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IT'S SUMMERTIME!



SAFETY WEEKEND

BLASTS OPEN THE CRUISING SEASON

When the smoke finally cleared the final numbers were thus: 39 vessel safety checks, 6 squadron boats on site, dozens entertained and informed by a PFD fashion show, a handful of spouses trained in the Skipper Saver course, 2 nice meals together and one boat awarded as a gift. It all happened at Inner Harbor East Marina during the Weekend of May 20 for Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron's inaugural event of the cruising season.

Vessel Safety Committee, chair, P/C Connie Barry, JN, oversaw the boat inspections which were performed by, in addition to herself, Cdr Ken Finck, P, P/Lt/C Rolf Stuenes, JN, Lt/C John Hall, AP, P/C Howard Barry, JN and Lt Earl Tingstrom, AP. Numerous other Dundalk members helped spread the word at the marina and making reservations for inspections. When the vessels passed, certificates and placards were awarded the boat owners.

In addition to the VSC exams, there was a demonstration of fire extinguisher use and a personal flotation device fashion show. Lt Brande Neese presented a graphic arts display for the PDF show, which contained more educational content about PFDs and their use than it did fashion.

Lt Joanne Day, SN assisted by D/Lt Fuzzy Jones presented the Skipper Saver Course to the public and members of the squadron. That course is designed to teach otherwise disinterested first mates enough about piloting a boat so that they could get their own vessel back to dock in the event of the incapacitation of the "real" skipper.

Six squadron vessels, Rat Ark, Consiglia, After Hours II, Sea Lestial, Tracilla and Sleep On It, made it to the marina for the weekend. Actually there were seven if you count Lil Loafer, a little rowboat which was bestowed upon P/C Read Van Zile as a surprise gift during the weekend. Lil Loafer was constructed by District 5 children during last year's Summer Council. The vessel was secretly purchased by Fuzzy Jones, Joanne Day and Lt Bobbie Blaker after the council and hidden until Safety Weekend. The three friends of P/C Van Zile wanted to replace the vessel he sold last year, the 40-foot Loafer's Glory. When members Tracey Stuenes and Brian Hall took the rowboat out for a test run, she floated and only took on water in a very small stream. Even though Read had indicated he wanted a rowboat to replace his previous cruiser he did not seem overjoyed at receiving Lil Loafer. ✦



Tracey Steunes and Brian Hall conduct a sea trial for the Lil' Loafer. Tracey had just given a presentation on the importance of PFDs.



PLEASE NOTE that the starting time for dinner at the general meetings has been moved up to 1830 in an attempt to prevent the late starts for the business meeting which are still set for 2000. The next meeting is Aug. 17th at the Boulevard Diner, 1660 Merritt Ave. in Dundalk.

COMMANDER COMMENTS



I would like to say "THANK YOU" to all the members for their hard work, in dealing with the squadron's problems. Having a good squadron is wonderful, but with that comes the problems of keeping it there. I am thankful for so many dedicated members working to clear the pathway to new and rewarding adventures. Dundalk, you are a good squadron, and the membership reflects it every day.

I am very proud to be your elected commander.

Sincerely,

Cdr. Kenneth H. Finck P



These are just some of the many Dundalk members who helped out with Safety Weekend at the Inner Harbor East Marina.

COMMANDER'S COLUMN

First, I would like to welcome our new squadron historian Lt Mary Ellen Peters, P, to the list of new chairpersons and thank her for taking on this important function. The historian is responsible for maintaining biographies and photos of bridge officers and keeping records on the squadron's awards, educational offerings and public relations efforts.

The squadron also has a new budget committee, headed up by Lt Stuart Newborn supported by Lt/C John Hall and P/C Brooks Riley. Many members of the Executive Committee have noted the squadron's recent lack of a budget. Everybody seems to think it would be a great idea to have one, and thanks to these gentlemen, it's finally going to happen.

The boating season is now in full swing. The many vessel safety exams that were conducted during the Safe Boating Weekend were a booming success. Thanks go to Lt Roy Stuenes, P.

L/C Tracey Stuenes, P/C Connie Barry, and the many others who supported the weekend function. It takes a team to make things happen, and this team did a mighty good job. I want to thank you all for a job very well done.

And the fun doesn't stop here! Thanks to Lt/C John Hall, this is only the beginning, with the biggest trip of the year being to New York with the Top Gun Cruisers. Sure, we will have members who can't go for one reason or another, but all are welcome. If you are able to participate in some of the cruising events, bring some friends along – maybe they'll like us so much they'll sign up.

