

THE BULLHORN



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The Newsletter of the Durham Sail and Power Squadron - A Unit of the United States Power Squadrons

Commander's Message

Cdr Fred Cooke, P

DSPS has been busy this summer. Thanks to the lead coordinating efforts of XO Beth Haskell and assistance from AO Ann McKenzie we had a great time at Jordan Lake on August 3 along with the Raleigh Squadron and the Durham Fire Department's Swift



Water Rescue team celebrating the 100th anniversary of USPS. Good food, good crowd, and, of course, boats made the event great fun. And nobody was stranded in the middle of the lake this year! Beth also coordinated our participation in the Carolina Fall Boat Show August 16-18, where we helped staff a RSPS/DSPS

information booth. The next time we are given the opportunity to showcase our squadron and USPS, I hope you will take the time to volunteer for a shift.

SEO Ron Mosley has scheduled our fall ABC course to begin on September 16 at McMannen UMC, running for eight weeks on Monday evenings. Please be sure to tell your boating friends about this and encourage them to sign up. Teaching boating safety is at the very core of what we do, and there are a lot of boaters and potential boaters who need to learn from the best.

There are a number of other events coming up as well. We are working to reschedule our day cruise to Oriental for sometime in October, so be on the lookout for emails from me on that topic. The District 27 Fall Conference is just around the corner, and you can find details in this newsletter. I haven't found out yet if the Fort Macon Squadron is planning to conduct their annual Aids to Navigation Cruise in Morehead

City this fall. I have taken this and found it very helpful as well as fun. I'll keep you posted on this. The annual New Bern Ghost Walk is coming up in October, and the final Adopt-a-Shore clean up day at Jordan Lake is scheduled for December.

Our next member meeting is September 12 at Bennett Pointe Grill beginning at 1830. See you there!

Can you Identify this Vessel?



(The answer is found on Page 4)

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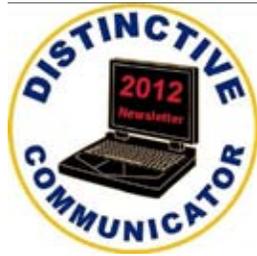
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Birthdays in September

Jerome Trehy, Jr.

Sep 9

Regina Kronmiller

Sep 15



Upcoming Events

- Sep 1-8** USPS Governing Board, San Antonio
- Sep 12** Monthly Member Meeting, Bennett Pointe Grill, 1830
- Sep 16** ABC Course Starts, 1900
- Sep 27-28** D/27 Fall Council/Conference, Greenville
- Oct 10** Monthly Member Meeting, Bennett Pointe Grill, 1900
- Oct 24-26** Ghost Walk, New Bern
- Jan 11** DSPS Change of Watch, Croasdaile

Remaining Monthly Member Meetings

The remaining monthly member meetings for 2013 are scheduled for September 12, October 10, and November 14 at Bennett Pointe Grill. The November meeting will be our Annual Meeting and election of officers.

The September meeting will be held on Thursday, September 12 beginning at 1830 at Bennett Pointe Grill. The speaker is TBA but hopes are for Tom Jones with the Wake-Falls Mobile Marine.

We hope to see you at these meetings to keep updated on Squadron activities and listen to informative speakers!

Executive Office Happenings

Lt/C Beth Haskell, JN

We missed you at the fall boat show.

It took both Durham and Raleigh to get enough people to cover all the shifts at the fall boat show held on August 16-18.



Commander Cooke took a shift on Saturday and I took shifts on Friday and Sunday for DSPS. We spoke with many people interested in learning more about boating safety, and handed out flyers for the ABC classes starting the week of September

16. Durham's class will be on Monday nights and Raleigh's will be on Tuesday nights. The public seemed to really like that we were offering them a choice of locations and the ability to go to either location if needed.

I hope that we can count on you to help out this winter at the Raleigh Civic Center Boat Show. It really is fun and you get to see the new boats for free.

Ed Dept Scuttlebutt

P/C Ronald Mosley, JN



The fall ABC course is scheduled to begin Monday night, September 16, 2013 from 7:00-9:00 pm at McMannen United Methodist Church, 4102 Neal Road, Durham. The course will end on November 11. There is a \$50 dollar fee to cover expenses including books

and course supplies. Please tell your friends about the course and encourage them to attend. Ask them to contact me for information and to register via email at RonMosley@Frontier.com or give me a call (919-489-8468).

