



From sailing vessel, Callisto, heading back to the mainland-photo by Laura Zavalia 2019

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## News from a Neighboring Squadron

In 2014 Vivan Vuong and Nathan Zahrt joined Banana River Sail & Power Squadron. Over the next three years, they took Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, Sail, and Cruise Planning. In 2017 Nate went on to get his captain's rating and moved various vessels for owners around the eastern seaboard. Vivian joined as crew on a cruise line.



V i v i a n c a p t a i n e d "Annie" in the 2016 District 23 Cardboard Boat Race.

A couple of weeks ago, Ken Peters shared a video which Vivian and Nate produced to capture their new life. The video is of them sailing their 32 foot sailboat under full sail with nothing but the sea, sun, wind, and dolphins about them. Vivian begins the narrative, "As



professional sailors, we often refer to the ocean as our home." Nate continues, "Our voyages often start in foreign ports and take us to landfalls in all corners of the earth. For us, it is just as much about the journey as it is the destination. The story that we leave behind will be one of exploration, adventure, and a passion for our natural world."

They are living their dream, all or in large part due to their personal determination and a comprehensive background in boat handling and seamanship taught by the Banana River Sail & Power Squadron. This is more rewarding to P/C Ken Peters, SN, than any merit mark he could ever receive. We wish them the very best!

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From the Commander CDR JIM DEARMOND, AP

I have been having fun. I should say, Joyce and I have been having fun, really good fun! The last few days we have been having meals with the Mariner group, our very active social wing of the squadron.

Saturday was lunch at the Waterway Cafe. Monday was dinner at the Ke'e Grill (crab cakes, yum), and Tuesday was back

to the Waterway Cafe for dinner.

What a GREAT group of people. Many of them represent the senior members of our squadron, people that have been active boaters, but have now retired from all the fun and challenges of boat ownership. But they have stories to tell. All anyone has to do is ask.

It's not just boating stories they will share, it's the genuine fun you can have hanging out with these wonderful members. Come in, have a seat, and start a conversation. You will not be disappointed. In a short time, these folks will become new friends in your life and you will look forward to seeing them in the future.

Some of the Mariners are a little shy at first. Others are anything but shy. No matter where the conversation starts, it will be fun. I expect it will be one of the better meals you have had in some time. The members are just that nice. You will get a good discount on your meal, too.

We have many members of this group that have GREAT stories. Take Larry Rudner. If you've never met Larry, you should. While you are at it, ask him about how he's taught over 9,000 individuals how to use a sextant. Ask Ray and Estelle Rutkowski about their cruising adventures (big boat cruising) and

their wonderful fun dancing many, many nights away, having more fun than most of us can imagine.

How about Bob Malone, one of our very senior members (over 50 years in the squadron)? You may have to speak up a bit to get him to hear your questions. Once he does, you will be entertained by his boating adventures on the Chesapeake. Ask Bob about his 40-foot beauty named "Bo Nan Do".

Lest I forget, the moving force behind this group is Arlene Widmayer along with Nancy Lawrence. These two very special members manage to provide fun and quality destinations for the Mariner Group. In case you may not know, Arlene has been around the world twice in the last couple of years. Ask her about elephants in Africa or any of the other amazing stops she made during her truly excellent adventures. I do not want to forget Nancy. She is as serious an angler as can be found. Ask her about getting the big one on her 38 foot "Idle Time."

I could go on about this group and all the other very special people, but space is limited.

By the way, any member in good standing is very welcome to join in with the Mariners group. Give Arlene a call and tell her you want to join in on the fun at one of their events. Just look at the calendar to pick a meal that works for you.

The next two months will give our Afterdeck Editor Laura Zavalia a break. What a job she is doing! If you get a chance, let her know how much you like her work on this newsletter.

Thank you for being a member of our great squadron and enjoy your summer. Also, watch for our email blasts to keep you up to date on our activities during the summer.







