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District 8**



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**Take
the
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for
Prizes!**

**(6 Qs
this
Month)**

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Afterdeck News Quizzes

Please find the 5 or more questions, then send in your answer ASAP. The first response received with correct answers will be the winner of a valuable prize donated by Darryl Aubrey.

Submit answers to the Afterdeck News editor by any means other than pony express.

Pam Piccone was the winner of the prize for February. Details within!

Please join with us at our Change of Watch meeting to see who won and cheer for their accomplishment.

This month's queries are scattered throughout this issue.

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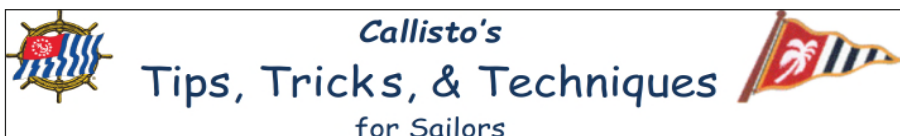
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Bob & Mary Flucke	\$ 200.00	Feb-20	\$ 800.00
Joyce Newman	\$ 100.00	Feb-20	\$ 2,275.00
Andras Andras	\$ 45.00	Jan-20	\$ 45.00
Ed & Colette Hoover	\$ 50.00	Jan-20	\$ 50.00
Laurie MacPherson/Chalmers*	\$ 100.00	Jan-20	\$ 600.00
Myra Hoffstein	\$ 100.00	Jan-20	\$ 2,700.00
Nancy Sweeney	\$ 100.00	Jan-20	\$ 1,400.00
Marc Lewis	\$ 250.00	Dec-19	\$ 250.00
Goldie Bertchinger	\$ 35.00	Sep-19	\$ 35.00
Ray & Estelle Rutkowski	\$ 200.00	May-19	\$ 600.00
Darryl Aubrey	\$ 100.00	Apr-19	\$ 1,700.00
Jeanne Kirch	\$ 80.00	Apr-19	\$ 80.00
Kathy & Bill Eldridge	\$ 100.00	Mar-19	\$ 2,600.00
* In memory of Ken & Abby MacPherson			

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



Musings:

- Last month it was stated here that, "Come the 15th of February we will find that our days become longer more quickly." Have you found this to be true? I have!
- Name Badges—If anyone wants a new white name badge with the new America's Boating Club logo, please let Laura Zavalía know via email: ZavalíaUSPS@gmail.com. They cost \$15 each.
- The brightest star in the night sky is Sirius. It is now seen to the SE after evening twilight.
- Vega is the brightest star in our northern hemisphere.
- Canopus comes in 2nd for brightness after Sirius.

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From the Commander

CDR JIM DEARMOND, AP

It's time to give a huge thank you to everyone in our squadron. March 10, at the Change of Watch I will be ending my two-year term as Commander. What a ride! What an amazing opportunity to serve this fine organization and make a difference with boaters in our area.

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This doesn't happen with one person. It takes a bunch of dedicated, engaged individual members to make it happen. In fact, this past year we awarded 45 Merit Marks to members that gave their time and energy to make our squadron the success it is. Thank you very much!

The effective operation of a squadron starts with the Bridge Officers and Executive Committee. I have had the opportunity to visit many other squadrons, and I can tell you, among them, ours is among the best. The best part is, most of our Executive Committee will be on board to continue with the fine work of running and growing the squadron.

Leading the New Year will be our new Commander **Calvin Cearley**. Cal has been an indispensable asset to our squadron. His service as a Bridge Officer the last 3 years has positioned him to take the reins of this fine organization and continue to move it forward.

Laura Zavalia moves up to the position of Executive Officer. She has served as Administrative Officer the last two years and done a terrific job. Most of you know her better as our Afterdeck News editor, a job she recently passed on to **Ken Peters**. With her amazing work producing one of the best newsletters in the United States Power Squadrons organization, she has set a high bar for Ken. I do have to tell you this though; I am not at all concerned. Ken is a seasoned veteran of the squadron and will produce the Afterdeck News each month every bit as well as we've come to expect with Laura and previous editors

Let me take a moment to mention a previous Afterdeck News editor, **Bill Eldridge**. Bill and his beautiful wife **Kathy** have leaving our area and have moved closer to family in Maryland. Filling the void left by Bill has not been easy. Almost everyone knows Bill was involved in nearly every facet of our squadron and finding members to fill the tasks he previously performed has not been easy. Especially with the quality of his contribution. That said, I still

come across things Bill did that need to be covered. I'm happy to find someone to do the work and thankful we had the benefit of his service for so many years.

