

ON THE HORIZON

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Our next Membership Meeting is on Wednesday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m., at The Bowman Restaurant, 9603 Harford Road. The June 15, 2016 program will have Sergeant Kurt Roepcke, Underwater Recovery Team Coordinator of the Baltimore Police Department Marine Unit. Those planning on having dinner should arrive at The Bowman Restaurant by 6:15 pm

COMMANDER



THE LAST DETAIL

Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron has long provided Honor Guards for not only Squadron events, but the opening of yacht clubs and other public ceremonies with a maritime flavor. Wikipedia defines an Honor Guard in the following manner:

An honor guard, or ceremonial guard, is a ceremonial unit, usually military in nature and composed of volunteers who are carefully screened for their physical ability and dexterity. Only those persons who are highly motivated and maintain exceptionally high standards of appearance and conduct and show aptitude for ceremonial duty are likely to be considered.

I served in my first public Honor Guard at the opening of Baltimore Yacht Club on Sunday, May 29, 2016, along with P/C John Hall, AP, P/C Steven Dalgarno, N, D/1st /Lt Walter Neese, SN, D/Lt/C Jim Redding, P, and P/D/C Fuzzy Jones, AP. As suggested by Wikipedia, we were all highly motivated volunteers with an aptitude for ceremonial duty. Whether or not we were carefully screened for our physical ability, dexterity, and exceptionally high standard of appearance and conduct is best left for others to decide. But, the truth is: It was good fun, and we acquitted ourselves well for the Squadron.

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide an Honor Guard for Bush River Yacht Club this year, in

small part due to injuries, in large part because we inadvertently scheduled our annual Wurst Cookout of the Year for exactly the same time. But, even without these mishaps, the number of Squadron members volunteering for honor guard duty is diminishing, and I had wondered before BYC's opening ceremony whether, perhaps, this would be The Last Detail. Like others in the Squadron, I occasionally harbor the sentiment that anything which keeps us from actually *boating* on a beautiful spring day is suspect.

Interestingly, I attended a Sea Scouts meeting in Marriottsville last Tuesday and discovered that they, too, were asked to provide an Honor Guard for Bush River's official opening. Like us, the Sea Scouts were unable to muster quite enough bodies on a Saturday afternoon in June to make a respectable showing.

Nevertheless, I suggested then, and propose again now, that our Squadron and the Sea Scouts join forces from time-to-time to provide an intergenerational Honor Guard. Their Navy whites look just like our summer uniforms, and if each organization could recruit just three volunteers (including an adult Sea Scout leader), we would have a full complement of ceremonial guards. In this way, we could continue a long and honorable tradition of service, while forging a bond with the Sea Scouts who, individually, are the future of the United States Power Squadrons.

Respectfully submitted,
Commander Douglas B. Riley, AP

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER



I usually try to start my column on a happy note but something caught my ear this morning as I was driving in to work. This past weekend a man died near Selby Bay on the South River after entering the water to retrieve his hat which had blown overboard. He neglected to put his rental vessel into neutral and his wife, who has no boating experience, could not stop or control the boat. This is unbelievably sad and tragic. It was also preventable. First, he was not wearing a PFD. Second, there was no one other than himself onboard who could take over in the event of an emergency. I ask that all Squadron members please pay attention to this event and take steps to prevent it from occurring within our ranks. Please wear, and ensure that everyone on your vessel is wearing, a PFD. Also, if there is not at least one experienced boat operator other than you onboard, please take a few minutes to familiarize someone with the controls necessary to control the vessel. Better yet, if someone cruises with you frequently, have them undergo the training that is so readily available that will allow them to fully take charge when tragedy does strike.

On a lighter note the first Squadron cruise of the season is now in the books and what a great time we had! Despite the somewhat rainy weather S/V Tiphys enjoyed the company of four other boats at Harborview Marina. It was great to hang out with Lorenzo, Jenny Lynn Too, Rat

Ark and Battlewagon. The fact that the people that embark on them were there as well made it twice as nice! Two great dinners with friends at The Wine Market and Little Havana, a shopping trip to Maryland Nautical Sales, a Preakness happy hour, a pitch in breakfast and a Vessel Safety Check made for a busy but fun weekend. Not to mention that we got to sail on the way on Friday and back on Sunday. We are already looking forward to the next cruise.

