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Upcoming Events:

Pot Luck Social, Red Sail Park, April 11, 2015

Friday-Sunday, 12-14 June
D/27 Rendezvous
Little River, SC

Friday-Sunday, 19-21 June
Hancock Creek Cruise
Hancock Lodge, Cherry Point
MCAS. See Page 5

Saturday, July 4
**Watch the Fireworks from
Bridge Pointe Marina**
See Exec's Report

Monday 20 July
CLSPS Dinner Meeting
The Chelsea Restaurant
5 PM - Social Hour
6 PM - Dinner
7 PM - Meeting

Monday, 6 July
CLSPS ExCommMeeting
Christ Episcopal Church
Library in the Parish Hall Bldg
Meet for dinner at Chelsea,
1730

Monday, 17 Aug
Picnic
Ft Macon State Park



D/Lt Bill Beers spoke at the May CLSPS Dinner

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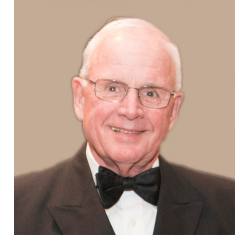
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**Commander's
Report**

Cdr Mike McCulley, JN



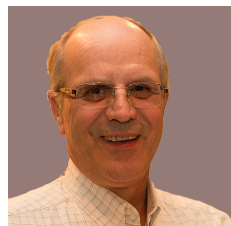
In this article, I am going to address my disappointment in two recent squadron activities – one that none of us had any control over and another that all of us can do something about.

First, I really regret the fact that our Blessing of the Fleet was cancelled. If you will recall, Tropical Storm Ana was coming up the East Coast and posed an imminent threat to activities on the water that weekend, especially on Saturday. Our squadron officers met for breakfast that Friday morning and we agreed that there was a risk to boaters if that storm did hit New Bern. So, we decided to cancel the Blessing. As it turned out, the storm went ashore at Myrtle Beach and missed us. But, the threat was too real to ignore.

Secondly, I was very disappointed at the poor attendance at our squadron meeting on May 18th. It is understandable that some of you had other obligations or were out of town. Even so, I don't understand why a unit of over 100 members didn't have more than 15 or so people attend our dinner meeting. Our squadron reduced the frequency of membership meetings a few years ago to accommodate those who felt that meeting every month was either too expensive or unnecessary. So, we changed to bi-monthly meetings. I and the other Bridge members are open to any recommendations from you on what we need to do to create more interest in Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron and its activities. Please think about it and contact me or any other Bridge member with your suggestions, especially on how we can make meetings more appealing.

Executive Officer

Lt/C Jim Reynolds, P



Education Officer P/C Richard Tobacco, JN



Well, we are still early into our boating year; I hope everyone has had a chance to get things ship shape. Ed Gagnon has been working on the arrangements for a weekend at Hancock Creek Marina, please see the details below.

We are also working with the Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club to see if we can arrange something for the 4th of July once again this year. The marina at Bridgepoint has had a successful year in re-establishing itself with long term slip rentals so the few slips that they have left have already been spoken for. We have talked about two possibilities and I would like to get your thoughts on which of the two might be of interest. The first is to have a raft up on the Neuse across from the Cunningham Drawbridge or a two night slip rental at the Bridgeton Harbor Marina for a group rate of \$45 for the two nights that includes electricity. All those that might be interested in doing either of the two (or both) please contact me at jim_352@msn.com.

Vessel Safety Check Program

It's just June and not too late to get your vessel checked by our qualified team - just let us know and we'll come to see you. We are willing and able - just let us know.



Slow Times This Summer

We currently have no courses or seminars scheduled for the summer. One, it is a bad time as most folks do not want to spend their time sitting in a six or eight week course. Two, for me this is the summer for eye surgeries: Cataract surgery last month, Vitrectomy next week. Both on my right eye. Hope the Sunshine Lady sends me a card.

We need to get instructors qualified to teach the fall classes. We were unable to provide an ABC session this spring, because qualified instructors were not available. If you want to become instructor qualified, it takes about four 2-hour sessions, let me or Don Oltz know. We plan to hold sessions this fall. If you were instructor qualified, you should remember you have to be re-qualified every four years. This re-qualification is one session lasting about an hour or two.

