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## Annual Christmas Party! Our 75th Anniversary!

10 December  
General Membership Meeting

Each person bring a wrapped gift to exchange (around \$20 value) then watch the fun begin. We will also be celebrating our 75th anniversary so mark your calendar and be sure to join us.



## Be a Booster!

Contributors' names will be published in the Afterdeck News for one year (10 issues), from the date of contribution. Annual contributions ensure that your name remains on the list with your accumulated amount. Names will be expunged after one year of the most recent contribution.

*Join this supporting group then remain a Booster by contributing annually.*

*Thank you.*

## SQUADRON BOOSTERS

	Most Recent	Cumulative
Darryl Aubrey	\$100 (04/19)	\$1700
Goldie Bertchinger	\$ 35 (09/19)	\$ 35
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 (04/19)	\$ 80
Joyce Newman	\$100 (09/19)	\$2175
Ray & Estelle Rutkowski	\$200 (05/19)	\$ 600
Nancy Sweeney	\$100 (01/19)	\$1300
<b>Arlene Widmayer</b>	<b>\$326 (11/19)</b>	<b>\$5301</b>
MacPherson/Chalmers	\$100 (02/19)	\$ 500

### Name Badges

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## From the Commander

CDR JIM DEARMOND, AP

Members !!!  
We have a problem!

*Before I continue, let me say that this message may not be appreciated by some members. Just the same, it is a very important message and every member should read the whole thing and take the requested action at the end.*

We are a volunteer organization that depends on the contribution of member's time and energy to accomplish our goals.

Everyone knows from my previous messages, we need support from our membership.

Our squadron has never needed more help from its' members than right now. We need some of your time, not tons, just some.

Now, I am the first one to acknowledge and thank you for your membership and other contributions to our squadron. That goes a long way towards keeping us afloat. But, it's not enough.

We offer perhaps the best class available for people that intend to operate a pleasure boat in Florida.

These prospective students can get the state required education from any one of many sources. Both classroom and online.

Our class called ABC3 is offered in a classroom by our very capable and qualified instructors. In fact, we have had students that attended a class offered by someone else and then came to ours because their initial choice was not as useful as they had expected. They said they wanted to attend in a classroom environment that was taught by an instructor capable of offering answers to their important boating questions. Experienced boaters know that it can be a little scary

Which side of the boat has a green light at night?

- A. Port
- B. Topside
- C. Starboard
- D. All around light if fishing

(The answer is somewhere in this publication)

## Raft Up



out on the water, especially here in South Florida.


This gets to the heart of why new boaters should seriously consider getting their initial boating education from us. We know the area. Our instructors have hundreds of hours on our local waters and are more than happy to freely offer that knowledge to students of our classes.

Imagine what it can be like for new boaters with a shiny new boat venturing out on the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW). What do all those markers mean? Is the water deep enough for my boat? Where can I safely take my boat, and how do I deal with all the other boaters on the water, with me, at the same time?

So, how can you help? Start by talking to your friends. We have tens of thousands of boaters in Palm Beach County (37,000+ registered boats). These boaters need to know we are here and ready to help educate new boaters to be safe boaters and have fun while out on the water.

Let me know if you would like flyers and other information to hand out to anyone with an interest in our classes or the squadron. We will get them to you immediately.

Thank you for your time and please give this request serious consideration.



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## NEW: FL, Jupiter Sound Hazard:

### NEW: FL, Jupiter Sound Hazard:

The U.S. Coast Guard received a report that Jupiter Sound Light 47 (LLNR 46175) was damaged by a barge. The steel pile is leaning and the light is extinguished. Chart 11472 (7th District LNM Week 41/2019)

### NEW: FL, Hillsboro Inlet Entrance Light to be Extinguished:

Hillsboro Inlet Entrance Light (LLNR 775) will be extinguished due to scheduled maintenance beginning October 20, 2019 until approximately November 4, 2019. Chart 11466 (7th District LNM Week 40/2019)

### NEW: FL, Dredging Ops, Lake Worth Inlet:

Cashman Dredging will commence dredging operations on or about October 13, 2019 in Palm Beach Harbor, Palm Beach County, Florida. Operations will be conducted within the Federal Navigation Channel encompassing the Palm Beach Entrance Channel. The project will involve the Trailing Suction Hopper Dredge ATCHAFALAYA removing shoaled material from the Federal Channel and then transitioning to a near shore disposal area south of the Entrance Channel. The survey vessel SURVEY 2 and other support vessels will support the dredge, and all vessels will monitor VHF channels 16, 13, 12, and use 74 as the working channel. Mariners are urged to transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake and proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made. The dredge will operate 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. The work is scheduled to be completed on or about October 31, 2019. For further information, contact the Project Manager, Jack Rush at (617) 766-3616. Chart 11472 (7th District LNM Week 41/2019)