This brings me to a very special member I want to introduce, **Pam Piccone**. We have Bill to thank for bringing Pam to us. She is Bill and Kathy's niece. Besides being one of the nicest people you would ever want to meet, she has already made an important contribution to our squadron. After the passing of Jim Palmer, we had no one to watch over and manage our Headquarters building. Pam stepped up and took on the job. Her attention to detail and commitment to ensuring it is always in ready condition for any event we have in our building demonstrates how lucky we are to have her.

Now, here is the exciting part; Pam has accepted the position of Administrative Officer for the coming year. Pam will be an excellent addition to the Bridge. She has been a "quick study" and learned much of the ways of the squadron that will be invaluable in her new position. Go get'm Pam!

We are fortunate to have **Barbara Roemmele** take over the Secretary's duties. Most of you know Barbara and know she will do an excellent job.

Roberta Stephens continues as our Treasurer. In case any of you think this job is easy, ask Roberta about some of the crazy things that have happened this year. A lesser person would have been in real trouble, Roberta stepped in and resolved several problems in excellence. We have one of the best.

Everyone knows that boating education is one of our most important responsibilities. **Art Dodd** will continue as Squadron Educational Officer. You see his work every month in the Afterdeck News. He invests untold hours to bring our squadron the education programs that the local boating community needs. By the way, he could use some help. Give him a call. You might be surprised how you could help our education department and have fun at the same time.

Those are our Bridge Officers for the coming year.

So what happens to me? Oh, I will still be around. As a past commander, I will serve on the Executive Committee this coming year and contribute any way I can. Again, thank you all for making this an experience I will cherish always. By the way, you just may hear from me from time to time on these pages.

Jim DeArmond, AP
Commander

Question #1 -> IITYWYBMAD?



From the Educational Officer

LT/C ARTHUR DODD, SN

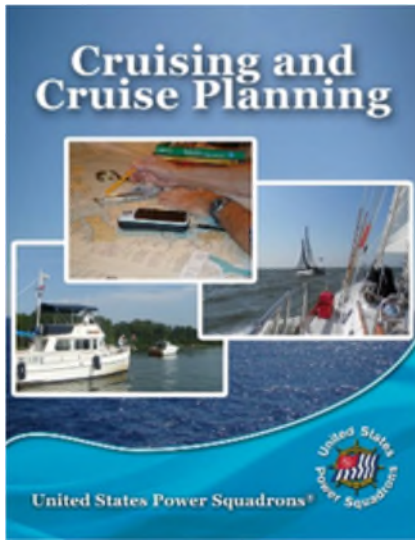
Pop Quiz: What is “fetch”, related to weather (not what you tell your dog or crew)?

Cruising and Cruise Planning

The next course to start 7 May is **Cruising and Cruise Planning** with P/C Ken Peters, SN, instructing. If you would like to take your boat on an extended cruise, like for a week or more, then **Cruising and Cruise Planning** is for you. Enjoy safe and extended cruises on both inland and coastal waters, perhaps doing some marina-hopping up and down the coast.

The following topics are covered in the course:

- Cruise Preparation and Planning
- Boat and Equipment
- Anchors and Anchoring | Mooring
- Security
- Chartering
- Cruising Outside of the USA
- Crew and Provisioning
- Voyage Management
- Communications Navigation
- Weather



Pop Quiz Answer: “Fetch” is the distance over which wind acts on water to create waves. The longer the fetch, the greater the waves.



The Ultimate On-The-Water Training for Cruising and Cruise Planning

The 8 members sign in for the Grenada charter next month will meet at Pat Naulty’s home, 1900 on Wednesday 4 March. Any PBSPS member interested in taking the next course is welcome to sit-in on this planning session. RSVP to Pat by phone or text to 732-741-9360.



