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Upcoming Events:

Monday, July 1
CLSPS ExComm Meeting
Morgans Restaurant
Dinner: 1745; Mtg: 1900

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The Flame Restaurant.
5PM: Social Hour
6PM: Dinner
7PM: Meeting
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August 8-11
District 27/5 Joint Rendezvous
Cape Charles, VA
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The Flame Restaurant.
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Friday, Saturday, September 20, 21
Co-op Charting
Workshop on the 20th
On-The-Water Session on the 21st
Place and time TBD

Saturday-Sunday, Oct 12, 13
Mum Fest

2013 Summer Solstice/Shallow Water Cruise to Cape Lookout



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Commander's Report

Cdr Lloyd Moore, JN



In my first Commander's column I talked about the three sides of the USPS Triangle: Civic Service, Self-education and Fraternal Boating Club. We haven't had many squadron Boating activities so far this year, so we've put together a schedule for cruises for the rest of the year. I think the cruises planned will have something for every type of boater.

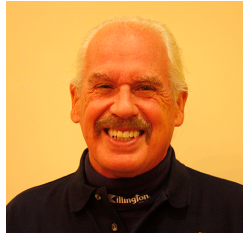
Some of the cruises will lend themselves to smaller power boats, and some will accommodate any boat. We're scheduling some day cruises, and some overnight cruises. We want to encourage folks who don't have a boat to let us know if you'd like to be a crew on one of the boats that participate. And when you sign up for the cruise, let us know if how many guests/crew you can have aboard.

Please look at the cruising schedule in this issue, and get in touch with Admin Officer Roger Brown if you'd like to participate.

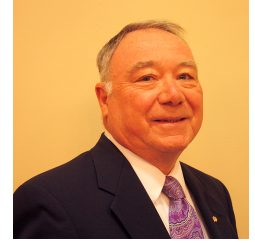
A Cooperative Charting workshop has been scheduled for Friday, September 20. The workshop will cover all aspects of Co-op charting, from the types of reports we can submit, to the worksheets available to help, and an introduction to the online reporting system, CCWEB. On Saturday, September 21, we will have a Co-op Charting day on the water. P/C Jim Starr is the Co-op Charting chairman, so let him know that you'd like to participate.

August 8, 9 & 10 will find some of us at the "Crossing Paths Rendezvous", the joint District 5/District 27 Rendezvous in Cape Charles, VA. Each of the squadrons in D/27 has been asked to donate items for the fund-raising auction to be held at the Rendezvous. They are looking for new or like-new items such as wine baskets, snack items, cracker and cheese basket, gift certificates to restaurants, framed pictures, collectible items, antique items, jewelry, boating items-maps, charts, chart books, line/rope, inflatable fenders, or any other boating accessories. If you have something you'd like to donate, bring it to the July 15 dinner meeting, or give me a call.

**Executive
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Fretwell, P



**Administration
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Well, we finally got some decent boating weather after the rain stopped and before it started again—now we just have to deal with the heat. Where was spring?

Karl's Cape Lookout shallow draft boat cruise gave us a chance to get out on the water together and it proved to be a wonderful, windy day after being postponed a day for bad weather. Unfortunately, I am having more eye problems. After the macular hole surgery I could see well for a few weeks before a cataract began to develop – which was caused by the surgery. Thanks to my Cary friend Charlie who hauled my Cobalt Cuddy Cabin to Beaufort and drove the boat so that I could make the trip. Much thanks to Karl for putting this trip together again and leading our “parade of boats” to Cape Lookout.

Larry Lovvorn and his VSE crew have been busy doing exams with 203 done so far with 31 being done the first week in June at Camp Seafarer. Congratulations to Dick Ewan who has passed his written test and now needs to perform his 5 under observation VSE and his 5 VSE to qualify (Jim Davidson will take him under observation). I have had scheduling problems trying to get mine done with Fairfield Harbor restrictions on keeping the boat at the house long enough to get with an examiner when they are available. Have you had your vessel examined? If not, check with one of the examiners near you to get it done.

Neuse River Day this year was quite different. There was a symposium at the History Center to discuss problems concerning the river. It was Saturday June 29 from 9 AM to 10 PM and looked at such issues as fracking, fish kills, and animal waste treatment.

Happy Boating, Wayne

Our speaker for the July 15 CLSPS Dinner Meeting is Ben Casey. Kurt Weinheimer will be unable to speak at our September meeting but will speak at our November meeting, and I'm looking for a replacement Speaker for our September meeting.

Ben Casey, the Director of Community Relations/Marketing for Pamlico Community College, is also a gifted photographer. He has often lightheartedly described his ambition is to be the Ansel Adams of Pamlico County. He has combined his skills as a photographer and author to create a series of books about North and South Carolina waterways.