Lockheed Martin Palm Beach will conduct offshore testing from October 7 through November 29, 2019 with a manned submersible vehicle piloted by two personnel. The submersible will transit on the surface from Lockheed Martin facility west of Peanut Island, south on the AICW to the Port of Palm Beach Turning Basin. From the Turning Basin the submersible will be towed by a RHIB out the Lake Worth Inlet then south to the operational area. Testing will occur from Lake Worth Inlet south to Boynton Inlet from near shore up to 10 miles offshore. Testing may occur 24 hours daily, weekdays only. During this time the submersible will be accompanied by 2 surface RHIBs displaying amber flashing lights. Dive operations with scuba divers in the water may occur anytime during the testing and RHIBs will display diver down flags in the vicinity of scuba divers. RHIBs will be monitoring VHF ch16. Mariners are advised to transit the area with caution and maintain 200 yard clearance from RHIBs and dive balls. (7th District LNM Week 39/2019)



### Send your Christmas or Hanukkah

Greetings to your squadron friends  
via the December **AFTERDECK**.

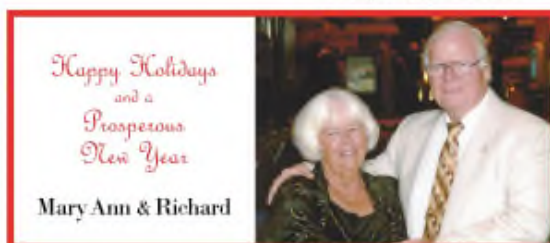
1/12 page. See examples below or pages 6 & 7 of December 2018 issue.

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## From the Educational Officer

LT/C ARTHUR DODD, SN

It looks as though people don't want to take the ABC3 basic boating course; or, at least, not if it isn't free. The September class had 2 students. The October 15th class at the North Palm Beach Library had no students signed up on 10/10; two signed up on 10/11. I cancelled the class. Usually, our classes at the North Palm Beach Library attract over 20 students. Not so this time.

The last ABC3 class this year will be November 1, 4, 6 & 8: 7 – 9:30 PM at HQ; D/C Ed Hoover, AP instructing with Lt John Findlay, AP assisting.

I have been working on next year's class schedule. Due to the lack of attendance this year, I am scheduling ABC3 classes every other month.

Pop quiz question: You hear a power boat sound 3 horn signals; what does it mean?

Advanced/Elective Classes:

Seamanship, taught by P/C Rick Wood, JN: exams have been taken and submitted to National. Results have not yet been received.

Marine Electrical Systems, taught by Lt Larry Rudner, SN, started September 12 with 2 students and continues.

Piloting, taught by Lt Mike Galvin, SN, started September 23 with 5 students.

Seamanship, taught by P/C Rick Wood, JN, is scheduled to start December 2.

Advanced Piloting: if there is sufficient interest, we will schedule an AP class. Please contact me if you are interested in attending.

There are two educational awards that mark milestones in a member's educational progress in the USPS:

The National USPS Educational Proficiency Award: This is awarded to members who successfully complete Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, and any three elective courses.



The National USPS Educational Achievement Award: This award is earned by successfully completing ALL courses offered at the time of a member's completion of their final course. This is signified by adding "SN" (Senior Navigator) as the grade after a member's name.



Pop quiz answer: It means the power boat is operating with the engine in reverse. This signal is typically given by the large ships as they leave the dock.

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

Be safe out there.  
Lt/C Art Dodd, SN,

## TIPS TO MAKE BOATING LESS "FUELISH"

At \$4.00 per gallon, many boaters are finding it much too costly to enjoy a day on the water. At two hours each way, a run to a nice marina restaurant can cost a twin engine boater upwards of \$500.00. That makes for one very expensive hamburger. Following are ten helpful tips that will help you increase your fuel economy, save a few dollars, and maybe increase the time you can afford to be on the water. 1. If you keep the boat on a lift, make certain your hull is clean and well waxed. If you keep your boat in the water, be sure to maintain a good coat of bottom paint. A slippery boat has less drag. 2. Proper size, pitch, and number of propeller blades are important. Select the optimal combination for your boat. Sacrificing a little top end speed can give you a 10% increase in fuel economy. 3. Nicks, dings, or bends in a propeller can increase fuel consumption by up to 15%. Check your prop regularly. 4. Clean your carburetor, injectors, and flame arrestor to maximize air fuel blend and optimal performance. Commercial gasoline additives are fine to clean your fuel systems and be sure to use a non flammable cleaner on the flame arrestor. 5. Remove all unnecessary weight to minimize the amount of hull being pushed through the water. Every pound of weight creates the need for one more pound of displacement. 6. Trim your tabs, outboards, and stern drives to keep your bow up and out of the water to minimize drag. 7. Whenever