If you know of a new boater, please for the safety of all, direct them to our education. We have the best boating education available and our students appreciate that.

I hope to see you on the water, but probably not for another month.



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District Nominating Committee

Would any one out there like to put their names in for nomination to the District 27 Bridge, or a committee? It would be an honor to be representing Cape Lookout and yourself in this capacity. Start at the bottom of the chain and work your way up. Or be in charge of one of the very important elected committees. Yes, it would involve some work and some time. But it would also be a fun time and a wonderful way to get to meet other members of our District and National organization. If interested, let me know and I will get you a resume' form. If you have questions, Mike McCulley, Lloyd Moore, Floyd Quisenberry & Bill Reasons have all been involved as District Officers or committee chairs.

By the same token, Cape Lookout needs leadership. Why not start out here? As the old saying goes, "We Need A Few Good Men —AND Women". If contacted by the Squadron Nominating Committee, how about stepping up to the plate? Your expertise is needed!

P/C June Reasons, P and P/C Rob Thompson, SN — Members of the D-27 Nominating Committee

Operations Training

An Operations Training session was recently successfully completed with 6 persons attending. Three NEW members and 3 who have been in the Squadron for some years now. Here's hoping that something helpful was learned from this session.

We had some great discussions I hope to present certificates of attendance to the three new members at our May 18 meeting. Once you have taken this, and take it again,

you don't receive a new certificate. These sessions are designed to let the members know about the workings of USPS, The history of the organization, as well as the duties of officers and committees. Protocols, Insignia, Flags, Merit Marks, Uniforms and how to run a meeting are all discussed in these sessions. Squadron, District and National are discussed. Any time there is an interest in another session, I will be happy to arrange one.

All members of the Squadron are eligible to take these sessions, especially those becoming officers, committee heads and new members.

P/C June Reasons, P
Operations Training Chairman

Booster Club

Only a small portion (about \$17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. We need help keeping our books in the Black. Please contribute to the Booster Club. Any amount is helpful, but \$10 per person is a suggested amount.

CLSPS 2015 Booster Club Members

Wayne & Elaine Fretwell
Mike & Carolyn McCulley
Lloyd & Jane Moore
Rob & Diana Thompson
Bill & June Reasons
Dick & Catherine Ewan
Marty & Tiki Warner
Neal & Valerie Byrne
Richard & Linda Tobacco
Al & Ginny Springer



HEARTWORKS



Harborfest for HeartWorks 2015

Harborfest for HeartWorks 2015 will be held September 18-20 around Grace Harbor at River Dunes in Oriental, North Carolina, offering music, art and food for the whole family. This will be a fundraising event for HeartWorks Children's Medical Home Mission whose focus is to address the under-served mental and physical health needs of youth and their families in Pamlico County and surrounding areas.

Festivities will officially begin Friday evening around 5:30 pm with food, beverages, and music provided by Saltwater Gold (\$25/ticket). All day Saturday, family-focused activities will take place while the amphitheater hosts live music. Regional artists selling original works of fine art and handcrafted items will be located between the amphitheater and the River Dunes Harbor Club until 4 pm (free). Saturday evening will feature silent and live auctions, a raffle, a gala dinner prepared by The Chelsea, and dancing under the stars with music provided by The Entertainers (\$75/ticket).

A limited number of "Boater's Special" packages provide the opportunity for power and sail boats to dock at River Dunes for the entire weekend. For \$500 participants can dock their boat from Friday, September 18 through Monday, September 21, receive two tickets to Friday night beer garden, two tickets to Saturday night's gala dinner, enjoy the music, meander Art by the Harbor, and have a front row seat for all the activities during the weekend. Amenities at River Dunes include use their pool, tennis court, bikes, paddle boards and kayaks, and much more.

