



# Sound of the Pamlico Newsletter

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Our August 19<sup>th</sup> General Membership Dinner Meeting was very enjoyable with both dinner entrées truly excellent. We enjoyed welcoming as our speaker, BMC Jason T. Gazzillo of the U S Coast Guard Station – Hobucken. He has recently taken over his first assignment as an Officer in Charge at Station Hobucken, known as “Guardians of the Sound”. Chief Gazzillo’s professional achievements include certifications as an Officer in Charge Multi Mission afloat and ashore. He is a graduate of the Chief Petty

Officer’s Academy Class CCXL and the Coast Guard Maritime Law enforcement Academy. Chief Gazzillo’s personal awards include Coast Guard Commendation Medal, five Achievement Medals, six Good Conduct Medals, Permanent Cutter and Coxswain Pin, and Advanced Boat Forces Pin. He and his wife, Caressa have two children and call NC home...for now.

Chief Gazzillo shared the USCG mission of boating safety and education with us, matching our mission for the recreational boater. He provided the efforts of the USCG Auxiliary and updated boating accident statistics that are on the rise.

### TOP FIVE PRIMARY CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO BOATING ACCIDENTS

- Operator Inattention
- Improper Lookout
- Operator inexperience
- Excessive Speed
- Machinery Failure



Reported for 2020

5,265 Accidents

787 Deaths

3,191 Injuries

\$62,500,000 in property damage



U. S. Coast Guard serving at Station Hobucken

**Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the Friends <sup>SM</sup>**

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**Commander's Corner****Cdr. Kay Graham, S**

Dear friends! We are definitely suffering the dog days of summer. Old Sirius is making us pay! I admittedly have struggled with this August's withering humidity. I can usually handle the heat, a child of the Southland, I was reared and managed to survive its blast furnace for my first 22 years. It's that barometric pressure cooker that has been causing me grief! I am certain you all are feeling the same. I am anxious of the advent of a gentler, kinder autumn. It will offer a more hospitable environment afloat!

Guess we should be grateful for what we have and what we've not. With the vicious cyclone, Ida, having wreaked incredibly major damage on our Cajun cousins. Let's hope the weather gods continue to exclude Carolina from its destructive storm recipient selection list. That is one omission we can all celebrate as we struggle to regain our sea legs in this changing and turbulent sea. The newly established Washington mask mandate has made our boating trip to Washington docks a complete loss. We just have to shrug our shoulders and soldier on! The word is sanguine! Think optimistically!! Know that better times are ahead and we can manage these inconveniences with the same resiliency and strength of purpose we have shown over the last horrid year of 'our discontent.'

Really looking forward to the Past Commanders picnic! It is in a wonderful venue, Pamlico Plantation is lovely! The food promises to be sublime, games and spirits are assured! To miss it would be such a shame. Mark your calendar, get your RSVP in! We need to focus on celebrating every opportunity, having emerged stronger, wiser, and one heck of a lot more appreciative of every healthy moment.

As you know, with the move to Delaware of Carl Erickson, our Treasurer the last number of years, we asked for volunteers for the roles of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. I am very happy to report that we have two members have stepped up to fill those roles and has been approved by our Executive Committee. Tom Graham, one of our Executive Committee members and District 27 Education Officer has been voted to fill the role of Treasurer. Bob Young, a past Treasurer, will fill the role for the second time as Assistant Treasurer.

I would like to express my appreciation to each member of the Bridge, Executive Committee and the supporting cast of members that supported the events to date for your positive impact on the returning thrust of our Squadron. We have launched our return to activism and insured the squadron is safely directed into the best possible channel for success. We are back afloat and ready for fun, adventure and a little breeze in our hair!

Keep advocating for new faces to join our happy band. We have much to offer on so many levels. The words of our speaker last week keeps reverberating. 'Education is the one item missing in every boating enthusiast's locker. 'We need to change that reality. We will all profit when that occurs!

In the meantime, take good care of yourselves and those you hold close. Every day is a gift and we all are looking for sunshine and a fresh breeze. See you on September 11!

