



ON THE HORIZON

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Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron

Our next Membership Meeting is on Wednesday, June 21st at The Bowman Restaurant, 9603 Harford Road., Parkville, MD 21234. .

COMMANDER
David Blades, N



Boating season is here at last! I stated in my column last month that my greatest wish is for the safety of all members as we begin this summer's schedule of boating events. Susan and I just completed our maiden voyage for this season by bringing S/V Tiphys from her winter home to our summer berth on Rock Creek. We began on a very still morning with nary a whisper of breeze. Upon reflection this was a blessing in disguise as we were able to depart our dock without great forces acting upon us in a narrow fairway. As we entered the Bay and worked our way north we were able to take advantage of light breezes to test our sails for the first time of the season. Being assured that all was shipshape with the sails we resorted to motoring for a couple of hours until the winds built to sufficient force to allow us to sail at a reasonable speed. As we approached Baltimore Light Susan began to wonder what became of the small craft warnings that had been issued for the day. We soon found out that they were not issued in error. We saw in the distance the unmistakable darkening of the water that signifies much stronger winds. In short time we went from the light breezes to somewhere around 20 knots with gusts upwards of 30. The last 90 minutes of our trip were spent motoring (only because we had a tight schedule to keep) into the 2 to 3 foot waves of a serious headwind. Docking at our berth was somewhat more exciting than when we left some 8 hours earlier.

The point of the story, getting back to my topic of safety, is that from start to finish we were wearing our personal flotation devices(PFD). This is a practice we started when we first purchased our boat and continue today. We put them on when we start readying the boat for departure and don't remove them until we are safely moored at our

destination or on anchor. I liken this practice to using seat belts when driving a car. Most people automatically buckle up without conscious thought; it's an ingrained part of getting in the car for trips small and large. The same could and should be true for all boaters whether going for a short ride on the water or a much longer cruise. As teachers and practitioners of safe boating I believe that we, as a Squadron, should set the example and endeavor to wear our PFDs at all Squadron events and whenever flying our burgee. This sends a message to the public that we are serious about what we teach. Safety first!

Respectfully Submitted,
CDR David Blades, N



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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

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.



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----- Reservation form -----

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Arriving: By land By sea Friday, September 22 Saturday, September 23

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- Sunday morning pitch-in breakfast (0800)



- Number of adults _____ at \$45.00 each \$ _____
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- Children (under 13) _____ at \$15.00 each \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

J. Streett Broadbent, AP



1. Vessel Safety Checks

We (Dundalk) are in dire need of help with Vessel Safety Checks. We are now down to 3 VSC Examiners. In the past we had several examiners, and checked many vessels. Last year we were only able to examine 25 boats. We need to certify more members as examiners. Ned Dexter, Lori Piper and I are going through the process. It is easy, and we will help you! What could be a better way to earn time toward your Merit Marks, than talking with friends, neighbors and other boating people - spending some time on their boat, checking it out with them and placing that decal on their boat? **Please consider becoming a VSC Examiner!!**

To Date 10 VSC's have been recorded, 3 Decals have been awarded, and 12 decals given to VSC examiners.

2. Executive Office Committees:

- a. Still need "volunteers" for the following committees:
 - i. Legislative
 - ii. Safety
 - iii. VSC's

Please contact me at: Streett@EasyStreett.com or by phone 410-598-0833.

Respectfully submitted,

P/LT/C J. Streett Broadbent, AP

Executive Officer



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EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

John L. Hall, AP



Last month I talked about the new summer seminar series with Cruise and Cruise planning. It's not too late to join and the next session will be at the Wurst Cookout at Red Eye Yacht Club on June 10th. Please note that at least one version of the flyer for that event went out with the wrong date. The event is the weekend of June 9-11th with the class and the cookout being on Saturday the 10th.

One of the new and exciting opportunities in the education department is to have an on the water or OTW segment of each class. This month Dundalk kicked off its first ever OTW class. This is an additional class which enables the student to utilize the information being taught in the classroom in a real life situation. The United States Power Squadron has secured insurance for this type of class provided we follow their guidelines. One of these is a requirement that the course be presented to the executive committee in advance. Another is that the vessel have a current Vessel Safety Check.

