

DISTRICT 18





BEVERLY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON







HANNAH'S BANNER

MARCH 2010

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11 Mar ANNUAL MEETING (Thursday) 1830 JYC

Peter Souza and his Merry Musician Crew

Free Dinner/ dessert and donations welcome!

Abbreviated business meeting/ Elections, Change of Watch

See Slate of proposed officers, inside on page 2

14 Mar Daylight Savings begins - Spring forward!

17 Mar St Patrick's Day

20 Mar SPRING BEGINS AT 1323

20 Mar D 18 Spring Conference - hosted by Broad Sound

See notice on pages 3&4 - be sure to register before March 12!

28 Mar Palm Sunday

29 Mar Passover begins at sundown

02 Apr Good Friday

04 Apr Easter

08 Apr E Board meeting 1900 in the Sandy Point Room at JYC

ALL MEMBERS are invited to help run the Squadron!

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR / ROSTER KEEPER

Please send your email address to arciszusps@aol.com and to ed.g.walsh@comcast.net. You can also go online to www.beverly-usps.org and update your roster information there, including phone numbers, nickname and info on your boat. Thanks! -Karen Arcisz

Check out the Beverly Sail & Power Squadron web site at: www.beverly-usps.org

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FROM THE COMMANDER



Raymond W. Tilton, AP

Winter is well underway and the boats look cold and uninviting under their covers, in back of snow banks. I have trudged through the snow a few times and crawled through the opening in the shrink wrap to charge the batteries, check on the condition of the

boat, and make a list of projects to do before the spring launch. This year, some of the interior woodwork needs to be sanded and varnished.

Winter is also a good time to increase our boating knowledge, and the Beverly Sail & Power Squadron has several courses underway this season. Under the leadership of Ed Walsh, our SEC, the Seamanship, Marine Electronics, Engine Maintenance and Weather courses have begun and three "ABC", Americas Boating Courses will be offered to the public starting this month. In fact, as I was listening to 104.9 FM on the radio last week, I heard an announcement about the ABC courses being offered by our squadron.

I am one of a dozen members currently taking the Marine Electronics course and am learning a lot of practical information about the electrical systems on my boat. Did you know that switching from the standard flooded- cell battery to a gel battery requires an adjustment in the charging voltage? According to the student manual, "High charging voltage used for flooded-cell batteries will easily damage gel batteries".

Dick Salter, a former NASA engineer, began teaching the course in January. Dick had to have cardiac surgery a couple of weeks ago and although he is doing well, needs to take a few weeks off to recuperate. We wish you a speedy recovery, Dick. In the meantime, another well qualified instructor, John Graves, has stepped in to continue teaching the course. We are most fortunate to have a number of skilled and knowledgeable instructors, willing to share their time and expertise with us with courses that cover virtually every aspect of recreational boating.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF 2009-2010 SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING SLATE OF OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR ELECTION AT THE MARCH 11, 2010 MEETING OF THE BEVERLY SAIL & POWER SOUADRON:

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Commander: Cdr Raymond W. Tilton, AP
Executive Officer: Lt/C Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun, S
Administrative Officer: Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier, P
Educational Officer: Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN
Secretary: Lt/C Edward S. Bell, S
Treasurer: P/C John A. Hagar, AP

Executive Committee:

Immediate P/C Alex Arcisz, JN P/Lt/C Dick Salter, SN P/D/C Jim Curran, AP John F. Reed, Jr., P

General Committees

Nominating Committee: *P/C Alex Arcisz, JN 3 yr*

Continuing Members

Lt. William R. Ghen, AP 1 yr (2010-2011Chair) P/D/C Ronald C. Mason, SN 2 Yrs

Rules Committee:

P/C Edward W. Libby, JN 3 yrs Continuing Members

> P/R/C Richard J. Winskowicz, SN 1 Yr (2010-2011 Chair) P/C Dexter R. Wheeler, SN $\,$ 2 yrs

Auditing Committee: Lt Theophilos Kuliopolis, SN 3 yr Continuing Members

Charles M. Souza, SN 1 yr, (2010-2011Chair) P/Lt/C Richard H. Salter, SN 2 Yrs

Respectfully Submitted, January 31, 2010 P/C Edward Libby, JN (2009-2010 Chair) Lt. William R. Ghen, AP P/D/C Ronald C. Mason, SN

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Dex Hyland, Carol Quinn-LeBrun, Walter Riley, Robert Sant Fournier, Ray Tilton, Ed Walsh, & the D18 Conference Committee

...and where is YOUR contribution? Send something NOW for the next edition!

UNITED STATESPOWER SQUADRONS

"BOATING IS FUN - WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW!"



