

ON THE HORIZON

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Next Membership Meeting is Wednesday January 20th at the Bowman Restauarnt at 7:30 PM. Those planning on having dinner should begin arriving for dinner around 6 PM.

COMMANDER



With all the warmer than normal weather we had in December I was really trying to get one last boat ride in for 2015. When I had the weather I couldn't get a crew. When I could get a crew—well the weather didn't cooperate. 2015 is over so now my thoughts turn to the first boat ride of 2016. That's probably a few months away but it is time to get ready!

In order to be properly prepared one must consider two areas of planning. First of all where are we going to go and what are we going to do when we get there? Secondly what do we need to get our selves and our equipment ready.

The cruise planning party kicks off on Saturday January 23rd to address the first issue. See the flyer on page 6 for more details. The Baltimore boat show follows the next week to help with the second issue.

The cruise planning party leads to the cruise weekends which are a lot of fun. We want to make sure that as many members as possible can join in. This means you! So help us set the schedule. Where would you like to go? When can you make it? This year we may have a combined Commander's and Top Gun Cruise. Rumor has it we may be visiting District 4 and possibly even Districts 1, 2 and 3. We've never gone quite that far before but incoming Commander Douglas Riley, AP has dreams of heading up north.

If you have suggestions where you would like to go then please bring them up at the meeting. Even better let me know ahead of time and I will make sure they are discussed. We would like to have everyone make it to at least one rendezvous. I am also looking for people to help organize and run some of these events. It's not that much work and there is always someone to guide you through it.

So now that we've dreaming about the perfect summer we can move right into the Baltimore Boat show and keep right on dreaming. Maybe a new boat or jet ski. How about a new stand up paddle board or kayak to get you back into shape after testing out the new margarita machine! And of course we mustn't forget the new electronics and boating fashions.

P/C Tracey Stuenes, P is heading up the boat show volunteers this year and she does need a lot of volunteers. Please contact her and let her know when you can help out.

I'm looking forward to another great year in 2016 for my friends and the squadron. Happy Boating in the New Year!

Respectfully submitted,
Commander John L. Hall, AP

HELP WANTED

Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron is hosting the District 5 Spring Conference in Ocean City on April 1st-3rd. P/C Steve Dalgarno, N is chairing the event and can use as much help as you can spare. What can you do you ask? First of all contact Steve and let him know you are ready to help. The conference runs Friday through Sunday. A lot of us will be there Thursday night for the Chili dinner to kickoff the weekend. Once the conference starts we'll need people to staff the raffle table and to staff the registration table. Incoming Cdr Douglas Riley, AP will need help with his fantastic hospitality suite and we're hosting the Commander's reception Saturday night. Even if you can't make it that weekend we still need to round up items for the raffle table.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Having just completed the Weather Course, I can say with confidence that as boaters we need to be mindful of Weather. I've also learned that clouds are a very good harbinger of Weather to come! Otherwise, my grasp of the subject is best summarized by Joni Mitchell:

*I've looked at clouds from both sides now,
From up and down and still somehow
It's cloud illusions I recall.
I really don't know clouds at all.*

This does not deter me, however, from making CLOUDS the theme of the Squadron's Hospitality Suite at the District 5 Spring Conference in Ocean City on April 1, 2016. Of course, the food and drink for a cloud-based hospitality suite are easy. We shall serve up Cloud Martinis – delicious whipped potatoes in martini glasses topped with your choice of bacon bits, shredded cheese, red peppers, green onions, guacamole, salsa, and a dollop of

sour cream, For our specialty drink: a Dark N Stormy, of course!

We'll also decorate the suite with low-level (cumulus) clouds upon the floor and high-level (cirrus) clouds upon the ceiling.

All that remains foggy is the educational component, and for that I call upon the Squadron – especially those who have taken the Weather Course – to brainstorm an entertaining meteorological curriculum for our Hospitality Suite. Call it cloud computing (if you must), but please give this matter your careful thought, and call me the very minute that lightning strikes!

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP
Executive Officer

Our Meeting Place

The Bowman Restaurant on Harford Road. 410-665-8600. Our regular meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month (except July) and start at 7:30 Those of us planning to eat should plan to arrive around 6:00 p.m. and we'll order from the menu. Those not planning on eating may arrive at any time but the meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. The best parking is on the left of the building and then enter through the double doors on the side.

