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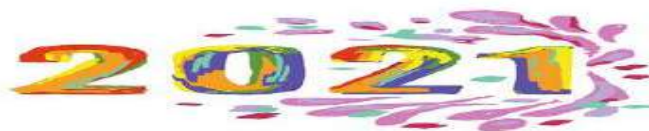
There is much enthusiasm and more than a modicum of hope that the year 'of our discontent' is about to come to an end or at least garner a more controlled and relatively safe environment for a majority of Americans. A precipitous drop is reported in new cases of the China virus that has wreaked havoc with each of our lives over the last year. Thanks to the vaccine rollout and an

impressive mobilization of health services to deliver the life insuring injections, we are surely on the cusp of finding our sea legs again and launching a concerted effort to recapture the pleasant routines we all had to give up in early 2020.

We are laying the groundwork and setting plans in place to give you the opportunity to gather again as a celebrating crew and enjoy the comradery and educational opportunities afforded by our great organization!

The Change of Watch is planned for April. We have much to catch up on and immeasurable experiences to capture and share. We still, luckily, are close by the best possible recreational venues in the beautiful Pamlico and Tar Rivers. The Outer Banks stretches beyond and the sky is again the limit for us all. You may all still be mildly depressed and dubious, hesitant to look further than your streaming television and the refrigerator but I am standing here sending you positive vibes and encouragement to promote a different outlook. I am asking you to give me a call or text or an email and share your suggestions and ideas for the Squadron to pursue and develop for everyone's benefit. The time is now, never better, and we are moving toward an active and social springtime. I hope you are as anxious as I to pick up where we left off and motor out into the current again. Strike your mainsail and crack a smile. Soon this nightmare will be in the past and Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron will noisily reclaim the seats at Washington Yacht and Country Club and we can all cluster around the bar and raise our glasses in salute to our tenacious survival and anticipation of a great, active, healthy, fun filled season!

I want to give each of you a warm embrace and welcome you back to normalcy...sooner than later. We are resolutely indefatigable and most certainly on the optimistic road to a great 2021! Think about it, give me a shout!





United States Power Squadrons® Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron 2021 Watch Year Nominations

Your Nominating Committee is happy to provide you with the 2021 Slate of Nominations in advance of our April Change of Watch Elections.

2021 Bridge Officers

Commander	Kay Graham, S
Executive Officer	Walt Morrissey
Administrative Officer	Louise Bonadies
Education Officer	Cathy Karlovich, N
*Acting Treasurer	Carl Erickson, AP
Secretary	Marisa Morrissey

2021 Assistants to Bridge Officers

Asst Admin Officer-Social – Lorne Hope, AP
Asst Admin Officer-Boating – Tadd Herron
Asst Education Officer – Mike Karlovich, AP
Asst Treasurer – Andrew Vogel
Asst Secretary - Edith Hope

2021 Executive Committee

2019 Bridge Officers
Ed Mann, AP
Chris Young, S
Tom Graham, SN
Steve Neckyfarow, JN

2021 Rules Committee

Jim Hackney, P - Chair
Bob Hatala, SN
Don Dunlap, SN-IN

2021 Audit Committee

Bill Waite, S – Chair
Scott Mackenzie, AP

2021 Nominating Committee for 2022 Watch Year

Sharon Alligood, S – Chair
Chris Young, S
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*Carl will continue managing the Treasurer responsibilities until we can fill that position.



**Pamlico Sail & Power Squadron
Change of Watch**

April – Date to be Announced

**Officer Elections and
Membership Awards**

Executive Officer

Lt/C Walt Morrissey



We are all excited to begin planning the re-start of our Squadron activities. I am happy to continue as your Executive Officer and focus on those events that are in the area of civic contribution to our communities.

Hopefully we learn soon the status of Vessel Safety Inspections. That is an important role and contributes to boating safety in our local waters. National Safe Boating Week for 2021 is May 22 -28 this year and we'll see what opportunities that may give us to reach out to all recreational boaters.



