# ON THE HORIZON

# **SPECIAL EDITION**

## D/5 Summer Rendezvous

17 - 20 July 2008 at BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR MARINE CENTER

Hosted by Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron

STILL TIME TO REGISTER, so pack your bags and join in the fun!





## Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Place Hosts District 5

Fort McHenry National Shrine and Historic Place will be the site of the District 5 Summer Council flag raising ceremony on Saturday, 19 July 2008 at 0930. This flag raising ceremony is open to all power squadron members and to the public and we expect to have local news coverage. Weather permitting, the garrison flag (40 x 30 feet) will be unfurled and held by D/5 squadron commanders. If there is sig-

nificant wind, then the conventional 3 x 5-foot flag will be raised. The flag pole is a replica of a Baltimore clipper mast - made of wood too fragile to bear the weight of the garrison flag in a high wind.

On the registration form there is a charge for round trip bus transportation to the fort. There will be no additional entry fee to the fort for those riding the buses. There will be two buses to shuttle participants to and from the ceremony and the fee will be used to pay the cost of the bus transportation.

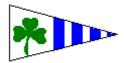
#### Schedule:

**0635 to 0830** - Breakfast: A brief Captains' Meeting will be held during breakfast for those who plan to participate in the Navigation Contest.

**0730** - The first buses will load to arrive at the fort around 0800, where guests will see a 20-minute movie about the defense of Baltimore and the composition of the Star Spangled Banner, a poem set to music and the National Anthem of the United States.

**0830** - All squadron commanders, followed by the Past District Commanders, the District Bridge and the Honor Guard will board the last two buses. This order will allow the Honor Guard to disembark and proceed to the Fort, followed by the District Bridge, P/D/C's and the squadron commanders. **All others must travel on the earlier buses.** Your cooperation will ensure a timely arrival with everyone returning to the marina by 1130. The slower boaters will need almost two hours to reach the site of the Navigation Contest, so preference should be given to those crews for the return trip to the marina. The first guests to arrive are requested to take the first buses back to the Inner Harbor Marine Center. This will allow those arriving on the later buses to see the movie and tour the fort. In short: first in, first out!

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### D/5 Summer Rendezvous



FREE movie "The Gods Must Be Crazy" Thursday evening, July 17 on Federal Hill, sponsored by the American Visionary Arts Museum.

**Roster Info/Corrections**—By now, everyone should have received their 2008-2009 Roster. If you are a member and have not received yours, please contact Lt/C Lane Letsch at <a href="mailto:secretary@uspsdundalk.org">secretary@uspsdundalk.org</a> or 410-997-4957. If you recently became a member, your address may not have been in the National database at the time we printed labels. If there are errors in the Roster, please forward the corrections to P/Lt/C Stuart Newborn, newborn@sudinasearch.com.

**Corrections**: Please note the following changes to the roster.

Associate Member— P/C M. Melvin Shralow, AP, Delaware River Power Squadron (rank and grade updated)

## COMMANDER

What beautiful sunny days we have had. Summer has finally arrived, just in time for the Commander's Cruise. I look forward to navigating to new destinations, and enjoying the company of those who are going along. This year we have 7 boats going....Tracilla, Consiglia, Battlewagon, Grumpy, Rat Ark, After Hours II, and Ole'. May we be blessed with calm seas, fair winds, and a safe cruise.

Summer Council is right around the corner. We will need all hands on deck to coordinate this event, as I know it will be a great success. P/C Bernie Karpers will have a de-

tailed schedule of times and events for DSPS members to stand watch and lend a hand. Dundalk volunteers will be wearing the green Hospitality Suite t-shirts to identify us as the hosting squadron and committee members. Please contact me if you need to order shirts. Can't wait to see you in Baltimore, Hon!

Respectfully submitted, Cdr Tracey C. Stuenes, P 410-282-0790



## Boating Trivia with Lt/C David Seidenman

QUESTION 1: What is the distinction between wave heights expressed as 4 foot "seas" as opposed to 4 foot "swells"?

QUESTION 2: Navigating on the Bay, you spot a buoy and note that it's relative bearing is 116 degrees. You already know that you are cruising on a true heading equal to the degree of slant (from horizontal) of the Coast Guard "slash" or "racing stripe". What would be the true bearing from your vessel to the buoy?