The piloting class, led by instructor Steve Dalgarno, were able to put their piloting skills to the test. The class included plotting the vessel's course in advance and then calculating DR positions as we ran. Steve also demonstrated the use of software on an ipad for the same navigation purpose and to evaluate the accuracy of the DR's

Many thanks to P/C Douglas Riley, AP for volunteering Lorenzo for this class. While not a "three hour tour" it did have potential to be interesting. We departed around 1915 and enjoyed a wonderful sunset to the west as we monitored thunderstorms and lightning to the south. Returning to the dock in the dark was also a great learning experience. We are looking forward to doing more OTW training on other courses in the near future.

Please signup with me or online for these courses as early as possible. Also, as always, please let me know if there are any courses or seminars you are interested in.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C John L. Hall, AP - SEO

CALENDAR OF PENDING COURSES

Course	Location	Start Date	Duration	Member/non-member
Piloting	Essex	in progress	8 weeks	\$65/\$113
ABC Course	West Marine	5/2/17 6:00 pm	4 weeks	\$45
Using VHF/DSC	Anchorage	5/20/17 2:00 pm	2 hours	\$22
Cruise Planning	Anchorage	5/20/17 4:00 pm	8 weeks	\$49/\$79
Several locations	REYC	6/17/17 1:00 pm		
And dates	BYC	9/23/17 12:00 pm		
Basic Boating (DNR)	West Marine	6/6/17 6:00 pm	4 weeks	\$45
Seamanship	Essex	9/21/17 7:00 pm	7 weeks	\$52/\$100
Piloting	Essex	2/1/18 7:00 pm	8 weeks	\$65/\$113
Advanced Piloting	TBD	Fall 2017		\$70/\$115

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Glenn Haldeman, AP



The Home Stretch

“There was nowhere to go but everywhere, so just keep on rolling under the stars.”

Jack Kerouac

I closed last month by stating that I am ready to do it again. Do what again? I'd go back to Lake Erie, hang around and then come back again. I'd likely take the same exact route WITHOUT the overnight crossing of Lake Erie. Once was more than enough! I'd stop and visit old haunts, friends, and dawdle shamelessly along the entire route. There is a great comfort knowing that My Way & I can do it. And for me, I would truly enjoy the whole thing again. I don't have to search for a new adventure though that would be exciting as well. I'd get great pleasure from sharing the original adventure with Dalal onboard.

Switching gears, in a past life I tinkered with 70's vintage motorcycles. I find myself doing the same thing with my 70's vintage boat. When My Way first arrived in Baltimore, I slowly learned how much I didn't know about everything marine and nautical. The first year saw me in various Power Squadron courses, reading a bunch and picking the brains of those caring souls that stopped long enough to say hello. I'm not naturally shy. I have brought some of the systems up to more modern standards and improved overall safety. Naturally, everything I do is for the first time. Some jobs I can do, and very slowly, for others I call a buddy and learn as I go.

I have done lots of boating. I call it boating anyway. Squadron activities, my part time job and the tinkering that I greatly enjoy. I have gotten away for a few weekends and day trips. Certainly, I have spent more time onboard tied up than moving. Even with my boat a short walk from home, it is challenging to carve out a few hours to rearrange or install some better stuff. Some of it has been very important like a Bluetooth enabled radio to play tunes while I ponder the next step. Some has been a top priority like the non-marine wiring that been replaced and labeled. More next time.

A speaker for June is not quite confirmed. Look for that detail in an upcoming email BLAST. It was my pleasure to see my mates at the Anchorage Marina during the Shakedown cruise.

Thanks for reading.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Glenn Haldeman, AP

Administrative Officer

COMMANDERS CRUISE JUNE 17 TO JUNE 26, 2017 – ITINERARY

Cruise to Cambridge (Choptank River), Oxford (Tred Avon River), and Little Choptank or Tilghman en Route to the D5 Spring Festival in Solomons. Make it a week's vacation with Squadron Friends. Join us for part or all. Come by sea or by land to Oxford, Cambridge and Solomons.

Contact David Blades or Susan Rudy if you plan to join us; we'll keep you informed as details develop.

