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## Upcoming Events:

Monday, April 8  
**CLSPS ExComm Meeting**  
Morgans Restaurant  
Dinner: 1745; Mtg: 1900

Saturday April 27  
**Blessing of the Fleet**  
Place TBD

Monday, May 6  
**CLSPS ExComm Meeting**  
Morgans Restaurant  
Dinner: 1745; Mtg: 1900

Monday, May 20  
**CLSPS Dinner Meeting**  
The Flame Restaurant.  
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6PM: Dinner  
7PM: Meeting  
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## CLSPS March Dinner Meeting



**Cdr Lloyd Moore with Vann Pearsall, our speaker from the  
NC Coastal Land Trust**



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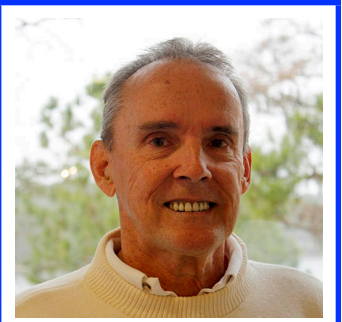
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## Commander's Report

Cdr Lloyd Moore, JN



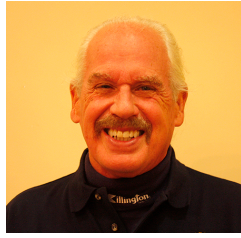
Even though the hardest of us boaters can be found out on the water any time of the year around here, we all welcome spring weather as the “official” start of the boating season. Roger Brown, our Administrative Officer, is working hard to put together an exciting schedule of boating activities and cruises. Last year’s Blessing of the Fleet was a great affair, and we’ll be joining with the New Bern Yacht Club again for this year’s event, early in June.

As our boating plans come together for this year, note that once again this year, District 27 will be joining District 5, which comprises most of the Chesapeake Bay area, in a joint Rendezvous in Cape Charles, Virginia. The event will be held at the Bay Creek Marina and Resort, Cape Charles, on August 8-11, 2013. More details will be included in next month’s Outlook, and you can check the D/27 web site, [www.uspsd27.org](http://www.uspsd27.org), for more information.

The recently-completed ABC course had 9 students, all of whom passed the final exam. We welcomed 5 of the students as new members at the membership meeting at the Flame Restaurant on March 18. The program at the meeting featured Vann Pearsall, Director of Development with the NC Coastal Land Trust. Vann gave a very interesting presentation on how the Coastal Land Trust is working to preserve our coastal environment, through acquisition of open space and natural areas, and working with landowners, including the military bases, to set aside lands for conservation.

We have many opportunities for members to help us plan for an exciting year. The squadron works best if we all contribute a little time and effort on the committees that make the squadron run. Several of the key committees still need your help, so please help out when asked by a committee chairman or one of the Bridge Officers.

**Executive  
Officer**  
Lt/C Wayne  
Fretwell, P



Well it appears that Spring and Winter had their seasons swapped so we may be a bit later getting our boats back into order for the season than usual. As you get your boats back into action it is time to check them out and perform maintenance even if it was done before you set your boat aside for winter. Some things to take note of are lower unit grease, grease fittings, change spark plugs, check and clean battery terminals if needed, check water separation filters, hoses and belts, and be sure bilge pumps are working. Be sure it starts and runs properly and that steering is functional—I have made the mistake of both of these in the past—not fun!!

And while you are getting your boat ready you should check your safety gear to be sure all required items are on board. While you are doing this you should—if not already done so—contact Larry Lovern who is head of the Vessel Safety Examiners or one of the examiners to have safety equipment checked.

Speaking of vessel safety, May 12 – 18 is Boating Safety Week, I would like to have a committee to help me come up with ideas on how we can get publicity out on this and tie it in with CLSPS so that we can use this occasion to build membership and sell our educational programs. Call me at 288-4653 or email me at [waynief@hotmail.com](mailto:waynief@hotmail.com) if you would like to help. More on this next month.

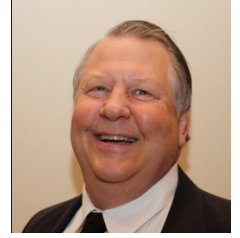
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**Education  
Department**  
Lt/C Jim Scheer, SN



There is not much new to add since the last month, however, we have scheduled a Piloting course, to be conducted by Bud Ellis and Jim Dugan beginning April 2 at 7:00 PM at the Fairfield Harbor Activity Building. The course will run for 8 to 10 weeks, depending. To date, there are 7 students signed up, or at least saying they will attend. The cost for supplies is \$50. Married couples, engaged couples, and I suppose kissin' cousins can share supplies.