conditions allow, keep the boat up on plane. (Be certain to adhere to all speed and wildlife control zones). 8. Conduct some control runs and create an RPM vs. fuel consumption curve. This will help you pick your optimum cruising speed. 9. Pick your boating days with care. Rough seas and headwinds can increase your fuel economy by over 25%. 10. Lastly, but most importantly, tell your friends the days of the free boat trips are over. At \$4.00 per gallon it isn't unreasonable to tell guests up front the approximate cost of the days gas bill and that "we will be splitting the cost amongst us". Just do so up front so they have a chance to opt out of paying \$100.00 each for their burger. The United States Power Squadrons® has 45,000 members in over 450 squadrons throughout the United States and abroad. Its members are men, women, and young adults who volunteer and give freely of their time and energy to teach boating safety courses and seminars, provide vessel safety checks, assist the National Ocean Service in updating our nation's over 1000 nautical charts, and in other ways contribute to making boating on our waterways safer. For further information please visit the USPS Web site at [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org) or call (toll free) 888-367-8777. "Boating is fun...we'll show you how".  
Lt. Bill Hempel, Marketing/Public Relations Committee  
"United States Power Squadrons"



# A Neat Ship is a Safe Ship

Improperly stowed gear can not only be unsightly, but can damage your equipment and become a tripping hazard or worse. It isn't fun to watch loose gear get caught in the wind and blown overboard. A cluttered deck is particularly dangerous in rough seas if loose gear is sliding around the deck.

I hate reaching for a line that is fouled into a tangled mess. If you don't have a line locker, it is easy to install a board with hooks on the inside of the gunwales to hang your coiled lines. Having those lines handy, life jackets at the ready, fire extinguishers mounted in a strategic spot, first aid kit close by in a dry location, and anchor line clear for instant use are all little things that can help a rapid response to a developing situation.

In the big picture of boating safety, properly stowed gear might seem a trivial issue, but I know of incidents that bring home its importance. In one case, a man and woman aboard a 40 foot pleasure craft were about to tow a smaller boat. While the woman was preparing the tow line, there was a slack length lying on the deck. She inadvertently stood amidst the loose line. As the towing boat started to move, this line coiled around her leg and lifted it into the air. This unfortunate deck hand took a severe fall and suffered an extreme injury. In another incident, three men were out for a day of fishing. At one point, they decided to move to another location. They pulled the anchor on board

and left it lying on the bow above anchor locker. As the boat came up on plane, it bounced over a wave and the anchor slipped unnoticed back into the water. As the line played out, the anchor temporarily set on something. When the force of the boat caused the anchor to release, it catapulted forward toward the boat, and sank the shank of the anchor into the back of the head of an unlucky fisherman.

Fortunately, the crew knew enough leave the anchor in the skull and radioed ahead. At the dock they were met by emergency medical teams and the injured man was airlifted to a hospital where the anchor was safely removed.

It is hard to imagine that these severe injuries would take place. Unfortunately, there are a myriad of potential accidents lurking amongst your poorly stowed equipment.

Don't be the one to discover a new bizarre story. Keep your gear stowed safely! Remember the old saying; "A place for everything, and everything in its place."

Lt. Bill Hempel, Marketing/Public Relations Committee "United States Power Squadrons"

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## 2019 - 2020 Course Schedule

### Advanced Grades

Course	Length/Day	Start Date	Exam Date	Instructor	Price
Seamanship	10 Weeks/Mon	12/2/2019	2/3/2020	P/C Rick Wood, JN	\$70
Advanced Piloting	10 Weeks	TBD		TBD	
Navigation	Scheduled as needed			P/C Darryl Aubrey, SN	\$160

\* Seamanship advisable but not mandatory before Piloting and Sail Courses.