Have you seen the summer issue of District 5's newsletter *Mark 5*? Dundalk is well-represented. A pat on the back goes to our Top Gun Cruisers for a two-page article about the success of their efforts. Another pat to P/C Howard Barry who has a column concerning this summer's District 5 navigation contest. P/C Barry is District Chair for the event

Last but not least I want to say thank you for the outstanding cooperation I get from the Executive Committee. Guys, I could not have done so well without you. The questions I have as a new commander can many times only be answered by the knowledge and support of the past commanders. To this group of wonderful, delightful and wise people, I am beholden. ✦

REPORT FROM STILL POND

Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron's cruising season continued June 11th and 12th with a raftout at Still Pond on the Eastern Shore. Lt John Rice, who coordinated the event, and his family arrived aboard *Evensong* on Friday night to ensure the best possible spot



to anchor for the weekend. The Hall family were the next to arrive aboard *Sea Lestial* early Saturday morning, followed by Tony Solesky (a.k.a. Captain Sunblock) aboard *Aye, Aye Irene*. The final two boats were captained by friends of Tony's, Joe and John Allen aboard the *Flying A* and Rick Rickerds on *Never Enough*. Dundalk's youngest active member, Brian Hall, ferried folks around in his dinghy. Participants reported a great time but no nominations for the Broken Shamrock were submitted. The next raftout is slated for July 2nd outside Rock Hall for the fireworks display. Lt John Rice, captfoghorn@comcast.net, is also coordinating the Rock Hall event. ✦

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S COLUMN

LT/C Bernard S. Karpers, N

Your executive department was busy this past month with the start of the boating season, including Safe Boating Weekend and Shake Down Cruise at the Inner Harbor East Marina. The news story about the event mentions many members who contributed to its success. I especially want to thank Lt Roy Stuenes, P and Lt/C Tracey Stuenes, P who coordinated the weekend. They provided the impetus for all the squadron participation. Thanks also to all the vessel safety examiners who worked the day, as well as those who came out to support them.

There were social events each evening for all who attended. These events, coordinated by Squadron Educational Officer Walter Neese, N, took place in the James Joyce Pub and Victor's Restaurant.

Lt John Rice, S is accepting volunteers for the Boat Show Committee. He announced the dates of the Boat Show, January 21 to 29 2006. At this time it would be appreciated if members would indicate to John their interest in participation in this event. Last year I participated in this event. Made several contacts, which will be of help in the upcoming Top Gun Cruise. So take advantage of this opportunity.

We are expecting a detailed presentation about CO-OP charting, so that this information can be integrated with the upcoming Commander's Cruise and Top Gun Cruise.

P/C Howard Barry, JN is developing information about deductions on income tax for activity in the United States Power Squadrons.

At the May meeting Harry M. Robinson III was introduced and took the oath of the Power Squadron. A sincere and hearty welcome to our new member, who has an interest in sailing. We are now into paying our dues for this year. Please check on your friends in the Squadron and encourage them to re up for another great year.

Now about fishing and the accident that did not happen. One day while trolling with my fishing partner, Irv Bauer, III aboard his Grady White, there was a lull in the activity. We started to install upholstered panels in the cockpit. I reached up under the gunwales to fasten the panel. I did not look first. My hand struck a wasp nest. The good news only one was active. The bad news he inflicted a bite on the extended fore arm which was covered by a long sleeve shirt and jacket. The bite mark is still visible. This relates to the soda can incident last year when a member drank some soda from a can without observing the yellow jacket sitting on the lid. Result, a bite on the tongue, OUCH. We ended that day with two fish, one at 36 inches and the other at 38 inches. This has been a good season. *Fuel cost for fish at sixty cents per pound.* ✦

SAFETY CORNER

For The Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron, National Safety Week included a PFD (Personal Flotation Device) fashion show which was put on as part of our safety weekend at Inner Harbor East Marina. The original intention of the event was to make boaters aware of the new technology in PFD's which makes them more practical and comfortable to wear.

The highlight of the event came when two of the models strolled down the runway. Were they professional models supplied by Miller Lite to show off high fashion PFDs? No, they were pets of fellow boaters at Inner Harbor East Marina, Molly a Shih-Tzu and Garp a Samoyed.