===== Wrapping up 2020 =====
Toy collection boxes were placed at the Cypress Landing Marina Lounge and at the Washington Yacht & Country Club foyer for toy donations. My 'guesstimate' is that we collected 25-30% of what we did last year. What a year....we do appreciate membership contributions wherever the toys were placed and those who donated money to the program.

Our Squadron was assigned our traditional post at the Wal-Mart on Thursday, December 3rd. Understandably we struggled for volunteers due to the pandemic. During my time 'ringing the bell', many people approached me and thanked me for doing it and being there. My feelings are that contributions were close to last year or better. Our other bell ringers experienced the same overwhelming response from shoppers. In light of the misery 2020 has brought to the world this experience was nice to see. Thank you to all the volunteers, Walt!



Just a couple of the volunteer photos. We hardly recognized volunteer, P/C Tom Graham....he looks like the real Santa, doesn't he!



**2021 MINDSET:
LET GO OF WHAT'S GONE.
BE GRATEFUL FOR WHAT REMAINS.
LOOK FORWARD TO WHAT'S COMING!**

Educational Officer

Lt/C Cathy Karlovich, JN



Like all of you, I am looking forward to the return of a more “normal” environment once the COVID-19 pandemic is under control. The Americas Boating Club national meeting (virtual this year) is taking place during mid-February. I have been tuning into all of the Educational Department presentations and it is giving me lots of ideas about how to conduct training during these socially distant times.

I’m researching the virtual options to see what will work best for our instructors and students. I’ll be flexible with switching classes to in person when that becomes a possibility. I am thinking of starting with an America’s Boating Course (ABC’s) for the beginners and then offering the new Boat Handling Course. This course takes the place of the retired Seamanship course and is conducted as 6 seminars. The seminars are Rules of the Road, Confidence in Docking and Undocking, Boating with Confidence, Anchoring with Assurance, Emergencies on Board, and Knots and Line Handling. Students will be register for the whole course to get a certification or just for individual seminars. I know that I’ll appreciate a refresher on these topics!

I’ll also plan some additional educational opportunities thru out the year. If there are any courses or seminars that you’d like in the plans for 2021, please let me know at pspsed@gmail.com. You can find the list of Seminars at <https://americasboatingclub.org/learn/education-matters/all/all-seminars>. You can find the list of Courses at <https://americasboatingclub.org/learn/education-matters/all/all-courses>.

Keep in mind, until we get our squadron offerings going, there are quite a few educational opportunities from America's Boating Club offered on line. You can see what’s available at <https://americasboatingclub.org/learn/online-boating-education>.

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Administrative Officer

Lorne Hope, AP



Hello all, finally, there are opportunities ahead of us for Spring 2021! With vaccines available, we are all looking forward to restarting our Squadron and gathering as had before the pandemic. I will shift my support of the Squadron to Assistant Administrative Officer - Social for 2021. I plan to set up our "just for fun" gatherings for lunch or dinner where we can enjoy a couple hours out and catching up with member friends all in a safe and responsible manner. Stay posted and, of course, if you have any ideas be sure to let me know as I explore our options. Email me any time at administrativeofficer@pspsnc.com

Have you joined the PSPS Facebook Group yet? Be sure to check out what is happening with our boaters by visiting and contributing to our PSPS Facebook. Our Facebook Administrator, Andrew Vogel, has provided us with a terrific way to keep in touch and exchange experiences.



Visit at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PamlicoSailAndPowerSquadron>

Communication Officer

Lt/C Chris Young, S



We are fortunate that we have many members who will lead our Squadron into 2021 as we restart our Squadron and involvement with our local communities. There are a few chair positions that support our elected officers and that effort....one of these just might be the right fit for you. Here are a few within the communications area that have the additional benefit of being a contributing effort you can accomplish on your own timeline without leaving home. Interested? Email for more details at communications@pspsnc.com

Writer – Our good friend Biff Matthews wrote articles for a monthly column published in the Washington Daily News. Topics can be pulled from a national database and modified for local interest or simply an article written from a boaters experience on various topics. It also gives PSPS the opportunity to reach our many recreational boaters. Let me know if this is of interest to you.