Susan and I are currently in the process of finishing up the exam for the Navigation course. The topic of celestial navigation is fascinating. We are finding it quite challenging and very rewarding. Will this course, focused on offshore navigation out of range of visible land and aids to navigation, ever be something we will use in our boating careers? The answer to that is a firm maybe. Perhaps we will, perhaps we will not. Either way it is comforting to know that we will be prepared should these skills be required. We had an instructor in one of the first on-the-water courses we took offer this nugget. He said "boating is 95% preparation and 5 percent execution". Maybe the percentages are a little skewed but the message is not.

Respectfully Submitted, Lt/C David Blades, JN

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 6:15 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. in a private meeting room.
www.thebowmanrestaurant.com

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



Reaching the Far Shore

"Believe me, my young friend; there is nothing -- absolutely nothing -- half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." **Kenneth Grahame, *Wind in The Willows***

Deep in the darkness and prior to the dawn when I ended my previous chapter, we were quartering waves in a northeasterly direction north of Ashtabula, OH most likely steaming in Canadian Waters. There is a body of land jutting out of Ontario called Long Point National Wildlife Area. We were heading toward the leeward side in hopes of getting some relief from the wind driven roller coaster ride. We did get close only to learn that there was no protection or refuge for us. Apparently only wildlife was welcome.

We turned right to follow the coast east around the very visible Long Point Lighthouse and back to our original heading toward Buffalo. Rounding the point at 2am, the lighthouse was safely on our port beam. And BLINK it turned off. We never heard the switch. It is a very eerie Erie feeling to witness an event while sleep deprived, damp deep and in the dark. It did provide us with some extra juice for the next little stretch. We confirmed our location and heading and motored on. Thankfully, the waves were abating.

Not long after that, we noticed that the Canadian shore was blinking like distant mega-fireflies. As distant as we could see there were beacons flashing in unison and all aligned in a very neat shore hugging row. Uh oh, here comes

spooky Lake Erie again. This got us alert again. What is it? Maybe the Canadian version of a Trump fence? Ontario's Gulag? Little light houses? Nothing made real sense. This went on for hours without interruption.

And then there was the dawn. While still many miles away from the far shore, images began to coalesce with the approach of daybreak and the clearing of the faint haze. There they were: little, toy windmills. No wait! There were gigantic wind turbines by the hundreds. They were twirling like gigantic margarita blender blades daring anything to pass. Or so the hawk lovers would say. Careful, there be monsters out there!

And we're back. As soon as I finish this, I'll put together some email to members or former members who have drifted away from the DSPS. I'll make calls. If you read this and are adrift, please contact me.

The June 15, 2016 program will have Sergeant Kurt Roepcke, Underwater Recovery Team Coordinator of the Baltimore Police Department Marine Unit. While I was unable to attend, He recently spoke and held discussion at the Inner Harbor West Marine store for nearly 2 hours. I anticipate a very interesting presentation for our group.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn Haldeman, S,
Administrative Officer,

TREASURER'S REPORT



Greetings from your Squadron Treasurer!

Final numbers for the D5 Spring Conference in Ocean City were very good. With Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron hosting this event, a nice profit for the Squadron was a nice bonus to the great time had by all. And speaking of great times, make sure to send in your reservations and checks for the upcoming events so you can join in on the fun whether coming by boat or car.

Visit our Online Ship's Store at <http://dundalksquadron.qbstores.com>! Now is the time to get your merchandise for the boating season, especially with the current discount and always no minimum. Available merchandise includes

polos, tees, button down shirts, jackets, sweatshirts, hats, bags -- available in multiple colors, plus 3 logos to choose from on most items. If there are items you would like, but don't see, check with me and I will see if they are available. If you register at the site, you will start receiving emails with the latest discount offer, which you can opt out if you do not want to receive them.