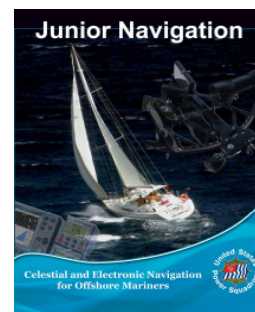
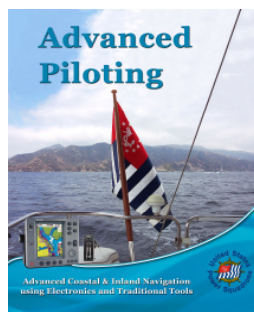
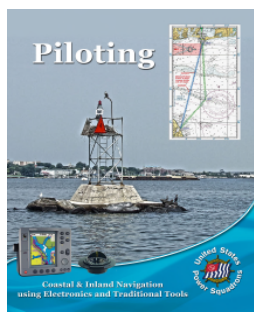
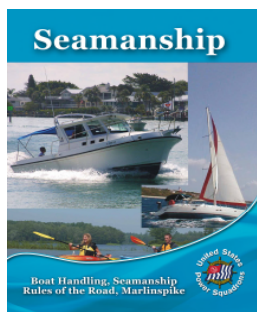
Your Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron) has decided to focus its attention on an overdue issue regarding boating: the harnessing of the underused abilities of women in the boating realm.

Females usually become “crew” on their vessels, with limited knowledge of the intricacies of the sport. Even when attending courses, many women mentally relegate the responsibilities of boating to their significant others.

The intention of the **WOMEN ONLY** program is to create a learning environment that encourages women to absorb the relevant material autonomously, woman to woman, so that they grow in boating to become participants, rather than passengers. This newly obtained knowledge will foster an enhanced enthusiasm for the sport, a less fearful experience as women understand how to control their environment, and a safer boating venue for all.

Captain Katherine Redmond, AP

Editor’s note: Watch for further announcement on Capt. Kathy’s Women to Women seminars for a significant On-The-Water component for ladies only,



2020 Course Schedule

Advanced Grades

Course	Length/Day	Start Date	Exam Date	Instructor	\$\$
Boat Handling	10 Weeks/Mon	6/15/2020	8/24/2020	P/Cdr Rick Wood, JN	\$70
	10 Weeks/Mon	12/7/2020	2/1/2021	P/Cdr Rick Wood, JN	\$70
Piloting*	8 Weeks/Mon	9/14/2020	10/26/2020	Lt Mike Galvin, SN	\$100
Adv. Piloting**	13 Weeks	TBD		TBD	\$90
Junior Nav Navigation	20 Weeks/Weds	1/8/2020	5/27/2020	P/C Darryl Aubrey	\$100
	Scheduled as needed			P/C Darryl Aubrey	

* Boat Handling advisable but not mandatory before Piloting and Sail Courses.

**Boat Handling and Piloting must be passed prior to taking Adv. Piloting

Elective Courses

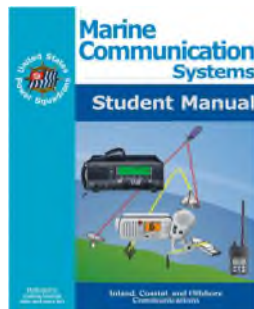
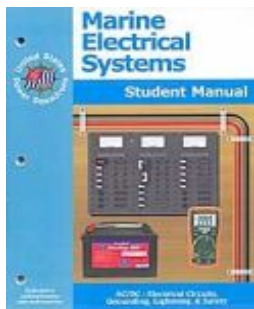
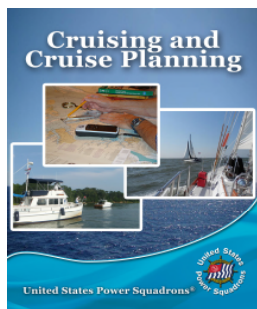
Weather	8 Weeks/Weds	TBD		TBD	\$70
Cruise Planning	9 Weeks/Thurs	5/7/2020	7/9/2020	P/C Ken Peters, SN	\$70
Marine Electr. Sys	8 Weeks/Thurs	9/10/2020	11/5/2020	Lt Larry Rudner, SN	\$60
Marine Comm.	8 Weeks/Weds	7/22/2020	9/9/2020	Lt Hal Leahy	\$60
Sail*	12 Weeks/Thurs	1/9/2020	3/26/2020	Lt Jon Arck, P	\$70
Instr. Development	4 Weeks/	TBD		TBD	Free
Engine Maintenance	10 Weeks/	TBD		TBD	\$70

1. All courses will be held at the Squadron HQ Building, 1125 Old Dixie Hwy, Lake Park.

2. All classes begin at 7 PM.

3. Participants are requested to register for classes at least two weeks in advance.

4. Fees listed are USPS member prices; non-member prices are 2X member prices, 2 people sharing materials is 1.5X member prices.