Public Relations – This is a role that communicates with local communities, newspapers, local boating related businesses and surrounding boating groups promoting the Squadron's efforts in education, boating and civic involvement using the already prepared flyers communicated within our membership.

Historian – This is a fun role for creative members. We maintain an annual scrapbook of events, press releases, awards, squadron promotional activities, etc. For those with that gift, you could really enjoy this effort. It is something you can work on at your leisure and be enjoyed by all at our annual meeting. Susie Templeton has filled this role for a number of years and would be happy to assist in the transition to another member.

In an effort to enhance your reading pleasure our *Sound of the Pamlico*, we will be adding highlights of local interest to our newsletters as you will see on the next page. If you know of any other Beaufort County opportunities or endeavors that would be of interest to our membership, please forward details to me at communications@pspsnc.com

Local interests on and off the Water!

Announcing Sunset River Tours!

Come enjoy the river...from the river, at a most magical time of day. When Pigs Fly Inn, hosted by Captain Andrew Vogel, have put together a schedule of relaxing scenic Sunset Pontoon Boat River Tours on the Tar-Pamlico River. The Estuarium Pontoon cruises begin late afternoon and last approximately an hour and a half. Enjoy the scenic view of the Washington waterfront from the river at a magical time of day.



Tours starting in March 2021. For more information, click on this link:

<https://www.wherpigsflyinn.com/sunset-boat-tours>



Open 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, for more information call 252-923-2191

As our weather begins to warm up, keep Goose Creek State Park in mind. The eight miles of trails leads visitors through a broad range of coastal experiences. Live oaks draped in Spanish moss, wetlands along the Pamlico Sound and a cypress swamp viewed from an extensive boardwalk. A visitor and environmental education center explains it all with detailed exhibits. Getting into or onto the waters of the sound is easy at a sandy swim beach, a boat ramp or a paddling launch.



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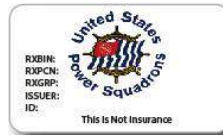
Come sail with our PSPS Member, Captain Andrew Vogel, a U.S.C.G licensed Master, aboard his sailboat Bella. Bella is his Pacific Seacraft 34 cutter-rigged sloop and lives in downtown Washington NC at the waterfront docks on the Pamlico River. Captain Vogel offers half-day and full-day excursions aboard Bella on the Pamlico River, and multi-day trips into Pamlico Sound and beyond.

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BEHAVIORAL CONSEQUENCES

The new "Behavioral Consequences" video covers the importance to recreational boat operators of having a working knowledge of the Navigation Rules. Viewers will learn about the dangers of not following the rules of the road. Also featured are tips for responsible boating.

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

<https://americasboatingchannel.com/video/behavioral-consequences/>

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).



The one time set up cost of our logo has been paid for by the Squadron and available for all members. You can purchase items directly from A1 Awards & Promotions or bring your own article of clothing, bags or other boating accessories and have the new logo added at a cost of \$10 per item.



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Contact Ginny at shipstore@pspsnc.com to place your orders or give her a call at 946-0322 with any questions.



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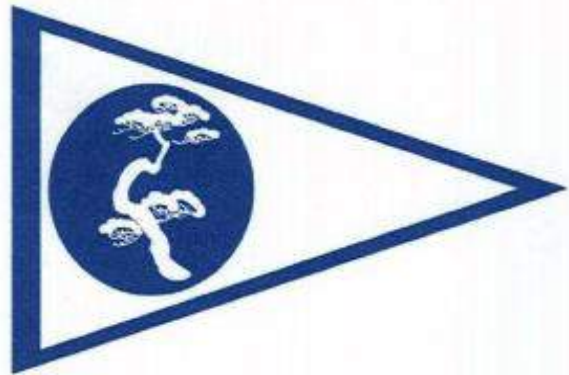


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National Awards Received



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Calendar of Upcoming Events

March

- 8 Executive Committee Meeting - Squadron Restart Planning
- 27-29 D27 Council/Conference & Change of Watch

April

- TBD Change of Watch

May

- 22-28 National Safe Boating Week

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