**Executive Officer****Lt/C Walt Morrissey**

Light and Variable....When you live in eastern North Carolina these are familiar weather words. For those of us that are power boaters this is a call to enjoy. For the sailors amongst us it is just another day to be patient, sailors time will come again.

As August releases its grip to the powers of a Fall season things begin to change. Everything that changes affect us on the water. Daylight hours, winds, and water temperatures. As much as I enjoy today, I am excited for the changes of the season and all that comes with it.

Following the Fall and Summer activities, you will hear from me as we will again participate in the Toys for Tots Collection in November as part of our Social Out gathering. Also our Squadron will take up our traditional post at the Wal-Mart (main entrance) location to support Salvation Army Red Kettle Collection.

Please enjoy everything NC offers and be safe. Wear your PFD encourage others to wear a PFD and then we can all enjoy the Fall.



Did you get your Vessel Safety Check?  
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## Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron

### Past Commanders

### Summer Picnic Celebration

**Saturday, September 11, 2021**

**Where:** Pamlico Plantation Gazebo

**Time:** 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

**Details:** [Click here for the Flyer](#)





## Educational Officer

## Lt/C Cathy Karlovich, JN



I'm happy to report the Boat Handling Course wrapped up July 21<sup>st</sup> and we graduated 17 students. It was a really diverse group with first time boat owners all the way up to experienced boaters. It was a lively group that had a chance for everyone to learn as well as share experiences. Next up for this group is Marine Navigation (formerly Piloting). Let me know if you too are interested in pursuing that course. Simply email me at [pspsed@gmail.com](mailto:pspsed@gmail.com) or call at 919-208-1893.

Enjoy a few pics below from the Boat Handling Course.



I hope soon to have the schedule for the remainder of the year. I am working on dates for several seminars (including Intro to Navigation & Intro to Charts) as well a fall Sailing Course. I am really looking forward to being a student in the Sailing Course!

As always, if there is a particular seminar/course that you'd like offered, or if you'd like to teach a particular seminar/course, please reach out to me at [pspsed@gmail.com](mailto:pspsed@gmail.com). Your education team is here to help you reach your boating goals!



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**Administrative Officer****Lt/C Louise Bonadies**

Our August 19<sup>th</sup> General Membership Dinner Meeting was a bit lighter than usual due to many folks traveling. However both meals were delicious, especially my favorite crab cakes.

Our guest speaker, Chief Boatswain Mate Jason Gazzillo attended with his wife, Caressa. The Hobucken Station was his first assignment as Officer in Charge after serving at seven prior U.S. Coast Guard Stations. They were both delightful.

I gained approval from the Executive Committee for the purchase of a microphone stand for the use of our speakers. This should make it easier for our speakers as well as our audience throughout the room. Our next General Membership Dinner Meeting will be October 14<sup>th</sup>. Watch for more details, dinner selections and our program for the evening.

**Assistant Administrative Officer - Social****Lorne Hope, AP**

Our July social gathering scheduled for the old Meeting Place Restaurant recently reopened as The PLACE at 225 W. Main Street in Washington met with difficulty when their air conditioning failed the day of our dinner.

I focused on September's social gathering and settled on a Spoon River luncheon hoping to catch up with our cruisers at Dowry Creek that weekend. However, many community events overlapped and it turns out September is a difficult time for planning. It was decided that we would simply gather at

The Pamlico Plantation for the planned Fall Picnic for our September social gathering.

With the recent spike in COVID in the last few months, we still have to take care with our in-door gatherings and wear our masks. Remain healthy and safe for ourselves and those around us.

I'll be working on a November social next. Maybe a lunch as our daylight hours will be shortening. Regardless, stay tuned, we'll choose a location you are sure to enjoy!