Dave-410-971-6895

David.Blades28@gmail.com;

Susan- 410-971-9199 **SFRUDY@gmail.com**

ITINERARY:

Sat. June 17: First rendezvous in Annapolis/West River vicinity; location TBD

Sun. June 18: Brewer Oxford Marina, on the point at entrance to Oxford Creek. 410-226-5450
Walk to dinner in Oxford.

Mon. June 19: Lunch hook on Tred Avon River; followed by sail to Cambridge. Cambridge Yacht Club.

Tues. June 20: Site seeing in Cambridge; sight-seeing cruise up river on the Choptank; group dinner.

Wed. June 21: Sail to Little Choptank River for anchorage or Tilghman on Chesapeake for marina accommodations.

Thurs. June 22: Sail to Solomons, Spring Cove Marina

Fri. June 23: Free sail day on Patuxent River or shopping in Solomons; join D5 Spring Festival

Sat. June 24: Solomons/Patuxent: D5 Regatta, Fishing Tourney, Nav Contest, Dinghy Race.

Sun. – Mon. June 25-26: Return to home port.



SECRETARY

Lt/C Ned Dexter, S

Mornin', sailors! Lots happening in the dark and glamorous world of minutes-taking! Working feverishly, I managed to get all of my three "minutes" from the Executive Committee meetings caught up and approved at our meeting on 5/3/17; these are available as .PDF file if anyone is interested, just email me. Now, if Steve Delgarno will quit giving me so much homework for Piloting class, I might stay caught up. So, instead, I'll put on my Homeland Security Committee chairperson hat, and pass along these tidbits:

DNR has a lot of interesting things on their page if you haven't checked it out lately. For example, they have a "tide finder" at <http://dnr2.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/Tide-Finder.aspx> that looked as good as any of them.

Their Fishing Report at <http://dnr2.maryland.gov/Fisheries/Pages/fishingreport/index.aspx> gives helpful tips as far as what fish are out there, and how much other stuff you might have to contend with – for example, the 5/10/report says among other things,

"The flood gates at the Conowingo Dam are open and cold and stained water is pouring through into the lower Susquehanna River. This past weekend's extreme high tides also added floating wood debris to the mess. The striped bass catch and release season is closed in the area so the most common fish being targeted now are white perch and catfish. The American shad and hickory shad are still in the river and providing some catch and release fun. There are a lot of white perch in the river at this time and should be for another week or so, making for a great time to catch some filleting size perch."

Lots of other useful stuff for the rest of the Bay, too!

I checked in with DHS, and there's not much happening there boat-wise right now. I can't imagine what else in Washington they have on their minds at the moment. What's more important than boats??

That's it for this month, I gotta go get to work on the boat. Cheers!

Respectfully submitted by your humble scribe,
Ned Dexter, S.

TREASURER'

Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP



I am happy to report that, "All deposits are made, all bills are paid, and we are in sound financial shape." Nevertheless, to ensure that we remain in sound financial shape, we need strong Squadron participation during the summer's two fun fundraising events: The Wurst Cookout Ever at Red Eye Yacht Club on Saturday, June 10, 2017, and the 27th Annual Crab Feast at Baltimore Yacht Club on Saturday, September 23, 2017. Please make every effort to attend both events, and be sure to bring along your friends and family! Flyers with all the details are included in this edition of *On the Horizon*.

I am also happy to report that the Squadron's investment this year in (1) Education, (2) Vessel Safety Examiners, and (3) Sea Scouts paid a huge dividend during the Shakedown Cruise to Anchorage Marina in Canton on May 19-21, 2017. Under the tutelage of Squadron Education Officer John Hall, we taught a well-attended class on VHF (very high frequency) radios, DSC (digital select calling), and MMSI (maritime mobile service identity) numbers, as well as the introductory class in Cruise Planning. Under the direction of Executive Officer Streett Broadbent, the Squadron has three new vessel safety examiners, two of whom completed their qualifying vessel safety checks this weekend. And under Sea Scout coordinator Barbara Lash, the Squadron hosted several Sea Scouts aboard *Battlewagon* who braved thunderstorms, heavy winds, and rough seas with Captain and Mrs. Hall to join us at Anchorage Marina and to assist on Saturday morning with vessel safety checks.

