



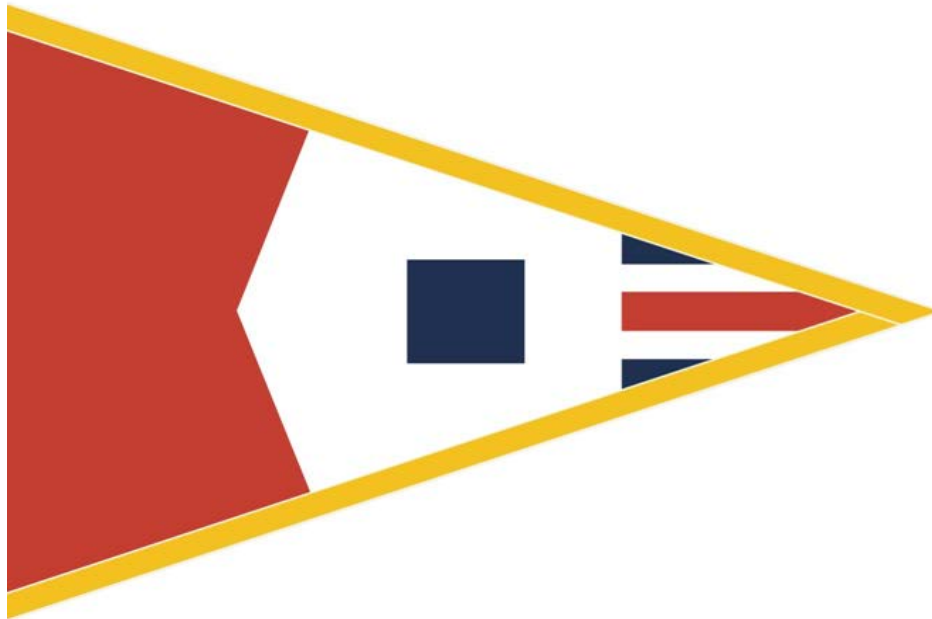
Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron

Beaufort, South Carolina

United States Power Squadrons ®

District 26

New Member Introductory Booklet



This booklet has been created to provide you with basic Squadron information. Please take a moment to review it and then keep it handy for future reference. Commercial use of any information contained in this directory is expressly prohibited. The information in this document must not under any circumstances be provided to a non-member, nor should it be used by a member for any purpose other than its stated intended use.

Commander's Welcome

On behalf of the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron (BSPS) I would like to take this occasion to welcome you as a new member. It is my sincere hope that this booklet will provide you with both interesting as well as useful information and will help you navigate your way through the various ranks, grades, courses and other related Squadron subjects. Within this booklet is a brief history of the BSPS. The Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron is one of fourteen Squadrons that make up District 26. District 26 is one of the 33 districts that make up the United States Power Squadrons® (USPS). The USPS was founded in 1914 and has nearly 40,000 members who belong to one of the over 400 squadrons. The USPS is the largest non-profit boating organization in the United States.

As you read through this booklet, you will learn more about the USPS and in particular the Beaufort Squadron. In order to comply with the mission of the United States Power Squadrons®, BSPS promotes recreational boating skills and safety by offering various boating related educational courses, one of which you may have recently completed - the America's Boating Course (ABC). If you do not own a boat you will have several opportunities to crew with those members who have boats. As a crew member you can begin to acquire on the water education and skills. Several advanced and elective boating courses are also offered to help provide you with additional information and further development of skills which will assist you as you move forward within the Squadron. It is anticipated that through the knowledge and experiences gained while in the BSPS, your time on the water will be both more enjoyable and safer. Leadership development courses are also available to members. Descriptions of the various courses have been included.

We encourage our members to seek additional information as it relates to recreational boating and safety. Wishing you calm winds and following seas. We are America's Boating Club® of Beaufort.

Again, welcome aboard the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron.