Life Jackets

Aka: PFD = Personal Flotation Device

How many of you are aware that the labels and classifications of life jackets has changed? The good-old Type I, II, III, IV, and V are gone; they have been replaced by new designations. The reason for this is to bring the US into compliance with international standards. So, what are the new labels and standards?

CHOOSE THE DEVICE YOU WILL WANT TO WEAR

SIZE & FIT

- Check label for user weight and chest size.
- Different body types float differently.
- Try your device on in the water to ensure your airway is clear.
- A good fit is secure, comfortable, and adjustable.

TRY IT ON

PERFORMANCE

- Lower level number generally offers greater mobility, comfort, and style with good flotation for most people.
- Higher level number generally offers greater flotation, turning, and stability in the water.

← Near Shore (Calm)
(Waves)
Offshore →

→ Increasing time to rescue

No Turn

Turns Most

CONSIDER YOUR ACTIVITY & ENVIRONMENT

WATER SAFETY INFO

- In over 80% of boating fatalities the person was not wearing flotation.
- Most of these are sudden falls overboard or capsizing of a small boat.
- The first moments in the water are critical, even for experienced swimmers.
- Cold water shock causes involuntary gasping, loss of muscle control and swim failure.
- Long term immersion in cold water causes hypothermia and requires thermal protection and flotation in the HELP position to conserve energy.

FLOTATION DEVICES SAVE LIVES

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DESIGN TYPES

- **INHERENT** – built-in flotation (always buoyant).
- **INFLATABLE** – activated gas canister inflates chamber(s) (no buoyancy until time of inflation, requires canister replacement, may be manual, may require secondary action to don).
- **HYBRID** – combination of flotation and inflation (some immediate buoyancy and supplemental when inflated, may require canister replacement).
- **SPECIAL PURPOSE** – your activity may require special features (safety color, harness, straps, etc.) and accessories (whistle, lights, reflectors, etc.) for certain conditions.

YOUR DEVICE ONLY WORKS WHEN WORN

MAINTENANCE

- Over time, exposure to sun, salt, fuel, and mildew can damage device.
- Allow to air dry. Inspect and test regularly.
- Inflatables require replacement rearming, repacking and regular servicing.

READ, SAVE AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS

WARNINGS

- Children should have adult supervision when on or near the water.
- Devices must be fastened correctly and securely.
- Some devices were not designed for certain activities or conditions such as water skiing, towed sports, personal watercraft (PWC), or whitewater paddling.

CHECK LABEL FOR LIMITATIONS OF USE

APPROVAL

- Some devices are approved only when worn.
- Check federal, state/provincial and local requirements for carriage, use and wear.

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WEAR IT

For more info on the right choices for yourself, your family and friends.

Visit www.wearitlifejacket.org

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A little explanation is in order:

This is a generic life choice label that will be found on all life jackets to help choose the proper one. First, performance levels. The new levels are 50, 70, 100, & 150 (there's a 275, but this is a specialty device). These represent buoyancy in Newtons, a measure of force. The higher the number, the greater the buoyance. Note the symbols associated with the numbers: for the 50 & 70 levels, there's a helping hand and a dock nearby and calm waters. This represents an expectation of a quick rescue (such as in populated areas of the Intracoastal) in an inshore area. The 100 level shows a dock and shore in the background and no helping hand, so rescue may be delayed. It also shows rougher

water. Finally, the 150 level shows no nearby dock or shore and much higher waves – off-shore use (formerly Type I)

Under these symbols, there are two symbols with semi-circular arrows. These show the ability to turn someone in the water face-up. Either the life jacket doesn't turn someone in the water face-up, or it will turn most people face-up.



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On the back are some warnings. The first symbol is, of course, a general warning symbol that may be associated with some limitation of the life jacket. The other symbols represent limitations for a particular life jacket and are, left to right, water skiing, tubing, personal watercraft, and paddle sports in rough waters (rapids). Of course, the diagonal line means “No”, so a symbol with the diagonal line means the life jacket is NOT suitable for that use (water skiing, tubing, and PWC requires life jackets rated for impact).

