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Annual Meeting 2020

9 Feb-15 Feb, 2020

Ponte Vedra FL 32082 See Page 15 for more Info

D23 SPRING CONFERENCE

March 20-22, 2020

Holiday Oceanfront Resort 1615 S. Atlantic Ave Daytona Beach, FL 32118 See Pages 12-13 for more Info



Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa



February 2020





UPCOMING COURSES

COURSES ON DEMAND: Select from the list and please let us know what course you would like to take and we will schedule it. Minimum class size is five. Let us know at *Edu@BananaRiverSPS.org*.

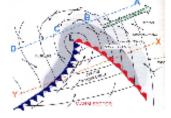


BASIC BOATING (ABC3) March 14, 2020 Jr BASIC BOATING (11-17 yrs)

March 16, 17 and 18, 2020

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FROM THE DESK OF THE COMMANDER: Cdr Shari Marshall, AP

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD?

ABC (USPS) just opened its new Learning Center in Central Florida, and we need to spread the word!

LEARNING CENTERS... Learning Center Opens in Central Florida

New Learning Center on Lake Harris

America's Boating Club, a leader in boating safety and education for over a century, has opened a new Learning Center in Central Florida. We're located on Lake Harris at Fisherman's Cove Marina, about 2 miles southwest of Tavares. We offer top-quality hands-on boating classes on your schedule at an affordable price.

Elevate Your Skills

Our Hands-On Training: Basic Powerboat is a skill-based training program that covers the essential techniques of powerboat operation. This program was developed under a grant from the U. S. Coast Guard and incorporates the National On-Water Standards for powerboat operation. We use a blended learning strategy to combine classroom training with hands-on practice in small groups. If you are new to boating, we'll help you acquire the skills needed to be confident and safe. If you have years of experience, we will show you new techniques and increase your understanding.



NATIONAL

On-Water

STANDARDS

For a limited time, this training course is only \$99! That's a 50% discount! (Offer expires March 31, 2020)

How Does It Work?

This program is a one-day, 8-hour training session. It includes 3 hours of classroom training and 5 hours of training and practice behind the wheel of a boat. Our approach includes a combination of blended learning techniques and sequential exercises that maximize your skill development. Our certified instructors will provide personal coaching to bring out the best in you.

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- Safety equipment and procedures
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- Maneuvering in close quarters
- Operating on plane
- Docking
- Anchoring
- Emergency maneuvers
- Man overboard recovery
- ... and more!



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Register for classes or find out more at www.abclc.org



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FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: LT/C STEPHANIE MURPHY, P

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB – SOUTH BREVARD MEETING MINUTES (DBA BANANA RIVER SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON)

DATE: January 20, 2020 **LOCATION:** Kelly's Burger and Beer, Melbourne, FL

Exec Board Attending

Cdr Shari Marshall, AP; P/D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN; P/C James Merker, AP; Lt/C Stephanie Murphy, P

Exec Board Absent

P/D/C Robert Becker; Lt/C Monika Bradley, S; P/C Edmund LeCun, JN

Members Attending: J. Carbee, John & Cathy Pechar, Bill Veit **Visitors:** Brian and Linda Lula, Bob Wiley, Don Chase

The meeting was called to order at 1940 by Cdr Marshall. Pledge was led by John Pechar.

This meeting centered around presenting the winners of the Best Decorated Boat Contest from the 2019 Christmas Boat Parade with certificates and monetary awards.

Ernst Hofmann, principal coordinator of the Christmas Boat Parade, said that 45 boats registered for the Best Decorated Boat Contest. This year's Boat Parade had its challenges: it had to be postponed because of rough weather from December 21 to December 28. Some 65 boats participated consisting of Best Decorated Contest registrants and regular participants.

Photographers stationed along the Grand Canal were Bob Wiley (present) and George Campbell. Cdr Marshall (present) took pictures from the Judges Boat *Delfin de Oro*. A combined set of 102 photos is available for viewing on our website www.abc-sb.com. A live streaming video was taken by Bob Moore, who lives along the Grand Canal, and posted to YouTube.

