

ON THE HORIZON

September 2012

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"Next" General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, September 19, 2012 at 1930 (7:30 PM)

Lt/C Jay Goldsberry presenting "A History of the America's Cup Race"

LOCATION: Baltimore Yacht Club; 800 Baltimore Yacht Club Rd., Essex, Md. 21221
410-682-2310

COMMANDER



Hello to all,

Since we last met, we've had several events. The first was the Commander's Cruise. Battlewagon, After Hours II, and Jenny Lynn Too departed Middle River on Sunday afternoon for St. Michaels. Upon arriving, we met Blue Heron of Annapolis and Rat Ark.

Monday, we toured several vessels. The Washingtonian is 1939 Trumpy Yacht that has and still is being restored. She was beautiful and the captain gave us quite a talk on the history and workings of the boat. The other was a 60 something foot long motor sailer that a couple had recently purchased that had a lot of interesting features. The boat had sailed around the world.

Tuesday we biked to the Bellevue - Oxford ferry dock and then rode the ferry into Oxford. After a tour of Cuts and Case Boat Works, we had lunch at the Robert Morris Inn. That evening, we had a pitch in dinner aboard Battlewagon.

Wednesday was a travel day departing St. Michaels for Lankford Bay. We spent two relaxing days there swimming and cooking out at Lankford Marina. Friday we headed out to meet up with the Crab Feast at Rock Hall.

Chris Nehmer and his committee did a wonderful job with the Crab Feast. Pictures don't lie!

Lois Nehmer and Jeff McKinney will be Dundalk's Delegates at the national governing board in Detroit. We'll get a report in next month's Horizon.

Up coming events will be the D/5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament & Fall Festival at Kent Narrows on Sept. 21-23. It looks like they have quite a weekend planned. Trawler Fest in Baltimore Sept 25-30. Frost Bite Cruise and Down rigging in Chestertown on October 25-28, and Fall Conference at Gettysburg on Nov. 1-4

Congratulations to Streett Broadbent for achieving 25 years as a member and to Dick and Sue Bussey who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Respectfully submitted,

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EDUCATIONAL OFFICER



ABC3 Course:

West Marine: July's class has 2 students – Douglas & Patricia Wargo. The August Course has 1 student.
September's class will start Sept. 4th.

Riverside Marine: Next class is Sept. 8th & 15th.

CSX Transportation: CSX is a leading supplier of rail-based freight transportation in North America.

Lois Nehmer got a call from CSX to train some of their people ASAP. They were told they needed a boat in the water when their people were working on the bridge – in case one fell in. They realized that several of their people were born after July 1, 1972 and needed to take a safe boating course to

operate the boat.

Between Lois, Ray Schiff and myself, we went down to CSX, in Baltimore, on August 1st and held the class for 6 students. This was our first 8 hour - in a one day session. All 6 students passed.

Sea Tow Stickers:

We have 30 Sea Tow stickers left from Sea Tow. They detail how we can get "Automated Radio Checks" w/o using channel 16.

Respectfully submitted,
Lt./C J. Streett Broadbent, AP
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Vessel Safety Checks
Are Now In Progress

By Your Nearest DSPS Committee member



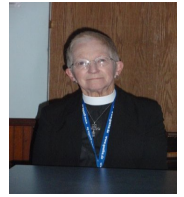
Moving? Changes in Information??

Please remember to let us know if you go away for the winter or move to another address. Also, if you change your phone, cell phone number(s) or e-mail addresses so we can make sure you are kept informed of upcoming events. Please give all changes to our Secretary who will in turn notify National and everyone else who needs to have the information.
THANK YOU!!!

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TREASURER'S REPORT

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

At the General Membership Meeting on 19 September, I'll be talking on the topic: "The History of the Americas Cup". Also, I wish to solicit Roster "personal notices" - Full page \$60; 1/2 page \$30 and 1/3 page \$20. Need

copy and art by end of Sept.

Lt/C Jay Goldsberry, P
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Abduction of Prominent Boating Enthusiasts

Rooters USA: An unsubstantiated report has been received relating that a group of the flag officers of the Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron have been abducted by a party or parties unknown with a note of ransom sent to the Commander demanding \$1.00 for their safe return. The Commander is reported to have taken the decision under advisement since the outrageous amount hardly seems worthy of the contribution these officers have contributed to the Squadron.