Carol A. Sherratt, P
Commander 2018

Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron



History of the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron

The Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron began in 1960 as the Beaufort Division of the Tybee Light and Charleston Power Squadrons. Captain James M. Hicks, USN, (Ret) was the driving force behind the group that formed to promote safe boating education and handling in the area. The charter members, who eventually completed a Piloting course, were A. L. Gallop, S.C Greenly, S.C. Mayfield, R.L Rose, A.E. Gill, J.M. Hicks, R.W. Mitchell, I. Sherer, W.M. Fowler, C.R. Hookstra, and B.B Pratt. Three other individuals joined the ranks and were later included as charter members. They were Jack F. Flood, P.K. Mackert and W.R Staples.

Instructors were selected from this original group and forty-four students registered for the original 1960 Fall Piloting class. Of the participants who successfully completed the course, eleven were subsequently received into the squadron.

On 14 January 1961, the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron charter was signed by Chief Commander Richard S. Weber. It was presented to the squadron by District Commander (D/C) Ralph W. Faulkner on 25 February 1961, at a banquet held at the Sea Island Motel. For more than five decades, members and non-members alike have enjoyed the benefits of this note-worthy beginning. A charter from the State of South Carolina was subsequently obtained, recognizing Beaufort Sail and Power Squadron as a “not-for-profit” educational organization.

The BSPS maintained a steady growth reaching one-hundred forty three members in 1987. On January 23, 1988, Hilton Head Division of the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron was issued a separate charter. Fifty six members of the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron formed the new squadron within District 26 in South Carolina.

Following the transfer of these members, the Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron continued its growth and impact on the boating community and at the beginning of 2018 had a membership of 107 members.

Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron Commander Stanley Brooks, AP was selected as District 26 “Commander of the Year” for 1988. Past Commander Kay Summers received the same honor in 2008.

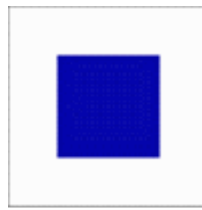
The History of the BPSB Burgee

In June 1961, a letter from District 26 Commander Luther Hanie approved Beaufort Power Squadron's request for the pennant (burgee) design. Commander James Hicks, our first squadron commander and Lt. Commander Markie Mayfield, our squadron secretary, both highly decorated WWII submariners, designed the burgee.



Bravo
"B"
Beaufort

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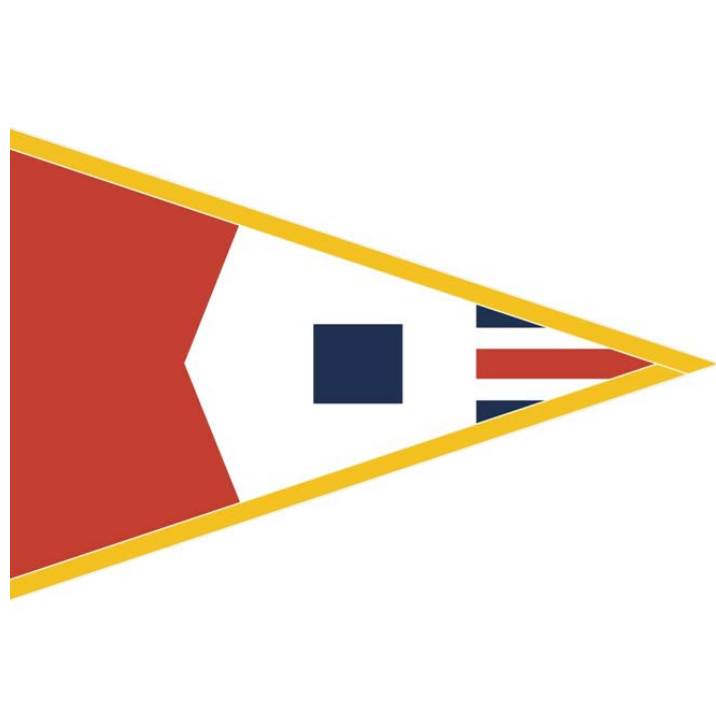
Sierra
"S"
South

PLUS



Charlie
"C"
Carolina

In true Navy tradition, a fabric collage of signal flags spells out Bravo, Sierra and Charlie, (Beaufort, South Carolina). Combine them into the shape of a pennant and you have the Beaufort Sail and Power Squadron burgee.



