

ON THE HORIZON

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Don't Miss Our Next Membership Meeting
May 21, 2014 at 1930 (7:30 PM)
Featured Speaker : Brian Wessner of the
Chesapeake Bay Foundation

COMMANDER



Well it's time for the May issue of On The Horizon. You'll notice there aren't as many pictures in this issue as in some of the other ones. That's because everything is about to get started! This issue is all about getting ready for another safe and fun season of cruising. Come along and be IN the pictures for next month! We've got great speakers and great cruises planned for this summer. You can find more details on the speakers in the Administrative Officer's column. Take the time to fill out the reservations forms and send them in. Our big fund raiser is the crab feast at the end of August. It's still in Rock Hall – just on the other side of town. It's hard to believe but I think the new location, The Sailing Emporium, may be even better than before. Our other fund raiser is the Wurst cookout ever. I usually do a lot of the cooking – so you know it will be the wurst. One of them is across the bay and the other is as close as can be.

We really need your support for these events. Be sure to bring your friends and family along for the fun. Since I'm running both the practice and D5 navigations contests this year for the first time I really need your support for those events. They are totally revamped to be way more fun and more educational. Check out the page on the new rules. The new rules allow everyone to participate. First we'll teach how it's done. Then we'll help you do it on paper. Finally we take our boats out with our friends and do it on the water. The only way to lose this contest is to not participate. So come on – let's get out there this year and have some fun.

Respectfully submitted,

Safety Corner—Vessel Safety Checks—It's time for your annual checkup.

The United States Power Squadrons conduct free vessel safety checks. You should have one done on your boat every year. The Vessel Examiner will come to your boat and verify that you have all the required equipment. They will also go over recommended equipment for your boat and boating area. If you pass you will be awarded a sticker which shows that your vessel was current at the time of the inspection. If you don't pass—no worries they'll be glad to come

back once you have corrected the problem. Don't forget to ask them to do your dinghy's and kayaks. Contact one of our Vessel Examiners for your VSC—now

Connie Barry
Rolf Stuenes
Jim Redding
Lois Nehmer-Schiff
Ron Basener
Twila Namaha
John Hall

Or go to <http://cgaux.org/vsc/>



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EXECUTIVE OFFICER



First snow, snow, snow, and now it's rain, rain, rain! But we are still doing better than the Midwest! Not to say how very dry the West Coast is! So maybe we don't have it so bad after all.

I'd like to thank Mary Ellen Peters and her group for doing the Honor Guard for yacht club openings this spring. She is still looking for volunteers to help out. Please give her a call at 410 477 9118.

I'd also like to thank Twila Nahama. She has just requested more Vessel Safety Check material. This tells me she is really doing a great job!

D/Lt Rolf Stuenes is all set for the NOAA workshop in Norfolk. You can bet he will have a lot of information once he returns. He, too, will need support from the membership to do many of the Co-Op tasks to which NOAA looks to the Power Squadrons.

Mid-summer will bring the Ham Radio Convention in Ohio for any of you radio operators in the Squadron. One needs a week to see all the table set ups they have. You can also do an up grade for whatever operator class you may hold. The code test has changed also.

I am sorry that my computer is off line, but I plan to have a new service to my computer come May 6, from Verizon. Maybe, then, I can get back on line and be more functional. Wish me luck!

Have a good and safe spring, my friends! Time to get those vessels in the water, and checked by the V.S.C. teams.

Respectfully submitted,
P/C Ken Finck

TREASURER'S REPORT



I would like to remind our members of the upcoming events and that your participation in our fund raisers serves a dual purpose. One as a Social arm and another to enrich the Treasury of our Squadron. In June we have the Wurst Cookout and in August our annual Crab Feast. These, basically are our only fund raisers to keep your dues from increasing. Make sense????

So you can enjoy yourself while socializing with the Squadron and keep your dues in perspective. Think about it, please!

Respectfully submitted,
Lt/C Richard D. Bussey

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



ABC Courses:

West Marine:

All 5 students passed the April class



Now which is the correct answer???

The May class has 3 students.



The Vogel Family passes the test – All Smiles!!

Marine Communications Systems Courses:

Seven out of 10 students took the test.

Exams will be ordered if the other 3 students so desire.

Seamanship:

Two students took the exam on April, 23rd – waiting results.

Sail:

This course has 16 students.



Instructor Robert Crimmins.



Instructor Jay Goldsberry

The exam will be held May 29th.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C J. Streett Broadbent, AP – SEO

**The Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron
cordially invites you to the**



LAST CRUISE OF SUMMER!