Answers on Page 5

# Northern Chesapeake Bay Rendezvous & Practice Navigation Contest HOSTED BY DELAWARE RIVER POWER SQUADRON

A great time was had by all at Haven Harbour Marina in Rock Hall June 20-22. A big thank you to Delaware River for being such great hosts. The Ice Cream Social Friday evening kicked off the weekend followed by a Continental Breakfast and Captains Meeting on Saturday morning, then the featured event—the Practice Navigation Contest on Saturday afternoon. The Picnic Dinner on Saturday evening was a great time with plenty of good food and friends, and of course the contest results. Sunday morning's Pitch-In Breakfast was the last event of the weekend. A lot of work went into this weekend and it showed!

The Practice Navigation Contest had a great turnout with 10 boats entered, six of them from Dundalk: After Hours II, Battlewagon, Consiglia, and Rat Ark, plus first-timers Jenny Lynn Too and Roman V. Congratulations to Fred Shallcross on JR's Toy for 1st place and Walter Neese for taking 2nd on Rat Ark (top Dundalk boat) - and to all of the participants! Joining Rat Ark on the Dundalk team for the Navigation Contest at the D/5 Summer Rendezvous are Battlewagon and After Hours II.

What a beautiful day on the water! If you haven't participated in one of the contests, you really should give it a try. Just let any of the boat captains know you would like to crew or observe—or better yet, enter your boat. If you need a crew, you should not have trouble getting volunteers, and just think, even as a novice, you could finish in the top 10 like Roman V! Here are the 1st photos from the Chesapeake Bay Rendezvous & Practice Navigation Contest, more to follow.





## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

From your Executive Department, just a few updates for July. Unfortunately, we have made the decision to not participate in the Dundalk Heritage Fair. With all that is going on in planning for the D/5 Summer Rendezvous, our resources would be spread too thin. For those who wish to go (and scout it out for next year, <wink, wink>), the event will take place Friday, 4 July to Sunday, 6 July, with a parade on the 4<sup>th</sup> from 0830 to 1130.

Our Safe Boating Weekend at Baltimore Marine Center was such a success that they have asked if we could do it again in August. That's right, they want us back. Imagine that. We'll be trying to schedule it, the 2nd was suggested, but there may be a conflict for us with that date, so nothing is carved in stone yet. I don't know if another issue of The Horizon will be out before the event, but we'll try to post any updates on the web site. Also, this would be a good time to sign up for our email listserve. It's the best way to find out about any last-minute information—just go to the web site and scroll down to "Join our discussion list".

In September, (20 and 21), we'll be taking part in PortFest. If you didn't make it last year, you should definitely try to go this year. You won't regret it. PortFest is a free event

designed to allow the Maryland Port Authority to show off the Port of Baltimore to the public. There are bus tours of the Marine Terminals and, at least last year, a bus took visitors to the S.S. John Brown Liberty Ship for a walk-through tour. In each of the past few years, the festival has doubled in size for both the number of visitors and exhibitors. This year, Dundalk intends to contribute to that trend by having the D/5 Education Trailer and SeaVester on hand to educate and entertain the public. Put this event on your calendars, as I will need more than a few volunteers.

Just a brief word on Safety - our VSC numbers are fast approaching 90. A huge "hats-off" to our VE's.

As always, I'm available if anyone has a question, comment or complaint. Also, if anyone would like to volunteer to assist with an event, please let me know. I can be reached by email at <a href="mailto:xo@uspsdundalk.org">xo@uspsdundalk.org</a> or by cell phone at 410-456-5854.

Respectfully submitted, Lt/C David Seidenman, AP

## DSPS - Home of the Top Gun Cruise

## 2008 Top Gun Cruises

Something for everybody. Pick the one that suits you the best. All cruises stay together until Cape May

Top Gun Cruisers in Training July 20th - 26th Sun - Baltimore to the C&D canal Monday, Tues, Wednesday - Cape May Thursday, Friday - Chesapeake City Saturday - Home

Top Gun Cruise - to Cape May, NYC and back. July 20th - July 28th.

Sun - Baltimore to the C&D canal Monday - Cape May Tuesday - Atlantic City

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - NYC

Saturday - Atlantic City Sunday - Cape May

Monday - C&D canal or Home

Top Gun Cruisers Instructor Level - to Cape May, NYC, Port Washington, Montauk & back. July 20th - July 30th.

Sun - C&D Mon - Cape May

Tues, Wed - NYC

Thurs - Port Washington

Friday - Saturday - Montauk

Sunday (route will be dependent on the weather and the Captains)

For more information, contact P/C John Hall, AP at 410-823-5698 or jhall767@earthlink.net.

## EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

The ABC Course is underway at Anchorage Marina. We are sorry to report that the GPS Course had to be canceled, be sure to keep an eye out for a new date.