With the popularity of bringing your dog with you when enjoying the water, when it comes to safety, man's best friend should not be left out. Here are some tips.

Size-Some stores like West Marine and PetCo will let you bring your dog in to try on a vest. To measure your dog wrap a cloth measuring tape or belt around the fullest part of their body. Don't pull so tight that their coat is completely compressed. Measure the circumference of their neck and the distance from the neck to the tailbone. The straps should fit snug, and your dog should be able to walk around comfortably.

Design-Stay with a bright color (yellow, red, or orange). Add reflective tape for night safety. Pick a PFD with handles sewn in to allow you to pick your dog out of the water. Getting in the water with a panicking dog is dangerous as it exposes you to claws and teeth. Quick release straps make it easy to put on your pet's PFD.



Two of the dogs and several of the humans showing off the latest PFD fashions.

Comfort-Let your dog walk around in his new PFD at home. If possible let your dog swim from the beach to get used to their life vest.

Let your canine friend lend new meaning to the term "PFD" – Pooch Flotation Device. ✦

Keep it safe!
Lt. Roy Stuenes, P

The schedule for courses to be offered to the public for the remainder of 2005 is now published, and can be found elsewhere in this issue.

A trial instructed ABC class to be held at Anchorage Marina was at the head of the schedule; unfortunately, none of the folks clamoring for a summer class was able to attend, and so it has been abandoned due to lack of interest! The basic classes will resume in September. Some interest has been expressed in the GPS class scheduled for early July at Anchorage Marina. We are hoping for better attendance at that.

Of Advanced Grades, Seamanship 101 has wrapped up with exams completed by all still attending; Seamanship 102 is launching forthwith, to complete

in July. Advanced Piloting candidates have taken home their open book exams, to be completed shortly.

Among Electives, class sessions have concluded and final exams have been taken for Marine Electronics and Engine Maintenance. A Sail class is planned for later in the boating season, dates and times to be added.

Four students and various onlookers attended a Skipper Saver session at the squadron's Safe Boating Event at Inner Harbor East Marina. Each student is asked to complete the course after some home study, by taking an instructor-supervised practical exercise operating the family boat, and without any help from the skipper! We will look for some successful completions later in the season. ✦

2005 Summer/Fall Public Course Schedule

Anchorage Marina, Boater's Lounge Boston Street, Canton

America's Boating Course and PWC Endorsement

- begins 02 June, 2005; 7:30 to 9:30 pm;
5 Thursday eves

- GPS** • begins 07 July, 2005; 6:30 to 9:30 pm;
12 July., 14 July

- GPS** • begins 13 September, 2005; 6:30 to 9:30 pm;
15 Sept., 20 Sept.

Basic Boating

- begins 22 September, 2005; 7:30 to 9:30;
8 Thursday eves

St. John's Lutheran Church, Essex

Basic Boating

- begins 10 October, 2005; 7:30 to 9:30 pm;
8 Monday eves

- GPS** • begins 6 October, 2005; 6:30 to 9:30 pm;
11 Oct., 13 Oct.

- GPS** • begins 10 November 2005. 6:30 to 9:30;
15 Nov., 17 Nov.

Please Contact:

Walter K. Neese, Education Officer
Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron
410 282-6464 www.uspsdundalk.org

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

LT/C John Hall, AP

Well July is upon us and it's time to celebrate our Nation's Birthday. Remember there is no membership meeting in July. Our next meeting is Wednesday August 17th. But not to worry, there is plenty going on. Lt. John Rice, captfoghorn@comcast.net, is organizing a raft-out to watch the fireworks at Rock Hall on Sunday July 3rd. If you missed the last raft-out at Still Pond you missed a truly great time. Some of us will be going out to watch the fireworks on Middle River on Saturday July 2nd or at the Inner Harbor on Monday July 4th. A few brave souls may even make all three. Check the e-mail discussion group or the web site for more details. Later in July is the District 5 Cruise and the District 5 Rendezvous in Solomons. Dundalk is going for a three-peat of the Navigation Contest Team Trophy. The District 5 summer rendezvous is a great chance to see everything the Squadron does. If you can't make it by boat then drive down for the day on Saturday. On or about July 29th the much anticipated Top Gun Cruise to New York starts. August will be a fun month too. The Squadron Cruise (August 21st-26th) will be a pleasant lead into the Crab Feast. More information and reservation forms can be found elsewhere in this issue or on the website.

