

# AMERICA'S BWATING CLUB "For Boaters By Boaters" "For Boaters By Boaters"

#### DBA America's Boating Club of Chattanooga

#### Commander's Message

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See our Website <a href="https://www.usps.org/localusps/sss-cha">https://www.usps.org/localusps/sss-cha</a>

Here is a link to current America's Boating Channel news that we'd like to share with you:

- 1. In mid-July, JENN NOLAN FISHING (JNF), with carriage on cable television and broadcast syndication, made its debut on America's Boating Channel's smart TV services. JNF is a generational television program series featuring women professionals with a strong emphasis on conservation and safety. Fishing from boats represents the fastest growing segment of water sports activity.
- 2. On 31 July, it was announced that America's Boating Channel is a finalist in the prestigious 2023 Go Global Awards, reflecting the channel's achievements in international audience development. This global event, hosted by the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation, in partnership with the International Trade Council, brings together CEOs, government trade and investment agency chiefs, and industry leaders from over 76 countries. "We're honored that our video service, America's Boating Channel, has been selected as a 2023 Go Global Awards finalist, said USPS-ABC Chief Commander Craig Fraser. "This recognition not only reflects our success in reaching an international audience representing nearly half of our total viewing, but also provides a platform for engaging with influential industry leaders and decision makers from around the world to foster additional growth. We're excited to showcase America's Boating Channel and contribute to global trade expansion."
- 3. The final three videos of Season Seven will make their national debut in the coming weeks. Here are links providing you exclusive pre-launch access. The links take you to streaming and downloadable content, with each video's release date indicated by its title.

#### Marine Radio Etiquette (August 30)

- 1. Marine Radio Etiquette Streaming Version
- 2. Marine Radio Etiquette Download Version

#### Navigating Locks (September 10)

- 3. Navigating Locks Streaming Version
- 4. Navigating Locks Download Version

#### **Border Crossing (September 20)**

- 5. **Border Crossing Streaming Version**
- 6. Border Crossing Download Version

Since <u>America's Boating Channel's</u> launch, all of its videos have been available to USPS members to screen and download for free at <u>bit.ly/USPSABC</u>. There is an index to help members find exactly what they want. This is very convenient for instructors who want to use these videos in the classroom without the need for an internet connection.

Always some great information to increase your boating skills in these videos! Be safe!



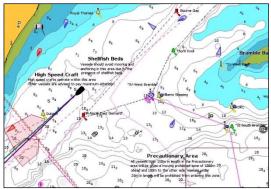
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The boating community uses many acronyms that someone new to boating may not understand. Do students enrolled in our basic safe boating course understand that the acronym ATONS references aids to navigation? In 2020 America's Boating Channel produced "Introducing ATONS," a video showing how buoys, day beacons, and other marks provide aids to navigation. This short video offers a wonderful introduction to ATONS. In it, viewers also learn about categories such as lateral and regulatory ATONS, as well as special purpose and danger marks.



In 2022, another ATONS video was released. Entitled "Digital Charts and Virtual ATONS," it covers the effort underway to replace paper nautical charts with electronic navigation charts. This video introduces viewers to three types of new virtual aids to navigation. Also featured are tips for using these enhancements and how they will make recreational boating safer.

Remember, if you need a refresher before getting out on the water, you can access an invaluable library of videos produced by America's Boating Channel. The videos referenced here, and others, are available to USPS members to view and download for free at <a href="https://bit.ly/USPSABC">bit.ly/USPSABC</a>. There is an index to help you find the topic you need, which is very convenient for instructors who want to use these videos in the classroom without the need for an internet connection.

Otherwise, visit America's Boating Channel on YouTube at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel">https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel</a> to find these and nearly 100 other safe boating videos, which are an excellent tool to help recruit participants to our educational program and to membership. Invite your friends and neighbors to watch, like and subscribe to America's Boating Channel to introduce them to what our organization has to offer.

In addition to YouTube, these professionally produced high-definition safe boating and boater education videos are available via the America's Boating Channel on-demand app on Roku or FireTV. America's Boating Channel™ is produced by the United States Power Squadrons® (USPS) under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund administered by the U.S. Coast Guard.





#### **Administrative Officer's Message**

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Hopefully you are enjoying a respite from the stifling heat this week. I have Just a few words this month:

Our September meeting on Monday, the 11<sup>th</sup>, at Jon and Leslie's boat, Carpe Boatem, is shaping up to be a fun and relaxing evening for everyone. The get together, from 6 – 8, will be catered by Southern Squeeze, a local restaurant that specializes in healthy salads and entrees. We will have a selection of cool entrees and salads in individual containers from which to choose for a "main". Leslie will then fatten us up with a dessert to finish things off. Members do not have to bring anything, but if you feel so inclined, feel free to bring an appetizer. Water and sodas will be available but if you want something a little stronger you must BYO. Cost comes in at \$10/person with a little overage that will be covered by the Club. Look for Tom Street to pay for your dinner. And as always, first time attendees will be guests of the Club, but do need a reservation for a plate. The boat is located a short distance down the Hatteras dock, in the group of docks just before getting to the yacht club dock, and the Wades will have the gate open so you can get on to the dock.