The Squadron's bills are paid and we are in sound financial shape. Contact me at stuartnewborn@gmail.com if you have questions for the Treasurer or on the Ship's Store.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Stuart Newborn, S,

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



Calendar of Pending Courses (details and all registrations online):

May 3 Marine Electrical Systems at Weaver's Marine Service

Registration closed

Our next course will be Seamanship starting the last week of September. Please let me know by mid July if you're able to teach it (rcrimmins11901@gmail.com).

Educational tip of the month: Operating in Restricted Visibility (some instances, fog, heavy rain, dusk or darkness, around a dock or a headland or behind a ship)

- 1 Reduce speed. You should be able to stop in half the distance you can see.
- 2 Turn on your running lights and sound the proper signals for your boat so other vessels can see and hear you. For vessels less than 12 meters (39.4 feet) the minimum signal is an efficient sounding every 2 minutes. Hoist a radar reflector or the equivalent so you can be seen or heard electronically.
- 3 Watch and listen for other vessels so you can know where they are. As to seeing, post a watch both bow and stern. As to hearing, stop your boat from time to time to listen better, but keep your engine running so you can take immediate action if you have to. If you have radar, turn it on.
- 4 Use all options to avoid collision with a strong preference for turning right. Remember the Andrea Doria turned left, got holed and sunk.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Robert Crimmins, AP - SEO

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Ahoy all! As I traveled through the yacht clubs and boatyards working the last few weeks, one can definitely see evidence that spring has arrived! Spotting returning snowbird folks, shrink wrap being removed from boats, and the roar of engines coming to life after a long winters nap. Additionally the Maryland General Assembly has adjourned, primary day has passed, and now the focus can shift from politics and policy in Annapolis to enjoying our gorgeous state lands and waterways.

With the start of this new boating season one should review the specifics of Maryland's boating laws and safety equipment requirements by going to the Maryland Department Natural Resources website and clicking on the "BOAT" tab.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our Squadron's meetings. Have a great boating season!

Respectfully submitted, Lt/C Dick Bruns, Secretary

Cruising Schedule 2016

May 6 Co-op Charting in Norfolk

May 20-22 National Safety Week Shakedown Cruise

Our first cruise of the season, we will be at the Baltimore Marine Center at HarborView. We have an opportunity to "shake down" our own boats and others at the marina before the season kicks off. It's a great time to inspect the safety equipment on your vessel and make sure last years' equipment hasn't expired.

June-11 The WURST cookout ever at Baltimore Yacht Club

Always a great time, come by land or boat! Plenty of good fun and lots of fun! We'll have a sunset cocktail party on the pier Friday night. Wurst Cookout on Saturday and a pitch in breakfast Sunday.

June 17-19 Tilghman Island / Practice Navigation Contest

Join us as we head for Tilghman on the Chesapeake Marina on Tilghman Island. We're planning on an ice cream social for Friday night, Captain's meeting and A/P seminar Saturday morning, and Navigation Contest and boat ride Saturday afternoon. 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 needed.

Fourth of July Fireworks

Many of our members are Fireworks Chasers. From the Beautiful Inner Harbor, to Middle River to Rock Hall, what will you see? Hook up with us, and raft out. It's a lot of fun.

July 8-10 North Bay Cruise and Movie Making Extraordinaire

We're headed up to Worton Creek marina for a relaxing weekend get-a-way. Join the fun as we produce and star in Safe Boating Videos under the direction of P/D/C Marty Lafferty for District 5's brand new Media Library Series!

July 10-17 The Commanders Top Gun Cruise to New York

Departing immediately from the North Bay cruise we are headed to Cape May and beyond. We're still working out the details, but we are headed up to visit the Statue of Liberty and New York City. Join us on the whole cruise or just part of the way!

July 23-28 District 5 Southbound Cruise

Cruise your way to the D5 rendezvous, We're going to Georgetown, Havre de Grace and Rock Hall.

July 28-31 District 5 Rendezvous / USPS District 5 Summer Council & Navigation Contest

At Mears Marina Kent Narrows.