For those willing to take a chance on winning a "Boater's Special" package, raffle tickets are available for \$20 per ticket. The drawing will be held at the end of the day during Oriental's Croakerfest on July 4, 2015. To reserve a "Boater's Special" package or to purchase a raffle ticket, contact Laurie Sampson at HeartWorks at 252.745.9703 or email her at lsampson@HeartWorksNC.org.

More information is available at our website, www.HeartWorksNC.org. There is a link to the Harborfest for HeartWorks blog containing the latest up-to-date information. We hope it will be successful. I appreciate any assistance you can provide. Thanks again.

Laurie Sampson
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Cruise to Hancock Creek Marina June 17-19

You are invited to come to Hancock Creek Marina by boat the afternoon of Friday Jun 17.

We will have a relaxing day on Saturday the 20th with a picnic lunch followed by several lawn games. Those attending by boat will have the opportunity to have their vessel examined. Saturday there will be a BYOB Splash at 1800 followed by a Pot Luck dinner at 1900.

There will be a brief blessing of the fleet for those boats attending on Sunday morning.

Please RSVP by phone or e-mail to:
Edward Gagnon at 252-638-0210 or
6110cardinal@gmail.com by Wednesday June 17. When you respond please include the length and draft of your boat as well as the number of people on board.

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

<http://www.clsps.org>

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P/C William J. Ash,
SN, H



PHYSICAL FEATURES OF THE *OOSTERDAM* P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN, H

Horatio was just making his way to the back forty when I spotted him. He had acquired a spirited gelding from someone in town and took the poor fellow for a ride to Waldhaus Ash. Lt. Bush once again held down the Lydia, not the fort. I was on the back patio with my Sirius Radio taking a short turn in the bright sunshine. “P/C, what is that lovely music you have playing from the black box?”

“The name of it is In the Steppes of Central Asia by Borodin played by the Saint Louis Symphony directed by Slatkin. It is one of my favorite pieces of music. It and about 370 others keep me sane in these times of violence and greed. Well, don’t get me started. I’m happy to see you, just tie Jessie to that big oak by the garden house. There is plenty of grass for him to nibble on.

“I’ve got something here that you will enjoy. I came across it the other day while looking for my tax receipts. Don’t ask me why they were lying on the table together; the tax receipts are from 2014, the cruise log dates from 2011. Yes, yes, I know that I’m fairly well disorganized in my later years, and I’m not proud of it.”

“A cruise log, you say. I’m always interested in historical documents, those telling the story of a ship under command. Will I be able to read the penmanship?”

“No penmanship, this is all printed out by computer. Look here! It’s the log of the Holland America *Oosterdam*, the ship Gwen and I took from San Diego to Hawaii and back.” Captain Hornblower sat down next to me, reaching for the bottle of Riesling, and poured himself a treat. This was customary at Waldhaus Ash. I asked him to pour me a glass as I was paying for it. Friends coming here

expect to be treated well. Why not? What’s wrong with being nice?

“No sails, P/C, with all that power. Five diesel generators and one gas turbine produce 65,840 kilowatts. Oh, that is for the electrical requirements. What about, ah, I see the propulsion system puts out 47,260 horsepower. Does it state how fast the *Oosterdam* traveled? Yes, I found it. Maximum speed was 23 knots. I wonder how many in the Squadron know how many miles per hour that is? Let’s see, P/C, what else do we have here?

“The gross tonnage of the vessel is 82,305 tons with a length of 935 feet. The beam is 106 feet. Don’t you wonder, P/C, how this thing floats? Something so large should sink. I thought our warships were big and questioned their ability to stay afloat, but these modern power vessels are beyond any imagination I have. Help me out here!”

“It’s no different from your warships. Displacement is displacement. The volume is very large. By that I mean the amount of water displaced by the ship exceeds the weight of the ship. The ship floats. If one was to take a solid cube of 82,305 tons of steel and place it in the dry dock, the metal would sink. Wait a second! This is going to get complicated. I merely wanted to show you some figures relating to today’s modern ships knowing you would appreciate it.”