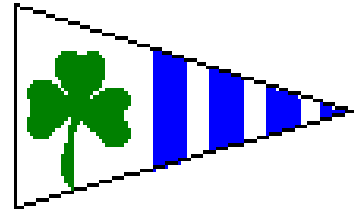
Counting the Sea Scouts' sailing vessel kept permanently at Anchorage Marina, we had six boats take part in the Shakedown Cruise. Notwithstanding a bit of rain and chilly temperatures, a grand time was had by all! Thank you to Administrative Officer Glenn Haldeman for serving as cruise master and making all the arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP,

Treasurer

**DUNDALK SAIL & POWER SQUADRON'S
CRUISE SCHEDULE
2017**



June 9-11, 2017 → Wurst Cookout Ever Cruise, Red Eye Yacht Club, 227 Poplar Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21221, 410-686-5399

June 18-23, 2017 → Commander's Cruise to Oxford on the Tred Avon, Cambridge on the Choptank and Solomons Island on the Patuxent (joining the District 5 Sail Regatta Fishing Tournament)

June 23-25, 2017 → District 5 Sail Regatta & Fishing Tournament, Solomons Island

July 21-23, 2017 → Rock Hall Crab Dinner Cruise, Sailing Emporium, 21144 Green Lane, Rock Hall, Maryland 21661, 410-778-1342

July 23-28, 2017 → District 5 Southbound Cruise, Rock Hall to Norfolk, Virginia

July 28-30 District 5 Summer Council, Tidewater Yacht Marina and Renaissance Hotel, Norfolk, Virginia

July 30 - August 4, 2017 → Top Gun Cruise, Norfolk to Baltimore via James River, York River, Yorktown, Williamsburg, and Tilghman Island

August 18-20, 2017 → Sassafras River Cruise, Georgetown Yacht Basin, Augustine Herman Highway, Georgetown, Maryland 21930, 410- 648-5112

September 22-24, 2017 → Crab Feast Cruise & Crab Feast, Baltimore Yacht Club, 800 Baltimore Yacht Club Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21221 410-682-2310

September 29-October 1, 2017 → NAV E Celestial Navigation Cruise, North Point Marina, 5639 Walnut Street, Rock Hall, Maryland 21661 410-639-2907

October 20-22, 2017 → Squadron Raft-Out & Frostbite Cruise, Strawberry Point, Frog Mortar Creek, Middle River, Maryland



The WURST Cookout Ever!

June 9-11

RED EYE YACHT CLUB

2222 Poplar Rd., Baltimore, MD 21221



Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron invites you to a Raft-Out and Party-In at Red Eye Yacht Club on Sue Creek. Come by boat, by car, by dinghy or by kayak. Raft out in Sue Creek or get a spot at the Yacht Club. Don't be a weiner and miss the wurst cookout of the year!

Saturday 1 PM – Cruise planning summer series. Session 2.

Saturday 3 PM Wurst Cookout - Bratwurst, Bauernwurst and Weisswurst!. German potato salad, sauerkraut, red cabbage, apple sauce, German chocolate cake, smearcase, hot dogs for the kids, etc.. Refreshments (including German beer) need to be purchased from the club (very reasonable) or consumed on your own boat. We'll have some fun seamanship games and some on the water activities.

Saturday 5:30 PM – Kayak / Dinghy “Navigation” Contest. Bring your kayak or dinghy for a fun contest on the water.

Sunday 9 AM Pitch In Breakfast

Name _____ Boat Name _____

Boat Length _____ Beam _____ Draft _____ Arrival Date _____

Kayak/Dinghy Contestants (More than one person can use the same boat) _____

Charges :

Friday night dockage (\$25) \$15 slip + \$10 electric = _____

Saturday night dockage (\$25) \$15 slip + \$10 electric = _____

Coming by boat but rafting out (yes / no)

Cookout - No. of Adults _____ x \$15 = _____

No of Youths 12-17 _____ x \$10 = _____

No. of Kids 11 & Under _____ x \$6 = _____

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Get your slip reservations in early as space is limited. Reservation Deadline June 5th. For more info contact REYC Fleet Captain Kim Ryan at 410-258-2642 or kryan@leddistributing.com





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Calendar

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June 18-23	Commander’s Cruise (see info enclosed)
June 21	Membership Meeting– The Bowman
June 23-25	D/5 Sail Regatta/Fishing Tournament/Spring Festival



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