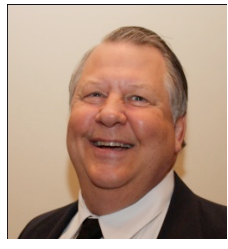
Born on the banks of the Neuse, the author currently has the river as his front yard. Casey uses his camera, poetic sensibility, and life-long connection with the Neuse to paint a portrait of the river's entire course, from Raleigh to New Bern. With his camera he brings the wonders of the Carolina waterways for the people to appreciate and encourages them to preserve and protect them.

Enjoy his awesome pictures at <http://www.bencaseyphotos.com/>



Ben Casey Photo

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



Well, we had 5 students take the Piloting exam last month, and 4 passed, with one falling just short. Not to worry, our waters are still safe, and there is ample opportunity for someone once again spending a week at the exam table. (Reminds me of my 75 year-old brother who had ridden a Hog (Harley Davidson) for 50 years without getting the motorcycle stamp on his license. Feeling guilty, he went for the exam. First time through the obstacle course he flunked the driving test. There wasn't a cone standing when he finished. Passed a week later, on a smaller bike.)

The summer hiatus is alive and well. We have no ongoing or planned Squadron classes for the summer months, a time when people go on vacation, and spend discretionary time on the water. This time of year is normally a poor time to attempt to arrange classes which require allocating 6 to 8 weeks of your time to attend, read material, and do homework, but, maybe a 2-hour seminar would fit into your temporal budget.

How many of you have a marine radar in your plans, in a box at home, or already installed on your boat, and would like to learn about its use. We have a seminar that describes the use of marine radar, taught by past Commander Jim Starr, who has been using a radar on Snap Dragon since she was new. Though we do not have a date set for this seminar, consider this an invitation to inform the Education Department of your interest, and propose a time that is good for you. (Of course, Jim has to be available, too.)

Or, how many of you have marine VHF radios on the boat (most, I'd guess) but are not familiar with the Digital Selective Calling (DSC)

feature, installed on all radios sold currently. Did you know, for example, that you can test the emergency feature under controlled conditions, through Coast Guard contact using a particular procedure? It is no secret, but little-known capability you have with these radios. We have a seminar that describes the use of VHF radios and the DSC feature, presented by Past Commander Richard Tobacco and Rob Skrotsky. Again, we do not have specific plans

for this seminar, but are soliciting interest. Please give us a call or send an email if you are interested.

These seminars are 2 hours long, so they do not consume a lot of your summer time. They can be presented in the evening, during the day, or on a Saturday morning or afternoon. Of course, this will be dictated by the availability of the instructor and the wishes of the students.

As fall approaches, we will again get the standard USPS classes started, as well as the more standard seminars. Also, after the summer events in New Bern and Bridgeton, (MumFest, River Days, and the ArtFest) we will have a list of people interested in the public ABC course.

BUT, we can't determine the level of interest unless we hear from you. If you are interested, or if you have a neighbor or friend whom you think might be interested, let us know.

To contact us, I can be reached at jim.scheer@gtri.gatech.edu, 252-876-3733. or Kevin Pimm can be reached at pennypurrs@suddenlink.net, or 252-670-2972.

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Vessel Safety Check Program

The team has been busy getting many boats ready for the season but there are many boaters who have not been safety checked. Just remember, this is a free service provided by our team of volunteers so give one of us a call.

Of interest, Don Oltz got a call from a person who had just moved here from Ohio and wanted his boat checked. When Don told him he would come to the individual's home there was amazement - in Ohio apparently the VSE require the individuals to bring the boat to the VSE to be checked. See? We really do provide house calls!

We are still looking for additional team members - think about it. Now is not too early to be thinking about next season.

Bike MS Volunteers Needed!

Each year we have provided about 40 volunteers in support of a Saturday Lunch Stop and a Sunday Rest Stop. This represents over 20% of the total "Stop" volunteers. The organizers are grateful to and reliant on Cape Lookout squadron volunteers. They have eliminated (for us) most of the required information requested of other volunteers – all you have to do is submit your name to webmaster2@clsps.org.

This year the Lunch Stop is Saturday September 14 and the Rest Stop is Sunday September 15. Please volunteer. Be part of this weekend event that raises around 1.7 million dollars to fight Muscular Sclerosis. There are over two thousand riders and they are very appreciative.



Past Commander Photos Wanted

We would like to create a photo galley of past CLSPS commanders for our website. Change of Watch photos in particular are requested, but all commander photos are welcomed. Please go through your photo collections. Printed pictures are acceptable and will be returned.

Please provide the date of the photo and the term of the commander. Send digital photos to webmaster2@clsps.org. Send a note to this id to arrange print photo exchange.