The Bowman Restaurant is located at 9306 Harford Rd, Parkville, MD 21234, just OUTSIDE the Beltway, on the left-hand side as you head north – across from the CVS Drugstore.

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



ABC Courses:

Tidewater Marina:

The course is scheduled to start Feb. 2, 2016 at 7:00 PM. The class will run for 5 consecutive Tuesdays, with the exam given on the last night.

Two students have signed up so far.

Weather Course:

Bob Crimmins and Doug Riley took the exam Dec. 17th.

Results should be back within 2 – 4 weeks.

Instructors' Meeting:

The Instructors' meeting was held on December 9th at the Anchorage Towers in Baltimore.

Thanks to the following for their attendance:

David Blades	Streтт Broadbent	Robert Crimmins
Ken Finck	John Hall	Lois Nehmer-Schiff
Jim Redding	Doug Riley	Susan Rudy
Ray Schiff	Rolf Stuenes	

Other Possible Class Locations:

Still need everyone's help finding locations for classes that will not charge us.

Bob Crimmins and Susan Rudy met with the DSC (Downtown Sailing Center). While there was nothing readily available, there might be some interest in the future. **Thanks for taking your time to investigate!**

Towson United Methodist Church: 501 Hampton Lane, Towson, MD 21286

Open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays – No Thursdays

Cost = \$20/Night

We do not have a cost from St. Ursula's Church as yet. Brooks is negotiating.

News from National:

Planning Your Cruise—Boating Beyond the Day Trip

Thinking of venturing farther from your home port next summer? This newly released United States Power Squadrons' online seminar will show you what you need to do to ensure an enjoyable, safe cruise.

Taking the **Planning Your Cruise** seminar completes part of a full USPS course online. You can get credit for the USPS Cruising and Cruise Planning course by completing three online seminars and an online test. The first seminar, Weather for Boaters, has been available for a year. The second is the just-released **Planning Your Cruise**. The final online seminar and test will be available next year.

Planning Your Cruise is available for only \$30 (members receive a 20% discount) as are USPS' other online seminars: All About Marine Radio; Weather for Boaters; Partner in Command; Hurricane Prep for Boaters; and Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes.

To learn more, go to usps.org/edonline



Respectfully submitted

Lt./C J. Streтт Broadbent, AP – SEO

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



So far this winter has been so warm we've been tempted to rethink our decision to put S/V Tiphys "on the hard" earlier than we have in past years. A few more weekends of sailing would have been very nice. In the long run though, we are taking advantage of the extended dry time to get some much needed maintenance and upgrades done. All in all the time spent now will pay off next season with a much better sailing experience overall. We are certainly looking forward to spring!

Susan and I, along with a room full of wonderful people, had a great time at the Squadron's Holiday Party! The Bowman Restaurant did a magnificent job with the room and the food was as delicious as predicted. The Pirate Gift Exchange was a big hit with Commander John Hall and assistant "Elly the Elf", aka Membership Chair Lt. Susan Rudy, fulfilling the emcee duties and everyone leaving happy with their gifts.

The next boating related activity will be the Cruise Planning Party. Please see the Weekly Blast for details. We hope to see everyone there to help set the schedule for

the cruising destination for the coming season. The party is always a lot of good food, great friends and interesting discussion about the places we'll be going this summer.

Also on the schedule is the Baltimore Boat Show. This is a great opportunity for the Squadron to shine and attract new members to world of safe boating and education. Please consider volunteering as it takes a lot of people to staff the District 5 trailer for the duration of the show. If interested in helping, please contact P/C Tracey Stuenes for details and scheduling. Don't forget the free entry to the show for volunteering to assist! We all look forward to seeing you there!

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C David Blades, AP
Administrative Officer

SECRETARY'S REPORT



New Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron's Online SHIP'S STORE!

Make sure to check out our new Ship's Store and place your order for our Squadron's merchandise. Ordering is easy! Go to <http://dundalksquadron.qbstores.com> - and make sure to bookmark it!

Available merchandise includes polos, tees, button down shirts, jackets, sweatshirts, hats, bags - available in

multiple colors, plus 3 logos to choose from (2 logos for hats). You can buy as little as 1 item, and there will usually be specials and discounts available for you.