Friday, September 26 – Sunday, September 28, 2014

at the beautiful

**GEORGETOWN YACHT BASIN
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14020 Augustine Herman Hwy, Georgetown, MD 21930

An easy cruise and a lovely sail just across the Bay

Saturday afternoon
Cocktails on the Beach

Saturday evening
Squadron Dinner at the Granary Restaurant

Sunday morning
Pier side pancake breakfast (with all the fixin's!)

Featuring
Brooks Riley & The Dundalk Fog Horns

YOU BET WE'RE COMING TO GEORGETOWN!

Names: _____ By land By sea

- All weekend long
- Saturday afternoon cocktails on the beach
- Saturday evening dinner at the Granary
- Sunday morning for breakfast



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623 Wilton Road, Towson, Maryland 21286
Home: 410-825-9632, or email dougriley@verizon.net

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



We have two great speakers for our May and June meetings, so I hope that all members of the Squadron will make a special effort to attend. Let's give them both a warm Dundalk welcome!

State of the Bay

On Wednesday, May 21, 2014, our speaker will be Brian Wessner of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, who will talk with us about the State of the Chesapeake Bay and the restorative efforts for Saving the Bay that are now underway.

State of the Port

On Wednesday, June 18, 2014, our speaker will be The Honorable Helen Delich Bentley for whom the Port of Baltimore is named. Mrs. Bentley was a long-time port reporter for the Baltimore Sun before her appointment to the Federal Maritime Commission and subsequent election to Congress. She will talk with us about the Port of Baltimore and its central role in Maryland's economy, past present, and future.

Crab Feast on August 23, 2014

Please mark your calendars now for the Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron's 24th Annual Crab Feast in Rock Hall, Maryland. Besides good food and a great time, the Crab Feast is also an important fundraiser for the Squadron, so be sure to invite your family and friends so we have a terrific turnout this year. Our new location at The Sailing Emporium will accommodate a big crowd, and we may even print tickets in hopes that each Squadron member will either buy, or sell, at least two! Let's make the Crab Feast on August 23, 2014 our best ever!

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP

Administrative Officer

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Now that I am the squadrons Secretary my primary focus is to execute the duties of the office to the same high standards set by my predecessor. This is a tall order but I will do my best.

To do this I would like to start by working to keep our mailing list current and encouraging all members to let me know of changes as quickly as possible when they occur. Doing so will ensure that no one misses out on the important information contained in the On the Horizon newsletter such as the cruise schedule or the other wonderful events that are planned for the summer like the Wurst Cookout or the Crab Feast.

Speaking of the summer cruises there is a full schedule set for your enjoyment. Why not come and share in the

good times with your fellow squadron cruisers? Imagine a weekend at one of the scenic locations we will be visiting on the Bay such as Pleasure Cove Marina on Bodkin Creek, The Sailing Emporium in Rock Hall or Georgetown Yacht Basin on the Sassafra River. Susan and I attended several last year and enjoyed ourselves immensely!

The squadron is here for you. Come to a meeting to hear one of the exciting speakers our Administrative Officer has lined up. Take a class to improve your boating skills and knowledge. You will almost certainly be glad you did.

Respectfully submitted,

Please Join Us For The

**NORTHERN CHESAPEAKE BAY RENDEZVOUS &
PRACTICE NAVIGATION CONTEST**

11- 13 July 2013

Sharpen your Skills and Have A Lot of Fun!

This will be an ALL-NEW and IMPROVED Navigation Contest.
We'll do all the hard work at the meeting and then have **fun** out on the water!

Friday	2000	Sunset Ice Cream Social
Saturday	1000	Captains Meeting and A/P seminar
	1300	Navigation Contest / Lunch Cruise
	1730	Pitch in Cocktail party
	1830	Dinner at the Cheshire Crab
Sunday	0900	Pitch-in Breakfast

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-----CUT HERE-----

Rank _____ Name _____ Squadron _____

Mate _____ Guests _____ Children/ages _____

Address _____ Phone _____

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

Please indicate if you will be in the contest and your Boat Name & Size _____

Please send this reservation form and \$10.00 to Walter Neese / 1432 Park Avenue / Baltimore, MD 21217.
For more information, contact: walt@walterworkshardware.com

Navigation Contest Revisions to Rules and Guidelines

The contest is being revised to include all of the currently available navigation tools. It is a hands-on application of the Advanced Piloting course. During the contest, the goal will be to pilot your boat as accurately as possible for all legs of the course. The original rules for the final two legs shall remain in effect. At the Captains Meeting, the contest orders will be given out to all captains. This will allow them to plot their courses ahead of time and plan their routes. We will also go over anticipated tides and currents.