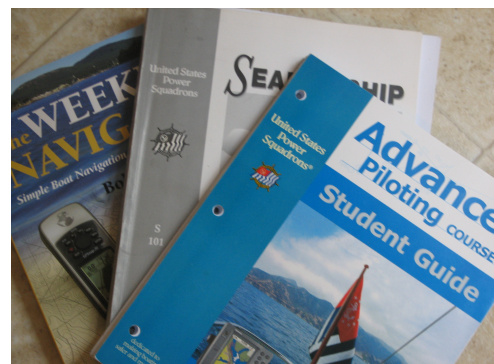
The next course to be scheduled is Advanced Piloting. We have a number of members who are ready for that one, having completed both Seamanship and Piloting. The instructors who will be teaching that course are Jim Stevens and Jim Starr. Student kits for AP are either \$40 or \$60, depending on whether he or she has the Weekend Navigator book.

I am happy to report that the misplaced projector is no longer misplaced. It actually was right where it belongs; that's why it was so hard to locate.

Well, that's it for now. Watch, look, and listen for news of other course offerings, and as always, feel free to express your own desires insofar as course schedules go.

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## Administration Officer

Lt/C Roger Brown, S



The March 18th meeting was well received with 47 members in attendance. Our speaker, Vann Pearsall, Director of Development for the North Carolina Coastal Land Trust, gave an outstanding presentation. The organization's work to preserve the natural beauty of coastal Carolina waterways was greatly appreciated by our membership.

Our next meeting is May 20th, the guest speaker will be James Edward White, III, author and historian who will share his research for his upcoming book on the role of General Burnside in North Carolina history.

James Edward White, III is preserving history one story at a time. He has published several books about Portsmouth Island. Jim is the grandson of Lucy Beacham Gilgo, a schoolteacher who came to Portsmouth Island in 1922. There she met and married Tom Gilgo whose family had lived on the island since the early 1800s.

Jim will speak to us about his upcoming book on General Burnside who commanded the Coast Division, or the North Carolina Expeditionary Force—three brigades, which formed the nucleus for his future IX Corp North Carolina. He will share his research on the naval battles he conducted that closed over 80% of the North Carolina sea coast to Confederate shipping for the remainder of the war.

Check Jim out at <http://jamesedwardwhite.com/index.html>

Karl Lichty has agreed to chair the Blessing of the Fleet. Make sure you read his announcement in this month's Outlook.

Cruises will be discussed at the next Ex Com meeting and an email blast will be sent to the

membership with details. Anyone interested in serving as Cruise Captains should respond to me for Karl Lichty's handout on "How To Be a Fabulous Cruise Captain".

Cruise dates are:

May 10 & 11 Beaufort Music Festival

June 6 & 7 Ocracoke Festival at Ocracoke



Vann Pearsall

**Happy Birthday  
to the Following  
Members**



### April

**Dricks, Dolores F. -- April 1**  
**VanWinkle III, Marshall P. -- April 3**  
**Boyack, Robert A. -- April 8**  
**Campbell, Carl L. -- April 10**  
**Jacobson, Bethanne T. -- April 21**  
**Weinheimer, Kurt L. -- April 23**  
**Todd, Gary W. -- April 28**

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The Outlook and other great information are available at the CLSPS website:

<http://www.clsp.org>



## Vessel Safety Check Program

The 2013 boating season is already underway and some members of our team have almost reached their annual goal in terms of safety checks completed. That means we are ready to check your vessel be it power, sail, dinghy, canoe, paddle craft, or most anything that floats and carries you on top of the water. So get in touch with one of the team members listed elsewhere in the *Outlook* and we'll come see you.

Have a Safe Boating Season in 2013



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P/C William J. Ash,  
SN, H



## COME ON LADIES, GET WITH THE WEATHER!

P/C William J. Ash, SN, H

“P/C, I can’t believe we’ve gotten through another winter. Thank goodness spring weather comes much earlier here than back in the northern climes. Presently, there is ice and snow back where we first met. Now I’m too old for all that.”

“Oh, tell me about it, Horatio! Here, look at this in the Star Journal. Snow is falling all over the place up north. I’m happy to be here and even happier that you ran into me in Beaufort a few years back. I believe it was our friend Rick over in Casablanca who said something like, ‘Louie, this is the beginning of a fine relationship.’ Captain, you realize we have been together for over twenty years.”

“Not to change the subject, but your mentioning spring weather rang a bell regarding the Weather Course available to our members.”