We are planning on having the new Weather Seminar in the near future, and will give an overview of the course at the August 20 General Membership Meeting at Blue Fins. To get a class or seminar organized please notify the Education Department at seo@uspsdundalk.org.

I hope to see one of you up for a class in the near future.

Respectfully Submitted, P/C Lois Nehmer, SN seo@uspsdundalk.org



## **Opening Day Honor Guard**

What a grand Opening Day for Bush River Yacht Club! Not only does the sun always shine on Bush River, but the cool breeze from the river made the afternoon bearable.

My thanks to the members of Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron that formed the Honor Guard. They are:

CDR Tracey Stuenes, P

D/1Lt Walter Neese, SN D/ASEO

P/C Anthony Van de Wal, N

P/C Lois Hehmer, SN

P/Lt/C Raymond Schiff. P ASEO

Lt Robert Porak, P

Submitted by,

P/C Anthony Van de Wal, N

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**BRYC USPS Liaison** 

#### D/5 Summer Rendezvous



D/5 Navigation Contest Saturday, 19 July at 1300

Still time to enter your boat or crew or be an observer, see registration form on page 9.

#### **KEEP THE NAVIGATION CONTEST ALIVE IN D/5**

#### Trivia Answers

Question 1: It has to do with the waves' origin. Waves originating and evident at your location are called "seas". Waves evident at your location, but that originated somewhere else are called "swells".

Question 2: 180 degrees TB. The Coast Guard "slant" is 64 degrees from horizontal. 116 RB + 64 TH = 180 TB

## **USPS**®

## **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**DETROIT MARRIOTT, RENAISSANCE CENTER** 



HTTP://WWW.USPS.ORG/NATIONAL/NATMEETINGS/DETROIT/DETROIT.HTML

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

We had 38 members turn out for this past General Membership meeting at Blue Fins. There is plenty of room for more people – so why not make a point to get to our next meeting in **August!** We are trying to keep business to a minimum, so there is more time for the program and socializing.

Commander Brian Penoyer, Chief, Prevention Department of the US Coast Guard Sector Baltimore gave a presentation on the Department of Homeland Security's Small Vessel Security Strategy. The Commander was assisted by Stephen Oakley, Chief, Uninspected Vessel Branch. The Coast Guard is trying to team up with various boating organizations, such as the Power Squadrons, to increase the security on the water. There is a very nice summary regarding this on the first page of the June Horizon, so I won't repeat it here. They also handed out a pamphlet on America's Waterway Watch, see below for more information. Several questions were raised and answered. One

question concerned the disposal of old flares. If someone is interested in running this, we could have a "Flare Training" session for our members. All we would have to do is notify the Coast Guard, obtain a permit and they would send one of their people to come to our "training". Anyone interested??

P/C Brooks Riley was happy to report that he had 7 members attend the first session of Operations Training. With this, all of the Bridge will have received the training that is required.

The summer is young and there are many activities with which to join in the fun! Please review your Horizon for the details. See you there!

Respectfully submitted, Lt/C J. Streett Broadbent, AP ao@uspsdundalk.org or (410-598-0833)

## **AMERICA'S WATERWAY WATCH**

### YOU CAN HELP THE U.S. COAST GUARD KEEP AMERICA'S WATERWAYS SAFE AND SECURE

America's Waterway Watch (AWW), a combined effort of the Coast Guard and its Reserve and Auxiliary components, continues to grow, enlisting the active participation of those who live, work or play around America's waterfront areas. Coast Guard Reserve personnel concentrate on connecting with businesses and government agencies, while Auxiliarists focus on building AWW awareness among the recreational boating public.

America's coasts, rivers, bridges, tunnels, ports, ships, military bases, and waterside industries may be the terrorists' next targets. Though waterway security is better than ever, with more than 95,000 miles of shoreline, over 290,000 square miles of water, and approximately 70 million recreational boaters in the United States, the Coast Guard and local first responders can not do the job alone.

As a person who spends much of your time on or near the water, you already know what is normal and what is not, and you are well suited to notice suspicious activities - activities possibly indicating threats to our nation's homeland security. And as a participant in *America's Waterway Watch* we urge you to adopt a heightened sense of sensitivity toward unusual events or individuals you may encounter in or around ports, docks, marinas, riversides, beaches, or waterfront communities.

If you are a tow boat operator, a recreational boater, a fisherman, a marina operator, or otherwise live, work or engage in recreational activities around America's waterways, the United States Coast Guard wants your help in keeping these areas safe and secure. You can do this by participating in its *America's Waterway Watch (AWW)* program, a nationwide initiative similar to the well known and successful Neighborhood Watch program that asks community members to report suspicious activities to local law enforcement agencies.