It is hoped that this event will incorporate Safety, Education and Fun. Captains and crews are encouraged to make this a social outing with food and beverages. There is no restriction on who may be on your boat or help you on it. Bring your family, friends, and dock mates.

- 1) All participating boats should have a current VSC decal.
- 2) Crew and Vessel safety and the Rules of the Road supersede all other rules.
- 3) Orders shall be given out at the Captains meeting to all contestants
- 4) Speed for power boats will be 6 to 10 knots.
- 5) Speed for sailboats will be 3.5 to 6 knots.
- 6) Vessels must run all legs for the prescribed time.
- 7) Course laid out for power boats will maintain at least 6 ft MLLW.
- 8) Course laid out for sailboats will maintain at least 8 ft MLLW.
- 9) The Captains Meeting will be an A/P seminar and discussion.
 - a. Experts will be there to instruct and to help with the plotting.
 - b. We will plot the actual courses on charts at the meeting.
 - c. We will review tide and current charts.
 - d. We will share ideas on current technology and web sites.
 - e. A/P topics such as current and tide prediction will be covered.
 - f. We will learn about new apps for navigation and how to use them.
 - g. We will discuss how to allow for set and drift when operating your boat.
 - h. We will discuss how to make a deviation table for your compass and a speed curve for your boat. Under the new rules it will be possible to work on these during the contest.
 - i. Everyone is invited to this seminar.
 - j. Captains and Navigators from different teams and squadrons are encouraged to share information and ideas. The goal is to make us better boaters and friends.
- 10) Every means of navigation will be permitted up until the last two legs. Yes this includes iPads, GPS, smartphones, depth finders, sextants – EVERYTHING.
- 11) On the second to last leg, only compass and tachometers may be used. All electronics must be turned off or covered. Depth finder (in depth mode only) may be left on for safety.
- 12) The last leg rules remain in effect. Throttles and heading must be set within 30 seconds of turning on the last leg. Watches must be turned in.
- 13) During the contest, we will encourage the use of Internet based AIS (free) on all vessels
- 14) Non participants will be able to track the contestants on the screen at the marina or their web browsers.
- 15) Observers provided for other boats must be USPS members for safety reasons.



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CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR**

24TH ANNUAL CRAB FEAST!

**Crabs, crabs, crabs and corn-on-the-cob, hamburgers, cheeseburgers,
hot dogs, and sausages, vegetables, dessert, ice cold beer and sodas**

Saturday, August 23, 2014
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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-----Reservation Form ♣ Reservations Required!-----

Names: _____

Arriving: By land By sea Friday, August 22nd Saturday, August 23rd

- Friday night pitch-in cocktail party at 1800 hours
- Saturday afternoon crab feast from 1500 to 1800 hours
- Sunday morning pitch-in breakfast at 0800 hours



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

Number of children _____ at \$10.00 each \$ _____
(under age 13)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please make your checks payable to Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron, and mail to:

**Lt/C Douglas Riley, AP
623 Wilton Road, Towson, Maryland 21286
Tel: 410-825-9632**



The WURST Cookout Ever!

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!

June 20th – 22nd Red Eye Yacht Club 2222 Poplar Rd, Baltimore MD 21221.

Friday – Fantastic Steak Dinner presented by Red Eye Yacht Club. Hand selected Steak, baked potato, salad and dessert. Advance Reservations Required!



Saturday 1500 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 1700 – Kayak / Dinghy “Navigation” Contest. Bring your kayak or dinghy for a fun contest on the water.

Sunday 0900 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)

Steak dinners (reservations by June 13th) _____ x \$18 = _____
Cookout - No. of Adults _____ x \$14 = _____
No of Youths 12-17 _____ x \$10 = _____
No. of Kids 11 & Under _____ x \$6 = _____



Total (Checks Payable to Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron) _____

Mail to: John Hall 702 Stone Barn Road, Towson Md, 21286. 410/823-5698

Get your slip reservations in early as space is limited. Reservation Deadline June 18th. For more info call Tony Solesky at 410-790-9048



SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

Calendar

April 16	Membership Meeting—Pitch in
May 7	Executive Committee Meeting
May 17	Shakedown Cruise—Anchor Bay East Marina
May 21	Membership Meeting—Pitch in
June 4	Executive Committee Meeting
June 18	Membership Meeting—Dinner Available at BYC
June 20-22	Wurst Cookout—Red Eye Yacht Club
July 2	Executive Committee Meeting
July 11-13	Practice Navigation Contest—Pleasure Cove Marina



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