I wonder how many first mates blindly follow their spouses to the pier and out on the water in the family boat? I suspect they leave the decisions to the captain and by decisions I mean those to include, should we head out or should we not. Frontal systems, advection fogs, heavy rain and wind and our dreaded bolts of lightning are issues needing an understanding by all who use the waterways.

Ladies, I encourage you to take the Weather Course in the classroom or by self-study to obtain the needed knowledge to predict and face the elements. You might save a life or two by telling the skipper, ‘I don’t think it’s a good day to go out; a cold front is due through here at approximately 1100.’

“Horatio, I may have told you the story about Bill and I sailing aboard the Maine coasting schooner Abber Dabber Doo (true identity hidden to protect the skipper) back in 1974. We motored away from the pier in Camden in a thick radiation fog and made our way to the north towards Castine. The fog was so thick that we were able to use spoons to eat small helpings to relieve our cravings for solid foods. Using radar, we managed to find our way, hours later, to a small island where we were to have a lunch of lobsters, clams and

whatever. The air was extremely calm, not a whisper of a breeze, so we never used the mainsail. While we were eating a delicious lunch somebody asked, ‘was that thunder I just heard?’ Another somebody replied, ‘Sure sounded like it.’ Instantly, the cacophony of the ship’s bell rang indicated we were to break camp and return to the mother ship in our long boats.”

“I know what was to happen, P/C. The roof was about to blow off.”

“And that it did, Captain. With everyone back onboard, we weighed anchor and motored swiftly away from the relatively shallow waters surrounding the island. A breeze came along and began to dissipate the fog. What transpired was one for the books.

“Barreling down on us was a very large dark, cumulonimbus monster which looked as though it meant business. It was but a minute or two when the wind began, not to blow, but to scream. Our main sail was up, and all we could do was to keep control of the helm. We began to schuss back down Penobscot Bay with winds in excess of 85 knots. How could we have been caught with our sail up (opposite of pants down) in something like this? Soon the Abber Dabber Doo was past Camden; lightning, thunder and sheets of rain threatened to wash away Penobscot. A bolt of lightning struck and killed two persons seeking shelter under a small lighthouse on a breakwater south of Camden. As quickly as the storm came, it was over with the threat of sunshine. We should have paid more attention to the weather reports before breaking out the lobster.”

Now First Mates, shouldn’t you consider learning more about the weather? Why not become familiar with the science of meteorology? It will make you a better, more qualified mariner. Ask Horatio!



## Sunshine Lady

Linda Tobacco, AP



Three cards were sent out this month.  
Wayne Fretwell is recovering from eye surgery.

Bill Ash was in the hospital with Pneumonia, and is recovering at home with supplemental oxygen.

Penny Pimm is making good progress recovering from a knee replacement.

### **A Blessing of the Fleet is planned for the morning of April 27**

Check your email for Location and time.