DISTRICT 18 SPRING CONFERENCE 2010

19 March 2010 and 20 March 2010

Hosted by

Broad Sound Power Squadron



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday 19 March 2010

Gather 1800-1830 at Jimmy's Steer House

114 Broadway, Saugus, MA 1845 Pre-conference Dinner

with USPS National Rep

V/C Richard Peoples, SN

Saturday 20 March 2010

District 18 Spring Conference 2010

Lynn Yacht Club 84-86 Lynnway, Lynn, MA

0830 Coffee & Donuts

Opening and Introductions

D/C Arthur Yarranton, SN

S/C Donald Spurr, S (Broad Sound)

0900 Maritime Law - Just a Tow or Salvage?

David Smith, Esq.

1000 Education Update

DEO Dexter Hyland, SN

1100 DB2000 topics

P/D/C John Graves, JN

1200 Lunch

Porthole Restaurant

We have a private function room for lunch. The remaining agenda for the day will take place in the Port-

hole function room.

1300 SailAngle Representative Randy White

1415 Commander's Message

V/C Richard Peoples, SN

1445 Council meeting, Reports and Officers

D-18 Bridge

1515 Conference

Awards and Announcements

Fall Conference Plans

1600 Change of Watch

V/C Richard Peoples presiding

1610 Close

D/C Arthur Yarranton, SN

1700 Assemble for Members' Dinner at

Salem Beer Works

OUR NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE AT THIS CONFERENCE

V/C RICHARD PEOPLES, SN of Indialantic, FL,



USPS National Treasurer V/C Richard Peoples, SN

is a member of Banana River Sail and Power Squadron. He joined Mansfield Power Squadron in 1972. He served on several committees before beginning his journey up the bridge to commander in 1981. In District 7 he was D/7 secretary and D/7 newsletter editor. Since moving to Florida he has been D/23 Finance and Leadership Development Chairman. With Banana River he is

Rules and Leadership Development Chairman and has served on the Executive and Finance Committees. He has taught Boating, Seamanship, Piloting, AP, LD, IQ and Junior Safe Boating. On the national level he has been an aide to two Chief Commanders and served on the Ensign and IQ Committees. He has served on the Budget Committee for nine years, the last three as Asst. Treasurer/Budget Officer. He is a life member with 32 merit marks.

GUEST SPEAKER

DAVID SMITH, ESQ is a partner at Ouellette and Smith PA, Attorneys at Law & Proctors in Admiralty. This partnership provides a broad range of legal services to individuals and small businesses. They are located on Eastern Ave in Gloucester, and the practice covers: Litigation Services, Fisheries, Admiralty and Maritime Law,

Personal Injury, General Business and Corporation Advice and Employment Law.

Specifically, David will be speaking to us about **towing and salvage** - how they differ and what the consequences can be if you don't know "what to sign before taking their line".

You could be in for a shock!



REGISTRATION FOR D18 CONFERENCE & MEALS

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY, DETACH, AND MAIL BY MARCH 12TH

Make check payable to: Broad Sound Power Squadron
Send to: Cmdr. Donald Spurr (781-820-9230)
4 Farmland Rd.

Saugus, Ma 01906

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Name	choice

SATURDAY MEMBERS' DINNER

Please note any extras ordered in the red box to right and bring it with you so you remember what you ordered!

Salem Beer Works, 278 Derby St. Salem, Ma
(Order from menu. No advance payment required.)
Number attending this dinner ()

Name ______ Squadron _____

Name _____ Squadron _____

Questions? Call Donald Spurr 1-781-820-9230

Menu for Saturday Lunch

Scali Bread

Plated Salad or \$1.50 extra for Caesar Salad Potato and Seasoned Vegetables

Entrée: Choice of:

A) Broiled Native Scrod

or

B) Roast Stuffed Boneless Chicken

C) Haddock Newburg

or

D) Prime Rib - \$2.00 extra each

Dessert

Also available at extra charge:

Fruit Cup w/Sherbet \$2.25

Porthole's World Famous Clam Chowder \$3.95

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Please make a note of your menu choices and 'extras' here and on your registration (to the left) and bring this section with you to the lunch. Thanks.				
Number of Caesar salads ordered:				
Entrée Choices: place number on line				
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<u>C)</u>	Haddock	<u>D)</u>	Prime Rib	
# of Fruit Cup:				
# of Clam Chowder:				

Locations of Venues:

Jimmy's Steer House 114 Broadway, Saugus Located on Northbound Rte. 1 about .4 mile from Walnut St. exit

Lynn Yacht Club 84-86 Lynnway, Lynn Between Market Street and the Nahant Rotary

Porthole Restaurant
Lynnway, Lynn
Next to the Lynn Yacht Club (we'll walk across the lot)

Salem Beer Works 278 Derby St. Salem Between Lafayette St. and Hawthorne Blvd.