\*\*Seamanship and Piloting must be passed prior to taking Adv. Piloting

### Elective Courses

Sail*	12 Weeks/Thurs	1/9/2020	3/26/2020	Lt Jon Arck, P	\$70
Instructor Development	4 Weeks/	TBD		P/Cdr Rick Wood, JN	FREE

### *Fun On Our Local Waters*

This request is for all boaters in our squadron, both present and past.

We have beautiful waters in and around Palm Beach County as well as parts north and south. In your boating travels in our area what and where are your favorite places.

I know several of you like Munyon Island and most of you have a dislike for Peanut Island particularly the north side because of all the boat traffic and congestion.

But, what spots do you consider special where you can nose up to a nice beach or put down and anchor to enjoy your day on the water. A place that you can enjoy with just those on board your boat or a place that can be shared by several boaters.

Perhaps it's one that is perfect for snorkeling. Or maybe a BBQ. Or who knows??? Oh, and don't forget to include places that are family friendly.

Places that are north or south of our area no more than 1-2 hours by boat would be best.

Think about those places that have been special to you and let me know. It's time to give our fellow members some ideas about where they can go the next time they're on the water.

Thank you for your help to make our squadron the most fun to our boating community.

Send your email to me at [jimdea@gmail.com](mailto:jimdea@gmail.com)

Cdr Jim DeArmond, AP



# Grenada Bound

Many of our Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron crew have a charter planned for April 9th through 17 in Grenada. We hope that many of you will consider joining with us for this adventure. So please contact us soon, before all the good vessels and crew slots are taken.

## Crew:

USPS members who like fellowship and an opportunity to learn hands-on with marine-maritime expert (s) or, if qualified, an opportunity to skipper a vessel with USPS crew.

Vessel(s): Cat or Monohull sailing vessel(s)

Costs: (distributed evenly among the captain and crew)

For a 7-day, 6-night voyage the cost for the vessel will be about \$100.00/day/person

- Air fare from MIA to Grenada and return \$600.00/person
- Arrival mid-afternoon - sleep aboard (no local hotels required)
- Departure mid-afternoon - vessel return NLT 1100
- Provisioning for meals aboard with some dinners ashore - \$?
- Local Customs & Irritation - \$?

Please contact any of the below-listed *Crew Callisto* for in-depth details:

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If you are thinking of joining with us, please do so soon as the vessels fill up early. Should you like to see how a charter voyage is planned, tell us that you would like notification of planning sessions both live at HQ or online with GoToMeeting.



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# November Events

2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 5:30 pm Mischief Monday Jetty's	5 7:00 pm Monthly Board Meeting Members are wel- come to attend	6 Fundraiser Cruise Departs	7 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	8	9
10	11 5:30 pm Mischief Monday, Cool'A Fish Bar	12 6:00 pm General Membership Meet- ing, Sandpiper's Cove	13	14 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	15	16
17	18 5:30 pm Mischief Monday Juno Beach Fish House	19 5:30 pm Topsy Tuesday, Waterway Cafe	20 Fundraiser Cruise Returns	21 11:00 am Lunch Bunch Duffy's	22	23 11:30 Boating Ren- dezvous, Waterway
24	25 5:30 pm Mischief Monday, Duffy's	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30

**Duffy's**, corner Hwy 1 & PGA Blvd, PBG, **Sandpiper 's Cove** 116 Lakeshore Dr, North Palm Beach,  
**Juno Beach Fish House**, 13980 US Hwy 1, Juno Beach, **Cool'A Fish Bar**, 11340 Legacy Blvd, PBG,  
**Waterway Café**, 2300 PGA Blvd, PBG, **Jetty's** 1075 N Hwy A1A, Jupiter  
 Call Nancy Lawrence 561-346-5907—c21nancy@aol.com

## Upcoming Events

10 December Annual Christmas Party. Rick Wood will be our very entertaining MC while his little elves help out with the gift exchange. Each person should bring a wrapped gift worth around \$20. Label it for male or female if applicable.

January is the annual Commander's Ball. Stay tuned for details.

March is our annual Change of Watch where the new officers will be sworn in.



Picnic 9 Mar 2019



Some people came by boat!

A sailing vessel (S/V) and a motor vessel (M/V) are both underway. When is the S/V the give way vessel?



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**From the Administrative Officer:**

LT/C LAURA ZAVALIA, JN

Who likes On-The-Water activities? I sure do and had a blast on each one of them! One of our members, Harry Diener, is the one who thinks them up, researches, then plans them. He had a nice flotilla trip in our own boats to the Bahamas in August set up, but no one RSVP'd for it so, cancelled it was, then hurricane Dorian payed an unwelcome visit at the time we would have gone. Thank you Harry for your time and effort!