Advanced Piloting will begin somewhat later than the ABC course. It will probably carry over the holiday season much like the last Piloting class. Interested students please give me some feedback about the appropriate time to start this class. Ten students completed the last Piloting class ending April 1 and I am looking forward to seeing all of them in the new AP class. There are two additional P's in the Squadron that are very welcome to join us in the new AP class.

As always, if you have an interest in taking a course, please let me know and to discuss the courses and your desired time to take the classes. Some lead time will be required to arrange instructors and meeting locations. Any of the courses can also be self studied.

Is it a Bird or a Plane?

P/C Paula Schubert, AP

Frank has a number of Apps on his iPad. One of them sends him email notifications about the potential to view the International Space Station flying overhead. We took the opportunity to go out on Saturday evening, August 24th at the appropriate time to see if we could, indeed, see the space station. Sure enough, within a minute of going outside I saw a bright light coming up through the tree line. Frank checked his iPad and verified that it was the space station. It flew directly overhead and we had a terrific view of it continuing on. I thought it was awesome!

“Spot The Station” will give you a list of upcoming space station sighting opportunities for your location. Several times a week, Mission Control at NASA's Johnson Space Center determines sighting opportunities for 4,600 locations worldwide. Pick a city or town that is fairly close to you. The space station is visible for a long distance around each of the listed locations. For additional information go to <http://spotthestation.nasa.gov/sightings/>.

I Don't Need Any Safety Tips Or Training: I Know What I'm Doing

P/C Charles D. Hayne, S

Some boaters consider themselves handy around boats and will tell you they have all the safety and navigating information they need. Give these people some space; be friendly and sociable, but avoid taking advice on boating practices from them. They are the boaters who don't bother to wear a life vest, because they know how to swim; can't see wasting time on a Boating Course; stay close to the shoreline, so don't need to know a whole lot about navigation and stuffy rules of the marine road. Unfortunately, they may end up being the folks you read about in the newspaper as part of a boating incident.



The old adage that you should hope for the best, but be prepared for the worst, still holds a lot of wisdom. While you may think that a lot of experience as a boat owner has made you an expert in all things boating, there are some things you need to pay attention to every time you board your vessel. Among the top five is the fact that as the captain of the vessel, you are responsible for the safety and well being of everyone who is on board with you. In addition, you are liable for any damage you may do while operating your boat. This includes crashes, wake damage and fines for disregarding the rules of the marine road. DUIs and reckless boat operation can be expensive, just as they are on shore.

There are some common sense tips that you should consider: Always operate at safe speeds, especially in crowded waters. Observe the rules designated by special buoys (placards which show what these buoys look like can usually be picked up at marina stores). Steer clear of large vessels and their wakes. They can swamp your boat. Remember that, unlike your car, you do not have brakes to stop your boat. Don't even think about disregarding Homeland Security notices, buoys, signs or vocal instructions.

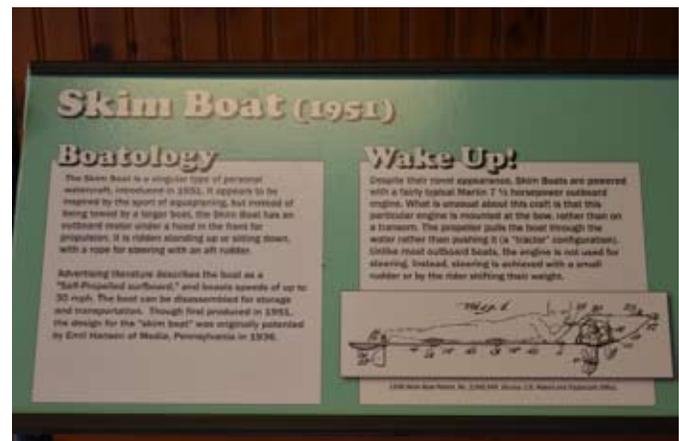
Be a good citizen and take all your trash back to the dock for disposal. Don't spill fuel into the water.