Apparently the abduction by these pirates has caused a lapse in the ability of these officers to provide articles for this current edition of the Horizon.

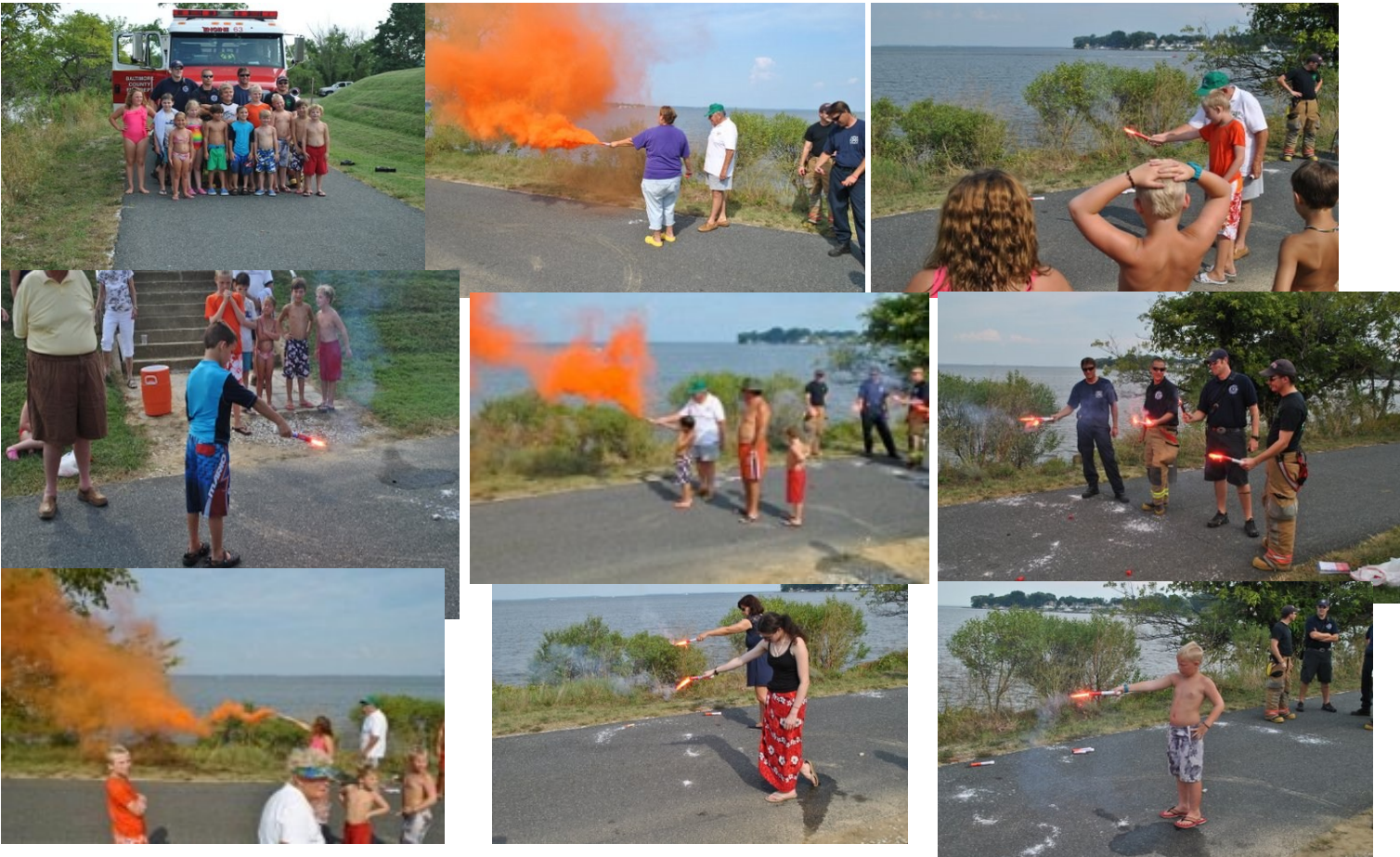
A collection has been started to raise money to pay the ransom but as of this printing only \$.37 has been collected. So, a plea has been issued for all our members to dig deep and bring our brothers and sister back to the fold unharmed and ready to renew their efforts as contributors to this august organization.