“Believe me, I do appreciate your showing me all this. Wait, look here! The diesel generators consume 200 tons of fuel per day or about 50,000 gallons, and....and the gas turbine consumes 90 tons per day which comes to about.....let’s see, about 23,775 gallons per day. Multiply all that by 14 days, the duration of the cruise, and one realizes the enormous amount of energy required to send this ship on a voyage. Also, notice the potable water production is 443,809 gallons. I find this all very hard to fathom.”

“So do I, Captain. I take my hat off to the nautical architects who design these marvelous things. I wonder whether, somewhere in the not too distant future, they will design passenger ships to run on solar power. Right now, I don’t see it happening, but I know very little of solar physics. And I don’t see the wind doing it; perhaps I’m too nearsighted. Nuclear power is

an alternative, but I think it costs way too much for passenger travel.

“This tells me, Captain, the Middle East currently holds one of the keys to fuel production and its ultimate consumption. Europe may be a bit more concerned about Middle East oil being cut off. Fortunately, here in the United States we have an opportunity to harvest untold quantities of oil making us self sufficient and not depending on oil from other countries. In any event, Horatio, I’m happy to share with you some figures regarding the *Oosterdam*. Maybe later on we can go for a sail in the *Jolly Tar*.”

“P/C, I suggest we run up the sail to save on fuel. I believe you mentioned to me in January that your propulsion engine required something like four gallons of pure gasoline for the entire year. Gasoline without alcohol must be hard to find. Do you buy it from Amazon?” Amazon? How does Hornblower know about Amazon?

Pot Luck Social Red Sail Park April 11



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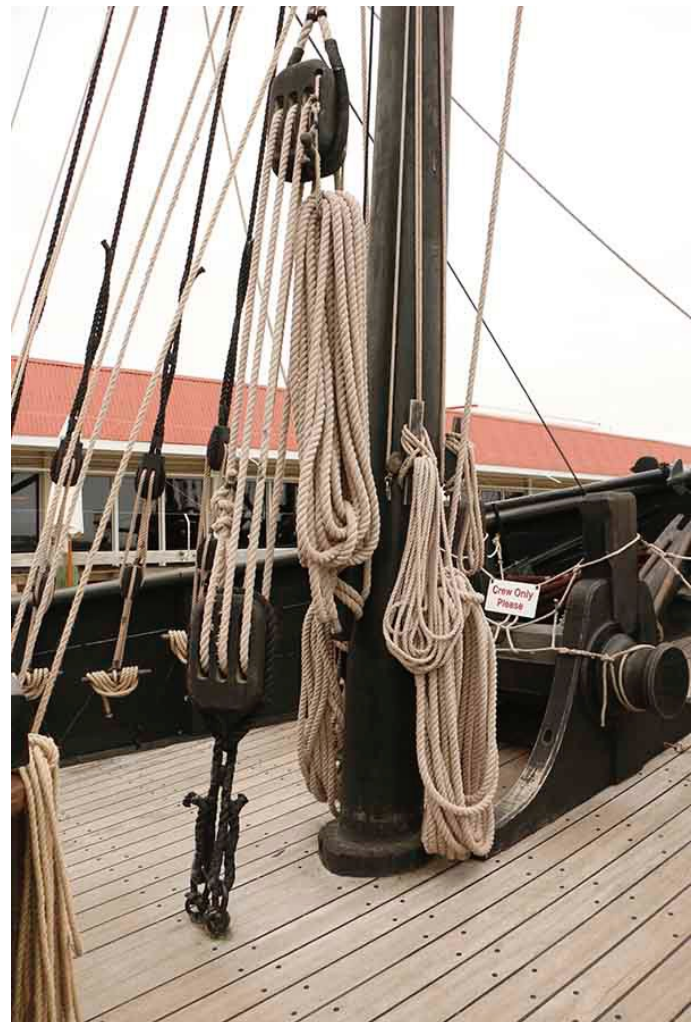


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P/C Owen Smith was Master of Ceremonies at the Veterans Memorial Day Service held at the National Cemetery in New Bern



Replicas, the Nina and the Pinta, visited Morehead City April 26



June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



Random thoughts as we age ...

The biggest lie I tell myself is ..."I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

Wouldn't it be great if we could put ourselves in the dryer for ten minutes; come out wrinkle-free and three sizes smaller!