Make sure others on board know what to do in an emergency. Show how to use the radio to call for help. Make sure everyone knows where the safety devices are located. Have everyone wear a life vest – even the good swimmers. Should you be knocked unconscious during an incident, being a good swimmer won't be of any help. Always have your running lights in good order and turn them on at sundown. Finally, practicing safety is the best way to avoid becoming a statistic.

Answer, from Page 1

Skim Boat

This was at the Antique Boat Museum in Clayton, NY. Looks like one of the first PWC's. What could possibly go wrong... (Submitted by P/C Mark Haskell, AP)



Wind Jamming on the Maine Coast

P/C Mark Haskell, AP

Although I grew up in northern New York State, my parents are both maniacs, that is from the state of Maine. My father, being an art professor and having long periods of the summer free, would take the family back to Maine to visit relatives and take us tent camping on the coast. A favorite spot was Camden where he would sit and paint watercolors and my sister and I would play around the docks, climb the waterfall, and investigate tide pools for marine life. This enchanting town was, and is, home to a small group of schooners that take folks out for weeklong adventures. I expressed an interest, but didn't meet the minimum age requirement of 15. Time passed, school and summer jobs pre-empted trips to Maine, and forty years later Beth asked me what I'd like to do for a vacation. Our son had just turned 15 and that triggered something in the back of my mind about schooners in Maine. A little bit of web searching turned up a site for the Maine Windjammer Association and three weeks later we were climbing the boarding ladder onto a ninety-foot wooden schooner built in 1962 named the Mary Day. With two masts, seven sails, no engine, and only a wood stove for cooking, she would be home for the next six days. We shared the Mary Day with a crew of eight, nine other passengers and the ship's bob tailed cat. Her Captain and owner, Barry King, was welcoming and proved not only to be a talented seaman, but a gracious and entertaining host. We settled into our cabin; tiny, by cruise ship standards or spacious compared to those on sailboats we've owned, and spread out the coats, sea boots, and all the other gear we had in preparation for a week on the water in June.

Monday morning the johnboat was lowered and its diesel engine pushed us through the crowded harbor and out into Penobscot Bay. As soon as we cleared the moorings the boat was back in davits and we had our first experience raising the seven sails that would power us on our adventure. Sea chanteys such as "I wish I were an Oscar Meyer Weiner" had us all in stitches as we hauled on the halyards to raise the peak and throat of the two big gaff timbers.

We settled into the routine of rising after the crew pickled the decks to have hot coffee at 0700 followed by breakfast at 0800. Sailing commenced shortly after breakfast and we would head for whatever Island Captain Barry thought we might enjoy and that the wind tide might allow. Afternoon usually involved a trip ashore, returning for dinner at 1800. Evening was a time for socializing and impromptu music as the crew could handle strings as well as lines. Captain Barry played the guitar, deck-mate Jenny played the mandolin and we all joined in singing. Not many of us could keep our eyes open much past nine, so the boat became very quiet as the crew cleaned and pickled the decks before heading to their bunks for the night.

We anchored in a fiord, climbed a mountain, explored a garden on a hillside, walked to a chocolatier, saw bronze parts being cast at the Brookline Wooden Boat School, and climbed a hill on Brimstone Island where the only residents were sea gulls. Every day held unique adventures and the week ended much too quickly. The best endorsement may be that our self-proclaimed teenage computer nerd survived being disconnected from the Internet for a week and said he would do it again. I can't say enough about how great the crew, food and fellow travelers were. Here are a few photos to give you a feel for the trip.

