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DATES TO REMEMBER

- 9 June Rendezvous in Jamestown RI (see flyer)
- 21 June TRSPS Cookout Meeting @ Taunton Yacht Club
1730, Meeting @ 1930 (see flyer)
- 23 June ABC 1-day Course @ Bass Pro Shop, Foxboro, MA
- No TRSPS Meeting in July
- 22 July TRSPS Clamboil @ Taunton Yacht Club 1300
(see flyer)
- 16 August TRSPS Meeting @ Arbor's 1930

DISTRICT DATE TO REMEMBER

- 4 August District Rendezvous @ Allen's Harbor



Visit us at our website: www.tauntonriverpowersquadron.org or www.trps14.org

As a USPS member you are welcome at any of these events hosted by other squadrons. If you need more information on a particular event call P/C Wayne Cardoza, AP, P/C Ellen Cardoza, AP or someone in the host squadron. Reservations may be required – particularly if food is involved. TRSPS meetings at “The Arbors At Taunton” are open to all USPS members. Reports are given, committee results are acknowledged and ideas are discussed. The course of TRSPS is determined at these meetings. “The Arbors At Taunton” is located at 763 County Street. The phone number is 508-824-4800. A social hour with refreshments follows the meeting. *The Taunton River News* is the quarterly newsletter of the Taunton River Sail & Power Squadron, Inc., District 14, a unit of United States Power Squadrons®. Articles and opinions in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect USPS policy or endorsement unless so designated.

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Message from the Bridge

from the Commander ...

Greetings My Friends!

As many of you already know, at our Change of Watch in March I was installed as your new Commander. I will work just as hard as your Past Commander Wayne Cardoza, AP. He has done a wonderful job in keeping our squadron a success. Thank you Wayne for all your hard work. Last year we received a number of awards and trophies.

As our squadron moves forward I hope that you will join with me to continue to make it successful and fun as well. The squadron is a great place to make friends and work together.

This is my second Watch. I was Commander before from 2002-2004. Since then I have seen a lot of changes. Most of the work, communication and contact are through the computer now. This makes things easier and keeps everyone current with whatever is going on. We will continue to have our ABC class in the spring and fall. Our spring class for this year has been completed and everyone passed with outstanding grades. Our cookout for June is being planned as I write. Please see the enclosed flyer for details.

The squadron is a great place to meet people and make friends. Speaking of friends, I received a call over this past month from Executive Officer Tom Roscoe from the Lakes Region Sail and Power Squadron of New Hampshire. He said he was looking through his squadron's history and found that TRSPS made a visit to their squadron on the night their charter was presented to show the Lakes Region their support. That was 10 years ago.

Wayne and I first met Tom Roscoe in 2002 at a District Conference. Our squadron was the host for that year. I welcomed Tom and introduced myself as the Executive Officer of Taunton River. He was surprised and pleased to see a woman in that office. At the end of the evening Tom approached me and asked if the Taunton River Bridge would like to attend a meeting in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire in the next few weeks. Tom stated that he would like to have his members see that there were women that held offices on the bridge as well as men. Let me say that our Commander was a woman also at that time. (In the earlier years of the Power Squadrons, most members were men).

An interesting fact is that our squadron was chartered in 1954 and there have been only three women as Commanders during that time, P/C Stasia Tokarz who was the very first woman commander in our squadron, P/C Diane Reizovic and myself. Stasia and Diane have held two terms of Watch and I am starting my second as well. Our newly installed Administrative Officer, Pat Kokoska, is a past commander from the Attleboro Squadron.

Getting back to my story, it was now the Lakes Region 10th anniversary as a chartered squadron. Tom called and asked if we would like to join them in this celebration. Wayne and I are the only ones who are still bridge members of that bridge that visited the Lakes Region Squadron in 2002. Wayne and I decided to make the trip to New Hampshire again this year. Tom was very pleased to see that we made the trip and stated that their 10th anniversary celebration was now complete. While we were there we made new friends with members from Maine and other parts of New Hampshire. So you see, friendships can be made and can last a lifetime in the Power Squadron. It is like one big family.

Wayne and I have been very fortunate to have met many people from all areas. The Power Squadron is a very social and educational membership. As your commander and friend I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events. If I can be of any help please contact me by phone, 508-947-6317 or email me at trps54@verizon.net.

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Boating Season!
Commander Ellen Cardoza, AP

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Message from the Educational Department



Boating Course

Class is scheduled for Wednesday, 3 October 2012 at Bristol-Plymouth High School, Taunton, MA. Classes will be held from 1900-2100 for 5 weeks followed by the exam on week 6. Fee: \$35.00. Registration will be held from 1800 to 1900 on 3 October. First class will be held immediately following registration from 1900 to 2100. Exam is scheduled for 14 November 2012. Online registrations are also being accepted.

Congratulations to the following members that passed the Seamanship Course

Charlene Broadhurst, S	Barbara Powell, S (GBSPS)
Raymond Broadhurst, P	Roger E. Powell, S (GBSPS)
Paul J. Fyfe, S	Denise L. Sherman, S
Kenneth P. Parsons, Jr., S	Kristopher M. Wesley, S

Thank you Bruce Carlson, AP, Kristopher Carlson, AP, & Lloyd "Sandy" Hood, AP for teaching this course.