FROM YOUR SEO

Lt/C Edward G Walsh, SN

February has been a very busy month for me and Nancy. Currently we are in Florida meeting family obligations but looking forward to being home to New England before the end of the month.





The weather here in Florida has been quite cool. It has been cooler than we can remember in the past 40 years. We must admit that we love all of the New England seasons.

Beverly Sail and Power Squadron training has been moving along quite well with courses in Sail, Marine Electrical Systems, Engine Maintenance, Weather and Seamanship completed or close to completion.

The sign ups for the American Boating Courses in Beverly, Hamilton–Wenham and Gloucester have been encouraging. We will also be offering a Instructor Recertification Course in March.

This would be a good time to plan for the courses that you would like to take next Fall and Winter. Our decisions are based on your requests; however, it makes sense to me to offer Piloting, Marine Communications and Marine Navigation Electronics next year and of course all requests will be considered based on the interest expressed.

If we do not have your current Email address please share it with us. We use these addresses to inform you as to Course offerings. The telephone approach used in the past has been ineffective and bothersome to members and is being dropped.

I hope that everyone is enjoying the fine New England weather and looking forward to the coming boating season.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S

We are starting to see that Spring is just around the corner, and it is time to think about boating once again. It is also a time to think further in in to the season and to start planning for our Annual



Picnic. As always, volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up. Anyone who would like to help in the planning of the picnic should contact Carol Quinn-LeBrun in the coming months. We will have a meeting to discuss further details. All volunteers are greatly appreciated for their efforts, and can earn credit toward a Merit Mark in the process. So why not think about helping the Squadron in the months ahead? Every Merit Mark you achieve helps not only you but the Squadron as well. Look forward to seeing all our members at the next March 11 meeting. Take care.



THINK SPRING!

1st/Lt Walter J. Riley, III, JN

Ignore that groundhog and the piles of snow. Spring is almost here and that means the boating season is not far away.

As you prepare your vessel don't forget to include a **2010 Vessel Safety Check.**

Our Squadron's team of Vessel Examiners will be available at several marinas again this year so check the squadron web site for dates, times and locations. The Examiners (listed below) are also available for individual appointments for your convenience.

See the squadron roster for the phone numbers or email addresses of any of the Vessel Safety team members:

Walter Riley Dick Salter Karen Arcisz Herb Ryan Jim Curran Jack Reed

The Certified Examiners above can also provide you with a list of all required and recommended safety equipment for your vessel.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Robert Sant Fournier, P

Instinct or Training?

Did you know that we were spared a major snow storm in the first week of February by the same type of weather pattern that frequented our local waters last summer? Well it is true; last summer we had high pressure systems moving eastward north of the Canadian border, which in turn gave us an unusual amount of NE to Easterly winds.

Take my plight, please! I am constrained by both tides *and* trains, having a sailboat moored on the Bass River - on the other side of the MBTA train bridge; so going sailing for me is always a tide chart and train schedule consulting experience, especially if I have only one tide to use, as was the case in this experience.

Of course, an East wind was blowing and I had just three hours to sail. Not a problem; apart from the essential tide chart, I also carry an MBTA train schedule. I dare say there are not too many sailors who carry both these aids. I have taught many boating classes and have a reasonable understanding of the Rules of the Road and they do not mention that trains have the right of way!

Once clear of these two obstacles, I motored out to a position a little East of North of what the locals call "Cocktail Cove" on the north coast of Great Misery Island. Sounds glamorous when written this way doesn't it? It was here that I decided I could sail back to my mooring before having a train causing a bridge-opening delay and the tide prevented me from rowing ashore.

My poor wife suffers from vertigo, so it was just myself, and my trusty steed "Chariots" a Cal-25; but not to worry, I have the whole sequence of setting sail down pat, well, almost; you do have to allow for Murphy's Law.

I picked a spot relatively clear of traffic, noted duly that there was a thirty-something foot sailboat a goodly distance up wind, slightly off my starboard bow. The time for action had arrived. With the dexterity of a three-legged mountain goat from the old country, I throttled back the outboard, scrambled to the mast, huffed and puffed raising the mainsail (after making sure all the running lines were clear), then back to the cockpit to tug on the roller furling genoa. Now the moment of truth - with a little nudge from the outboard I came about smartly, well, nearly smartly to starboard. By now the thirty-something foot sailboat was, as expected, closer. I like to disconnect the fuel line to the outboard so that it runs dry. No, I don't know why; but I suspect it has something to do with my ancestral background. It was after I did this, and had settled down to see if the sails were drawing and was humming, "We all live in a yellow submarine" that I caught garbled words ending in the word "TACK!" coming from astern.