Send changes in your information for DB2000/National or our mailing list directly to me at: stuart-newborn@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Stuart Newborn, S

TREASURER'S REPORT



At our January Executive committee meeting a budget for the fiscal year beginning March 1st 2016 was presented and approved. This will be presented at the January membership meeting for approval by the membership.

Once we have set the budget for the coming year my department will work on getting loaded into the computer and then every expense will be coded to the proper

budget line item or if need be an exception to be approved by the Executive Committee.

The squadrons finances are in good shape and we aim to keep them that way. All bills have been paid and the books are current.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Richard D. Bussey, P

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Ahoy there Mates!

Your Nominating Committee is trying hard to provide a full slate of candidates to elect at the Annual Meeting, but we are getting unusual resistance when asking people if they are willing to hold office.

Our first priority is to find a promotable Assistant Squadron Education Officer to work with our proposed new SEO. We also are looking for an Administration Officer and a Secretary. There are other vacancies we think will be easier to fill, that we are still working on.

If you know someone that would be good in one of the offices, talk to them, and if they are agreeable, notify one of the committee members listed below. Also, if you

haven't been approached, but think you would like to be considered for the office, also talk to one of the following Committee members.

Let's not embarrass Dundalk by having blank spaces in the District Roster!

Your Nominating Committee,

D/1st/Lt Jim Redding

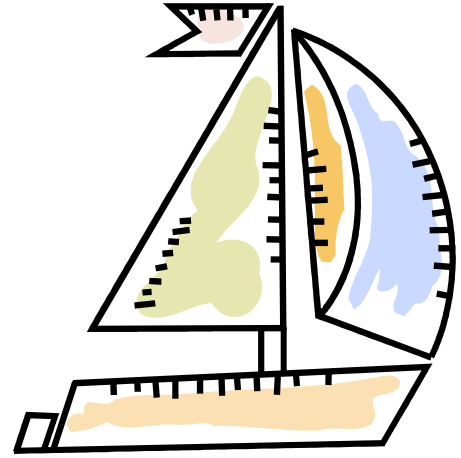
D/Lt Mary Hall

P/C Ernie Molnar

P/C Steve Dalgarno



CRUISE PLANNING PARTY!



Come one, come all. To: ALL United States Power Squadron members, friends and family. You are hereby invited to a Cruise Planning Party for the Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron at the Halls. Bring your calendars and ideas for a great boating season. We will be serving chili and cornbread (and who knows what else).

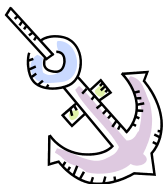
When: Saturday January 23th 2:00 to 6:00 (and beyond).

**Where: At the Halls
702 Stone Barn Rd
Towson Md, 21286
410-823-5698**

What to Bring: Good cheer, Calendars, Cruising Guides, Ideas and maybe some good eats.

**R.S.V.P to cdr@uspsdundalk.org or 410-823-5698
If you'd like to bring a dish please indicate what you are bringing.**

If you can't make it please send us your ideas.



GET READY FOR BOATING SEASON AND THE CRUISE PLANNING PARTY ON JANUARY 23RD!

CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING MARINAS!

SEVERN RIVER

Annapolis City Marina – Spa Creek
Annapolis Yacht Basin – Spa Creek
Bert Jabin's Yacht Yard – Back Creek
Chesapeake Harbour Marina –
Mears Marina – Back Creek
Port Annapolis Marina – Back Creek
Smith's Marina – Severn, Little Round Bay

TOLCHESTER - Tolchester Marina

FAIRLEE CREEK - Mears Great Oak Marina

CHESTER RIVER

Castle Harbor Marina
Chestertown Marina
Lankford Bay Marina- Davis Creek off Lankford Creek

KENT ISLAND

Bay Bridge Marina
Mears Point Marina - Kent Narrows

MILES RIVER

St. Michaels Harbour Inn and Marina - St. Michaels
St. Michaels Marina - St. Michaels, formerly Town Dock
Higgins Marina - St. Michaels

TRED AVON RIVER

Mears Yacht Haven
Town Creek Marina - Oxford

TILGHMAN ISLAND

Lowes Wharf
Knapps Narrows Marina
Tilghman-on-Chesapeake Yacht Club and Marina -
Choptank