In recognition for the 50th anniversary of Beaufort Sail and Power Squadron, our burgee now features a gold outline.

Commanders from 1960 origin to our 57th year of 2017

James M.Hicks	1960-62	Owen K. Hand	1989
Irving Scherer	1963	William G. Shaw	1990
Carl R. Hoostra	1964	Garland E. Evers	1991
Walter T. Jenkins	1965	Waldo A. Phinney,Jr.	1992
Ray T. Hutchinson	1966	Howard H. Hill	1993
Herbert J. Wolfe	1967	Howard E. Heckrotte	1994
William A. Nulty	1968	Robert G. Lake	1995
Joe Mack Alexander	1969	Ronald W. DeYoung	1996
Charles P. Weiland	1970	Robert A. Dorn	1997-98
Rob R. Matthews	1971	Robert R. Taylor	1999
Horace V. Amrine	1972	Frank A. Puccini, Jr.	2000
Robert V. Dague	1973	E.E.(Bud) Weismantel	2001
Harry C. Jensen	1974	Douglas F. Nelson	2002-03
Robert J. Davidson	1975	Kent M. Easty	2004
Arthur Marscher	1976	Thomas J. Hurley	2005
Elmer A. McKenna	1977	Charles A. Borrmann, Jr.	2006
Roy E. Raney	1978	William N. Woodward	2007
Robert D. Harrison	1979	Kay P. Summers	2008
Andrew A. Corriveau	1980	Kenneth E. Wright	2009-10
John S. Krider	1981	Kent M. Easty	2011
Sidney L. Kaitz	1982	Royal E. Stevens	2012
Charles P. Weiland	1983	James S. Rosen	2013
Edward LeVangi	1984	Steve Mendoza	2014
Foster C. McCaleb	1985	Diana Jordan	2015
John L. Moodie	1986	Wally Wallace	2016
Robert A. Peters	1987	Kathryn J. Stevens	2017
Stanley L. Brooks	1988		

Advanced Courses:

All advanced courses require previous completion of ABC or credit for ABC.

Seamanship (S): Building on the basics taught in the USPS Boating Course, Seamanship is the recommended first course for new members, both boaters and sailors.

Piloting (P): Piloting is the first of a two-part program of study of inland and coastal navigation. Focus is on the fundamentals of basic piloting - keeping track of your movements on the water, determining where you are at any given moment and laying out a course to your planned destination. *Completion of Piloting is required before completing AP.*

Advanced Piloting (AP): The second part of the study of inland and coastal navigation, with strong emphasis on the latter is Advanced Piloting. The student learns many more advanced positioning techniques and is introduced to the phenomena of tides and tidal currents and their impact on piloting. *Completion of Seamanship is required to achieve grade AP.*

Junior Navigation (JN): Junior Navigation is the first part of a two-part program of study in offshore (open ocean) navigation. It is designed as a practical, "how to" course leaving the theoretical and more advanced techniques for the Navigation course.

Navigation (N): This is the second part of the study of offshore navigation. It further develops the student's understanding of celestial navigation theory, essential to shortcut emergency methods.

Senior Navigation (SN): This designation is earned through completion of the required Advanced Courses and six approved Elective Courses.

Elective Courses:

Cruise Planning (CP): This course is preparation for a cruise, whether the cruise is for a day, a week, a month or longer.

Engine Maintenance (EM): This course covers the general construction, operating principles, maintenance and repair of marine gasoline and diesel engines, cooling, electrical, fuel, and lubricating systems and associated propulsion components - clutches, shafting and propellers.

Instructor Development (ID): The development of practical skills and methods in preparing for both classroom and meeting presentations are the objectives of this unique course.

Marine Electronics (ME): Essential knowledge about your boat's electrical and electronic systems is studied in this course.

Sail (Sa): This course provides a thorough study of terminology of sailing; types of hulls, rigs, sail-plans; running and standing rigging and their adjustment and tuning; and sailboat marlinspike.

