. BOAT SHOW THIS YEAR. YOU HAVE A CHOICE OF ATES AND TIMES STARTING FEBRUARY 22 AND ENDING MARCH 2.

the hours are in 3 hour time slots starting at 11 a.m.

sign up now with Frank Ciolkosz at 781-545-5041

Our next Bare Cove Sail & Power Squadron meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 11th at the Tinker's Son in Norwell on Route 123 starting as usual at 1830 (6:30 pm). The Tinker's Son is located at 707 Main St (route 123), Norwell, MA 02061, Phone: (781) 561-7361. This time I have planned a buffet of Irish food and we have a meeting room to ourselves. Our speaker is Scott Kreutzberg and his topic is given below.

Do please note this meeting is to be held on a Tuesday rather than a Monday. I look forward to seeing you all there.

What's New in Marine Electronics
Scott Kreutzberg
Owner, SK Marine Electronics

Having installed marine electronics in every type of boat from the small runabout to the luxury yacht, Scott has worked with all levels of marine electronics. Factory trained on many brands, he knows much about what the history of what was and the future of what will be available for the recreational boater. After a short presentation he will be happy to answer your questions

THE BEST CURE FOR SEASICKNESS, IS TO SIT UNDER A TREE

~ Spike Milligan

Bare Cove Spring 2014 Education classes

Happy Holidays!

Plans seem to be coming together for our Spring course offerings.

Classes beginning in February 2014 at the Hingham High School:

MONDAY- Piloting/Advanced Piloting - complete both courses in 10 weeks includes Wednesday night "go-to-meeting" on-line homework class tentative instructors: Frank Ciolkosz, Will Dawson, Dick Eckhouse, Bob Ernst

MONDAY America's Boating Course 3rd edition (8 weeks) tentative instructors: George Murphy, Cindy Madden, Virginia Gray, Bob Barker, Todd Kaminski

Kids Klass - April 2014 at the Hingham Middle School tentative instructors: Virginia Gray, Bob Barker, Bob Gibbs, Will Dawson

Please let me know if your instructor assignment works for you.

-Will Dawson Cell: 508-207-2402

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- **DO YOU HAVE** the required Federal safety equipment on board your boat?
- **DO YOU HAVE** a hard time remembering the required Federal safety equipment of 5 basic items
- Well there is an easy way to remember the list.
LEFTS
- L lifejackets - enough for each person onboard (plus 1)
- E extinguisher
- F flares/visual aids
- T throwable cushion
- S sound producing devise/whistle
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- TO BE ADDED TO THIS LIST
- float plan, weather check, chart, weatherproof VHF, cell phone, flashlight, any state requirements

Chartered in 1959, Bare Cove Sail and Power Squadron provides a setting for sail and power boating enthusiasts to learn and share experiences in social and educational settings.

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