**It's Not Too Late to Join the February 2022 ABC Eastern Caribbean Cruise**

Our cruise group continues to grow each month, so why not join us as we escape to the Caribbean. Our cruise departs Feb. 27, 2022, from Fort Lauderdale and sails to Grand Turk, San Juan, St. Thomas, and Half Moon Cay on the beautiful Holland America *Rotterdam*. Take advantage of the "HAVE IT ALL" promotion, which includes free drinks, specialty dining, free shore excursion credit, and Wi-Fi. The cruise also includes exclusive group events and benefits and is a fundraiser for America's Boating Club, so the more who join, the more our club benefits. For additional details, email [dawnstraveldeals@gmail.com](mailto:dawnstraveldeals@gmail.com) or call Dawn at (727) 403-0406 to join our group on this new, exciting cruise!



## Assistant Administrative Officer - Boating Tadd & Karen Herron



Wow, the heat truly settled into coastal NC. But the Herron Family couldn't be happier enjoying their new boat at home port - Dowry Creek.



Unfortunately our Beaufort Cruise over Labor Day was cancelled due to increased COVID transmission rate and mandatory mask mandate at that location.



The Renaming Ceremony of course!



The pool sure provided welcome relief!



Although it was hot and humid the end of July, there were 6 boats, some with extra crew, and two additional couples staying in the suites/cottages at River Dunes for a resort style weekend.



Terrific cruise to River Dunes. Lots of folks came and we had a blast. Great to have so many friends join the fun.



Up next...the **Dowry Creek Cruise** September 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>! We have four boats so far, but there is still time to get your reservations in by emailing them at [dowrycreek@gmail.com](mailto:dowrycreek@gmail.com) or call 252-943-2728. Contact Karen & Tadd once your slip reservation has been made or if you have any questions on the Cruise. A dinner out will be planned for the 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Communication Officer****Lt/C Chris Young, S**

I am happy to announce that Jeremy Orchard has volunteered to take on the role of Squadron Webmaster. He will work through a transition period with Steve Neckyfarow into the first quarter of 2022. We are very fortunate to have within our membership an individual with Jeremy's skill set. As I've mentioned, this is an important role as it is the backbone to our public communication and awareness of the Squadron's efforts for the local boating recreational community.

Please take a moment to thank Jeremy when you see him for his willingness to take on this role as he becomes familiar with our website, our webhosting service and Joomla application to maintain our website structure.

We do have a major change to our public identity coming up which Jeremy and Steve will work together on. You will begin to see this transition on all aspects of our communication in the next months.

A bit of history.....

Several years ago the United States Power Squadrons (USPS) invested in and began the marketing change to provide the organization with a more current, recognizable name. America's Boating Club meets that challenge and provides an effort to update our image appealing to today's boaters. This has proven meaningful and we have incorporated the new Logo in many of our communications. With a more modern logo, both squadrons and districts have been asked to now leverage this change and rename our squadron to incorporate the logo in our name for public marketing purposes. This identity will be a DBA (Doing Business As) or Trade Name used only for marketing. Officially and legally we are still the United States Power Squadrons and Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron.

This is the marketing name change approved by our Executive Committee for our Squadron going forward.



**Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron based in Washington, NC**

This change will require not only to name change on the website to change but all text within the pages must be altered. In addition, our Sound of the Pamlico Newsletter; Facebook platform; all Squadron promotional materials, flyers and brochures must change. At this time our name tags and apparel logos will not change as their identification is already America's Boating Club.

If you have any questions on this change please feel free to chat with any of our Bridge and Executive Committee members or email to [communications@pspsnc.com](mailto:communications@pspsnc.com)



## Safety Tips for Excessive Heat On & Off the Water

We've certainly had our share of extremely hot and humid weather this year! It's important to wear light-weight, loose fitting clothing, stay hydrated and stay informed. When the body heats too rapidly to cool itself properly, or when too much fluid or salt is lost through dehydration or sweating, body temperatures rises and you or someone you care about may experience a heat-related illness. Regardless of being on or off the water, it's important to pay attention to warning signs and symptoms. The CDC provides a list of warning signs and first aid steps. For more information visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/warning.html>

**Heat Cramps** (May be the first sign of heat-related illness and may lead to heat exhaustion or stroke.)

**Symptoms:** Painful muscle cramps and spasms usually in the legs and abdomen and heavy sweating.

**First Aid:** Apply firm pressure on cramping muscles or gently massage to relieve spasm. Give sips of water unless the person complains of nausea, then stop giving water. Seek immediate medical attention if cramps last longer than 1 hour.