Weather (W): Awareness of weather phenomena, how to read the weather map and sky, understanding and anticipating developments for more pleasurable boating are the objectives of this course.

Marine Communications (MC): Essential Knowledge about marine communication systems, equipment, and usage are presented.

Our Officers and Committees

Bridge: Elected—Commander **Cdr**, Executive Officer **XO**, Administrative Officer **AO**, Squadron Education Officer **SEO**, Secretary **SEC**, Treasurer, **Tr**

Committees -

Executive Includes the Bridge officers plus the immediate P/C, and 3 Members at Large

Auditing Elected, Review all financial records

Nominating Elected, Select candidates for each elective office

Rules Elected, guardian of adherence to the By-Laws of the local, district and national organizations

Law Appointed

Property/Supply Appointed, Maintain list and condition of all items in operational use or stored in the rental storage site

Vessel Safety Check Appointed, Provide free vessel safety checks for persons requesting the services of the Vessel Safety Check committee

CoOp Charting Appointed, Detect-Document-Notify NOAA , Coast Guard re: specific data related to chart marking errors, safety issues and updates re: boating

Public Relations Appointed, Liaison to media, government, community

Safety Appointed, Monitor issues re: safety and rule changes that could affect members

Seminar Courses Appointed, Establishes process to provide appropriate classes

Boating Activities Appointed, Provides on the water activities for membership to participate in as a squadron sponsored event

Membership Appointed, Maintains roster of all members, dues, name tags, benefits, involvement and related documents

Operations Training Appointed, Establishes process to provide class access to current Ops Training Course.

Awards Appointed, Maintains documentation of awards earned and given

IT Computer Systems Appointed, Maintains Squadron Website & FaceBook Pages

Editor Appointed, Designs, Prints and Disseminates Beaufort Log

Advertising Appointed, Liaison between Log and Commercial entities to acquire advertising participants

Historian Appointed, Maintain required documentation for District 26

Chaplain Appointed, Provides appropriate oratory when called upon

Educational Grade

Seamanship	S
Piloting	P
Advanced Piloting	AP
Junior Navigation	JN
Senior Navigation	SN

These appear after a member's name

Awards

Anchor

Quarterly given to a member (not holding office) whose squadron performance is outstanding.

Merit Mark

Substantial contribution to BPS on a project or series of events throughout the year.

Each Commander must evaluate the activities of his/her year and document the hours dedicated to them. The members who participated throughout the year are documented and provided to the Chief Commander. If the C/C deems the effort worthy, the member is issued one Merit Mark. It is not possible to receive more than one Merit Mark in one year.

If you do anything— make sure the Commander gets the information.

Sparkplug

New Member (less than 2 yr) demonstrated great dedication to the Squadron.

Charles Chapman

Education award given to member who has excelled as a teacher

Yeoman

Dependability, Outstanding Service, Positive Image of BPS, Life Saving Action

Bent Prop

Member who suffered a disastrous event in boating on his/her own boat.

Member of the Year (Commanders Circle)

Member who contributed most to boating activities of the BPS (Anchor)

Certificate of Appreciation

Given for any reason deemed worthy in the ExCom's opinion to non members

Coop Charting

Given to member with the greatest number of corrections

Web Sites of Interest

United States Sail & Power Squadrons®: <http://www.usps.org/>

Beaufort Sail & Power Squadron: <http://www.usps.org/beaufort/>

District 26 Web Site: <http://www.usps.org/localusps/d26/>

National Boating Safety Test: <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nsbt/default.cgi>

National Hurricane Center: <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

World Sunlight Map: <http://www.opentopia.com/sunlightmaprect.html>

The Cooperative Charting Program: <http://www.usps.org/national/coch/>

Bridge Officers' Job Description

Commander (Cdr): The principal officer of each squadron of USPS is the commander who is elected by the active members of the squadron. The commander presides at all meetings of the squadron, including executive committee meetings, and must be fully acquainted with all the activities and operations of the squadron. While the commander is assisted by a staff of officers, committees and educational boards, he is responsible for the success of squadron administration. He is an *ex-officio* a member of all squadron departments and committees except as provided in the squadron bylaws.