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## Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron 2019 - 2020 Course Schedule **Advanced Grades**

Course	Length/Day	Start Date	Exam Date	Instructor	\$	
Seamanship	10 Weeks/Mon	6/24/2019	8/26/2019	P/C Rick Wood, JN	\$ 70	
	10 Weeks/Mon	12/2/2019	2/3/2020	P/C Rick Wood, JN	\$ 70	
Piloting*	8 Weeks/Mon	9/23/2019	11/4/2019	Lt Mike Galvin, SN	\$ 80	
Adv. Piloting**	13 Weeks/Weds	12/5/2019	2/27/2020	TBD	\$ 90	
Junior Nav	20 Weeks/Weds	Continues	5/22/2019	P/C Darryl Aubrey	\$100	
Navigation	Scheduled as needed	b		P/C Darryl Aubrey	\$160	
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## **Elective Courses**

Weather	8 Weeks	TBD		TBD	\$70
Cruise Planning	9 Weeks/Thurs	In Progress	6/27/2019	P/C Ken Peters, SN	\$70
Marine Electr. Sys	8 Weeks/Thurs	9/12/2019	11/7/2019	Lt Larry Rudner, SN	\$60
Marine Comm.	8 Weeks	TBD		TBD	\$60
Sail*	12 Weeks/Thurs	1/9/2020	3/26/2020	Lt Jon Arck, P	\$70
Instr. Development	4 Weeks/	TBD		P/C Rick Wood, JN	FREE
Engine Maintenance	10 Weeks/Mon	In Progress		P/C Ken Peters, SN	\$70

- 1. All courses will be held at PBSPS HQ Building, 1125 Old Dixie Hwy, Lake Park
- 2. All classes begin at 1900 (7PM)
- 3. Participants are requested to register for classes at least two weeks in advance.
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## OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER CAL CEARLEY



I was Born in Texas, went to college at LSU, UF, and Nova. I got MBA at Nova. I had a banking career of 56 years, am now retired. I taught college level courses in banking, accounting, economics, etc. at UF, UCF, and PBSC during the summers for many years. I have three children and four grands. Jeannette has three plus four grands as well. We live in Wellington. I play golf and like to boat when I can get up a crew for my 48 Motor Yacht, the "Spenderella", which is named after Jeannette. She likes to spend.

Oh yeah, I served four years in the US Coast Guard, and yes, I received an honorable discharge.

Cal and Jeannette were named King and Queen of Boynton Beach in 2016 for Cal serving 30 years on the Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce.



<sup>\*\*</sup>Seamanship and Piloting must be passed prior to taking Adv. Piloting





# June Events



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	<b>3</b> 5:30 pm Mischief Monday Cool'A Fishbar	7:00 pm Monthly Board Meeting members are wel- come to attend	5	6 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	7	
9	5:30 pm Mischief Monday Grande's Bella Cuchina	6:00 pm General Membership Meet- ing Sandpiper Cove	12	13 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	14	15 Boating Rendez- vous E R Bradley's 11:30 am
16	5:30 pm Mischief Monday Ke'e Grill	18 5:30 pm Tipsy Tuesday Waterway Cafe	19	20 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's Captains' Meeting 1900 SYS Yacht Sales	21	Raft-Up Peck Lake 11:00 am-see pg 6, ABC class begins
23	5:30 pm Mischief Monday Duffy's	25	26 5:30 Wacky Wednesday The Draft House	27 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	28	29

Duffy's, corner Hwy 1 & PGA Blvd, PBG, Sandpiper 's Cove 116 Lakeshore Dr, North Palm Beach, Cool'A Fishbar, 11340 Legacy Ave E-100, Palm Beach Gardens, ER Bradley's, 104 N Clematis St, WPB Grande's Bella Cuchina, 4580 Donald Ross Rd, PBG, Ke'e Grill, 14020 US Hwy 1, Juno Beach, Waterway Café, 230 PGA Blvd, PBG, The Draft House, 713 US Hwy 1, North Palm Beach Call Arlene Widmayer 561-627-2650