With the summer months and the warm weather comes the increasing threat of severe weather. This season is predicted to be another busy one for hurricanes. NOAA has introduced a new way to track tropical storms and hurricanes. NOAA Storm Tracker www.stormtracker.noaa.gov is designed to pull together all available information about a tropical storm. It will contain live links to advisories, tracking maps and satellite images. It is even designed to fit in a smaller browser window so you can leave it open on your computer while you work on

other things. Storm Tracker will automatically update your computer as new images become available.

Another announcement coming from NOAA is the new Small Craft Advisory for Hazardous Seas. This advisory will be "issued whenever sea or wave conditions are expected to significantly impact small craft ...and winds are expected to be below the small craft advisory threshold" The wind speed usually used is 20 knots but it varies by region. The Small Craft Advisory will still be issued when wind/wave/sea conditions warrant it. There is no legal definition for what constitutes a small craft. Various sources put it at under 25 feet or under 33 feet or even under 65 feet. It is up to you, the captain, to decide if it is safe for your boat or not.

Of course thunderstorms come up much too quickly to use any of the new internet stuff – don't they? Well not necessarily. Using a receiver and display similar to a GPS you can now get real-time weather updates, storm tracking, high resolution weather radar, satellite data and a great deal more information. This system is designed to run on a PC/Laptop or on a few high end navigational displays. The system continually updates the information whether you are using it or not. That way when you look up and see those clouds you don't like, you can instantly see what is really going on and which way the storm cells are moving. The current setup costs about \$1500 for the receiver and \$400 to \$700 for the subscription. It's still expensive but no more so than a good radar system. Remember the first thing to do when severe weather threatens is to put on a PFD.

Keep it safe this summer and we hope to see you out there. ✦

DUNDALK SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON TOP GUN CRUISERS

CONSIGLIA
AYE AYE IRENE
SEA LESTIAL



RAT ARK
SLEEP ON IT
AFTER HOURS II

You, your squadron members, crews and guests are cordially invited to join
THE DUNDALK SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON
as we embark on
THE TOP GUN CRUISE 2005.
Our destination is the Big Apple by way of the Jersey coast.



First stop:
CAPE MAY
(Utsche's Marina), then on to
ATLANTIC CITY
(Trump Marina) and
JERSEY CITY
(Liberty Landing Marina),
just across the Hudson River from Manhattan.

OUR PLAN

- ★ Depart depending on your boat speed and weather, Thursday or Friday July 28 or 29, 2005.
- ★ Rendezvous on Saturday, July 30, Cape May Harbor, Utsche's Marina.
If you come on Friday you will have Saturday in Cape May.
- ★ Sunday, July 31 depart for Atlantic City. via Atlantic Ocean or Intracoastal Waterway, weather determines the route.
- ★ Stay at Trump Marina.
We will return here on our way home.

- ★ Monday, August 1, depart for Liberty Landing Marina.
Manasquan Inlet has marinas for refueling or overnight stay if needed. It is also accessible via ICW from Atlantic City if the weather is poor.
- ★ August 1 is the anticipated arrival at Liberty Landing Marina, Jersey City, New Jersey.
 - We are across from *THE BIG APPLE*.
 - There is ample transportation via water taxi to Manhattan.
 - The taxis depart from this maina.
 - We will be here for August 2,3 and 4.

PLEASE REFER TO THE ACTIVITIES PLAN FOR THESE DAYS

- ★ Boats will depart from here to home according to a schedule planned by each captain.
- ★ August 5, early departures for return trip. After Hours II will move to Gateway Marina, Rockaway Inlet Brooklyn, NY and remain there until August 7.
- ★ August 7, Sunday, Rat Ark and After Hours II will depart New York Harbor for return trip to Baltimore, via Cape May. Departure 0600 ETA Cape May 1400, ETA Baltimore 2000.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- ★ Tour of aircraft carrier--Intrepid
- ★ Tour of the World Trade Center Ground Zero Site
Wednesday August 3,
- ★ Dutch treat Dinner aboard the AMBROSE LIGHT,
Light ship docked at Liberty Landing Marina,
Time 1930, Chef Jerry Villa presiding.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK CITY, THE BIG APPLE

- ★ Shopping, Fifth Avenue Stores, SoHo shopping
(the area south of Houston street)
- ★ Rockefeller Center
- ★ St. Patrick's Cathedral
- ★ THE STATUE OF LIBERTY AND ELLIS ISLAND
Tours depart from Liberty Landing Marina
- ★ THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING

- ★ Times Square
Discount tickets for plays are available here for about
\$40.00 to \$60.00 per ticket.
- ★ Broadway show: THE LION KING
- ★ CARMINES (family style restaurant)
- ★ BEN'S KOSHER DELI (38th St. and 7th Ave)
- ★ NATHAN'S HOT DOGS (all over the place)
- ★ PUGLIA (Italian restaurant, unlimited wine and pasta)
- ★ B B King Bar & Grill (range \$15 to \$25)
- ★ Museum of Natural History, Planetarium for light show
- ★ CHINA TOWN
- ★ HOP ON HOP OFF (guided bus tour)
- ★ RYE PLAYLAND (amusement park via subway or bus.)
Swimming pool, beach, boardwalk at a cost of
\$26 to \$28 per person. Groups of 20 at \$17 per person.

PREPARE FOR THIS BY CHECKING WEB SITES:
Google.com.NewYork and Little Italy.com

SUMMARY AND REMINDERS
JULY - AUGUST 2005

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				28 DEPART	29 DEPART	30 DEPART
31 ATLANTIC CITY	1 LIBERTY LANDING MARINA	2 LIBERTY LANDING MARINA	3 LIBERTY LANDING MARINA	4 LIBERTY LANDING MARINA	5 LIBERTY LANDING MARINA	6 DEPART TO ATLANTIC CITY/ CAPE MAY
7 ARRIVE HOME						

→ FOR THOSE GOING BY BOAT ←

YOU MUST REGISTER TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT MARINAS ••• YOU MUST MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS AT THE MARINAS

**REGISTRATION FOR THE CRUISE
DEADLINE JUNE 30, 2005**

Name _____

Names of Crew and Guests _____

Squadron _____ Telephone _____

E mail _____

Boat name _____

LOA _____ Cruise Speed _____ Range _____

PLEASE REPLY TO:

LT/C B. S. KARPERS, JR., M.D., N
1209 BROOKVIEW ROAD
TOWSON, MD 21286 PHONE 410 825 6829
FAX 410 752 3252
E MAIL KSKBSKOK@aol.com

LIBERTY LANDING DINNER PARTY

STARTING ABOUT 1930
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2005

DEADLINE MAY 25 2005

NAME _____

NO. OF GUESTS _____ NAMES _____

PHONE NO. _____ E MAIL _____

ETA LIBERTY LANDING ON WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3, 2005

PLEASE REPLY TO:

LT/C B.S. KARPERS, JR., M.D., N
1209 BROOKVIEW ROAD
TOWSON, MD 21286
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FAX; 410 752 3252
E MAIL; KSKBSKOK@aol.com

SQUADRON CRUISE 2005

August 21 to August 26

the Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron will conduct the annual Squadron Cruise.

This year the cruise will start at
Harrington Harbor South Marina

on the afternoon of Sunday, August 21st.

We will play and party in this resort marina until
the morning of August 24th, when we depart for
Oxford, Maryland.

While in Oxford we will visit the
Mears Yacht Haven Marina

where we plan to stay.

On the morning of the 26th of August we will depart for
Haven Harbor Marina
in Rock Hall, Maryland.

Our cruise will terminate in Rock Hall where we will remain until August 27th to participate in
the annual Crab Feast*.

You must register at:

Harrington Harbor - Friendship, Maryland

Mears Yacht Haven - Oxford, Maryland

Haven Harbor Marina - Rock Hall, Maryland

If you want to go on this cruise, please also register your intention with the Executive Officer,

Lt/C Bernie Karpers
1209 Brookview Road
Towson, Maryland 21286
410 456 5534
BSKSEODPS@aol.com

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Name _____ Boat Name _____

Guest's Names _____

Do you want to go to the Suicide Bridge Restaurant on Thursday, August 25th for lunch?

Yes ____ No ____

Would you be willing to host/transport squadron members on your boat to the restaurant and return?

Yes ____ No ____

Number of persons you'd be able to accomodate _____

Please return this form or talk to Bernie by July 25th.

*Have you signed up for the Crab Feast?

Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron's
15th Annual Crab Feast
 26-28 August, 2005
 Haven Harbour Marina, Rock Hall



Friday: Arrival and dinner on your own. You'll also need to make your own slip reservations for Friday. This is strictly first come first served, as they may not have as many slips on Friday as they will on Saturday.