I also wanted to encourage everyone to go ahead and mark the first Tuesday of October November and December for our fall meetings, all held at the Privateer Yacht Club. October will feature our "famous" Steak Night with all the trimmings, and in November we will hold our Annual Chili Cookoff. Our Christmas meeting is still in the works, but we plan to do something special for the meeting. Any ideas out there?

Last but not least, consider helping with or riding in the November Veterans Day Parade held in Rossville. Lloyd Hensley has graciously volunteered his boat again this year to use in the parade. The parade will be held November 11<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the setup area between 12:30 and 1pm and the parade will start at 2 o'clock and run about 45 minutes start to finish. Last year we handed out candy and a brochure with pictures of our Veteran members. If we missed you, please let us know so we may include you if we print a new one.

Sue Kuemmel



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## Minutes Aug 1, 2023 Meeting Amigos Restaurant, Island Cove Marina, Harrison, TN

The meeting was called to order by Commander Jack Cook. There were 22 people in attendance, including two representatives from the Boy Scouts of America, our speakers for the meeting, and two new guests who wanted to meet the members and learn more about our group.

Linda DiPrima led us in prayer and Jack then asked for Committee Chair Reports.

Sue Kuemmel introduced our guests from Dalton, Georgia, Laurice and Sharon Tatum. Mr. Tatum is a successful businessman who has boated for many years on many boats, and has

belonged to USPS squadrons in both Jacksonville, Florida, and Atlanta, Georgia in years past. He and his wife currently own and trailer a 27 ft Brady-white Center Console boat to their favorite boating destinations.

Sue then informed the group that the Club has been invited to participate in the Rossville/Ft. Oglethorpe Veterans' Day Parade again this year. She asked for input and a vote on the request. After discussing the pros and cons of participating, a motion was made and seconded, and later passed, that we participate again this year. It was noted that Lloyd Hensley is again willing to use his boat and pull it for us in the parade.

Lastly, Sue invited everyone to the September dinner meeting, on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm, to be held on Jon and Leslie Wade's boat, Carpe Boatem, on the Hatteras dock at Island Cove Marina. The meeting date and time were moved to accommodate Jon and Leslie's work schedule. We plan to have the dinner catered, with a set price for each attendee.

Greg reported that we had one TWRA class in July which brought some additional money to the treasury.

The meeting was paused to take food orders, and then Jack Everett introduced our speakers from the Boy Scouts, Tim Knight and Kevin Akins. Each spoke briefly about their personal bios, and how, why and in what capacity they are participating in Scouting. They also talked about our Club's sponsorship and relationship to the Sea Scout Ship we are underwriting. Their talks were followed by a question-and-answer period in which they primarily addressed questions about the organization and structure of a Sea Scout Ship.

The meeting was then adjourned so members could eat and converse with fellow members before adjourning at 7pm.

Written & submitted by Sue Kuemmel, and photos by Sue Kuemmel (thanks so much for filling in for our traveling Secretary!)









Carol is still out of state, viewing grizzly bears at McNeil River Sanctuary, chasing Orcas, and exploring glaciers in Alaska, and is now sailing with friends around the Seattle area. Thank you, Sue & Pam, for filling in while I am traveling! Following are some of the cell phone photos, as I haven't even begun to look at the 35mm camera photos. Enjoy!



One of several moose, this one with 2 babies, roaming the streets of Alaska around midnight.... still very light out!





High count of 47 grizzlies fishing at falls at one time during my visit... season high in 2023 was 67.

Grizzly mother (center) with 3-year-old cubs.

Grizzly bears in McNeil River State Game Sanctuary, across Cook Inlet from Homer, AK. These are the pictures easily accessible, taken with my phone.... can't wait to see the good photos! We saw a minimum of 47 grizzlies at one time in the falls this visit.... up to 144 individual bears identified so far in 2023 in the sanctuary. Fishing for coho (silver) & humpback (pink) salmon.



One of the terminuses for Salmon Glacier near Hyder, AK.



#### **Treasurer's Message**

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### **2023 Calendar of Events**

All dates are  $\underline{\sf TENTATIVE!}$   $\underline{\pmb{\mathsf{WATCH}}}$  the newsletters for changes in dates or locations.

Monday, September 11, 2023	Island Cove Jon & Leslie Wade's Boat (6 – 8 pm)
Saturday, September 23, 2023 TVA	
Park	Chattanooga Dragon Boat Festival - FYI
Tuesday, October 3, 2023	Privateer Yacht Club Steak Night (5:30 - 7:30 pm)
Saturday-Sunday, November 4-5,	
2023	Ironman Head of Hooch - FYI
Tuesday, November 7, 2023	Privateer Yacht Club Chili Cookoff (5-7 pm)
	Veteran's Day Parade float; Rossville, GA (12:30 pm
Saturday, November 11, 2023	setup; parade 2-3 pm)
Tuesday, December 5, 2023	Privateer Yacht Club Christmas Party (5:30 - 7:30 pm)
* Announcements Only	** Subject to Change
PLEASE NOTE THIS REFLECTS A TIME	
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