**Blessing of the Fleet 2012**

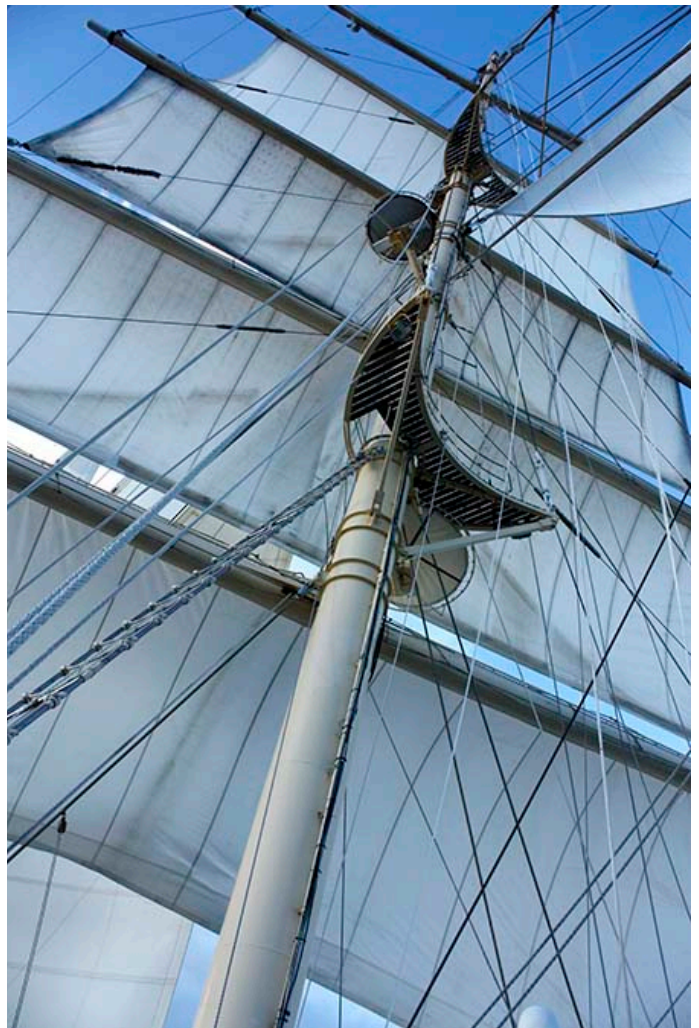
### **Star Clipper**



## **Counterfeit Portable Fire Extinguishers**

The Coast Guard has recently become aware of counterfeits of U.S. Coast Guard approved portable fire extinguishers manufactured by Amerex Corporation and Buckeye Fire Equipment. Both companies are major producers of genuine approved fire extinguishing equipment and serve a worldwide market. These counterfeit extinguishers present a significant safety hazard. Their capability to extinguish a fire is unproven; they may be charged with a powdery substance that is not a fire extinguishing agent, the pressure cylinder is not DOT approved, and the pressure gauge may not function or give false readings.

For the full report on Coast Guard Alert 01-13, look for another PDF attachment to the Outlook email. Or you can do an internet search for Coast Guard Alert 01.13.





## Junes Jokes

### P/C June Reasons, P



Two guys were discussing popular family trends on sex, marriage, and Family values.

Bill said, "I didn't sleep with my wife before we got married, did you?"

Larry replied, "I'm not sure, what was her maiden name?"

A little boy went up to his father and asked: "Dad, where did my intelligence come from?"

The father replied. "Well, son, you must have got it from your mother, cause I still have mine."

"Mr. Clark, I have reviewed this case very carefully," the divorce Court Judge said, "And I've decided to give your wife \$775 a week,"

"That's very fair, your honor," the husband said. "And every now and then I'll try to send her a few bucks myself."

A doctor examining a woman who had been rushed to the Emergency Room, took the husband aside, and said, "I don't like the looks of your wife at all."

"Me neither doc," said the husband. "But she's a great cook and really good with the kids."

An old man goes to the Wizard to ask him if he can remove a curse he has been living with for the last 40 years.

The Wizard says, "Maybe, but you will have to tell me the exact words that were used to put the curse on you."

The old man says without hesitation, "I now pronounce you man and wife."

Two Reasons Why It's So Hard To Solve A Redneck Murder:

1. The DNA all matches.
2. There are no dental records.

A blonde calls Delta Airlines and asks, "Can you tell me how long it'll take to fly from San Francisco to New York City?"

The agent replies, "Just a minute."

"Thank you," the blonde says, and hangs up.

Two Mexican detectives were investigating the murder of Juan Gonzalez.

"How was he killed?" asked one detective.

"With a golf gun," the other detective replied.

"A golf gun! What is a golf gun?"

"I don't know. But it sure made a hole in Juan."

Moe: "My wife got me to believe in religion."

Joe: "Really?"

Moe: "Yeah. Until I married her I didn't believe in Hell."

A man is recovering from surgery when the Surgical Nurse appears and asks him how he is feeling.

"I'm OK. But I didn't like the four letter-words the doctor used in surgery," he answered.

"What did he say," asked the nurse.

"Oops!"

While shopping for vacation clothes, my husband and I passed a display of bathing suits. It had been at least ten years and twenty pounds since I had even considered buying a bathing suit, so I sought my husband's advice.

"What do you think?" I asked. "Should I get a bikini or an all-in-one?"

"Better get a bikini," he replied. "You'd never get it all in one."

He's still in intensive care.

The graveside service just barely finished, when there was a massive clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning, accompanied by even more thunder rumbling in the distance... The little old man looked at the pastor and calmly said, "Well, she's there."



## CLSPS March Dinner Meeting Registration Form

The Flame Catering & Banquet Center -- 2301 Neuse Blv'd, New Bern

Monday, May 20, 2013

1700--Social Hour    1800--Dinner    1900--Meeting and Members' Activity

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Roger Brown

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They are priced at \$25.00. Sizes--same as above.

**Squadron Burgee** sells for \$25.00.

**Pennant magnets** are priced at \$5.00. They can be placed on your vehicle or used on the refrigerator.

**Hats and Visors** sell for \$10.00.

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Sizes S, Med., Lg., and XLg (Ladies and Mens) sell for \$36.00. XXLg sells for \$40.00.

**Anniversary Mug**--\$2.50

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