Congratulations to Thomas Hickey, AP for passing the Weather Course.

Message from the Executive Department

I will say that it is a little strange sitting back in the Executive Department chair after spending three years as Commander. There was an opening and no one to fill the slot so rather than leave an empty chair on the Bridge I figured "why not give it a try, I think I can handle those duties again". This is what the squadron is all about. Helping out where needed. While I'm on that subject, the squadron could use a Public Relations Officer. If anyone is interested in helping out with these duties just let me know. I can show you what is involved.

P/C Wayne Cardoza, AP



Vessel Safety Check

All TRSPS members are encouraged to have their vessels examined and proudly display the Vessel Safety Check decal. Give Lee Blackburn a call at 508-947-2119 or email at lcloonpond@aol.com to arrange one.

Introducing Your New Administrative Officer...

My USPS "Full Name" is Patricia Ann Kokoska, but I am best known as just "Pat"!

I have been a member of USPS since 1999 and a member of the Attleboro Sail & Power Squadron until merging with TRSPS.

I served on the Attleboro Bridge as Administrative Officer, Executive Officer and Commander. I served as Secretary to TRSPS for 2010.

My husband's name is Frank who is also a USPS/TRSPS member. We have a 32 foot Hunter sailboat that we keep at the Rhode Island Yacht Club in Cranston, RI and enjoy sailing around Narragansett Bay.

My responsibilities as AO are: Membership, Membership Involvement, Boating Activities, Meetings and Programs, Entertainment, Operations Training and Leadership Development. My plan is to especially focus on membership and involvement over the next year. HOWEVER! A boating weekend in Jamestown is planned for June 9-10... PLEASE see the flyer attached and let me know if you can come to dinner on the 9th, either by boat or car.

See you soon. (Our monthly meetings are great for connecting!!!)

Lt/C Pat Kokoska, AP

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TRSPS Received Commander's Bowl for membership growth from P/C/C Frank Dvorak, SN



# TRSPS Rendezvous



JOIN US FOR A BOATING WEEKEND  
JUNE 9-10 IN JAMESTOWN, RI



**NO BOAT? JUST DRIVE ON DOWN!**

**Boaters** - Dutch Harbor Moorings ~\$50 - or -  
Conanicut Marina Slips ~ \$4.75/Ft, Moorings ~ \$54  
Reservations Required!  
Phone #'s: Dutch 401-423-0630; Conanicut 401-566-4695

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**Dinner: 1800 at the Jamestown Tavern**  
138 Narragansett Avenue, Jamestown, RI  
[www.jamestowntavern.com](http://www.jamestowntavern.com)  
401-423-9909

Please contact Pat Kokoska at [pakfrk@comcast.net](mailto:pakfrk@comcast.net) to  
confirm by 6 June if you will be attending dinner or  
call 508-226-1655 and leave a message



## TRSPS JUNE COOKOUT

**21 June 2012 Taunton Yacht Club**

Time: 1730

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs,  
tossed salad, soda and coffee will be supplied.  
Please bring a side dish OR a dessert.

**RAFFLES**

**TRSPS & E-BOARD MEETING @ 1930**

Adults: \$6.00 Children under 12: \$1.50

Please send reservations to:

Pat Kokoska at [pakfrk@comcast.net](mailto:pakfrk@comcast.net) to confirm or call 508-226-1655 and leave a message





# CLAM BOIL

TAUNTON RIVER POWER SQUADRON is proud to announce the details of our upcoming THIRTY-SECOND Annual Clam Boil.

This year, the Clam Boil will be held on SUNDAY, 22 JULY once again at the TAUNTON YACHT CLUB, located on Water Street in Dighton.

As always, we will be serving this New England tradition piping hot at 1300. (Anyone wanting to help our other volunteers with the preparations should plan on getting there around 1030).

This is an all-you-can-eat feast, and the Clam Boil Committee is planning to have plenty of food available.

## *THE MENU INCLUDES...*

|               |                |               |        |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------|
| STEAMED CLAMS | POTATOS        | SWEET POTATOS | CORN   |
| SAUSAGES      | HOT DOGS       | LINGUICA      | ONIONS |
| WATERMELON    | BUTTER & BROTH | SOFT DRINKS   |        |

The Taunton Yacht Club will provide a cash bar for alcoholic beverages.

Your share of the expenses is still one of the best bargains around:

\$16.00 per person for those 12 years and older  
\$8.00 per person for youths 6 to 11 years old  
Participants' children under 6 years old eat for free

Besides your own family, you may also invite other relatives and friends to come along with you for a great time. Afterwards, just relax and spend a lazy, congenial and enjoyable afternoon at the scenic Taunton Yacht Club. We hope to see you there!

Please make your reservation no later than 16 July by calling  
P/C Stasia Tokarz at 508-824-6066 days or evenings. If no answer, call  
P/C Ernie Demers at 508-823-5693.

Attendance is limited to 75 people, so please call soon.



## A large group of approximately 30 people, including students and faculty, are posing for a group photo in a lecture hall. They are standing behind a long table, with a podium visible on the right side of the frame. The room has a large screen in the background and several rows of empty red chairs and tables in the foreground.



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