The three judges were CBSPS Valerie Dietrich, ABC-SB Earl Gillespie, and Coast Guard Auxiliary Bill Giers. They viewed the Parade from the Judge's Boat, met a couple of days after the parade, reviewed all the photographs, and determined the winners.

Power boat under 30 ft: *no name*, Jim Marvinny Power boat 31 ft and over: *Stanbar*, Brian and Linda Lula Sail unrestricted length: We have a tie and will split the award evenly: *Windcatcher*, Bob Cahall *Seaclone*, Stuart Miller

Gene Bogen from Satellite Beach Police Dept and Brevard Sheriff's Dept Lt. Dennis Casey helped make this a safe and enjoyable event.

Longtime Squadron member John Carbee spoke of how he and another squadron member started the "parade" with two decorated boats going down the Grand Canal in 1984. The Parade gathered more and more boats every year and lengthened its course to include rounding Dragon Point so that people can view the Parade along the Eau Gallie Causeweay. There were over 40 cars parked along Causeway this year. The Parade now has about 100 boats participating each year. Calls start coming in as early as August from people who want to plan their weekend around seeing the Christmas Boat Parade.



Minutes Continued:

Winner of the Over 30' Power Boat: Brian Lula and his wife Linda talked about their process of transitioning from boat parade viewers along the Grand Canal to deciding to participate in the 2019 Boat Parade! It was their first year, and they were thrilled with WINNING in their first year. They decorated their boat in a Disney Frozen theme with wife and grandchildren dressed appropriately. They thanked the Squadron for all the years of joy that the Boat Parade has brought to the community.

Other Best Decorated Boat Contest winners for Power Boat Under 30', Jim Marvinny, and Boat Under Sail tied for first place, Bob Cahall (Windcatcher) and Stuart Miller (Seaclone), could not make it to the meeting.

Commander's Report:

The District 23 Winter Council Meeting discussed the USPS 18-pt Strategic Plan. We provided our inputs which were similar to the other D23 Squadrons.

The District 23 Spring Conference will be March 20-21 at the Holiday Inn Oceanfront in Daytona Beach. A dinner cruise will be Friday night. We are in charge of decorating for the Change of Watch on Saturday.

The District 23 Spring Picnic will be April 18th. It will be a BBQ in Palm Coast, and the expected cost will be no more than \$10 per person.

We would like to participate in Samsons Island Open House on February 22nd from 0930 to 1400. Please call the Commander if you would like to participate.

The District Fall Conference will be held here in Melbourne hosted by us. We would like to combine it with our Change of Watch, if possible. Cdr Marshall will check with the Melbourne Yacht Club.

USPS would like all Squadrons to set up a Volunteer Civic Service. This will be discussed further, but it includes going to public places and handing out brochures. We already have started doing this at boat ramps and at the recent Satellite Beach Founder's Day event.

Our Squadron won the District 23 "Greatest Percentage of Member Renewals" award for 2019.

Secretary's Report:

BRSPS has 49 active members and 2 associate members.

Holiday Party at Broken Barrel was festive with nearly 20 participants. We collected Toys for Tots and held a very nice gift exchange! Everyone was happy with the camaraderie and menu.

We received letters from National acknowledging our donations to the National Education Fund in honor of the 3 members who passed last year: Carol Carbee, Clara Ross, and Mayford Pence. Stephanie will scan these in and email them to the family of members.

At the February meeting at Kelly's Burger & Beer, Tinker Murphy will speak about "WD40-Friend or Foe." It anyone has suggestions for future meetings, please let us know!

Treasurer's Report:

L/C Monika Bradley provided numbers for the savings and checking accounts.

Ed Department Report:

The next Jr. Basic Boating class will be on Mon thru Wed March 16 - 18 at the Schechter Center in Satellite Beach. Tinker Murphy will be leading the class, with excellent support from Ernst Hofmann and Stephanie Murphy. We are soliciting other teachers to see who can pitch in.

The next ABC3 class is Saturday 14 March at the Ascension Lutheran Church in Indian Harbour Beach. Tinker will also lead this class with help from Ernst, James Merker, and Stephanie. John Pechar will handle

Minutes Continued:

refreshments. The class room will be set up the afternoon before.

