

ON THE HORIZON

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Don't Miss Our Next Membership Meeting **March 18, 2015 at 1930 (7:30 PM)**

This is our annual meeting where we elect our officers for the next year. At BYC—This will be a pitch-in meeting so please bring something to share.

COMMANDER



We've come to the end of another squadron year and hopefully to the end of another winter. This has been one of the worst, if not the worst, winters for meetings. Our last full membership meeting was in November. We had a great holiday party in December but that's always a minimum amount of business and a maximum of fun.

I'd like to say I'll miss being your commander as my term comes to a close. Unfortunately our current Executive Officer, Ken Finck is unable to move up to commander. My good friend, Doug Riley, has informed me that according to our bylaws the current commander serves until a new one is elected. At least I thought he was my friend! According to him If no one else is nominated from the floor I'm it.

I'd like to quote General Sherman who said "that if nominated by either party, I should peremptorily decline; and even if unanimously elected I should decline to serve." That's a great line and would be fun to use. However it sounds like I'd have to resign on top of that! With the bright promise of the coming year and the excellent cruises I shall endeavor to lead the squadron for one more year. But that's it. I mean it this time!

Our Change of Watch is Saturday March 21st. You SHOULD already have your reservations in. If you don't send them in now!

Sunday morning after the Change of Watch we are continuing the tradition of the Commanders Brunch. This will be from 11 AM until 2 PM at the Engineers Club in Baltimore. The Engineers Club is located at 11 West Mount Vernon Place in the former Garret-Jacobs Mansion. The brunch there is fantastic and the mansion is an historical treat in its own right. The brunch is \$38 which includes tip and everything else. A jacket and tie is required and no jeans allowed. Please contact myself or Connie Barry to make reservations.

The District 5 Spring Council and Change of Watch is only one week later. In a way this is also our change of

watch as Dundalk's Fuzzy Jones will be installed as District Commander. If you haven't made reservations to go to the dinner Saturday night please consider turning out to support Fuzzy. It's late but they can add a few more dinners.

I'm also going in as Fuzzy's flag lieutenant. That is a major job and one reason I was very reluctant to stay on as commander. I don't think anyone in District 5 has ever done both jobs in the same year and lived to tell about it.

I think I'll survive but there will be times when I cannot perform both functions at the same time. The first of these will be our hospitality suite in Ocean City. As incoming flag I am responsible for shepharding part of the District 5 bridge through all the hospitality suites. I have been informed by previous flags that this is similar to herding cats—except the cats don't talk.

As busy as I'll be this year that will necessitate that some of the Commander Duties fall to incoming Executive Officer Douglas Riley. We'll both need a lot of extra help this year and I know people will step up to help.

On page 5 of this issue there is a list of those squadron members that truly helped out this past year and earned themselves a merit mark. This time it was thirty six members. Let's see if we can do even better in the coming year.

Our planned cruise to St. Michaels has hit a snag. The marina overbooked for our weekend. We'll still be doing a cruise that same weekend but we haven't determined where yet. Look for an announcement soon.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next meeting (NO SNOW ALLOWED). The ice has melted off the creek. Spring is almost here and summer is just around the corner. Time to go Boating!

Respectfully submitted,
Commander John L. Hall, AP

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER



First, I would like to congratulate Katharine (Fuzzy) Jones on her promotion to the D-5 Commander's chair. Fuzzy has been with Dundalk Squadron forever! She has held many chair positions, plus Squadron Commander, of which she did very well. So what is next for Fuzzy? National? Good Luck Lady!

Now, my post has come to an end. I want to thank all the wonderful members who have supported me. I could not have served these many years without you! There are way-too-many members to thank by name, but, whenever I have asked, you have always been there for me.

P/C Connie Barry did such a swell job of running the VSC team. P/C Tracey did, and still does, an outstanding job of the Boat Show. Rolf Stuenes has handled

so ably Co-Op Charting. Doug Riley will now step up as XO to work with this great group of people.

It is my time to leave, and I am not saying goodbye, but I need a bit of time for myself. It's been a really good run - much like my Army life running the Army Communication System worldwide! And, I still hope to work as an instructor with Lt/C Streett Broadbent, where I can meet new people, and tell them how great the Power Squadrons are, especially the Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron!

Everyone, take care, and bless you all.