Who likes On-The-Land activities? I'm glad you asked! I sure do! Who would be able and willing to organize 2 or 3 per year? P/C Ken Peters, SN has offered to research and set up a Flare Up. He has done many of these when he was a member of the Banana River Sail & Power Squadron up in the Space Coast area. They had so many curious people watching and asking questions and many of them actually joined

their squadron.

Earlier this year we had a BBQ at Dubois Park in Jupiter. I hear everyone had a nice time and got to get to know each other. It was my birthday that day and I was attending a District 26 Conference in Myrtle Beach. All you guys sang happy birthday to me via video! I love it! You all are like family! Thank you again, Harry, for pulling off that event with flying colors!

Some ideas for future events might be a tour through a boat manufacturing facility or maybe a weekend trip via bus to something maritime related. Please call or email me to volunteer for this fun job. 561-701-1503. ZavaliaUSPS@gmail.com

I am pleased to announce that one of our new members has stepped up to the plate and offered to help me out with this publication. Thank you Debbie! Thank you also all those who contribute content and do proof reading!



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**Operations Training:**

STF/C MARY DODD, SN

This year Palm Beach Sail and Power Squadron will be reaching a milestone; we will be celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Because of this, I thought I would resurrect an article that was submitted in 2017 telling some interesting fun facts about our squadron and add a few new ones.

- The original name of the squadron was Palm Beach Power Squadron.
- The first meeting of the Palm Beach Power Squadron was held on 20 November 1944 and the first Bylaws were approved by the National Governing Board on 28 November 1944.
- Our first Squadron Commander was P/C Henry Gibson, JN who served from 1945-1946. (The names of all Palm Beach Squadron Commanders and the year they served can be found in our squadron's Roster.
- We are part of the United States Power Squadrons that has 356 squadrons, 32 Districts that includes all of the United States, Puerto Rico, St Thomas, and Japan
- We are members of District 8 which begins in Sebastian Florida and ends in Key West.
- Women were allowed to become active Member of the United States Power Squadrons® in 1982 and Palm Beach Power Squadron's first female Commander was P/C Margaret Roselli, JN in 1993. That was also when Lunch Bunch became co-ed.
- We celebrated our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1994 and received permission from National to add a gold border to the Squadron Burgee. The white palm tree in red background represents Palm Beach and the 8 stripe represents District 8.
- In the year 2000 our squadron's name was changed to Palm Beach Sail and Power Squadron.
- In addition to having the name Palm Beach Sail and Power Squadron, we are also known as the America's Boating Club of Palm Beach.
- Three members of our squadron have received the Charles Chapman Award for Outstanding Teacher of the Year from National; those members are P/Stf/C Joseph Rawlins, SN; P/C Hans Heynau, SN and P/R/C William Eldridge, SN

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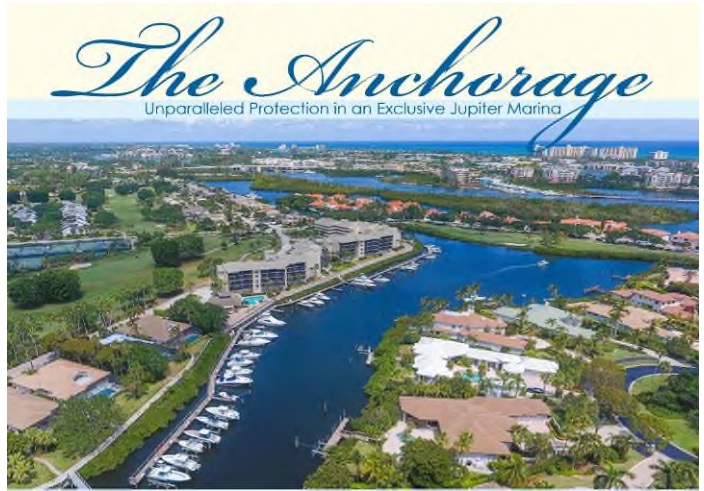
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## Jim Cribbs will be our Guest Speaker

Jim is the manger of the service department at the Riviera Beach Marina. He will speak to us about some of the safety issues he has seen at his marina and how the marina helps new boaters get more comfortable with operating their boats, docking and being on our waterways.



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## Menu

### Entrée Choices:

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Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Rolls and Coffee or Tea

Dessert: Key Lime Pie or Fruit Cup