The label also contains some water safety, design types, and maintenance information.

The specific life jacket label will look like the label to the left, which is for a Level 70 life jacket. Note: it will NOT turn someone in the water face-up; also, it is NOT suitable for water skiing, tubing, PWC, or paddle sports in rough waters.

If you go into a store that sells life jackets now, you will probably not see these labels yet. While the rule became effective October 22, 2014, manufacturers are permitted to use up the old labels.

Editor's Comments:

- This piece by our SEO Art Dodd, SN was deemed to be of sufficient boating safety importance to warrant its own 2-page spread.
- While it will be some time prior to the depletion of old labels, please know that any and all new PFDs will have a booklet affixed to the product explaining the jacket's capabilities.

Question #2 -> Now that you have read all of the informative input and query from SEO Art Dodd, SN, the question is stated as follows. Given a strong storm out in the Atlantic causing a strong easterly wind on the SE coast from Charleston to the Florida Keys, would you expect higher seas hitting the beaches of Jacksonville or Miami?

Activities for March 2020

March 2	Mischief Monday - Juno Beach Fish House - 5:30pm (1730)
March 3	Board Meeting - Headquarters - 7:00pm (1900)
March 4	Junior Navigation - Headquarters - 1900-2100
March 5	Lunch Bunch - Duffy's - 11:00am (1100)
March 9	Mischief Monday - Hong Kong Wok Café- Jupiter -5:30pm (1730)
March 10	General Meeting and Dinner - North Palm Beach Country Club <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6:00pm (1800) Cocktails• 7:00pm (1900) Dinner• 8:00pm (2000) Change of Watch
March 11	Junior Navigation - Headquarters- 1900-2100
March 12	Lunch Bunch - Duffy's - 11:00am (1100)
March 14-15	ABC3 Class - Headquarters- Sat. 08:00-17:00, Sun. 1400-1700
March 16	Mischief Monday - Coola Fish Bar- 5:30pm (1730)
March 17	Tipsy Tuesday- St Patrick's Day - The Waterway Café, Round Tiki Hut - 5:30pm (1730)
March 18	Junior Navigation - Headquarters - 1900-2100
March 19	Lunch Bunch - Duffy's - 11:00am (1100)
March 21	Boating Rendezvous - The Waterway Café, Round Tiki Hut- 11:30am (1130)
March 23	Mischief Monday- Duffy's - 5:30pm (1730)
March 25	Wacky Wednesday- The Islander- Palm Beach Shores Resort, Singer Island- 5:30pm (1730)
	Junior Navigation - Headquarters - 1900-2100
March 26	Lunch Bunch - Duffy's - 11:00am (1100)
March 30	Mischief Monday - Grande's - 5:30pm (1730)

DAN Boater

Our United States Power Squadrons has now provided us with membership in DAN Boater. This is a travel insurance outfit that is worth the price of United States Power Squadrons membership alone.

Basically, the United States Power Squadrons has partnered with DAN Boater to provide us with a host of valuable safety resources designed to help us when we travel by boat, plane, car, or rail. From 24/7 assistance with serious medical emergencies, to simple questions about travel-related health issues, professional help will be just a phone call away.

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March 2020 Events Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>1730: Mischief Monday</i>	3 <i>1900: PBSPS Board Mtg</i>	4 <i>1900: JN/N Class</i>	5 <i>1100: Lunch Bunch—Duffy's</i>	6	7
8	9 <i>1730: Mischief Monday</i>	10 <i>1800: PBSPS Gen Mtg, NPCC</i>	11 <i>1900: JN/N Class</i>	12 <i>1100: Lunch Bunch—Duffy's</i>	13	14 <i>0800: ABC3 Class, HQ</i>
15 <i>1400: ABC3 Class, HQ</i>	16 <i>1730: Mischief Monday</i> <i>1900: Eng. Maint. Class</i>	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 <i>1900: JN/N Class</i>	19 <i>1100: Lunch Bunch—Duffy's</i>	20	21 <i>Waterway Café Rendezvous</i>
22	23 <i>1730: Mischief Monday</i> <i>1900: Eng. Maint. Class</i>	24	25 <i>1730: Wacky Weds.</i> <i>1900: JN/N Class</i>	26 <i>1100: Lunch Bunch—Duffy's</i>	27	28
29	30 <i>1730: Mischief Monday</i> <i>1900: Eng. Maint. Class</i>	31				

Upcoming Events

March Is our annual Election & Change of Watch where the new officers will be sworn in.