## FUTURE EVENTS AT A GLANCE: 2019

15 Jun Rendezvous

20 Jun 1900 Captains' meeting see page 7 for details

22 Jun Basic Boating Course Begins

22 Jun 2019 RAFT-UP PECK LAKE

19-21 Jul 2019 District 8 Summer Rendezvous Cruise to Bahamas

11 Aug Merit Mark Party \$42, 1800 Hrs

AUGUST TRIP TO THE BAHAMAS

SEPTEMBER-GOVERNING BOARD-(SEE BELOW)

OCTOBER ON-THE-WATER-EVENT

25-27 OCT DISTRICT 8 FALL CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER - CRUISE— (SEE PAGE 7)

A Captains' meeting before an on-thewater event is important to ensure raftup procedures do not damage anyone's boat. Captains' attendance is mandatory.

## The Meaning of a Merit Mark P/C Sally A. Williams, AP, Merit Mark Committee, Chair

The Merit Mark Committee has the honor, privilege, and responsibility of preparing merit mark recommendations for those Active and Family members who have made substantial efforts on behalf of our squadron during the calendar year 2017. In doing so, we are committed to maintaining the highest standards of this, our only reward, to those who have served so well in furthering USPS objectives.

A Merit Mark is awarded by the chief commander to USPS members who have made substantial personal efforts in furthering the interests, programs, and objectives of USPS, its districts, and squadrons. Members are limited to one merit mark per year. When a merit mark recommendation is approved, the chief commander issues a certificate of

acknowledgement to the recipient, who is then entitled to proudly wear a special merit mark insignia on his or her USPS uniform.

After earning five Merit Marks, a member becomes known as a *Senior Member*, and upon earning 25 Merit Marks, the member is designated a *Life Member* and is exempt from paying dues.

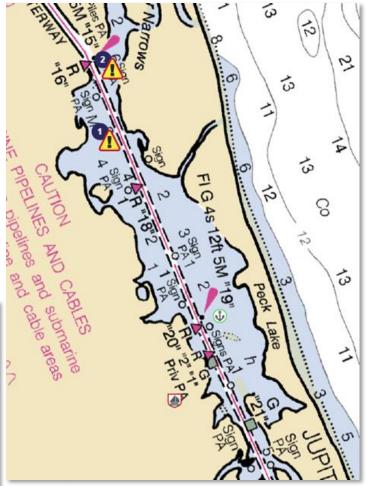
# peck Lake Anchorage Rendezvous

Date: 22 June, 2019

Time: 1100















## 2019 Annual Raft-Up at Peck Lake



Please join in the Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron's Peck Lake raft-up on Saturday, 22 June 2019, for a day of fun, fellowship, and practice rafting up.

Come for the day or the whole weekend - either way, just come! Don't have a boat? Call Laura Zavalia 561-701-1503, and she can arrange for you to go on someone else's boat.

Where: Peck Lake, Hobe Sound, west of Jupiter Island on the Intracoastal Waterway east-southeast of flashing day-beacon #19. Power Boaters: ICW MM 992 st miles. Sailors: 27.11340 N, 080.14230 W.

When: 1100 Saturday 22 June

Who: USPS members, prospective members, friends & family

Why: See below

Pre Flight: Captains' meeting Thursday, 20 June, 1900 hrs at SYS Yacht Sales, 318 South US One Suite 103, Jupiter, FL 33477 (next to the Dive Bar)

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- Porpoise, manatee and bird watching
- Food & drink bring something to share



## Raft-Up Technical Details

- The anchor vessels for the raft-up will be S/V Callisto & M/V Spenderella
- As you approach Peck Lake, announce your vessel on VHF channel 71
- Receiving vessels must provide fenders for those coming alongside
- Arriving vessels must provide own mooring lines.
- Set your GPS anchor alarms
- Photographs of afloat events require that PFDs be worn for USPS publications
- Oh yes and by-the-way, safety dictates PFDs
- Nearest launch ramp: Jimmy Graham Park