### **Heat Exhaustion**

**Symptoms:** Heavy sweating, weakness or tiredness, cool, pale, clammy skin; fast or weak pulse, muscle cramps, dizziness, nausea or vomiting, headache or fainting.

**First Aid:** Move person to a cooler environment, preferably an air conditioned room. Loosen clothing, apply cool wet cloths or have person sit in a cool bath. Offer sips of water. Seek immediate medical attention if the person vomits more than once, symptoms worsen or last longer than 1 hour.

### **Heat Stroke**

**Symptoms:** Throbbing headache, confusion, nausea, dizziness, body temperature above 103F, hot, red, dry or damp skin, rapid and strong pulse, fainting, loss of consciousness.

**First Aid:** Call 911, if on a boat radio of emergency, and get the victim to a hospital immediately. Heat stroke is a severe medical emergency. Delay can be fatal. Do NOT give fluids. Move victim to a cooler, preferably air-conditioned environment. Reduce body temperature with cool cloths or sit down bath. Use a fan if heat index temperatures are below the high 90s. Note, a fan can make you hotter if air is at higher temperatures.

**The National Weather Service Forecast Office will issue heat-related warnings.**

**For more information visit:** <https://www.weather.gov/safety/heat-ww>

**Excessive Heat Warning—Take Action** An Excessive Heat Warning is issued within 12 hours of the onset of extremely dangerous heat conditions. The general rule for this Warning is when the maximum heat index temperature is expected to be 105° or higher for at least 2 days and night time air temperatures will not drop below 75°. Criteria varies across the country, especially for areas not used to extreme heat conditions. If you don't take precautions immediately when conditions are extreme, you may become seriously ill or even die.

**Excessive Heat Watches—Be Prepared** Heat watches are issued when conditions are favorable for an excessive heat event in the next 24 to 72 hours. A Watch is used when the timing is uncertain.

**Heat Advisory—Take Action** A Heat Advisory is issued within 12 hours of the onset of extremely dangerous heat conditions. The general rule for this Advisory is when the maximum heat index temperature is expected to be 100° or higher for at least 2 days, and night time air temperatures will not drop below 75°. Take precautions to avoid heat illness.

Keep yourself, your loved ones and your friends safe!



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Copy the link below into your internet address line for the video:

<https://americasboatingchannel.com/video/introducing-atons/>

These videos are developed to provide a focus on boating safety and safe boating education. Hope you find them of interest.

## Ship Store

Ginny Waite, our Ship's Store Chair, has PSPS Burgee shown below is in stock and available at a cost of \$25.00. As well as an inventory of PSPS Hats (\$20/ea).



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Contact Ginny at [shipstore@pspsnc.com](mailto:shipstore@pspsnc.com) to place your orders or give her a call at 946-0322 with any questions.



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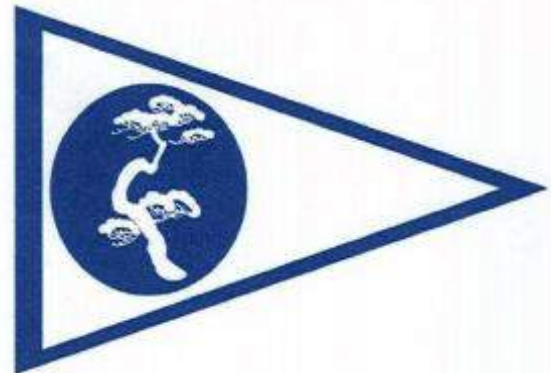
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For more information go to our PSPS Website Calendar [here](#):

### September

- 11 Past Commanders Picnic  
Loc: Pamlico Plantation
- 24-26 Cruise to Belhaven  
Marina: Dowry Creek

### October

- 14 General Membership  
Dinner Meeting – WYCC  
Speaker TBD
- 15-17 Smoke on the Water Cruise  
Washington Waterfront

### November

- TBD Social Outing  
Toys for Tots Collection

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