Cruising

Contact Admin Officer Roger Brown if you are interested in participating in cruising. If you don't have a boat suitable for a cruise, but would like to crew on someone else's boat, let Roger know.



Jane Moore at the helm in the Chesapeake Bay

2013 Cruise Schedule

Weds, 17 July	Day trip to Oriental	Lunch at Trawl Door Rest, then return to home port.
Fri/Sat, 16-17 Aug	Overnight cruise to Clubfoot Creek	Anchor overnight, or smaller boats may choose to return home.
Fri/Sat 20-21 Sept	Co-op Charting	Workshop on Friday; on the water Sat.
Weds, 23 Oct.	Fall Color Cruise to Pollocksville	Picnic at the boat ramp park
Fri/Sat/Sun 25-27 Oct	Pirate Cruise - South River	Joint cruise w/Raleigh Sail & Power Squadron Dress up like a pirate, raft-up for potluck and maybe a pirate movie. Anchor overnite.

Summer Solstice/Shallow Water Cruise to Cape Lookout

Six boats cruised out to Cape Lookout the “back” way via Harkers Island. Although the rain held off for a day, there was plenty of wind and choppy water to contend with. CLSPS members that participated were: Lichtys, McHale, Fretwell and Pimms. A great day at a magical place on the coast was had by all!

Karl Lichty



Positions are Open at District 27

District 27 is in need of a few good members. If you have an interest in meeting members of other Squadrons at the District level and to help the mission of USPS, contact P/C June Reasons at 252-637-6685 or 2reasons@suddenlink.net. Positions are open on the District Bridge and several committees.

**Cdr Lloyd Moore, JN awarded the
2013 North Carolina
Community Response Team (CERT)
Volunteer of the Year**
for his leadership and continued
active role in the Fairfield Harbor
CERT Program



**P/C William J. Ash,
SN, H**



THINGS THAT GET UNDER MY SKIN P/C WILLIAM J. ASH, SN, H

Everyday I witness something which annoys me no end. I'll share three of them with you. They are filed under the general heading of 'lack of consideration for others.'

While parked in my car by a local establishment, a jeep with a nautical license plate parked directly in front of me. I watched as a weekend sailor exited the car giving a cigarette one last immense inhalation which might have been recorded as far away as the constellation Orion. Did the person need that deadly gas? Of course, that was none of my business, but the person exhaled and proceeded to flick the butt off to the side of my car. It could have been dropped into a butt container. I wanted to hail the mariner, but I was hooked up to an oxygen tank which left me rather defenseless against somebody breathing fire.

Subsequently, I headed to a large bookstore to see if my buddies were having coffee at, what we call, die Weinstube. Yes, they were there, as evidenced by the autocars parked outside. I exited my Volvo and headed in (without my mask). Good Jiminy! The curbside and sidewalk were covered with cigarette butts, candy wrappers, paper towels and countless other items of garbage. I had to walk around the filth. Common courtesy for others is lacking in this gimme-gimme society. I believe the nation needs to adopt a program of national service to teach discipline. Does the Squadron need an elective course in discipline? I hope not. Now, let's go out on the water.

I know members engage in the scientific art of waterskiing. One needs to go fast. However, captains of ski-towing vessels are obliged to obey the rules of the road. The road does not go through the S/V Jolly Tar, rather it goes a safe

distance away from the S/V Jolly Tar. If there is ever an elective course in shooting at the waterline of reckless ski-towing vessels, I'll be the first to sign up. Unfortunately, ammo is hard to purchase.

Thanks for putting up with me as I fumble along trying to place something relevant before you. I wish you would comment once in a while about subject matter, making suggestions how I might do better. Be careful, I'm a tough, hard-nosed former hockey player with a major interest in boats. Don't get me riled up!

Horatio was not here to add his concerns. Presently, he is east of the Gulf Stream in the HMS Lydia and should be returning this coming weekend. We've been pals for a long time.

**Happy Birthday
to the Following
Members**



July

**Carleton, Carolyn N. -- 1 July
Kammer Margaret -- 6 July
Smith, Carolyn P. -- 8 July
Davidson, James R. -- 9 July
Jacobsen, John R. -- 17 July
Tobacco, Richard J. -- 26 July
Reasons, June D. -- 27 July**

August

**McHale, William J. -- 1 August
Reynolds, James H. -- 3 August
Pimm Sr., Kevin C. -- 7 August
Skrotsky, Robert W. -- 7 August
Johnson, Nicole C. -- 9 August
Stallings III, Robert L. -- 12 August
Leahy, Robert F. -- 14 August
McCulley, Carolyn C. -- 17 August
Garey, Alan W. -- 18 August
Oltz, Donald F. -- 20 August
Clark, Ted Gray -- 25 August
Martin, C. Keith -- 25 August
Layer, Charles P. -- 28 August
Carleton, William B. -- 29 August**

Junes Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



My thanks to Randy Troutman of United Marine Underwriters.