- Boat Ramp 8555 E. Gomez Ave, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
- Longitude: 27 6.0948 Latitude: 80 8.5188
- Special Comment: shoal between the Waterway and the Peck Lake Anchorage seems to be getting shallower as time goes forward.
- Swing Room: sufficient room for almost any size cruising craft, unless anchorage is crowded by other craft
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Educational Department Elected and Appointed Positions Help Wanted

This month my article will concentrate on elected and appointed positions in the Educational Department where the squadron needs your help. So as you read this article, think

about how you might contribute.

The Educational Department is led by the Squadron Educational Officer (SEO) & Local Boards. The entire department is all about education and making it available to members and the public, alike. Some of the openings where help is needed are as follow:

Assistant Squadron Educational Officer is an elected position and serves with a



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• assisting and accepting assignments from the SEO.

ties include:

- In the temporary absence of the SEO, acting in the SEO's stead.
- Attending District Council and Conference meetings.
- Attending squadron meetings and Board of Directors meetings. This person should have a grade of AP or higher

and will need to be approved by the District Educational Officer. Contact either the Chair of the Nominating Committee or SEO Lt/C Art Dodd, SN.

The **Local Board** of the Public Education Course is responsible for the squadron's programs of instruction and examination in basic public education boating courses. Ideally, the chair should have attained the grade of Advanced Pilot or higher and have Instructor Certification and must be approved by the District Educational Officer. The chair will help organize the Squadron's Public Education program "America's Boating Course". He or she will work with the Squadron **Educational Officer** to schedule and obtain instructors for the America's Boating Course and work with the instructors to ensure needed materials are available. If you would like to be chair of the Public Education class, contact Lt/C Art Dodd, SN.

**Jump Start Coordinator:** Jump Start is a program for people who have a new boat to learn how to use their boat. The chair of the committee is responsible for receiving calls from people interested in taking Jump Start, obtaining contact information, and coordinating with a Jump Start instructor and the Vessel Safety Examiner Chair and the student to do the Jump Start Program. Other duties would be to contact boat dealers and advise them about the Jump Start Program and working with the SEO to find additional instructors.

Instructors are needed for the following courses: Instructors have a rank of Lt. It is recommended that they have taken the course they will be teaching and have had Instructor Development.

Advance Piloting: Weather Marine Communications Engine Maintenance

If you would like to serve on any of these positions, email Lt/C Arthur Dodd, SN: <a href="mailto:artdodd52usps@att.net">artdodd52usps@att.net</a>



## Rendezvous! Come by Boat or Come by Car!

Where: E.R. Bradley's at 104 Clematis St. in West Palm Beach When: 15 June 1130 hrs.

How: You can dock your boat at the city docks right in front of the restaurant. You can park your car via valet.
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# At Lunch Bunch on Thursday, 2 May, 2019, several interesting events took place that we'd like to share with the rest of the Palm Beach membership.

Many times member birthdays are celebrated during a lunch bunch gathering. On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Larry and Marlene Rudner "kicked it up a notch" to celebrate Larry's "milestone" birthday. They brought in a yummy, specially decorated birthday cake and shared it with all the members present at the gathering. A picture of the cake appears below. See if you can pick out all of the decorations unique to Larry's life journey to date?

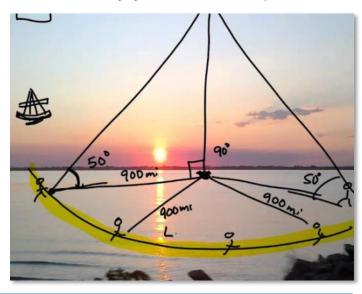


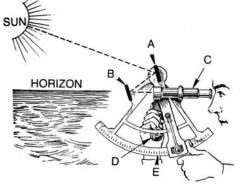
Can you find the special "private joke" between the fish and fisherman Larry?



