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October 20th General Membership Dinner Meeting

As always, we enjoyed two delicious meal selections at the Washington Yacht & Country Club. We started with an unexpected cancellation of our speaker, but switched up the evening with our Commander and Bridge Officers able to take the opportunity to share other relevant information for members.

Liz provided an update on future group social events (see Page 5); Rio confirmed we would participate in our annual community outreach of Marine's Toys for Tots and our full day of Salvation Army Bell Ringer (Page 3); Cathy brought us up to date on Education plans (Page 4); and Tadd reported on the 2022 cruises with the planning starting for 2023 (Page 6).

Sharon Alligood reported on the Nominating Committee efforts to date and the roles that still need to be filled, see her full recap on Page 7. There is an Organizational Chart on the website, click [here](#), showing various roles open that require less effort that you might be interested in. We'd like to hear from you!

Tom Graham presented his District Educational Officer updates, highlighting the changes in the Education Department. The Learning Center has expanded and now includes Boat Handling, Weather and Cruise Planning on line along with 10 seminars. Also two long awaited in-person course revisions, Marine Navigation Course (including electronic navigation) and the Advance Navigation Course has been updated and should be available in 2023.

For a number of years the Boating Skills Virtual Trainer has been available as a training aid which the squadron has used in the past. A new sophisticated laptop, PC based Multi-Vessel Interactive Trainer has now been developed. The software supports multiple vessel types including power, sail and PWC. Additionally, there is a sophisticated radar simulator with a full complement of operating controls giving us superior teaching aids for a number of our courses.



America's Boating Club (USPS) has been awarded a new grant from the U. S. Coast Guard to expand America's Boating Channel videos at a rate of 12 per year for the next three years. People will be trained on how to use drones for training. YouTube videos that will provide information on navigating specific waterways and include the drone generated footage. The first of this series deals with high-traffic inlets, harbors and rivers. Those are Haulover (Miami), Columbia River and our Cape Fear River.

Tom showed the completed video of Haulover and brought along his personal drone, which is the same model being used in this professionally produced program.

Commander's Corner

Cdr. Walt Morrissey

Wow...is it almost November already. If you have a fall work list you need to get cracking.

We are gearing up to celebrate the Holidays and everything we can offer to our Club members and community. Think about Toys for Tots and Bell Ringing and you are ready to celebrate the Holidays...Power Squadron Style. We will be reaching out to our membership to sign up. Please consider, we did struggle during Covid but please help us help others.

It has been a fun year and we are not done yet. I hope to see you at the November 17th social dinner at Marabella's and the December 9, Christmas Party!

We are working to finalize next year's Bridge Officers. We are always looking for help. Sharon Alligood is leading the charge and would like to talk to you. Really! If you were initially attracted to our Club for our course offerings please consider volunteering. We are interested to expand our Education Committee and would like to build a team to help us. It is bigger than 1 or 2 people so we need help to do it right. No experience necessary, a passion for helping and meeting new boaters will help us deliver on our commitment to the boating community. If you love boating but don't think you can help...call me, I am sure you can help. We need you and will support you as you support our training objectives.

The Past Commanders Shrimp Boil, what a great time! The weather was terrific, the High Water Social Club's indoor/outdoor location a perfect venue and everyone felt the shrimp was the best they've had. Thanks to Gene Alligood, the Shrimp Boil Chef, and to our Past Commanders for providing us with such a great event. We were joined by D27 Commander Sarah McCurry and her husband Jamie. We truly appreciate our Past Commanders, Gene Alligood, Bill Waite, Sharon Alligood, Tom Graham, Bill Templeton and Kay Graham for their generosity and celebration of another successful year for our Club. **Be sure to check the photos on Page 8 and lots more by clicking [here](#).**

Our Squadron is a proud Grant Recipient from the Cypress Landing Yacht Club Community Fund for 2022. This Foundation was established to provide support to charitable organizations and other causes in our community. This \$500 Grant will help our club to continue our efforts to support Boater Safety in our area.



Executive Officer**Lt/C Rio DeGennaro, P**

I have always enjoyed the feeling I get when I know my gift is going to be great. When you know what you have given is EXACTLY what the person wants, there is no better feeling in the world.