As one of the world's oldest and most dangerous occupations, seafaring has a long history of events that have given way to superstitions. The origins of many of these beliefs are based on the perils of sailing, and luck naturally became associated with the risks. In essence, the life of a sailor is all about fortune – good or bad. Here are some examples of the superstitious nature of sailors.

“TALES” OF ORIGINS, GOOD LUCK CHARMS AND BAD LUCK CHARMS.

The expression to “knock on wood” is rooted in the belief that when a sailor thumped on the hull of a vessel, it should sound solid rather than rotted. If a ship is strong & sound, then it is declared to be “Ship Shape”.

Old English seafarers ate their meals on a square plank of wood so they would not break in foul weather. When they advertised for help, they would say you will get 3 square meals a day & so came the expression of a “square meal” or “3 squares a day”.

GOOD LUCK CHARMS:

Christening a ship for protection as it embarked upon the vast & mysterious sea.

Having a woman as a figurehead at the bow to provide guidance & calm seas.

Spitting into the ocean prior to setting sail or casting coins into the sea as a toll to King Neptune.

Nailing a horseshoe to the mast to turn away storms.

Getting tattoos to ward off evil or gold piercings to bring good fortune.

Having a cat on board. Probably because it could kill disease carrying vermin. **HOWEVER** Black cats were kept at home by the wives for **GOOD** luck.

Sighting seabirds, which were believed to possess the souls of dead sailors.

Kiss a woman before setting sail.

Red Sky at night; sailors delight. Red sky at morning; sailor take warning.

Heed the north winds mighty gale, lock the doors and drop the sail.

BAD LUCK CHARMS:

Naming a ship after an engaged woman, which will make the ship jealous.

Changing the name of a vessel without proper ceremony.

Sighting a shark behind the ship, a sign of inevitable death.

Having women or redheads aboard, both of which could distract the crew.

Starting a voyage on a Friday or the first Monday in April.

Cutting one's hair, beard or nails at sea.

Bringing bananas on board.

Whistling into the wind could summon up bad weather, or “whistle up a storm”.

Saying the words “drown” or “goodbye” or “good luck” on a ship.

Never turn a hatch upside down.

No umbrellas aboard.

HEED THESE; OR NOT, AT YOUR OWN PERIL!!!!!!!!!!



Ben Casey Photo

CLSPS May Dinner Meeting Registration Form

Guest speaker is photographer Ben Casey

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

Monday, July 15, 2013

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

Please send your check prior to Friday, July 12, 2013 to:

Roger Brown

3714 Viridian Trace

New Bern, NC 28562

Please make check payable to CLSPS.

Name(s): _____

Number attending _____ x \$22.00 each = Amount enclosed \$ _____

Ship's Store

P/C Diana
Thompson, AP



Now that the summer months are here, please keep your Ship's Store in mind for new short sleeve shirts, hats and visors. If you have special requests, please don't hesitate to call me (see end of article for contact information).

Knit Shirts: Ladies and men's short sleeve knit shirts are \$30.00. Sizes 2X and 3X sell for \$33.00. They are available in red, white, and navy. Sizes: Ladies Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., and 2X. Ladies shirts have no pockets. Men's: Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., 2X and 3X. We also have men's knit shirts with and without pockets available in both white and navy.

Denim Shirts: Denim cloth shirts come in both short and long sleeves.

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.

Fleece jackets: Men and Women--sizes S, Med, Lg, and XLg sell for \$42.00. XXLg sells for \$45.00.

Fleece Vest: We have it in navy, but it can be ordered in other colors.

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

If anyone has any suggestions for other items to be carried in the Ship's Store, please let me know.

You can contact me at 252-638-2565, or e-mail me at michris@embarqmail.com. If you send an e-mail and I do not contact you in a timely manner, please call me as it might not have gone through.

Districts 5 and 27
Crossing Paths Reunion Rendezvous
8-11 August 2013
Bay Creek Marina and Resort, Cape Charles, Virginia

Accommodations

Bay Creek Marina – 1-757-331-8640

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Bay Creek Resort – www.baycreekresort.com or 1-757-331-8750 or 1-757-331-8756 (Skya Church). Various size homes within walking distance to the marina. Web site has information and pictures of the homes. Groups can pair up to rent these lovely homes. There may be a discount option if USPS rent enough of these homes through the Bay Creek Resort Rental Property.

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www.capecharleshouse.com

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www.figstreetinn.com

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www.seagatebb.com

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www.cherrystoneva.com This camping resort offers tent sites, RV sites, cottages, cabins and on-site trailers to rent.

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www.dcr.virginia.gov/parks/kiptopek.htm

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