The 1st Flare Up of 2020 is planned for May or early June coordinating with the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

A Boat Handling (replacing the old Seamanship) class is planned to start in April on Thursdays.

A Man Overboard and Dragon Point Challenge is also planned.

The meeting was adjourned at 2055.

Next General meeting will be held on our normal meeting night at 6:30pm on **17 February** at **Kelly's Burger and Beer, Melbourne.** Next Executive Committee meeting will be held at 7:00pm on **11 February** 2020 at BAAB.

Submitted by Stephanie Murphy, ABC-SB Secretary 20 January 2020









2019 winners listed above. Thank you to all who entered and competed. Hope to see you next year!



Cdr Marshall presents \$150 check to Brian & Linda Lula.



Ernst & Shari thank Bob Wiley, one of three photographers.

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BY SEO P/C Jim Merker, AP

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ...

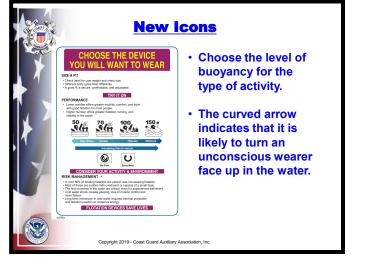
New Life Jacket Labels

- The traditional "Types" categories are going away.
- New labeling system relies more on icons and less on wording.
- Older jackets and flotation aids labeled by "type" still meet regulatory requirements until no longer serviceable.
- Two Categories: Wearable Throwable

• Wearable life jackets will be divided into five buoyancy categories: 50, 70, 100, 150, and 275 Newtons (metric to harmonize with Canadian standards

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FROM THE SQUADRON MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: P/D/C Bob Becker, SN

Over the recent holiday period I spent a great deal of time watching on Utube TV, a family sailing a large catamaran around the world and the various events they encountered. During their adventures many thoughts came to mind regarding boating in our geographic boating area. Especially with regard to having the proper safety equipment on board.



PFDs. One per person and of the right size. And most important where are they located? Can they be acquired in time of need? Stowed under the front bunk will not cut it!

Fire extinguishers.: Proper number aboard as per USCG Regs. Here again, it is always wise to have more than the required minimum. Location is also very important. Do you have to cross the fire to get to the extinguisher? Are your units the dry chemical typ?. Be sure the powder is loose in the cylinder by shaking, caked powder won't help you when you need them.

Flares of all types. Are they also in a location where you can reach them? Are they current as per USCG Regs. Do you know how to use them?

Is your boat in Bristol shape? Can you walk around without tripping or falling over some piece of equipment? Do you have a first aid kit aboard and are the items current?

If you have a VHF radio, is it in working order? Do you know what the emergency channel is? Do your shipmates know how to use the radio in an emergency?

Most of all do you have an emergency plan; a plan which covers such items as a fire, engine quitting, someone falling overboard, a medical emergency etc. Planning is done before you need the plan, not afterwards.

So next time you are getting ready to spend time on your boat, consider the above. We want you to enjoy your time on the water. If there are any doubts in your mind regarding safe boating, sign up for one of our USPS educational courses





FEBRUARY 17

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Monday, Feb 17, 2020

Social 1830

Speaker 1715

(6:30 p.m.) (7:15 p.m.)

Kelly's Burgers and Beer

650 North Wickham Road Melbourne, FL 32935

PROGRAM: WD-40: Friend or Foe? SPEAKER: Tinker Murphy

WD-40 has been used and misused for over 60 years. What strange and wonderful misapplications has it been used for? Tinker will discuss the history and chemistry of WD-40 along with some of the odd and useful applications of this loved and despised toolbox standard.

MEETING TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

If you are a member and need transportation to and from the Squadron General Meetings you are invited to call **Shari Marshall**, **734-347-2992** who will gladly make the arrangements for you. There is no charge and no reason needed other than the desire to have a great evening with fellow Squadron members. **Call now and don't miss out!**





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You can find details about all DAN Boater benefits, including coverage amounts, in the <u>DAN Boater</u> <u>Benefits Handbook</u>. If you have questions not answered in the handbook, call the DAN Boater Member Support Team at 919-490-2011.