Outside the lunch bunch meeting place, Larry was captured in the picture below practicing his celestial navigation skills with a re-creation of a unique navigational instrument. Can you figure out the significance of the particular instrument and Larry's lifetime voyage? Send in your answer (guess?) to the Afterdeck Editor to illustrate how insightful you are. No cash or valuable merchandise prizes will be awarded, but you may have "bragging rights" if you are the first to fathom the answer (no boating pun intended - Grin).

Photos and story by the "Bitter End" Correspondent of Yore







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Date	ltinerary	Duration	
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Nov 7	Cruising		
Nov 8	Cruising		
Nov 9	St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 10	Antigua	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 11	St. Kitts	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 12	Martinique	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 13	Barbados	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 14	Trinidad and Tobago	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 15	Cruising		
Nov 16	Curacao	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 17	Aruba	8:00 AM -6:00 PM	
Nov 18	Cruising		
Nov 19	Cruising		
Nov 20	Fort Lauderdale (Port Everglades)	Arrive 7:00 AM	

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# **National Meetings**

## 2019 GOVERNING BOARD



The USPS National Meetings are open to all members. There will be hands-on seminars along with various meetings and in between these, Lousiville has so many fun things to do. See below for just a few of the them and we can do them together with old friends and new.

You can sign up here:

https://book.passkey.com/event/49906009/owner/817279/home

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## OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS



2020 Annual Meeting 9 Feb-16 Feb, 2020 Ponte Vedra FL



2021 Annual Meeting 7 Feb-14 Feb, 2021 Ponte Vedra FL



2022 Annual Meeting 6 Feb-13 Feb, 2022 Ponte Vedra FL

## SQUADRON BOOSTERS

	Most Recent	Cumulative
Darryl Aubrey	\$100 (04/19)	\$1700
Cal Cearley	\$1000 (04/18)	\$1000
Art & Mary Dodd	\$ 70 (12/18)	\$ 138
Kathy & Bill Eldridge	\$100 (03/19)	\$2600
Mary & Bob Flucke	\$200 (02/19)	\$ 600
Myra Hoffstein	\$100 (01/19)	\$2600
Jeanne Kirch	\$ 80 (4/19)	\$ 80
Joyce Newman	\$500 (03/18)	\$2075
Jim Palmer	\$100 (06/18)	\$ 700
Barbara Roemmele	\$200 (06/18)	\$1300
Ray & Estelle Rutkowski	\$200 (05/19)	\$ 600
Nancy Sweeney	\$100 (01/19)	\$1300
Arlene Widmayer	\$650 (01/19)	\$4744
MacPherson/Chalmers	\$100 (02/19)	\$ 500
Alan Konzelman (memorial)	\$100 (04/18)	) \$ 100
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## Be a Booster!

We used to have big promotions (flea market and craft sales). These endeavors required hours and hours of preparation and then a big sale. The fleas were collected in our headquarters over the months of time, then hauled out before dawn to the flea market site and sold by volunteers through out the day, then hauling back all (many) of the leftovers. A LOT of time put in by a relatively few members for a result of maybe \$500 to \$1300.

The crafts were run for about 25 years. Several women (between 4 and 6) got together every Tuesday morning to produce their 'goodies', then sell them at a Christmas bazaar. Annual income \$1500 to \$3000. Sounds great! Again, a lot of work by a very few. The ladies got burned out and we can't blame them.

How can we support 'running' out Squadron in the fashion that the Palm Beach should be run? How can we replace the income that these members used to provide?

Many can participate. It doesn't take a lot of effort. It doesn't have to take a lot of money (individually) AND contributions are tax deductible.

Contact our Treasurer, Lt/C, Roberta Stephens, P at steplee@bellsouth.net,

or any Bridge member for details on how to add your name to the list published here. Contributions are intended to be used for the general operations of the Squadron, o you may ask that your donations go for a specific cause, like "color printing for the Afterdeck," specific educational materials, or whatever.