DSPS Does WOI at BYC

Lesson I: PFDs and Kayak Handling



Lesson II: Distress Signals



D/5 SAIL REGATTA, FISHING TOURNAMENT AND FALL FESTIVAL

D/5 SAIL REGATTA, FISHING TOURNAMENT & FALL FESTIVAL 2012
21-23 September

Mears Point Marina & Kent Island Yacht Club in Kent Narrows
Hosted by Kent Narrows, Dundalk, and Rockville Squadrons

HOTELS

Holiday Inn Express
410-827-4454

Hilton Garden Inn
410-827-3877

Best Western
410-827-6767

MEARS POINT MARINA

428 Kent Narrows Way
Grasonville, MD 21638
800-213-9438

Slip charges: \$2.75 per foot Electric: 1/30 AMP \$7; 2/30 or 1/50 AMP \$12

Slip reservations must be made no later than 14 September 2012. Use a major credit card and indicate that you are with D/5 USPS. 25% discount will be given to Boat US Members upon presentation of Boat US Membership Card.

If you need to make arrangements for a deeper water slip than Mears Marina can provide, please contact Castle Marina at 410-643-5599.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday 21 September

1300-1700 Arrive by land or sea Friday afternoon.
1700-1800 Pitch-in "Welcome to Kent Narrows Party."
1800-2000 Optional "Dinner at Your Choice of Ten Great Kent Narrows Restaurants." Please circle one: Annie's, Big Owl, Bridges, Crab Deck, Fishermans, Harris, Jetty, Narrows, Red Eyes, or View. We'll drive you.

Saturday 22 September

0830-1000 "Breakfast at Mears Pavilion" (Yacht Club Room if inclement weather).
1000-1100 Captains' meetings at Mears for sail race and fishing contest.
1130 First signals for race and contest.
1200-1600 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament, and for land lubbers: crafts, scavenger hunt, and/or outlet shopping.
1800-1900 "Cocktail Party" (cash bar) at Kent Island Yacht Club.
1900-2200 "Awards Banquet" followed by dancing to live music at KIYC.

Sunday 23 September

0930-1100 "Breakfast at Mears Pavilion" (Yacht Club Room if inclement weather).
Menu includes Saturday's fresh-caught fish.

**COME BY LAND OR SEA AND HAVE A GREAT TIME WITH D/5
RACING, FISHING OR JUST VISITING WITH EVERYONE!**

BOATING IS FUN... WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW!

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**For more information & Registration Form refer to the Summer edition of the
Mark 5 publication**

D5 Navigation Contest

.....And the Winners are...

2012 NAVIGATION CONTEST AT BALTIMORE

The 2012 Navigation was held as part of the District 5 Summer Rendezvous and Council at Baltimore, Maryland, on Saturday, 28 July 2012. Six boats participated, and all agreed that it was a fun and educational experience. Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron entered four boats in two teams of two, and Delaware River Sail & Power Squadron entered two boats in one team.

Our thanks to D/Lt James A. Gorman, AP and his wife, D/Lt Nancy Gorman for providing *Nansea Gale* as the committee boat. Jim was helmsman. Nancy Gorman and Rhoda Shralow recorded finish times. P/D/C Ralph Bernard, AP, rendered general assistance. Thanks to D/Lt John Wilmot, JN for providing *Lady J* as the review boat, which fired its cannon as each boat in the contest passed in review on the way back to the marina, providing temporary hearing loss to all on board. Our thanks also to all the volunteers who acted as observers.