Last year I joined a support group for procrastinators. We haven't met yet!

I don't trip over things, I do random gravity checks!

I don't need anger management. I need people to stop pissing me off!

Old age is coming at a really bad time!

Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can & the friends to post my bail when I finally snap!

I don't have white hair. I have "wisdom highlights". I'm just very wise.

My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that needs work.

Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a restraining order is just a piece of paper.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, he would've put them on my knees.

The kids text me "plz" which is shorter than please. I text back "no" which is shorter than "yes".

I'm going to retire and live off of my savings. Not sure what I'll do that second week.

When did it change from, "We the people" to "screw the people"?

Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound!

Why do I have to press one for English when you're just gonna transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice.

Oops! Did I roll my eyes out loud?

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

Chocolate comes from cocoa which is a tree ... that makes it a plant which means ... chocolate is Salad !!!

**Happy Birthday
to the Following
Members**



May

Beery, Ellen S. — 7 May

Pagnutti, Peter — 17 May

Wharey, Sheryl — 24 May

Long, Robert Earl — 25 May

Hale Jr, Henry S. — 29 May

June

Manganaro, Paul A. — 1 June

McCulley, Michael D. — 1 June

Ewan, Richard B. — 4 June

Ficken, Jill — 4 June

Fretwell, K. Wayne — 28 June

Sunshine Lady

Linda Tobacco, AP



Lady Gwen is recovering nicely from a minor collision with an auto.

P/C Rob Thompson is recovering from an operation. Contact Diana if you need anything from Rob.

P/C Richard Tobacco has had and is under going several eye surgeries.

May CLSPS Dinner Meeting

Richard Tobacco brought guests Stewart and Ann Huston to the meeting. They are interested in taking the ABS Course.

D/Lt Bill Beers of the Catawba Sail and Power Squadron was our speaker. He told us the long history of Sea Scouting which began operations in the US in 1912. Sea Scouting is open for young men and women. Sea Scouting is still very active, but there are no current Sea Scout Ships in Eastern NC. A Ship is comparable to a Boy Scout Troop.

The United States Power Squadrons is promoting its squadrons to be Charter Partners for the Sea Scouts. If you are interested in helping out as a sponsor for a Sea Scout Ship, he'll be happy to help you out.



D/Lt Bill Beers along with P/C Bill Reasons—both long time Sea Scouts



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Have you changed your email address lately? Please call/email Bill Reasons with your new email address. Not sure which email address the CLSPS has for you? Go to our website, log in as a member (User Name and Password are located elsewhere in this newsletter) and look in one of the rosters. If that's not your current email address, please update Bill.

Most of our communication with CLSPS members is through the United States Power Squadrons' database, DB2000. If your email is not current, you may be missing some of our notifications about events etc.

Have you noticed a change to the Outlook and website headers?

This is all part of the United States Power Squadrons' new program on "Branding". You'll start to notice the new branding on our letterheads and other publications. It will also affect the logos on some of the clothes you buy through our Ship's Store.

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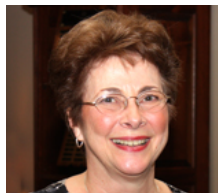
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Ships Store

P/C Diana Thompson,
AP



Do you need anything from the Ship's Store? What about a new knit shirt? They come in various colors. Ask me and I will show/tell you what is available. Also, we now carry ladies shirts with more of a "v" neck style. There have been requests for this style. See them at the next membership meeting, and see what nice colors they come in. If a burgee is starting to show its age, a new one would probably be most welcome. For any 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, navy, and other colors by request.

Sizes:

Ladies: Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., 2X, and 3X.

Men's: Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., 2X and 3X.

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.

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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 email me at michris@embarqmail.com. If you send an email and I do not contact you in a timely manner, please call me as it might not have gone through.

For more information about Sea Scouting, go to: <http://www.seascout.org/>



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Please notify Bill Reasons (637-6685 or reasons-usps@suddenlink.net) if you have any changes to the information we have on file such as boat information, e-mail or mailing address, birthdays, telephone number etc.

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