Saturday: Crab feast starts at 1500 with crabs, corn on the cob (steamed with Old Bay), hamburgers, hot dogs, beer, soda and dessert.

AND : live music again by JOEY & LORNA

Sunday: Pitch in breakfast at 0900.

**Bring your friends, neighbors, relatives, marina or yacht club neighbors (and mallets and knives).
 This is our biggest event of the season!**

Name _____ Arrival date _____ Time _____
 Boat name _____ Length _____ Beam _____ Draft _____ Sail _____ Power _____
 Phone # _____ Special needs or requirements? _____

Length _____	x \$ 1.75	=	\$ _____
(\$49.00 minimum)			
30 amp line	x \$ 6.25	=	\$ _____
50 amp line	x \$ 12.50	=	\$ _____
3% tax on slip and electric		=	\$ _____
Adult feast tickets _____	x \$ 33.00	=	\$ _____
Children under 10 _____	x \$ 10.00	=	\$ _____
TOTAL			\$ _____

Please make checks payable to "Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron" and mail to:
 P/C Read Van Zile, AP, 812 Cold Spring Road, Baltimore, MD 21220-4330
 Day 410/580-4292 Fax 410/580-3292
 e-mail: read.vanzile@dlapiper.com
 Reservations a must by August 16.

**Please remember to make your own reservations at the marina for Friday night
 410/778-6697 or 1/800-506-6697**

SQUADRON CALENDAR FOR JULY

June 25-26

Practice Navigation Contest Cruise
at Maryland Yacht Club

Learn new navigation skills or sharpen old ones and have a lot of fun during this weekend “across the bay.” Enter your own boat or volunteer to crew on someone else’s. No prerequisite courses or knowledge are needed. This practice is the tune-up for the ‘real thing’ in July when we compete against all the squadrons in USPS District 5. Dundalk has won top squadron honors the past two years and there’s a desire to make it three in a row.

July 3rd

Rock Hall Fireworks

Come join us for a evening of fireworks at Rockhall. We will be rafting up outside of Rock Hall Harbor. You should show up between 1800 and 2000 to get a good spot. Fireworks begin at 2100 hrs. For more information and to confirm your plans to attend, contact John Rice at captfoghorn@comcast.net.

July 22-24

D5 Summer Rendezvous at Solomons, MD

This is the big district navigation contest. Come out and help Dundalk win its Team Championship in the Navigation Contest for the third straight year. This District 5 meeting is also informative so come to that and enjoy all the social events even if you don’t participate in the nav contest.

July 29-August 8

Top Gun Cruise at New York City

Last year was the Outer Banks. This year we’re headed to the Big Apple. Come by car, come by boat if you dare, but come and join the fun.

Wednesday, August 17

General Membership Meeting

At the Boulevard Diner, 1660 Merritt Blvd. in Dundalk, hon. Note that the arrival time for dinner is now 1830. The meeting still begins at 8:00 p.m. All members, old and new are encouraged to attend and learn more about your squadron and its upcoming activities. Our Commander promises a fine program.

August 21-26

Squadron Cruise

This year the squadron fleet will cruise to Herrington Harbor on the Western Shore the first three days, then go across the bay to Mears Yacht Haven in Oxford the next three. The fleet will cruise up the Choptank River to dine at Suicide Bridge. Finally it’s on to the Crab Feast in Rock Hall.

August 26-28

Crab Feast at Rock Hall

This is the squadron’s most popular annual event. Bring the whole extended family and invite all the people you can stuff into your boat or car. Great band, same crabs, burgers, fresh corn, swimming pool, conga lines.

September 3-5

D/5 Sail Regatta

This year Dundalk hosts the District 5 Sail Regatta. Join us at Baltimore Yacht Club in Sue Creek off Middle River. The coordinator is P/C Dorsey Butterbaugh. Dundalk members who are power boaters are asked not to harass the participants.

September 11

Fort McHenry’s flagship event! This three-day encampment and extravaganza is celebrated with over 100 War of 1812 re-enactors, parades, military bands, fireworks, a symbolic ship-to-shore bombardment and much more! The fireworks are on Sunday night.

October 22

Frostbite Cruise
at Sparrows Point Country Club

Our last cruise for the squadron this year. By boat or by car it’s an easy trip. Come join us to celebrate and share the good times we had this year.

PLEASE JOIN US!