The order of elapsed time error was as follows

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>BOAT & CREW</u>
1 st	<i>JR's Toy</i> , Fred Shallcross, Helm, Ben Wright, Navigator
2 nd	<i>After Hours II</i> , Kathy Karpers, Helm, Rolf Stuenes, Navigator
3 rd	<i>Jenny Lynn Too</i> , Read Van Zile, Helm, Steve Dalgarno, Navigator
4 th	<i>Rat Ark</i> , Walter Neese, Helm, Lois Nehmer, Navigator
5 th	<i>BattleWagon</i> , Mary Hall, Helm, John Hall, Navigator
6 th	<i>Lady Jean</i> , John Gill, Helm, Andy Petruska, Navigator

The Dupont Trophy to the individual first place winner was awarded to *Jr's Toy*. *Jenny Lynn Too*, was awarded the CBYCA Trophy for the highest ranking boat with a member of a club affiliated with a Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Association member club. The WJZ Trophy was awarded to Dundalk Sail & Power Squadron Team 2, consisting of *Jenny Lynn Too* and *Rat Ark*. Dundalk also retained custody of *Sourpuss*.

With the full support of D/C Jeff McKinney, JN and the entire D5 Bridge, the event was a happy success. We hope that the word continues to spread about the many pleasures of participating in the navigation contest, so that more boats will join with us next year.

Respectfully submitted,
D/Lt M. Melvin "Mel" Shralow, AP
Chair, D5 Navigation Contest Committee

D5 Navigation Contest



Sour Puss Stays Home

THE 2ND WURST COOKOUT



SAFETY ALERT: FIRE ABOARD

FIGHTING A BOAT FIRE!

A few months ago there was a widely reported incident in which a boat burned to the waterline. Follow-up stories noted that the boat eventually sank and presented a hazard to navigation. It was later salvaged and towed to a nearby marina.

There are a few lessons we can learn from this incident. Obviously one is to take all of the steps necessary to prevent fire. But, when a boat burns to the waterline and sinks, we can see just how horrific and all consuming a boat fire can be. Fortunately, this vessel was near land and those aboard were quickly rescued. Had the fire occurred off shore, the results might have been tragic.

The second lesson is that the Captain's first thought was to put life jackets on all crew and the third was to order them overboard. In spite of the romantic notions that a Captain must go down with his ship and/or that he must stay aboard and never give up the battle to save it; this captain did exactly the right thing by abandoning ship. It is always a tough decision to quit fighting a fire and to watch your beloved boat burn to the waterline, but, once there is any doubt about putting the fire out, cease all attempts, and get everyone overboard and as far away as possible. Do this before the fire finds any fuel aboard and explodes.

Never overestimate your ability to fight a fire on a boat. At the first sign of fire have all persons don their life jackets and have someone immediately place a distress call on VHF channel 16. At the same time, display all of your visual distress signals. Even if the fire is simply a curtain or hot pad smoldering in the galley, it is always better to err on the safe side and apologize for your actions afterwards.

A boat fire can quickly grow out of control and access to life jackets may be blocked. All hands may be too busy or panicked to stop and to call for help. Wiring may burn through, rendering all of your electronics unusable. When all hands have their life jackets on, move them to the farthest area, away from the fire. Then turn the boat in a direction that keeps the flames blowing away from those areas that are still fire free.

If you are a safe Captain, you will know that the proper type of fire extinguisher to use for gasoline and alcohol is a Class B), and for electrical fires it is a Class C. You will also know the proper way to discharge the extinguisher and to aim it at the fire base with sweeping short bursts. Standing on a burning deck is not the time to learn that some extinguishers require shaking or inverting before they will function.

Fire prevention and fire emergency training is just a small portion of the lessons taught in the safe boating classes. Hone up on your boating skills with the boating skills experts: the United States Power Squadrons. Contact your local unit or find them on the website at www.usps.org. As they tell us:

"Boating is fun...We'll show you how."

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Senior Feature Writer

Marketing/Public relations Committee

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The Most Common Causes of Fire

Fuel and Grease Fires: Gasoline, Alcohol and Diesel

Electrical fires: Poor & defective wiring and overloading

Spontaneous Combustion: Poor ventilation in enclosed spaces

COMMANDER'S CRUISE



DSPS ANNUAL CRAB FEAST





SAFE BOATING THROUGH EDUCATION

September—October 2012 Calendar

September 19th	Membership Meeting
September 21-23	D/5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament & Fall Festival Mears Pt Marina & Kent Island Yacht Club (See Page 9)
October 3	Executive Committee Meeting
October 17	Membership Meeting



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