That is why Toys for Tots is such a great program. Shopping for toys at my age is a magical trip down memory lane and allows me to feel my gift of a toy is going to be great for some little person. I hope you will join me in making it a magical season for yourself and the Tots by donating lots and lots of toys this season!

For over seven decades, this program has evolved and grown exponentially having delivered hope and the magic of Christmas to over 281 million less fortunate children. The 2022 holiday season marks the 75th anniversary of the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program! **Let's join them in a special Nationwide celebration of this significant milestone.**

Toys for Tots collections will be getting started at our Social dinner on November 17th at Marabella. We'll have a collection box there for your unwrapped gift. Let's fill that box as we've done in the past! We will assist community outreach by placing collection boxes in the Cypress Landing Marina and the Washington Yacht and Country Club. Early December, we will be turning in all collected items in for distribution to children within Beaufort County.



Our annual effort for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing has been scheduled for Wednesday, December 7th from 10:30 AM to 8:00 PM. Many volunteers have commented on this as a rewarding experience as you see the charitable giving within the Washington and surrounding communities. We will need some volunteers to fill our scheduled hours. Make it fun, sign up as couples or with a friend. It will only take an hour of your time.

These are traditional activities that I hope you will be able to participate in. You can volunteer for the Bell Ringing activity by emailing me at executiveofficer@pspsnc.com or give me a call at 678-313-4583. Click [here](#) for the flyer details.

First just a reminder, our Vessel Safety Team of Inspectors remain available for your VSC Inspections for members as well as all recreational boaters. Feel free to email me to set a date for your inspection at VSC@pspsnc.com or give me a call at 678-313-4583.



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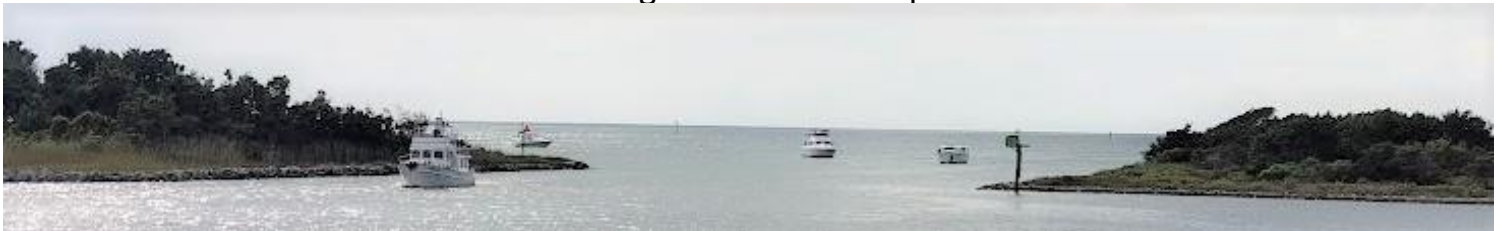
Educational Officer

Lt/C Cathy Karlovich, JN



Happy Fall Y'All! I can't believe how quickly time flies!

We've had lots of fun on the water this year and the cruise to Ocracoke last month was no exception. Mike and I enjoyed leading the other boats in and out of the entrance to Ocracoke. As I am sure many of you know, that is the most challenging part of the trip. The weather on the island was wonderful and we had lots of down time to relax, swim, race golf carts, eat, and have oyster shooters! The weather on the trip home was a bit of a wild card. We contacted Rio a few times to make sure the big clouds weren't coming our way. We were greeted with a beautiful double rainbow when we got back to our slip.



Mike and I attended the Fort Macon Aids to Navigation class with Darryl and Kelly Hasslinger. There was a lecture about the Aids to Navigation in the Morehead City area followed by a trip on the Carolina Princess. The cruise is interesting because you go out during the day light and return in the dark. You get to really experience how lighted beacons and boys look during the day and at night. Kelly and I followed the trip on our charts while the Mike and Darryl took in the sights. If anyone has the opportunity to attend, Moorhead City has every marker known to exist as examples.