Contributors names will be published in the Afterdeck for one year for each contribution. Join this supporting group!

## Name Badges

If anyone wants a new white name badge with the new America's Boating Club logo, please let Laura Zavalia know via email: zavaliaUSPS@gmail.com They cost \$10 each.

From the Administrative Officer: Lt/C Laura Zavalia, AP

Greetings! There are a handful of committees that fall under the watchful eye of the Administrative Officer. Here are a few of them.

• Membership - When someone joins our Squadron, the membership application comes to me. At the next board meeting (the first Tuesday of each month), the prospective member is voted into the organization. I enter the data into the National website (AmericasBoatingClub.org), and a certificate number is issued. (It begins with an E.) I order name badges for the new members and hope they arrive before the next General Membership Meeting, and they are sworn in by our Commander.

- Obtaining a speaker for our dinner meetings If you know of someone who might want to come to one of our General Membership Meetings to speak to us about something interesting and maritime related, please let me know.
- Sick Bay is actually a committee under the AO. Arlene is our member who give our members some extra Tender Loving Care. What you ask? If someone is sick, injured, in the hospital, or just needs some TLC, call Arlene. She visits, talks and sends

out cards. Thank you Arlene!

I am also the Editor of this monthly newsletter though it is not under the AO job - anyone can be Editor. If you have any suggestions on how things can be done better, faster, or have ideas on something totally different, please let me know. If you know of someone who may want to help me out, I'm all ears!

We will not be having any dinner meetings for July and August but will resume in September. There may be some ad hoc meetings at headquarters where we will discuss important issues over pizza and drinks. Keep your ear to the ground!

I will try to publish a 'light' version of the Afterdeck for those two months as a means of keeping our membership informed. We do however have a new email blast set up for communications.

Last month Mary Dodd wrote a nice article about the committee positions that are under the AO. I hope you got a chance to read it. Thank you Mary!

ZavaliaUSPS@gmail.com





Basic boating classes in session. Thank you D/C, Ed Hoover, AP and P/C, Rick Wood. JN. They are two of our many awesome instructors.



From the Educational Officer LT/C ARTHUR DODD, SN

The April Basic Boating class had 6 students; 5 passed and one did not take the exam.

The May Basic Boating class, May 6, 8 & 10, was at the North Palm Beach Library and had 27 students; 21 passed, one did

not take the exam, one was going to take the online exam, and 4 failed. The failed students did not re-take the exam. This was the last class using the BoatSmart student manuals and our PowerPoint slides.

The June Basic Boating class, Saturday June 22 & Sunday June 23 at PBSPS Headquarters, will be the first class to use the USPS ABC3 student manuals and the USPS PowerPoint slides. This is a big change for us; hopefully it goes smoothly.

Cruising and Cruise Planning, taught by P/C Ken Peters, SN, started May 2 at Palm Beach SPS Headquarters; there are 5 students taking the class. Ken is assisted by Katherine Redmond, AP.

# SEAMANSHIP – starts June 24, 7PM at our Headquarters in Lake Park.

Build boating confidence and competence for safe and fun on-the-water adventures. Seamanship provides a foundation of knowledge and skills in boat handling and maneuvering, boat operation, skipper's responsibilities, and boating techniques that will advance your boating enjoyment. See page 15 for more details.

**Pop quiz:** The light characteristic of an aid to navigation is shown as "ISO" on a chart. What does "ISO" mean?

Expand your boating knowledge and exercise your brain – TAKE A BOATING COURSE!

"ISO" means the duration the light is on is the same as the duration it is off.



# **Seamanship Class**

By P/C Rick Wood, JN, Instructor of this course

Whether your boat is 15' or 150', you will use some or even all of what we teach in Seamanship. We offer many courses, but if you own or rent a boat on a regular basis, this course is a must!

We talk about being prepared and how to do it. We discuss how to avoid problems and potentially dangerous situations. Finally, we talk about what to do when that unavoidable situation does arrive. I'll tell you real stories based on over 50 years of boating, including how I survived 27' seas in a 36' sailboat.