Yikes! A quick look aft confirmed the thirty-something foot sailboat was hot on my heels, and I could only surmise the skipper had shouted to me asking my intentions. After the hectic evolution and the thought of a gentle sail back I was temporarily stunned. Was it instinct or training that had me yell over my shoulder,

"Maintaining course and speed".

Shortly, I was overtaken by the thirty-something sailboat. The skipper looked like George Washington in that famous painting depicting him crossing the Delaware. He stood by the wheel with a slightly annoyed look. Perhaps his wooden dentures were acting up! His crew or more probably, his guests, were sprawled around the cockpit popping grapes into their mouths, well, actually, liquid grapes.

As I sailed back I reflected on whether I had done the right thing. I think so; no, I know so. I also realized that with the motor still purring away, although not in gear (it takes about four minutes for it to run dry) that I was technically under power, and the burdened vessel being overtaken by Mr. Happiness in a sailboat.

Now one burning question, I don't smell like a mountain goat, do I? Oh! Please you can be honest!

IT'S NOT JUST THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE'S JOB!

We have made it easy for YOU to invite your friends to join us. There are only 3 steps:

- 1. Access the membership application <u>online</u> at http://www.beverly-usps.org/membership/membership.html and print it out for your friend to complete. (or call Miriam Shafner at 781-334-6478 to mail you a copy.) It is even a good idea to keep one with you, just in case....
- 2. Collect a check made out to Beverly Sail & Power Squadron for the proper fee listed on the web page or info sent to you.
- 3. Send both the application and check to Miriam Shafner at 67 Pillings Pond Rd, Lynnfield MA 01940.

DO IT TODAY!

The one-step process is: direct your friend to the web site!

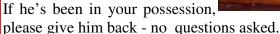
BOAT FOR SALE GREAT PRICE!

"CUBIT" 44 foot trawler yacht. 1980 Marine Trader w/ single Ford Lehman diesel. Very pretty, classic trawler—great live-aboard—economical long range cruiser. Full complement of electronic nav aids and many other extras.. \$95K. Contact: Dexter Wheeler 781-245-2926



WHERE'S HENRY?

Does anyone know where Prince Henry is? He's been missing for a couple of years. We know sailors do sometimes wander off, but really, this is a District Award that should be returned so the next Squadron can be recognized.



Check your trophy room, attic, garage and storage. Then contact Dex Hyland: dex.hyland.btwh@statefarm.com
For the story of the Prince Henry Navigation award, go to:
http://www.usps.org/eddept/files/prince_henry_hist.pdf



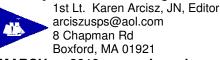
Lt Miriam Shafner,

We are happy to have new members from traditional courses as well as from online sign-up thru the National website. This is an exciting time to be a part of Beverly Sail & Power Squadron! On February 4, 2010, the E-board voted to change the membership fees, to be amended for the next 12 months. The Beverly Sail & Power Squadron will pay to National, the one time initiation fee, and there will be no increase in National, District and Squadron dues until at least June of 2010. Please share this with anyone who is interested in learning more about joining *our squadron*.

Any new members with assigned USPS numbers are invited to be sworn in at the next regular Squadron Meeting. Please speak up if you are not contacted before March 10 and you are eligible or if you prefer to have a private swearing in. Please e-mail the Commander, Ray Tilton at pangea36@gmail.com.

ALL MEMBERS are entitled to have a <u>free name</u> <u>tag</u> to wear whenever you are representing USPS, and for meetings. Please speak to our Treasurer, John Hagar, with your name (spelling) as you want it to appear, ASAP. If you will not be at the March meeting and want a name tag, please e-mail him at <u>CptPost1@msn.com</u>.

Beverly Sail & Power Squadron



MARCH 2010 www.beverly-usps.org

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BEVERLY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

ANNUAL MEETING AND CHANGE OF WATCH Thursday, MARCH 11, 2010

at 1830 (6:30 PM) - Jubilee Yacht Club Main Hall FREE Supper (dessert & donations welcome) Social Time

Peter Souza and his Merry Musician Crew

will help us chase away the winter blahs with lively songs of the sea.

You can listen, join in (please) and even dress as an old-time sailor if you feel inclined.

Members may remember Peter Souza from his earlier visit with us when he discussed his involvement in the continuing restoration of the schooner, "Adventure", in Gloucester.

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