April Some of us members are flying to Granada then chartering a sail catamaran. Our boat is full, but anyone can set up their own boat to charter and come along with us. We will have a lot of on-the-water learning experiences like planning our course.

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All of our workers are volunteers, and they make this organization happy and happening. They are appreciated.

- Captain **Harry Diener** organizes our fun On-The-Water activities and events.
- Member-of-the Year, **Arlene Widmayer**, organizes the lunches, dinners, parties and the telephone committee. She tends to members who are injured or sick.
- **Nancy Lawrence** is a valuable asset in helping Arlene.
- **Mary Ann McClain**, a retired English teacher, proofreads the Afterdeck News and helps at the Welcome Desk at our General Meetings.
- Our own Past District Commander, **Joyce Newman**, also proofreads the Afterdeck.
- Then along comes **Barbara Roemmele** who is always willing to help wherever needed.
- **Nancy Pepe** helps Arlene with event phone calls.
- **Pam Piccone** jumped right in to undertake the Property Manager task for our HQ property.
- **Lois Nehmer-Schiff** also works the Welcome Desk at our General Meetings.
- **Nancy Sweeney** and **Rosemary Southard** handle the 50/50 raffle that we do at the General Meetings.

From the Administrative Officer:

LT/C LAURA ZAVALIA, JN



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NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE TO ALL ACTIVE MEMBERS: The election of officers for the 2020-21 Bridge Year will be held at the Squadron's Annual Meeting begins at 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday 10 March, at North Palm Beach Country Club.

What you Need to Know

The Squadron's affairs are managed by the Board of Directors (Bylaws § 6.7). The members of the Board of Directors are the Commander, Executive Officer, Educational Officer, Administrative Officer, Secretary and Treasurer (collectively the Bridge Officers), Members at Large, and the most recent past commander willing and able to serve (Bylaws § 5.4). The Board of Directors is elected by the active members at the Annual Meeting in March of each year and takes office at the Annual Meeting. (Bylaws § 5.2).

Pursuant to Bylaws section 6.8, the Nominating Committee prepares a slate of officers for elected positions, which it then sends to the Secretary at least 40 days prior to the Annual Meeting. The Secretary is required to send to each active member a copy of the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees together with a written notice of the annual meeting (Bylaws § 9.3). Publication of the Secretary's notice and the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees in this edition of the Afterdeck News satisfies the notice requirement contained in the Squadron's bylaws (Bylaw § 9.6). There are two other ways in which officers may be nominated for election: (1) Nominees by Petition - Written petition signed by at least five active members in good standing and filed with the Secretary at least 15 days before the annual meeting (Bylaws § 11.1); (2) Nominees for Vacancies in Nominating Committee's Slate - If vacancies exist in the Nominating Committee's Slate of Nominees, nominations may be made from the floor by active members at the Annual Meeting (Bylaws § 11.3)

Election to an uncontested office may be affected by a supported motion and a ballot cast and recorded by the Secretary (Bylaws § 11.5.2). Election to a contested office shall be by secret ballot, unsigned and cast in person (Bylaws § 11.5.3). No active member shall be eligible for nomination without first signifying a willingness and ability to serve if elected (Bylaws § 11.4).

Nominating Committee's Slate of Officers

Commander.....	Lt/C Calvin Cearley, P
Executive Officer.....	Lt/C Laura Zavalia, JN
Educational Officer.....	Lt/C Arthur Dodd, SN
Administrative Officer.....	Lt/C Pamela Piccone, S
Secretary.....	Lt/C Barbara Roemmele, JN
Treasurer.....	Lt/C Roberta Stephens, P
Member at Large.....	P/C Ken Peters, SN
Member at Large.....	Katherine Redmond, AP
Member at Large.....	David O, Lee, P
Member at Large (Immediate P/C)	P/C James A DeArmond, AP
Assistant Educational Officer.....	D/C Edwin A. Hoover, AP
Assistant Administrative Officer.....	Lt Arlene Widmayer, S
Assistant Secretary.....	Vacant
Assistant Treasurer.....	P/C Darryl Aubrey, SN
Auditing Committee (1 year).....	Lt. George Dohn
Auditing Committee (2 years).....	P/Lt/C Helene Hvizd, AP
Auditing Committee (3 years).....	Michael Brooks, S
Rules Committee (1 year).....	P/C Mary Dodd, SN
Rules Committee (2 years).....	D/Lt Michael Stern, P
Rules Committee (3 years).....	Dan Carbone, AP
Nominating Committee (1 year).....	P/D/C Joyce A. Newman, AP
Nominating Committee (1 year).....	Lt Ken Peters, SN
Nominating Committee (2 years).....	Lt Arlene Widmayer, S
Nominating Committee (3 years).....	Jeannette Cearley
Nominating Committee (3 years).....	P/C James A DeArmond, AP