Click [here](#) for Photos

We have an America's Boating Club class coming up on November 5, click [here](#) for the flyer. As our ABC class in June was such a huge success, I wanted to host another before the end of the year. Registrations are rolling in so I expect this class to fill also. It's a great class for both new boaters and experienced boaters alike. The more you know, think, and drill about safety the better! That reminds me that Mike and I need to practice our man over board drill (using a buoy and not a person, of course). We have a hoist that we need to make sure we understand how to use.

I'd like to conduct a Weather Seminar (hopefully) before the end of the year. I am planning that it will be at no charge to our members as a thank you for belonging to the club. Depending on the response to the seminar we can decide if our members would like a full Weather Course. I have heard this is one of the most challenging of our courses and I would love to give it a try!

We're planning to hold a Marine Electrical Systems course starting in January. It is a great course covering wiring practices and diagrams, AC and DC power, galvanic and stray current corrosion, lightning protection, and so much more. There is an emphasis on troubleshooting which is always helpful!

As I reported at the General Membership Meeting in October, I plan to pass the torch to someone else after being Education Officer for the last 3 years. But, I will stay on as Assistant Education Officer and take the opportunity to help build a team effort, as opposed to a one-man effort.

I hope you enjoy the crisp weather of the fall with a few well timed boat trips! I know that we will!

Administrative Officer

Lt/C Liz Wheeler

We finished our 2022 general meeting dinners on October 20th with an attendance of 35 members and 1 guest, Roy O'Brien. We were disappointed that our scheduled speaker from the Tryon Palace wasn't able to be with us, but we were pleased that our ABC-Pamlico Bridge was able to put together an interesting and informative program at the last minute. Thanks very much to all of the Bridge and other members who made this possible. We have lots of photos thanks to Cathy Karlovich on Page 11 and on our website by clicking [here](#).

We are in the midst of planning our Christmas Event, if you would like to join in that planning, please contact me at administrativeofficer@pspsnc.com. We hope to have a fun evening that includes your own holiday memories. We ask that you bring a photo or two (or scanned copies of photos) of you as a youngster to the dinner on Friday, December 9. Please put your photos in a blank envelope or folder with your name on the **inside** of the envelope to assure anonymity. We will return all photos to you at the end of the evening in the envelope that you provide. Last year's popular "White Elephant" gift exchange may also be included, so watch for details with the dinner announcement.

We will have our Change of Watch Luncheon on a weekend in February, so please be on the watch for that date to add to your 2023 calendar. And, we look forward to scheduling our general meeting dinners and speakers for 2023. Some speakers currently under consideration are:

1) Rescheduling Shane Mason, Historic Interpreter from the Tryon Palace; 2) STEM director from the Washington, NC program for area students; 3) Whale presentation from Bonehenge Whale Center in Beaufort, NC and 4) History of the ICW

Please contact administrativeofficer@pspsnc.com with your suggestions for speakers, too.

Assistant Administrative Officer - Social

Lorne Hope, AP

Lorne was on vacation during September, but in his usual thorough way, he arranged an excellent social dinner on September 20th. We all enjoyed an excellent dinner at Greenville's Rickhouse Restaurant along with specialty beer and some enjoyed drinks from their extensive bourbon selection. Thank you Lorne from all 26 member attendees.

Our November social has been scheduled closer to home on Thursday, November 17th. Its Marabella's for dinner, click [here](#) for details. We will also participate again in the Marine's Toys for Tots collection. Rio has arranged to have a box available for your unwrapped toy donations. All toys collected go to the children within Beaufort-Hyde Counties!



Click [here](#) for more photos.



Assistant Administrative Officers - Boating Tadd & Karen Herron, P



There were 9 cruises planned for 2022 and 8 completed. We will begin planning our 2023 Cruises very soon and in fact there is a wish list that will be sent out for review. Be sure to get involved to include your favorite destination and a few new ones! What a great group of active boaters we have with 7 and 8 boats participating in back to back cruises.

There is a need for several cruise planners for specific destinations. It certainly adds to the fun and creative ideas for the group of boaters as we share the planning to your favorite destination. It's been amazing...Come join us!

