

2008
NVSPS PLANNED
ADVANCED AND ELECTIVE COURSES
AND SEMINARS

As of: 26 Mar 2008

Course: SKIPPER SAVER PROGRAM

(1 session, Wednesday Evening, at Monthly Member Meeting – Open to Public)

Description: Take the first step in learning to save the skipper and yourself! Learn procedures for the whole family to use in an emergency. Earn a Skipper Saver certificate and patch with completion of an on-the-water segment. Refreshments provided. **We postponed his program because of bad weather predicted for the region on 13 February. No monthly meeting was held that evening.**

NEW DATE: 9 April 2008 Member Meeting Time: 7 – 9 PM

Location: April NVSPS Monthly Member Meeting, BoatUS HQ, Training Conference Room, 880 South Pickett Street, Alexandria VA 22304 **Registration: None**

Course: SAIL TRIM AND RIG TUNING SEMINAR (1 session, Monday)

Description: This seminar shows in clear and simple terms how to use and adjust sails for optimum performance under a wide range of conditions. The seminar comes with prepared “Student Notes” and with a waterproof USPS Captain’s Quick Guide written by North Sails. This is a new Seminar for 2008! Cost is \$35; family members and significant others may share materials for a discount.

Start Date: 14 April 2008 Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM

Location: GMU Offices, 4031 University Dr, 2nd Floor Conf Room, Fairfax, VA 22030

Instructor: Bob Cox, JN, and Bob Manning, AP

Register: **Closed**

Contact: Squadron Educational Officer, Rich Unis, 703-777-8378, runis_320@yahoo.com

Course: GPS SEMINAR (1 session, Tuesday)

Description: Learn to use your GPS in detail. New Seminar in 2007. Cost is \$35; family members and significant others may share the materials for a discount.

Date: 20 May 2008 Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM

Location: GMU Offices, 4031 University Dr, 2nd Floor Conf Room, Fairfax, VA 22030

Instructor: Bob Cox, JN, and Bob Donahue, AP

Register by: 10 April 2008 so we can order books! At least 10 in-class participating registrants registered are required to make this course a GO!

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Course: NAVIGATION (N) (~25 sessions, Tuesdays)

Description: Learn celestial navigation and piloting techniques suitable for offshore navigation anywhere in the world using the moon, planets, and stars. This course builds on the sun-sight technique learned in the new Junior Navigation (JN) course. Cost is \$125; family members and significant others may share books for a discount.

Prerequisite: *USPS Junior Navigation (JN) Course*

Start Date: 7 October 2008, if course is available in print. **Time:** 7 – 9 PM

End Date: ~ 31 March 2009

Location: TBD, Fairfax

Instructor: Seminar Style – Each Participant Teaches At Least One Chapter

Class Leaders: SEO/ASEO

Register by: 1 August 2008 so we can order books! At least 10 in-class participating members are required to make this course a GO!

Contact: Squadron Educational Officer, Rich Unis, 703-777-8378, runis_320@yahoo.com

Course: MARINE ELECTRONICS (ME 101, 102, & 103) (~18 sessions, Thursdays)

Description: This three-part Marine Electronics course teaches essential knowledge about a boat's electrical and electronic systems including: proper wiring; grounding; corrosion and electrolysis control; batteries and their maintenance; depth finders; marine radiotelephones; radar; LORAN; GPS; and other electronic positioning systems. *May be presented with the complete redo of the course, whereby successful completion of two parts will earn credit for Marine Electronics—we shall see!*

Start Date: 11 September 2008. **Time:** 7 – 9 PM **End Date:** ~ 29 Jan 2009

Location: TBD, Fairfax

Instructor: Dwight Bues, AP

Register by: 1 August 2008 so we can order books! At least 10 in-class participating members are required to make this course a GO!

Contact: Squadron Educational Officer, Rich Unis, 703-777-8378, runis_320@yahoo.com

Course: HOW TO USE A CHART (1 session, Tuesday)

Description: Learn to use your marine navigation charts in detail. New Seminar! Cost is \$35; family members and significant others may share the materials for a discount.

Date: 28 Oct 2008 **Time:** 7:00 – 9:30 PM

Location: TBD

Instructor: Bob Cox, JN, and Mark Anderson, S

Register by: 15 Sep 2008 so we can order books! At least 10 in-class participating registrants registered are required to make this course a GO!

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