Executive officer (XO): The duties of the executive officer parallel those of the national and district executive officers. They may be assigned various other duties as well. Primarily responsible for squadron activities involving the public.

Educational officer (SEO): Each squadron is to have a squadron educational officer, who supervises the educational program of the squadron as directed in in Chapter 6 of the ops manual.

Assistant SEO (ASEO): If authorized by the squadron bylaws, there may also be an assistant squadron educational officer to assist the SEO as directed in Chapter 6 of the ops manual. Organizes ABC class.

Administrative officer (AO): The duties of the administrative officer parallel those of the national and district officers. In general, his administration department handles internal affairs of the squadron.

Secretary (Sec): is referred to in USPS Bylaws and are outlined in detail in squadron bylaws. The Secretary takes minutes at all Executive Meetings (Excom) and reports all correspondence to the Bridge.

Treasurer (Tres): The duties of the Treasurer include the responsibility to ensure that BSPS gets value for money spent, to watch income and expenses and keep BSPS on an economically and financially sound footing through advice to the Excom.

Squadron Rank

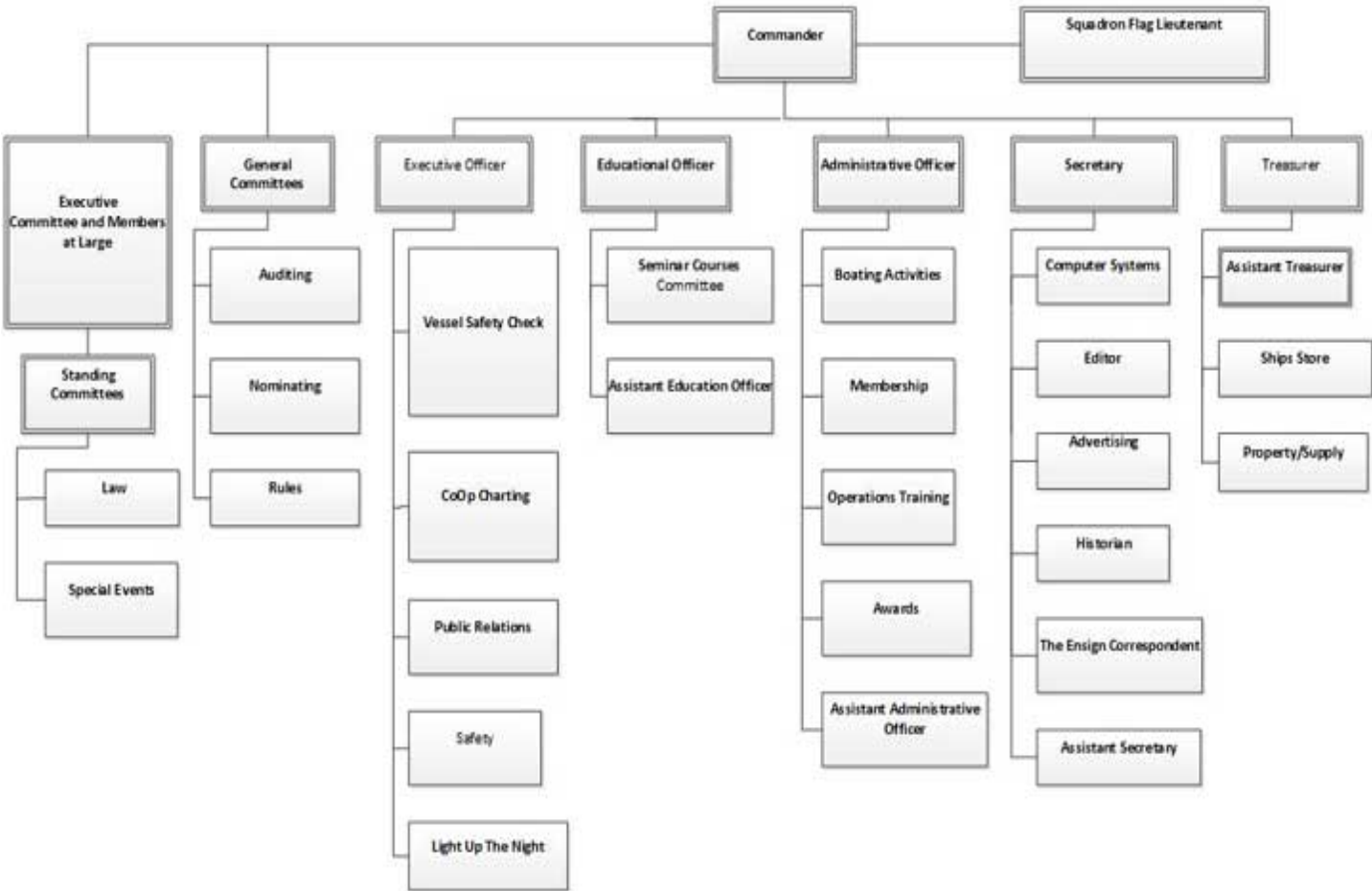
Commander	Cdr
Executive Officer	Lt/C (Lieutenant Commander)
Educational Officer	Lt/C
Secretary	Lt/C
Treasurer	Lt/C
Flag Lieutenant	F/Lt (Assistant to Comander)
1 st Lieutenant	1/Lt (Assistant to Bridge Officer)
Lieutenant	Lt (Committee Chair)
Past Commander	P/C
Past Lieutenant Commander	P/Lt/C (if serving as a Lt/C for 3 years)