You should always remember that *people are not suspicious, behavior is*. And if you observe suspicious behavior or activity, you should simply note the details and contact local law enforcement. You are **not** expected to approach or challenge anyone acting in a suspicious manner

America's Waterway Watch is a public outreach program, encouraging participants to simply report suspicious activity to the Coast Guard and/or other law enforcement agencies. Unlike some Neighborhood Watch programs, for example, you are not formally joining an organization -- there are no meetings, membership cards or membership requirements -- and you do not become an agent of the Coast Guard or any other law enforcement agency.

For more information, visit the America's Waterway Watch web site at http://www.americaswaterwaywatch.org/.

To Report Suspicious Activity: Call the National Response Center at 877-24WATCH

If There is immediate Danger to Life or Property, Call 9-1-1 or Call the Coast Guard on Marine Channel 16

## Please Join Us For the Last Cruise of the Summer

# St. Michaels on September 12 – 14th

St Michaels Marina (800-678-8980) <u>www.stmichaelsmarina.com</u> N38 Degrees 47.132 W076 Degrees 13.229

Marina has nice amenities, along with a Swimming Pool, and Bike Rentals,

# Enjoy the sights, and take in some shopping. There will be great end of the season bargains in the boutiques in town!

Please make your own Slip Reservations with marina as soon as possible!

Inform marina that you are with Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron

Friday 1800 Sunset Hors d'oeuvres & Cocktail Party

Saturday 0900 Pitch in Breakfast

1000 Scavenger Hunt & Shopping

1800 Pitch in Cocktail Party

1900 Dinner in town

Sunday 0800 Pitch in Breakfast

Bring your favorite cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres to share Friday night

For more information, call Tony Solesky 410-832-5887 or Jay Seidenman 410-653-8823

Good Fellowship, Good Boating, Great Shopping

If you plan to come by car, there are plenty of nice Bed & Breakfasts in town. Check out the web site <a href="https://www.stmichaels.org">www.stmichaels.org</a>

Hope to see you there!

### 2008 D/5 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS AND COUNCIL



#### **BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR MARINE CENTER**



17 - 20 July 2008 Monitor VHF Channel 09/16

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### **SLIP RESERVATIONS** (on your own) **ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE (\$ indicates fee)**

**Baltimore Inner Harbor Marine Center** 

410-837-5339

Slip fee: \$2.50/ft. Elec.: \$17/day. incl. Cable TV, WIFI,

Pump-out at each slip, Health Club, Pool \$ National Aquarium

\$ Torsk/Tawney

Walk to:

\$ Constellation

Tour Harbor Place \$ Water Taxi to:

HOTEL RESERVATIONS Fells Point

Best Western Baltimore Travel Plaza

1-800-633-9511 (mention U.S.P.S.)

\$109/day - free parking & shuttle Federal Hill

Cross Street Market

Holiday Inn (410) 727-1818 \$ Baseball Game at Camden Yards

\$109/day - \$10 parking \$ B & O Railroad Museum

### **THURSDAY 17 JULY**

### **SATURDAY 19 JULY**

Return from ceremony

Summer Council

1100 to 1200

0700 to 0900	Breakfast on your own	0700 to 0830	\$ Breakfast at the Tent
1200 to 1700	\$ Registration Dockside	0800 to 0900	\$ Board bus for Flag
1930	Dinner on your own		Raising at Ft. McHenry

0845 to: Last bus-Sqd. Cdrs./Guests

### **FRIDAY 18 JULY**

0700 to 0900	Breakfast on your own	1200	Depart Navigation Event
0900 to 1700	\$ Registration at Tent	1300	\$ Navigation Contest Starts
0900 to 1800	Tour Baltimore Inner Harbor	1500	Pass in Review Event Boats
1700	Captains' Meeting	1700	Catholic/Protestant Services

1800 to 1900 Commander's Reception TBA Jewish Services

1930 Pier Party - Pitch-in Dinner 1800 to 2100 \$ Bull Roast & Awards

Pull out your grills, Hon!

(your option) Dinner Cruise Bay Lady

**SUNDAY 20 JULY** Boat to Boat - Pier "C"

(your option) Baseball—Baltimore vs. Detroit 0700 to 0830 \$ "Mr. Omelette" Buffet 0900 to 1200

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: If you are interested in helping with the D/5 Summer Rendezvous and Council, please contact P/C Bernie Karpers, 410-456-5534 or bskseodps@aol.com.