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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB - DISTRICT 23 SPRING CONFERENCE 20-22 MARCH 2020 JOIN US AT THE BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY INN OCEANFRONT RESORT 1615 S. Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach

Enjoy a get-away weekend with your D23 friends. The following list of activities includes several relaxing events along with the N Cub Lunch and formal Change of Watch Dinner.

<u>Reservations for all events are due by 18 February</u>. Payment for meals and the hotel are to be included. All others will be paid at the door, but reservations are required.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: The beautiful oceanfront hotel provides a relaxing venue with beach, pool, and other amenities. \$129.00/night.<u>Include payment with Registration Form</u>.



FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER CRUISE: 1800 : Halifax Harbor Marina, Daytona Beach. Includes choice of meal, dessert, soft drinks, music, free parking. \$29.95/person. Reserve on form; pay at venue:

SATURDAY MORINING OPTIONS:

Golf: 0900: 18 holes at LPGA Jones Course.Scramble format. Price to be determined. Reserve on form; pay at clubhouse. Daytona Speedway Tour: 0930: Meet at speeway. \$30.00/person. Reserve on form; pay at venue.

SATURDAY N CLUB LUNCH: 1200 : Daytona Deli Buffet; \$19.00/person. Include payment with Registration Form

CONFERENCE MEETING: 1400-1600

CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER BUFFET: 1900: \$35.00/person. Include payment with Registration Form



Registration Form

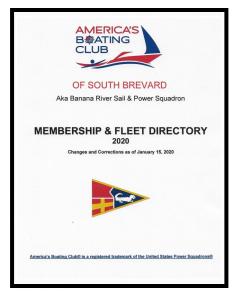
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Name (Print)	Rank	Grade
Other in Party (Print)		
City, State, Zip		
Telephoneemail		
Squadron		
HOTEL RESERVATIONS:		
Holiday Inn Beachside: 1615 S. Atlantic Avenue: Daytona Beach,	FI	
Friday night @ \$129.00		
Saturday night@ \$129.00		
MEAL RESERVATIONS:		
SATURDAY N CLUB DELI LUCHEION: 1200 #meals @	\$19.00	
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CHANGE OF WATCH DINNER BUFFET: 1900 # meals @	\$35.00	
CHECKS PAYABLE TO D23: TOAL E	NCLOSED:	
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FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER CRUISE: 1600		
Halifax Harbor, Daytona Beach; \$29.95/person # at	ttending	
SATURDAY 18 HOLES GOLF: 0900		
LPGA Jones Course; scramble format: \$ TBD/person # pl	aying	
SATURDAY DAYTONA SPEEDWAY TOUR: 0930		
Meet at speedway: \$30.00/person # at	ttending	
MAIL FORM AND PAYMENT TO: P/C Sandy Schoonmaker, SN		
403 Berwick Way		
Melbourne, FL 32940		
(email: schoon67@cfl.rr.com)		

YOUR 2020 ABC-SB ROSTER

Look for this updated roster of Squadron members and contact information coming SOON.

It will be sent electronically (via email) and PLEASE place it in your Squadron folder for easy access or PRINT a copy!