August 19-21 Crab Feast in Rock Hall at the Sailing Emporium

We invite you, your family and friends to attend our Squadron's most popular annual event. There's live music, crabs, burgers, fresh corn, and conga lines. Bring the kids to this one, there's a nice pool, and a trolley ride from the marina to town.

August 21-28 USPS Governing Board in Pittsburg

September 16-18 Last Cruise of the Summer to Annapolis

This is the officially the last cruise of summer as the first day of Fall is September 20th. We're still working out which of the many fine marina's in Annapolis we will be going to. We'd like to make a special trip to the Thomas Point Light House. If you are interested please contact Susan Rудay. Please come and join us for the weekend—it is a great trip by car or by boat.

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Friday	8:00 PM	Sunset Ice Cream Social
Saturday	10:00 AM	Captains Meeting and A/P seminar
	1:00 PM	Navigation Contest / Lunch Cruise
	5:30 PM	Pitch in Cocktail party
	7:00 PM	Dinner at Harrison House Country Inn.
Sunday	9:00 AM	Pitch-in Breakfast

Tilghman on the Chesapeake Marina
21610 Island Club Road, Tilghman, Maryland 21671
Telephone: 1-800-RELAXED (735-2933) or 410-886-2389
Email: toc@atlanticbb.net www.tochesapeake.com
LAT 038° 42'32" LON 076° 19' 48"

Please make your own slip reservations with the Marina as soon as possible!
Inform the Marina that you are with the Power Squadron Rendezvous.

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Rank _____ Name _____ Squadron _____

Mate _____ Guests _____ Children/ages _____

Attending : Ice Cream Social Nav Contest Dinner

Address _____ Phone _____

MMSI # _____ Do you have a smart phone or iPad ? Yes No

Please indicate if you will be coming by boat and your Boat Name & Size _____

Please send this reservation form and \$10.00 to:
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Members Helping Members

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- Many locations throughout the Chesapeake Bay
- Commander's Cruise and Top Gun Cruise to ports as far away as Philadelphia, Cape May, New York, the Outer Banks, etc.
- Take your own boat or crew on someone else's
- **Social Events:** Pitch-in meals, picnics, theme parties, and our Annual Crab Feast

Meetings with knowledgeable guest speakers on interesting topics to include Homeland Security, First-Aid, Weather, Bay History, Winterizing/Commissioning, Engine Maintenance



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- Help out and crew, or use your boat

Costs: Individual = \$90. Individual + One Additional Active family member = \$141. (Each Additional family member \$20)

Individual: _____

Additional: _____

Email : _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Amount Paid: \$ _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Learn More about America's Boating Club

Email: cdr@uspsdundalk.org

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<http://www.uspsd5.org>

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: _____



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Lights, Action, Camera!

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Cocktails with the Director, 1730



Saturday evening
Squadron Dinner at Worton Creek Marina Restaurant, 1900

Sunday morning
Send off for our Top Gun Cruisers as they leave
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We wouldn't miss this for a trip to Hollywood!

Names: _____ By land By sea

- All weekend long
- We want to be movie stars, too!
- Saturday afternoon cocktail party
- Saturday night Squadron Dinner
- Sunday morning chip-in breakfast



Name of boat: _____

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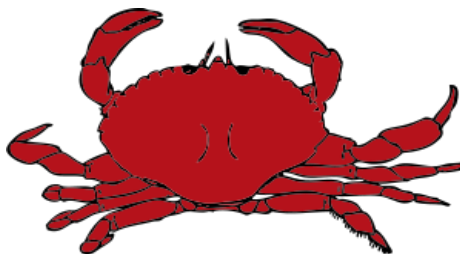
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Name: _____ Boat name: _____

Arriving: By land By sea Friday, August 19th Saturday, August 20th

- Friday night pitch-in cocktail party at 1800 hours
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- Sunday morning pitch-in breakfast at 0800 hours



Number of adults _____ at \$45.00 each \$ _____

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(12 and under)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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Calendar

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