Today we have fantastic tools that if I had had 20 – and 30 years ago, would have kept me out those situations. As we prepare to go out on the water for a day, a weekend, or longer, much of what we need to prepare is as close as our phone or iPad. We'll teach you about great apps, how to use them, and why.

We'll talk about what we need to do with your boat to be sure you never lose a day on the water. We will talk about the huge amount of equipment you NEED on your boat but is not legally required.

We'll talk about handling your boat in normal conditions and handling it in rough seas.

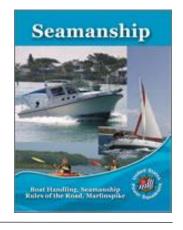
We'll teach you to tie a bowline in less than 3 seconds and talk about anchoring and how one simple modification to your anchor rode can DOUBLE the holding power. We'll talk about first aid at sea. There is no substitute for a true first aid and DPR course, but it will illustrate the importance of knowing what to do should the need arise. Finally, we will practice in the real world aboard Commander One, our 22' Squadron training vessel. One or two classes will be aboard this boat.

## This is What Boating is All About by P/C Ken Peters, SN

Seamanship presents material applicable to both power and sail, covering such topics as:

- · The construction and functioning of a boat
- The skipper's responsibilities
- Handling and maneuvering a vessel under various conditions in close quarters and on the open water
- Preparing the boat for use

- Rules of the road
- Anchoring
- Emergencies
- Marlinspike/basic knots



## The appendices cover:

- Boating into the waters of the Bahama Islands, Canada and Mexico
- The effects of weather on the boaters' health
- General information on obtaining a US Coast Guard captain's license

## The student manual kit will include:

- The textbook (updated with error corrections and topic clarifications)
- A downloadable US Coast Guard Navigation Rules and
   Regulations Handbook

The student manual has been updated with error corrections and topic clarifications. The eBook student manual and the hard copy version are identical.

With enough student interest, your Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron will conduct actual skill enhancement

training on the water on either sail or power vessels. Topics may include:

- Anchoring with a bridle
- The useful Hiscock Cloth
- Man overboard
- · Heaving to
- Marlinspike
- The ditch bag
- RIB use & stowage
- Jackline/tether
- Hand bearing compass

This class is scheduled over nine two-hour class sessions, one session for each chapter and one session for the proctored test. Course completion is documented by a closed-book exam graded by the USPS headquarters.

50 ' Overseas Office, Cruising past Topsail, NC, on their way to Long Island, NY, to perform chartering work. We look forward to having Charles & Karen back in the fall.

Photo by Bill Eldridge

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FIRST CLASS MAIL

To:

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, 11 June Social 6:00 pm, (Cash Bar) Dinner 7:00 pm — Program 8:00 pm

\$35.00 per person For Reservations Contact:

Arlene Widmayer 561-627-2650

lilrabbitt3@gmail.com Reservation Deadline: 4 pm, Thursday, 6 June

Please note: Whenever the Squadron schedules a dinner event, it assumes financial responsibility for all reservations. Reservations are a must. If you need to cancel, call Arlene before the deadline, and she'll cancel your reservation.

Guest Speaker - Dr. Charlie Gregory

He is a veterinarian specializing in marine ecosystem health and works for "The Reef Institute". They have a interesting facility in West Palm Beach where they do tours of coral and fish exhibits for schools and adults. They are also teaching in schools and do outreach programs about a variety of topics relating to ocean health. He will teach us how responsible boating can contribute to the sustained well-being of the seas. We as members might be interested in a tour or working with them in some way.



Sandpiper Cove in Old Port Cove 116 Lakeshore Drive, North Palm Beach

## Menu

Entrée Choices:

Sliced Sirloin Chicken Parmesan Shrimp Primavera

All served with Caesar Salad, Vegetable Medley, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Rolls and Coffee or Tea

Dessert: Brownie Sundae or Fruit Cup