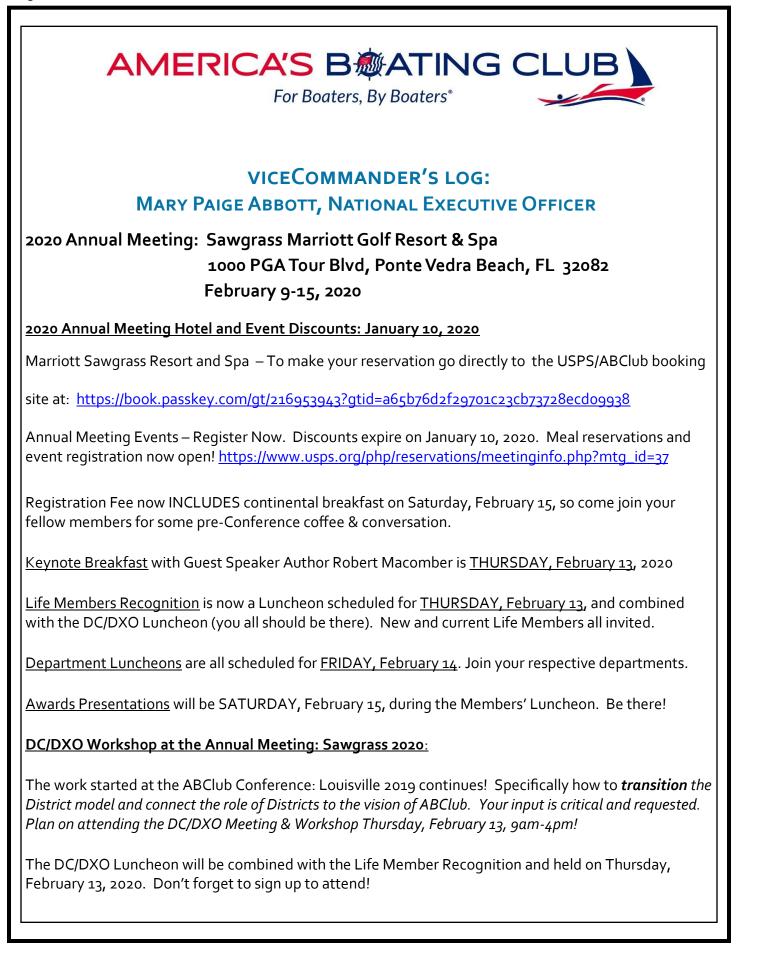
BRSPS Members who have a February Birthday

German Castro Stephen Moon

HAPPY

BIRTHDA

Danielle Friedlander Kathy Reichard







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 & Invitation \$?

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

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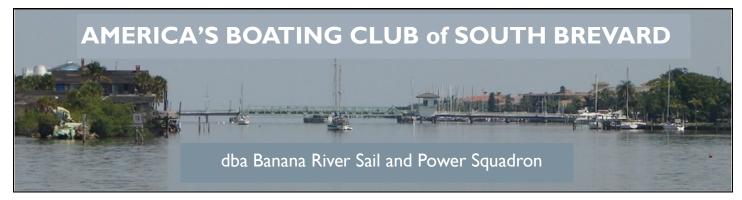
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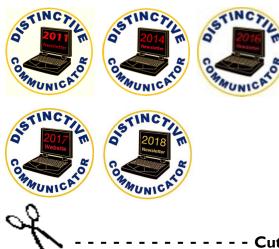




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UP-COMING SQUADRON & DISTRICT EVENTS - 2020

FEBRUARY				
8	COCOA BEACH SPS COW	1100	Port Canaveral Yacht Club	
			Cape Canaveral, FL 32920	
9-15	USPS ANNUAL MEETING		Marriott Sawgrass Resort and Spa	
			Ponte Vedra, FL 32082	
11	EXECUTIVE MEETING	1900	BAAB, 674 S. Patrick Dr, Satellite Beach, 32937	
17	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	1830	Kelly's Burgers & Beer	
			650 N. Wickham Rd Melbourne 32935	
22	SAMSONS ISLAND OPEN HOUSE	900	Meet at Satellite Beach Fire Dept for ferry to	
			Samsons Island	
		MARCH		
8	SEBASTIAN INLET SPS COW	1700	Sebastian Yacht Club	
10	EXECUTIVE MEETING	1900	BAAB, 674 S. Patrick Dr, Satellite Beach, 32937	
14	ABC3	900	Ascension Lutheran Church	
			1053 Pine Tree Dr, Indian Harbour Beach 32937	
16	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	1830	Kelly's Burgers & Beer	
			650 N. Wickham Rd Melbourne 32935	
16-18	JR BASIC BOATING	900	Schechter Community Center, Sat Beach 32937	
21-22	D23 SPRING CONFERENCE		Holiday Inn Oceanfront	
			1615 S, Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118	