These appear before a member's name.

Bridge Officers and Committee Members for 2018

Commander	Cdr Carol A. Sherratt, P
Executive Officer	Lt/C Russell Appleton, P
Educational Officer	Lt/C Robert Corsaro, AP
Administrative Officer	Lt/C Charles Weaver
Secretary	Lt/C Mindy Weaver
Treasurer	Lt/C Louann Jones, AP
Executive Committee and Members at Large 2018	
Immediate Past Commander	P/C Kathryn J. Stevens, SN
Member at Large	P/C Charles Borrmann, AP
Member at Large	Lt Edmund Johnson, SN-IN
Member at Large	Lt Rick Kocuba, P
Assistant Officers	
Assistant Education Officer	1/Lt Dennis Laugen, AP
Committee Chairs	
Newsletter	Lt Vicki Swierkowski, JN
Boating Activities	Lt Anne Jennings
Public Relations	Lt Mike Partain, AP
Membership Involvement	Lt Douglas Sherratt, S
Membership Benefits	Lt Douglas Sherratt, S
Vessel Safety Check	P/C Thomas J. Hurley, SN-IN
Advanced Grades	P/C Willam N. Woodward, SN
Safety	Lt Rick Kocuba, P
Merit Marks	P/C Kathryn J. Stevens, SN
Awards	Lt Mary Corsaro, AP
Ship Store	Lt Jane Wooten, AP

BEAUFORT SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



Mission Statement

The mission of the United States Power Squadrons® is to promote recreational boating skills and boating safety through education, hands-on training and civic activities while providing fellowship for members.

The USPS Pledge

“I _____ (member name) _____ do solemnly pledge to abide by the Bylaws of the United States Power Squadrons®; promote high standards of navigation and seamanship; maintain my boat and operate it legally; render assistance whenever possible; and conduct myself in a manner that will add prestige, honor, and respect to the United States Power Squadrons®.”

Order of Mariners

The Order of Mariners is an honorary distinction made by District 26 to recognize exceptional service and achievement by individual members. Those so honored receive a certificate of membership and the Order insignia, which is a silver star lapel pin. To qualify as mariner, a member must have earned 15 Merit Marks and attained Educational Proficiency Status (Advanced Piloting plus three electives). These awards are presented to recipients at the District Fall Conference or at the recipient’s squadron Change of Watch.