Question #4 -> What does the term, "Dip the eye" mean or refer to?

Filed by the Nominating Committee: P/D/C Joyce A. Newman, AP Chairman;
Lt Arlene Widmayer, S; P/C Ken Peters, SN; P/C Richard C. Wood, JN;
P/C Richard McClain, SN

We offer our profound THANKS to all whom we elect to serve us on the Bridge for the next year and to those who are relieved after serving.

The Great Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron is a volunteer organization. We can only remain great through those who do volunteer their talents and time.

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"How may I help?"



Operations Training Nominating Committee Stf/C Mary Dodd, SN

March is the Month that our Squadron will be holding our Annual meeting and Change of Watch (COW) on 10 March 2020 at the North Palm Beach Country Club. I thought it would be interesting to write about what happens at the Annual Meeting and COW, also about the hard work that the Nominating Committee does to prepare for the Annual Meeting.

The Squadron Annual Meeting is where we members vote on our new squadron officers. The COW is where the newly elected officers are sworn in and take office. According to our bylaws, both are done at the same meeting. The District Commander is invited to preside over the COW at the meeting.

You may wonder how the candidates are selected. It is the job of the Nominating Committee to select the candidates that will be voted on. The Nominating

Committee's job is to find possible candidates by looking at what the candidates has done in previous years, what committee they may have served on, their grade, and how many merit marks they have then contact the possible candidates to see if the candidate is interested in serving. The Nominating Committee will interview them. After the interviews, the Nominating Committee will select the best candidate for the job. Once they select the candidate they feel is the best, they then make a report to the Secretary who publishes it in the Afterdeck. Then at the Annual Meeting attending active members in good standing get to vote.

Answer to last Month's Query: February is the month that The United States Power Squadrons was founded. Let's test your memory of a previous article. What day and year was United States Power founded? 2 February 1914.

This Month's Questions: How many Squadrons are in District 8

Answer will appear in next month's Afterdeck News.

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A crew of 8 Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron members will depart next month for a catamaran charter to the Spice Islands of Grenada. They will be protected should an emergency occur to a member of the crew.

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Thank you United States Power Squadrons!

Ken Peters, SN



Question #5 -> What foreign port are these vessels visiting?



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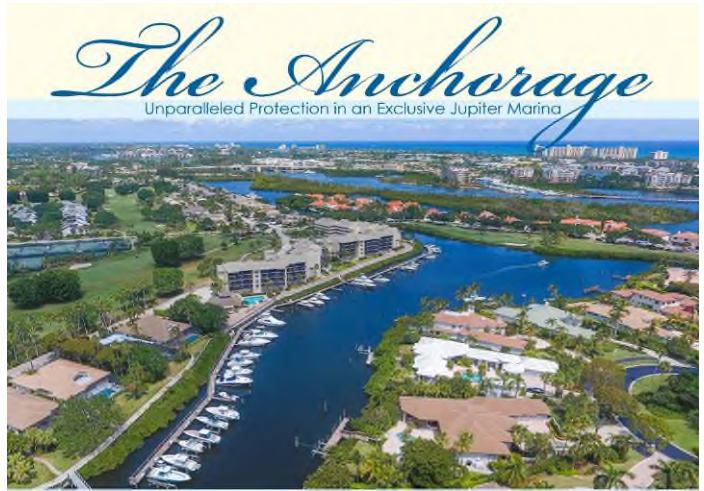
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Question #6 -> What may have been the origin of a cannon salute?



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Election of Bridge Officers & Executive Committee

Change of Watch



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