HERRING BAY

Breezy Point Marina - Chesapeake Beach
Fishing Creek Landings Marina - Chesapeake Beach
Herrington Harbour North & South
Rod 'n Reel Restaurant/Marina - Chesapeake Beach
Shipwright Harbor Marina

WEST RIVER - Pirates Cove Marina

RHODE RIVER - Rhode River Marina

SOUTH RIVER - South River Marina

PATAPSCO RIVER

Anchorage Marina
Hammock Island Marina - Bodkin Creek
Harbor View Marina - Baltimore Inner Harbor
Henderson's Wharf Marina
Inner Harbor East Marina - Baltimore Inner Harbor
Pleasure Cove Marina - Bodkin Creek

MIDDLE RIVER

Beacon Light Marina - Seneca Creek
Bowley's Marina - Middle River
Essex Marina and Boat Sales - Hopkins Creek
Porter's Seneca Marina - Seneca Creek
Sunset Harbor Marina – NormanCreek



RESERVATION FORM
United States Power Squadrons D/5 SPRING CONFERENCE
April 1-3 2016
Ocean City, Maryland

MEMBER: Rank _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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E-mail: _____ PHONE: _____

SPOUSE/OTHER ATTENDEES:

Rank: _____ Name: _____ Grade: _____ First Timer? _____

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ACTIVITIES SELECTIONS

SATURDAY LUNCHEON CHOICES:

Trio Salad of Chicken Salad, Tuna Salad & Tossed Garden Salad # _____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____

Twin Hamburger Sliders w/ Chips, Pickle, Potato Salad # _____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Tea & Iced Tea

SATURDAY BANQUET ENTREE CHOICES:

Jumbo Lump Maryland Crab Cakes # _____ @ \$42.00 = \$ _____

Beef Bourguignon w/ Red Wine, Onions, Carrots, Mashed Potatoes # _____ @ \$42.00 = \$ _____

Vegetarian/Gluten free Stuffed Pepper # _____ @ \$28.00 = \$ _____

Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

Dietary restrictions _____

OPTIONAL Room raffle ONE FREE NIGHT (October 1, 2016 - April 20, 2017)

1 Ticket \$5.00 or 3 Tickets for \$10.00 # _____ @ \$5 or \$10 = \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Make Checks Payable to: 2016 D/5 Spring Conference

SEND TO: Lt/C Stuart Newborn, S
 9754 Ashlyn Cr
 Owings Mills, MD 21117
 Phone: 410-356-5320
 E-mail: stuartnewborn@gmail.com

**MEAL RESERVATIONS must
 be received by March 2, 2016**

Recommended Dress: Thursday/Friday/Saturday – USPS/Squadron Shirts Banquet – Uniform A with bowtie

MAKE RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL - Call Reservations Dept. at 877-995-7875

Use the Reservation ID Code: U.S. Power Squadron, District 5

Princess Royale Hotel

9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland
 Non-Smoking Venue - Handicapped Rooms available on a request basis

Rates: Ocean view/pool view Suite: \$109.00 per night Friday/Saturday Ocean Suite: \$149.00 per night
 2BR/2BA Oceanfront Condo: \$239.00 per night, 3BR: \$269.00 per night
*(rates listed above do **not** include taxes)*

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 25 FEBRUARY 2016 TO ENSURE USPS RATES

DIRECTIONS: From RT 90, turn left onto Coastal Hwy. Hotel will be on the right.



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Individual: _____

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Amount Paid: \$ _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Learn More about America's Boating Club

Email: cdr@uspsdundalk.org

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Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of the month
Dinner 6:00 pm, Meeting 7:30 pm

The Bowman Restaurant

9306 Harford Road, Parkville, MD 21234

Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron - Receipt:

Membership Type: Individual: ____ Or

Individual with Family: ____

Amount Paid: \$ _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

Calendar

January 20	Membership Meeting — The Bowman on Harford Rd
January 23	Cruise Planning Meeting—John and Mary's House
February 17	Membership Meeting — The Bowman on Harford Rd
February 15-21	USPS National Meeting in Orlando, FL
March 16	Membership Meeting — The Bowman on Harford Rd
March 31—April 3	D5 Spring Conference in Ocean City, MD
April 9	DSPS Change of Watch—Baltimore Yacht Club

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