Carl R. Hookstra, AP	1981	Carlton Anderson, AP	1996
Charles P. Weiland, AP	1983	William A. Bair, SN	1996
Robert V. Dague, SN	1985	James O. Foster, AP	1996
Dean Van Dyke, AP	1985	Frank H. Hinchcliffe, AP	2005
Fred C. Harwood, JN	1986	Waldo A. Phinney, Jr, AP	2006
Hobart W. Griffin, SN	1993	James C. Fedyshyn, AP	2013
William E. Winter AP	1993	Douglas F. Nelson, SN	2013
Allan J. Snyder, AP	1994	William N. Woodward, SN	2015
Edward LeVange, AP	1995		

Educational Achievement Award

Successful completion of all courses recognized at the time of the award.

William A. Bair, SN	Robert V. Dague, SN	Hobart W. Griffin, SN	Hal B. Jenings, Jr. SN
Jean-Jaques Redslob, SN	F. Douglas Ross, SN	Charlotte Silbaugh, SN	Joseph Silbaugh, SN
William N. Woodward, SN	Thomas J. Hurley, SN	Douglas F. Nelson, SN	

BEAUFORT SAIL & POWER SQUADRON 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ExCom Meetings - 1800 - Port Royal Town Hall

Monday, January 8	Monday, June 4
Monday, February 5	Monday, July 2
Monday, March 5	Monday, August 6
Monday, April 2	Monday, September 10
Monday, May 7	Monday, October 1
	Monday, November 5

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, January 9Pleasant Point Clubhouse
Tuesday, February 13Tavern at Royal Pines
Saturday, March 10Skull Creek Boathouse (Icebreaker) - HHI
Saturday, April 21.....Dataw Gazebo
Tuesday, May 8Port Royal Landing Marina
Tuesday, June 12Cat Island Grill
Tuesday, July 10Tavern at Royal Pines
Saturday, August 11.....Bonita Boathouse - Fripp Island
Tuesday, September 11.....Pleasant Point Clubhouse
Tuesday, October 9Cat Island Grill
Friday, November 2Callawassie Clubhouse - COW

Educational Opportunities

Saturday, January 13 1300-1600ABC @ Port Royal Town Hall (4 sessions)
Saturday, February 3 0900-1200Seamanship @ Port Royal Town Hall (4 sessions)
Thursday, February 8 ... 1900-2100 Marine Communications Systems webinar (7 sessions)
Monday, March 51300-1600 Navigation (8 sessions)
Thursday, April 51900-2100Piloting(6 sessions) place TBD
Tuesday, April 10 afternoon ABC 8 @ USCB (3 sessions)
Wednesday, May 9 TBD Instructor Development ... place TBD
Saturday, May 12 TBD Instructor Recertification ... place TBD
Saturday, October 6 1300-1600 ABC @ Port Royal Town Hall (4 sessions)

Cruises

March 10.....Hilton Head Island - Skull Creek Boathouse (Pat Weiland Icebreaker)
April 28..... Daufuskie Island - Freeport Marina - Old Daufuskie Crab Company
May 27..... Parris Island Loop - Fish Camp 11th St., Port Royal (If open by then)
June 2.....Port Royal Island (Beaufort) Loop - Back Porch, Port Royal Landing
July 16..... ..Motown Monday Raft Up - Beaufort Water Festival
July 22.....Blessing of the Fleet - Beaufort Water Festival
August 11.....Fripp Island - Bonita Boathouse
September.13 ...Tybee Island - AJ's - (Possible overnight trip)
October 7 Bohickett - Red's Ice House

District & National Meetings

USPS Annual Meeting - (Rosen Center) Orlando, FL - February 18-25, 2018
USPS Governing Board - Minneapolis, MN - August 12-19, 2018
District 26 Spring Conference - Lake Murray, Columbia Downtown Marriott, March 16-18, 2018
District 26 Cruise & Rendezvous - Golden Corner Lakes, Hampton Inn Seneca, May 18-20, 2018
"Ready, Set, Wear it" ... bring your life vest
District 26 Fall Conference Change of Watch - Thurmond Lake, Tentative: October 12-14, 2018

Important Dates

New Member Social Sunday, April 8
National Safe Boating Week.... May 19-25