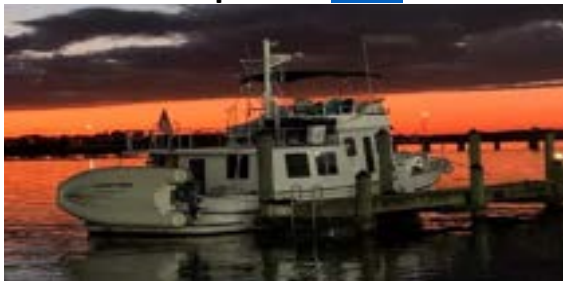
Labor Day Weekend in Ocracoke...could it get any better! Swim, race golf carts, food & beverages and simply relaxing with friends. Howard's Pub has our burgee, so if you are on Ocracoke, visit and find it. A prize will be given!



Click [here](#) for more photos!



More Smoke on the Water Cruise fun photos [here](#)!



Tadd & Karen are planning to leave on longer cruises in the next year or two. In the meantime, let's stretch out to some interesting cruises to new and fun destinations. We'd like to hear from you, just Email boatingactivities@pspsnc.com or text Tadd at 252-916-4832 with any ideas.

NOMINATING EFFORTS

As Sharon Alligood reported at our October meeting, we are very happy to confirm that our Commander, Walt Morrissey, and many of our Bridge Officers are willing to continue in their roles for the 2023 Watch Year. What an engaged group and they are motivated for another great year in 2023.

There are a few open roles that are excellent opportunities to get involved. For newer members or those who have never held a position, doing so is a great way to get involved in a support role and become familiar with more members.

Education Officer – Leading and managing the Education department, scheduling classes and seminars, ordering materials, coordinating class locations and working with various instructors. The good news is, Cathy Karlovich has offered to stay on as Assistant Education Officer. During Cathy's three years, she has gathered several instructors to support the department. The goal is to encourage more volunteers to assist in various aspects of this role and build a team rather than one individual managing it all. In addition, Tom Graham (current District 27 Education Officer) is also our Certified Instructor and will continue to support the education team.

Assistant Treasurer – Our current Treasurer, Tom Graham will continue for 2023. The Assistant's role is to become cross trained in the software used for financials (Quick Books – for transactional processing). Understanding of basic financial accounting is helpful, no need for a CPA. Becoming familiar with the role of treasurer will allow an easy transition to Treasurer for 2024.

Audit Committee - Responsibility is an annual audit of the books at year end. Bill Waite is remaining for 2023 and will cross train a second committee volunteer.

The above roles are required to be filled for voting at our 2023 Change of Watch. However, there are other volunteer roles that support our Elected Slate of Officers. These require lower level of commitment and is a great way to support our Club and expand your fellowship with other members.

Examples of other open opportunities are:

Education – Instructors for teaching a seminar or courses, class room set up, ordering materials, etc. Again, the focus is to create a team spreading out the effort for education planning and offerings.

Property Officer – Maintains a list of the squadron physical assets (banners, tables, brochures, etc), stores some materials not used on a repeated basis and participates in bringing them to annual marine market sales as needed.

The Nominating Committee is: Sharon Alligood – shanglin@aol.com; Chris Young – chrisyoung@suddenlink.net; and Kay Graham – kaygraham3@me.com

Don't wait for them to contact you, feel free to give one of them a call, talk with other bridge officers or specific event chairs if an area for volunteering is especially interesting to you.

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PAST COMMANDERS SHRIMP BOIL EVENT



👏 Thank you 👏
Past Commanders!
What a terrific Sunday
afternoon.

See more photos on our
website, click [here](#).





**USPS recently
awarded a
USCG
Nonprofit
Grant to
expand videos!**

Defensive Boating for the new & experienced!

The new "DEFENSIVE BOATING" video covers the importance of keeping a safe distance from other boaters. Viewers will learn how experienced boaters can change their habits for a safer boating experience with so many new boaters on the water. Also featured are special tips for those who are new to boating.

Copy the link below into your internet address line for the video:
<https://youtu.be/DMZKW0VUI9I>

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



The 2022 Ensign Fall Issue

In this issue...