Signing off,

P/C Ken Finck, AP Executive Officer

TREASURER'S REPORT



The squadrons finances are in good shape. We have made our annual contribution of one dollar per member to the USPS Education Fund. This fund is used to help develop new and improved educational courses and materials for USPS.

All bills have been paid and we have more cash in the bank than at this time last year. Part of this increase is due to well run and well attended squadron fund raising events like the Wurst cookout and the Crab feast. Please

consider how important these fund raisers are to the squadron each year when considering if you can help with them or attend them.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Richard D. Bussey, P
 Treasurer

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



Classrooms Needed:

We **desperately** need to find alternate places to hold Advance Classes – preferably for free - around the Towson/ Middle River area!

2015 Instructors' Meeting:

Meeting has been postponed twice due to weather.

The next meeting is scheduled for **March 18, 2015 at 6:00 PM** at BYC.

We will set the Training Schedule for 2015. This may be modified throughout the year.

MELP - 2015:

We have partnered with The Rectory School in Pomfret, CT to be a part of their 2015 "March Experimental Learning Program". We will be teaching ABC to a group of 13 middle school aged children (and 2 chaperones).

Classes will be:

Monday, March 23 from 2-6 PM and

Wednesday, March 25 from 8 AM to 1 PM

Classes will be held at the Holiday Inn in the Inner Harbor - 301 W Lombard St, Baltimore, MD 21201.

Student Locations

China - 3

Korea - 3

Mexico - 3

USA (CA) – 1

USA (CT) – 2 (Chaperones)

USA (MA) - 1

USA (MD) – 1

USA (NY) - 1

They have received their manuals and DNR pamphlets.

Please contact me if you would like to participate and help.

EA Engineering, Science and Technology:

The class is complete (except exam) with 4 students. The exam was scheduled to be administered Mar. 5th (Weather allowing).

ABC Courses:

West Marine:

The March class started March 3rd with 2 students. We were supposed to have 5, but 2 had to drop out due to a change in time for the class, and one because of bad weather – he will take the April course.

A Big **"Thank You!"** to Ken Finck for instructing!!!!!!

Havre de Grace:

Class to start March 31st at the Tidewater Marina.

Need help with advertising.

Sail:

Bob Crimmins has volunteered to teach the course this Spring. Need to delineate the details.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C J. Streett Broadbent, AP – SEO

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Well where has the time gone? It seems only a short time ago that I was writing my first On the Horizon column as Secretary of the Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron. I have frequently heard it said that "time flies when you're having fun", and that has certainly been the case this past year. I think back to the Change of Watch last year, all of the Squadron cruises through the summer, the Squadron Crab Feast and many other events, and it has been fantastic fun indeed.

I would like to take the time here to thank everyone for having the faith to entrust in me the duties of Squadron Secretary. I can only hope that you all believe that faith was well placed and the job I did was up to the standards set by my predecessors in this office. I would also like to thank everyone who has done so much to help me when I had questions or needed guidance along

the way. I don't have the space here to list everyone in this column, but I'm sure they know who they are.

I'm now looking forward to the next year with warmer weather coming and another full schedule of cruises, and of course this year's Crab Feast. Captain Susan and I are working hard to get Tiphys shipshape for her return to the water, and all of the sailing we have planned on her. It truly is a labor of love. Here's hoping to see everyone this summer. If you didn't make it to any of the aforementioned activities last year, come on out this year. You'll be most happy that you did!

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C David Blades, AP

P/C Anthony Van de Wal Celebrates 50 Years in the Power Squadron

P/C Anthony Van de Wal, N joined the United States Power Squadrons 50 years ago with the Bush River Power Squadron.

Tony's interest in USPS was a result of the fiancée of a friend of his, Holly, wanting to learn how to fly. Tony suggested she learn how to navigate by taking a boating course through USPS. It was less expensive than learning basic navigation in flight school. They both learned basic navigation through the Bush River Power Squadron. At some point, after completing the basic course, Tony and Holly started dating and subsequently were married.

Tony spent his professional life working for the Army as a civilian employee. His career work was recognized when he was awarded the highest civilian employee award.

Tony's contribution to USPS was at both at the District and Squadron levels, and in two squadrons. He was a District Aide and Convener of District Aides in the Executive Department. He was District Chairman of Weather in the Education Department. Tony was the navi-

gator for 12 years in the District Navigation Contest. He never placed out of the top ten, with third place his best finish. Tony is now an observer.