## USPS D/5 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS RESERVATION FORM

# BALTIMORE INNER HARBOR MARINE CENTER 17 TO 20 JULY 2008

MEMBER: RankName		Grade
ADDRESS:	City	StateZip
SQUADRON	POSITION	FIRST TIMER?
E-mail:	PHONE:	
Spouse/other attendees:		
RankName	Grade	First Timer?
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## **ACTIVITIES SELECTION**

REGISTRATION FEE PER PERSON	# @ \$10.00
EVENT TEE SHIRT (circle size) S M L XL XXL	#@ \$15.00
SATURDAY MORNING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	# @ \$8.00
ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION FT MCHENRY	#@ \$5.00
SATURDAY EVENING AWARDS DINNER	
Adult	#@ \$35.00
Children 12 and under	# @ \$10.00
NAVIGATION CONTEST PER BOAT	\$10.00
SUNDAY MR. OMELETTE BREAKFAST BUFFET	#@ \$15.00
50/50 TICKET (\$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00)	# @ \$1.00
	TOTAL

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "D/5 SUMMER RENDEZVOUS" AND MAIL TO:

P/Lt/C BARBARA A. BLAKER, AP, 91 BLONDELL COURT, TIMONIUM, MD 21093 Phone: (410) 308-2148

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 10 JULY 2008

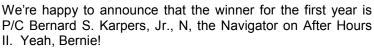


## **The Napping Navigator Award**



We have a new award. It is called The Napping Navigator Award and it is to be presented each year to that person who was the Navigator on the Dundalk **Team** boat which did the most poorly in the D/5 Navigation contest. If there is no team, it shall be given to the Navigator on the Dundalk boat that did most poorly in the D/5 Navigation contest.

The actual plaque was designed by P/D/C William D. Selden, V and came from a picture in the office of his late father, Past Chief Commander, William D. Selden, IV.





#### D/5 Summer Rendezvous



# Laissez les bon temps rouler LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL



HURRICANE SEASON OFFICIALLY BEGINS IN JUNE. THE D/5 HURRICANE PARTY GETS THE WEEKEND FUN STARTED 1730 FRIDAY ON THE DOCK FOR D/5'ERS AND FRIENDS.

JOIN US FOR A HURRICANE-COCKTAIL HOUR BEFORE YOU HEAD OFF TO A BALL GAME, OR SIGHTSEEING.

FOR THOSE WHO CHOOSE TO STAY AT THE MARINA –THERE WILL BE A LOUISIANA FRIDAY WITH ZYDECO AND DIXIELAND MUSIC, HAMBURGERS AND HOT DOGS SERVED BY THE D/C AND MEMBERS OF THE BRIDGE ALONG WITH THE FIXIN'S.

TO COMPLETE THE FUNDANGO THERE WILL BE A DESSERT CHALLENGE—BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE (AND A COPY OF THE RECIPE) AND MAYBE TAKE HOME THE PRIZE

MISS GAIL WENT TO LSU AND LEARNED HOW TO PARTY. COME JOIN IN THE FUN -SEE YOU THERE!!

## Laissez les bon temps rouler

## Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron's

# 18th Annual Crab Feast

22-24 August, 2008

Haven Harbour Marina, Rock Hall, MD

Friday Arrival: Dinner on your own, then Pajama Pier Party at 2000—Bring and wear your favorite night caps along with your bedtime snacks to share.

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 by our favorite, Dave Brand

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!

All food to be eaten on premises - sorry, no carryout service.



Name	Arrival Date	Time
	Adult feast tickets	x \$ 39.00 = \$
	Children under 12	_ × \$ 10.00 = \$
		TOTAL \$

NEW FOR 2008: PLEASE MAKE YOUR SLIP RESERVATIONS FOR BOTH NIGHTS DIRECTLY WITH HAVEN HARBOUR 410-778-6697 OR 800-506-6697

Please make checks payable for the crab feast to "Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron" and mail to:

P/C Read Van Zile, AP, 812 Cold Spring Rd, Baltimore, MD 21220-4330

Phone 410-335-4161 e-mail: loafersglory1@verizon.net

Reservations a must by August 16.



## SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

July—August 2008 Calendar

July 4-5 Fireworks - Locations TBA

July 17-20 D/5 Summer Rendezvous—Baltimore Inner Harbor

July 20-26 or 28 TOP GUN Cruise

August 20 General Membership Meeting—Blue Fins

August 22-24 Crab Feast—Haven Harbour, Rock Hall

**NO General Membership Meeting in July** 