Learn what gear you need for winter paddling in this issue's **Paddle Smarts**.

In **Key West Shakedown Cruise**, experienced cruisers join new live aboards on their maiden voyage.

See what's next for our intrepid 80-year-olds in **Part II of Octogenarian Odyssey**.

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Prevent Carbon Monoxide Poisoning on Your Boat

Gasoline-powered engines on boats, including onboard generators, produce carbon monoxide (CO), a colorless and odorless gas that can poison or kill someone who breathes too much of it.

How CO Can Build Up In a Boat

Larger boats, sometimes have generators that vent toward the rear of the boat. This venting poses a danger of CO poisoning to people on the rear swim deck or water platform. On larger boats CO builds up above the water near the water platform. CO that builds up in the air space beneath the stern deck or on and near the swim deck can kill someone in seconds.

Traveling at slow speeds or idling in the water can cause CO to build up in a boat's cabin, cockpit, bridge, and aft deck, or in an open area. Wind from the aft section of the boat can increase this buildup of CO.

Back drafting can cause CO to build up inside the cabin, cockpit, and bridge when a boat is operated at a high bow angle, is improperly or heavily loaded, or has an opening that draws in exhaust.

Symptoms of CO Poisoning

The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. High levels of CO inhalation can cause death. CO poisoning can also cause you to pass out and fall into the water and drown. A person who is sleeping or intoxicated can die from CO poisoning before ever having symptoms.

How to Prevent CO Poisoning on Boats

Install and maintain a working CO detector listed by Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) as appropriate for marine use inside the boat.

- Properly install and maintain all fuel-burning engines and appliances.
- Educate all passengers about the signs and symptoms of CO poisoning.
- Swim and play away from areas where engines vent their exhaust.
- Watch children closely when they play on rear swim decks or water platforms.
- Never block exhaust outlets. Blocking outlets can cause CO to build up in the cabin and cockpit areas—even when hatches, windows, portholes, and doors are closed.
- Dock, beach, or anchor at least 20 feet away from the nearest boat that is running a generator or engine. Exhaust from a nearby vessel can send CO into the cabin and cockpit of a boat.



Image courtesy of U.S. Coast Guard
Back drafting can occur when a boat is operated at a high bow angle.



Image courtesy of U.S. Coast Guard
Exhaust from nearby vessels can send CO into your boat's cabin or cockpit.

If you think a person on your boat has CO poisoning move him or her to fresh air right away and contact the nearest emergency services.

Source: CDC Center for Disease Control and Prevention

October 20th General Membership Dinner Meeting



More photos on our Website in the Members Only Photo Gallery. Click [here](#)!



**Boating Tips
Column
Washington Daily
News**

Tom McCluskey continues to provide boating related articles and Mike Karlovich has volunteered to join Tom to write for the Washington Daily Newspaper Boating Column...we have a writing team!

Articles since the last Newsletter printing:

- [Fall Boating Tips](#)
- [Aqua Map Navigation](#)

To see all articles and other news releases, visit the website at <https://pamlicosailandpowersquadron.org/index.php/news-info/psps-blog>

ABC-Pamlico Ship Store

Ginny Waite, our current Ship's Store Chair, has an inventory of America's Boating Club of the Pamlico's Burgee in stock as shown below. Burgee size is 12" x 18" - Cost: \$25.00



Contact Ginny at shipstore@pspsnc.com to place your orders or give her a call at 946-0322 to purchase. Ginny has been our Ship Store Chair for many years and would like to hand off this effort to someone else. Feel free to contact her if that interests you.



National's Ship Store of America's Boating Club apparel is available. See more at <https://store.shopusps.org/Apparel/>

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2022
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Calendar of Upcoming Events

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

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17 [Marabella Social Dinner & Toys for Tots Collection](#)

December

7 [Salvation Army Bell Ringing](#)
9 Christmas Party

January

1/07 D27 Winter Training
Resurrection Lutheran
Cary, NC

February

TBD Change of Watch
19 – 26 USPS Annual Meeting
Orlando, FL

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