Tony came up the Bush River's Bridge to become Commander. He has taught Basic Boating and in Advanced Grades taught Seamanship, Advanced Piloting, Junior Navigation and Navigation. He has also taught the Elective Courses of Sail and Weather. Tony has facilitated seminars in Skipper Saver, Officer Training, Weather and Knots, Bends and Hitches.

For the past 45+ years, P/C Van de Wal has been the Captain of the Honor Guard for the Bush River Yacht Club Change of Watch.

Many of the Commanders of Bush River Power Squadron sought Tony's advice during their terms of office. He has been Squadron Chaplain for both the Bush River and Dundalk Power Squadrons. He has also served on both Squadrons' Executive Committees. P/C Van de Wal, N has served USPS well.



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP

We have a great year planned for the Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron!

Our cruise schedule is ambitious:

May 15-17 - Shakedown Cruise to Harbor East Marina (Inner Harbor East)

June 19-21 - Practice Navigation Contest at St. Michaels

July 10-12 - Wurst Cookout Ever at Red Eye Yacht Club

July 23-26 - Summer Council in Solomons Island

July 26-August 2 - Top Gun Cruise to the Outer Banks

August 21-23 - Crab Feast in Rock Hall at the Sailing Emporium

September 18-20 - Last cruise of the summer to Havre de Grace

We'll be hosting the District Commander's Breakfast Reception on March 29th to honor our own Fuzzy Jones as she becomes District 5 Commander in Ocean City! Then, from July 23-26, we'll be helping the new Nanticoke River Squadron sponsor Summer Council in Solomons Island.

Of course, our 25th Anniversary Crab Feast will be held in Rock Hall on Saturday, August 23rd.

And, as always, we'll be doing Vessel Safety Checks and an honor guard or two, while teaching a full slate of courses from beginner to navigator.

Indeed, the only cloud on the horizon is that, in the

past year, our numbers have not grown.

When we moved our meetings to Baltimore Yacht Club three years ago, we had great expectations that our ranks would increase. We planned lively programs with interesting speakers to encourage this growth, especially among BYC members. Commodores Underland, Paluszynski, and Penczek promoted our programs, and Scott Lockwood, BYC's manager, was always helpful. But, we have come to realize that BYC has its own very busy calendar and a great deal going on for its members. While many of us find time for both the squadron and our yacht clubs, there are still only so many hours a day for boating-related activities. And, for potential new members, the trek to BYC is a "long and winding road" which ends at an electrified gate that is usually closed – which might be a bit off-putting!

Of course, our meeting place is not the only obstacle to attracting new members. Perhaps you have seen recent newspaper accounts of volunteer fire companies in Baltimore County that, due to falling membership, are soon to be combined, including the Bowleys Quarters and Middle River departments. People just don't join service organizations like they used to, even those that are a great deal of fun like the United States Power Squadrons.

So, our great challenge in 2015 will be membership! To find new members, we may have to move from beautiful Sue River. To grow our numbers, we'll definitely need everyone in the Squadron to get involved in membership and to recruit, recruit, recruit!

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Douglas B. Riley, AP, Administrative Officer

MERIT MARK HONOR ROLL FOR 2014

P/C Consiglia P. Barry, JN
D/Lt Ronald V. Basener, SN
Lt/C David J. Blades, AP
P/Lt/C Barbara A. Blaker, AP
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Anthony Kenneth Solesky, P
Lt Rolf Stuenes, JN
Lt Roy B. Stuenes, P
Lt Tracey C. Stuenes, P
P/Lt/C E. Mae Trott, P
P/C Read Van Zile, AP
P/Lt/C Anthony VanDe Wal, N
Alexei Zuk, JN

CRUISE SCHEDULE 2015

May 15-17 National Safety Week Shakedown Cruise

Our first cruise of the season, we will be at the Harbor East Marina. 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 19-21 Cruise to St. Michaels and the Practice Navigation Contest.

We're headed back to St. Michaels this year. We'll be staying at the Harbor Inn Marina. Somehow between the shopping, partying and fine dining, we'll try to work in a Navigation Contest. 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 10-12 The WURST cookout ever at Red Eye Yacht Club

Always a great time, come by land or boat! Plenty of good fun and lots of fun!

