

Taunton River News



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TRSPS Dates to Remember:

19 June Cookout at Taunton Yacht Club

28 June at 6:30 PM. Tours of the vessel, Charles W Morgan

13 July Clam Boil at the Taunton Yacht Club located on Water Street in Dighton.

25 July to 3 August 2014. Cape Cod Canal Centennial Celebration.

25 July – 28 July 2014 Tour The <u>US Coast Guard's Eagle</u> Training Ship District Dates to Remember: 23-24 August USPS OTW Training Boat



From The Bridge

We have an exciting summer planned for this year. Only part of which is listed in this newsletter. I hope you will take advantage of the efforts of our Admin Officer Khris Westley, as he uses his abundant brain power to come up with new and thrilling things to do.

Vessel Safety Checks-P/D/C W. Lee Blackburn, SN, Chairman

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Administrative Department

Please take avantage of our activites. We have a full adgenda for this summer. There is something for every one.

Clam boil

Boating Course

Cape Cod Canal Centennial

Visit of the HMS Morgan

Tours of the Coast Guard's Eagle Training Ship

This year the Cape Cod Canal celebrates its 100th Anniversary.

BOATING COURSE SCHEDULE 21 JUNE 2014 BASS PRO SHOP -FOXBORO, MA

SATURDAY: 8:00AM-6:00PM TIME:

\$35 per person





On Saturday, June 28, at 6:30 PM. Tours of the vessel,

Charles W Morgan

Charles W. Morgan was a US whaling ship during the 19th and early 20th century. Ships of this type usually harvested the blubber of whales for whale oil, which was commonly used in lamps. The ship is an exhibit at the Mystic Seaport museum in Mystic, Connecticut, and is the world's oldest surviving merchant vessel.

The ship is the only surviving wooden whaling ship from the 19th century American fleet. Charles Waln Morgan chose Jethro and Zachariah Hillman's shipyard to construct a new ship at their shipyard in New Bedford, Massachusetts. The Morgan's live oak keel was laid down in February 1841 and fastened together with copper bolts. The bow and stern pieces of live oak were secured to the keel by an apron piece. The sturdy stern post was strengthened with hemlock root and white oak. Yellow pine shipped from North Carolina was used for the ship's beams and hemlock or hackmatack was used for the hanging knees.

In her 80 years of service, she made 37 voyages ranging in length from nine months to five years. *Charles W. Morgan*, in total, brought home 54,483 barrels of sperm and whale

oil and 152,934 pounds of whalebone. She sailed in the Indian and South Atlantic Oceans, surviving ice and snow storms. Her crew survived a cannibal attack in the South Pacific. Between 1888 and 1904 she was based in San Francisco.

Cocktails, dinner and entertainment cocktail attire. **Parking? No problem** shuttle service will be provided from Fisherman's Warf/Pier 3, 228 Mac Arthur Drive and the YMCA 25 S. Water



Street New Bedford.MA A once-in-a-lifetime celebration at New Bedford state pier See the history of this fine ship on Wikipedia.

CLAM BOIL



The Taunton River Power Squadron is proud to announce the details of our <u>thirty-fourth</u> Annual Clam Boil.

This year, the clam boil will be held on Sunday, 13 July 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 has promised to have plenty of food available.

The menu includes:

STEAMED CLAMS	5 POTATOS	SWEET POTATOS	CORN
SAUSAGES	HOT DOGS	BUTTER & BROTH	LINGUICA
ONIONS	WATERMELON	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:

\$18.00 per person (for those 12 years and older)

\$9.00 per person (for youth 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 8 July 2014 by calling P/C Stasia Tokarz at 508-824-6066 days or evenings. If no answer, please call P/C Ernie Demers at 508-823-5693.

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

July 25 to August 3, 2014. Cape Cod Canal Centennial Celebration.



The weeklong celebration of the Cape Cod Canal's centennial will be filled with maritime-themed events for the whole family, from historical exhibits and tall ships on display to a tugboat parade and children's activities along the canal. There will be tours of the historic Charles W. Morgan, the last surviving wooden whaling ship. See below for the

many events in the Canal area for the week of the Centennial. Parking Available at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. Donations to the Academy accepted.

See http://capecodcanalcentennial.com/events/

July 25 – July 28. Tour the <u>US Coast Guard's Eagle</u> sailing ship.

The USCGC Eagle (WIX-327) (formerly the SSS Horst Wessel) is a 295 foot (90

cm) barque used as a training cutter for future officers of the United States Coast Guard. She is the only active commissioned steel hulled sailing vessel in American military service. Tours will be offered from the docks of <u>Massachusetts Maritime Academy</u>. Sailing Dates: Friday, 25 July, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM Saturday, 26 July, 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM Sunday, 27 July, 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM



District News

USPS on the Water training boat

"And now for the really big news. Jack Marsden has just received confirmation that we are getting the USPS OTW training boat and trainer for the weekend of August 23-24 in between sessions he's



running in CT and then Maine (I want that guy's job!). Most details are still being ironed out and they will be publicized as soon as they're firm. But we wanted to warn you quickly to avoid conflicts with local squadron summer events. Cape Cod is getting things set up for the summer and we're working on some new District events as well, so I'm sure you are too. Hence, this virtual "Save the Date" card. This news will also be distributed on Sail Angle to the membership so any interested members can keep that weekend free." D/C/ Mary Lou Walsh

Welcome to Each One, Reach One contest.

You may have read about it already since it has been mentioned in the past emails.

The goal is for the squadrons to each increase their membership numbers by September over the June 1st figures. The prize is a \$50 Gift certificate to West Marine. So talk it among your friends and get them to job.