Somes Sound, the only Fiord in the Continental US





At Anchor in Northeast Harbor, Mount Dessert Island



Squeezing between two islands, under sail

Lt/C Beth and Noah checking our position



Picture perfect "lobstah" ready for our lunch



D27 FALL COUNCIL/CONFERENCE AGENDA
THE GREENVILLE HILTON
GREENVILLE NC
September 27-28, 2013

Friday, 27 September

Uniform Casual—USPS/District/Squadron shirt

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	EVENT LEADER
1400-1800	Member Registration	Front Lobby	Pamlico/Tar River
	Voter Registration	Front Lobby	D/1Lt Lorraine Ryan, P
1400-1800	Raffle/Silent Auction	Front Lobby	Pamlico/Tar River
1400-1500	D27 Bridge Meeting	DC suite	DC Robert Howd, JN
1500-1600	D27 Bridge & Aides Meeting	DC suite	DC Robert Howd JN
1600-1645	New Members, 1 st timers & Squadron Commanders Reception	DC suite	D/C Robert Howd., JN
1645-1745	PDC & Host squadron reception	DC suite	D/C Robert Howd, JN
1800-1900	Reception for all attendees	Hilton Courtyard	Pamlico/Tar River
1900-	DINNER ON YOUR OWN		

Saturday, 28 September

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TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	EVENT LEADER
0700-0900	Member Registration	Front Lobby	Pamlico/Tar River
	Voter Registration	Front Lobby	D/1Lt Lorraine Ryan, P
	Raffle/Silent Auction	Front Lobby	Pamlico/Tar River
0730-1500	USPS Ship's Store	Front Lobby	P/R/C Ann T, Bailey, AP
0900-1030	Spouses Coffee	DC suite	Pamlico/Tar River
0900-0930	Fall Council /Conference convenes	Carolina Ballrm CD	D/C Robert Howd, JN
	Invocation		Louise Manke
	Pledge of Allegiance		Cdr Gene Alligood, JN
	Intro. USPS Nat'l Rep & D27 Guests		P/D/C Jerry Hall, SN
0930-1030	Nat'l Rep. Town Hall Meeting		V/C Gary Cheney, SN
1045-1145	Breakout Session 1		
	Education	Greenville Room	D/Lt/C Clay Helm, SN
	DB2000	Meeting Room 2	Lt/C Frank Schubert, AP
	Sqd Cdr & XO	Carolina Ballrm CD	D/C Robert Howd., JN
	Sqd Secretaries	Meeting Room 3	D/Lt/C Burt Pearson, SN
	Nominating Committee (closed)	DC suite	P/D/C Harold O'Briant, Jr. JN
1200-1330	Members Awards Luncheon	Carolina Ballrm AB	D/C Robert Howd., JN
	Guest speaker		Capt. Murtagh, USCG
1345-1445	Breakout Session 2		
	DB2000	Meeting Room 2	Lt/C Frank Schubert, AP
	Merit Marks	Meeting Room 3	P/C Marvin Chaney, Jr, SN
	Sqd Admin Officers/membership	Greenville Room	D/Lt/C Dave Parsons, JN
	Sqd Education Officers	Carolina Ballrm CD	D/Lt/C Clay Helm, SN
	Planning Committee (closed)	DC suite	P/D/C Mike McCulley, JN
1500-1600	Fall Council /Conference reconvenes	Carolina Ballrm CD	D/C Robert Howd, JN
	Reports of General Committees		Committee Chairpersons
	Reports of Standing Committees		Committee Chairpersons
	Meeting Adjourns		
1615-1645	N Club Meeting	Meeting Room 2	P/D/C Jerry Hall, SN
1730	Members Reception (cash bar)	Outside Carolina Ballrm AB	
1800	Dinner (uniform: blazer & open shirt)	Carolina Ballrm AB	P/R/C Sarah McCurry, S

Sunday 29 September

1000-1300	Bridge planning meeting	DC Suite	DC Robert Howd, JN
1000-1300	Co-op Charting	Greenville Room	D/Lt Bo Ibach

First Class Mail

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**The next DSPS Monthly Member Meeting on Thursday,
 September 12 at Bennett Pointe Grill beginning at 1830.**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day	3	4 Rosh Hashanah begins	5	6	7
USPS Governing Board, San Antonio						
8	9	10	11	12 Monthly Member Meeting 1830	13 Yom Kippur begins	14
15	16 ABC Course Starts	17	18	19 Full Moon	20	21
22 Autumn begins	23 ABC Course	24 Bullhorn Articles Due	25	26 Ex Com Meeting	27 D/27 Fall Council/Conference, Greenville	28
29	30 ABC Course	OCT 1	2	3	4	5
6	7 ABC Course	8	9	10 Monthly Member Meeting 1830	11	12