July 18-23 District 5 Southbound Cruise

Join the rest of District 5 on a leisurely southbound cruise to the D/5 rendezvous in Solomons Island, Maryland.

July 24-26 District 5 Rendezvous at the Holiday Inn and Marina in Solomons Island.

USPS District 5 Summer Council & Navigation Contest

Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron is co-hosting this event and is expected to make a grand showing in the D/5 Navigation Contest.

July 27-Aug 2 Top Gun Cruise to OBX.

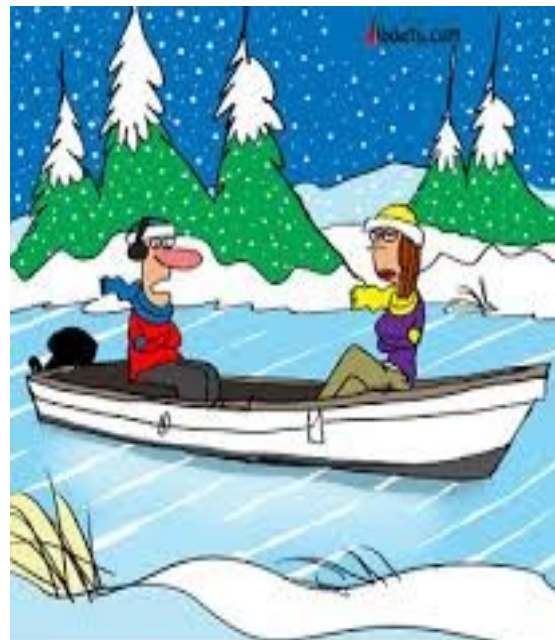
How far will we go? Come along and visit Norfolk, Coinjock, Manteo. Maybe even a trip to Ocracoke! Details will be coming in a future On the Horizon.

August 21-23 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.

September 18-20 Last Cruise of the Summer to Havre de Grace

We are headed up the bay and up the river to Havre de Grace. Come and join us for the weekend.



"Maybe you were right, we should wait until Spring before we take the boat out."



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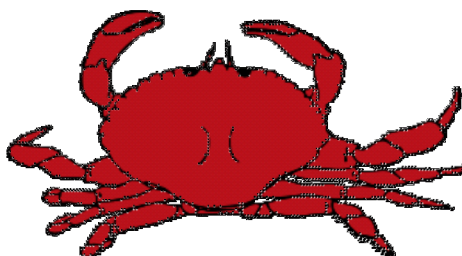
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- ☐ Friday night pitch-in cocktail party
at 1800 hours
- ☐ Saturday afternoon crab feast
from 1500 to 1700 hours
- ☐ Sunday morning pitch-in breakfast
at 0800 hours



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

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(under age 13)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

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27 March – 29 March 2015
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ACTIVITIES SELECTIONS

SATURDAY LUNCHEON

Trio of Salads/Chicken, Egg, Tossed Garden Plate # _____ @ \$15.00 \$ _____

Twin Hamburger Sliders w/potato salad, chips, pickle # _____ @ \$15.00 \$ _____

SATURDAY BANQUET ENTREE CHOICES:

Jumbo Lump Maryland Crab Cakes # _____ @ \$40.00 \$ _____

Beef Bourguignonne - Beef cooked with
Red Wine, mushrooms, onions and carrots # _____ @ \$40.00 \$ _____

Vegetarian/gluten free Stuffed Pepper # _____ @ \$25.00 \$ _____

Dietary restrictions _____

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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Solomons, MD 20688-3068
Phone: 410 394-3232
E-mail address: last-chance@comcast.net

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Princess Royale Hotel

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Non-smoking Venue - Handicapped Rooms available on a request basis.

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Use the Reservation ID Code: U. S. Power Squadron, District 5

Rates: Oceanview/pool view Suite - \$109.00 per night Friday/Saturday

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ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 25 FEBRUARY 2015 TO ENSURE USPS RATES

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SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

Calendar

March 18	Membership Meeting—BYC. Squadron Elections. Pitch in
March 21	Change of Watch—BYC.
April 15	Membership Meeting—BYC. Pitch in meeting
May 15-17	Shakedown Cruise to Inner Harbor Marina
May 20	Membership Meeting—BYC. Pitch in meeting
June 17	Membership Meeting—BYC. Dining room will be open
June 19-21	Cruise to St. Michaels and Practice Nav Contest



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