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## The Outlook



**Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron, District 27**

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### Upcoming Events:

### Cruise to Hancock Creek Marina—June 17–19

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

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7 PM – Meeting

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**CLSPS Picnic**  
Ft Macon State Park  
See page 3 for details

Monday 21 September  
**CLSPS Dinner Meeting**  
The Chelsea Restaurant  
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6 PM – Dinner  
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**Cruise Captain Ed Gagnon, Lloyd Moore,  
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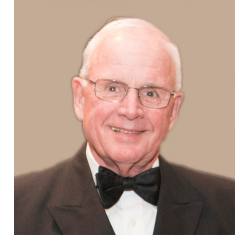
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**Commander's  
Report**

Cdr Mike McCulley, JN



**To Go - Or Not To Go?**

If you have been boating for any length of time, you've had numerous situations when you have to decide whether to go out on the boat when the weather reports are somewhat marginal or in other words, on the edge of being good vs. not so good. Whether we are planning an extended cruise or a day sail, making a decision is a daily task that requires not only looking up at the sky but also having some degree of confidence that the weather will not be threatening.

Local TV weather reports are a good source for giving us a general idea of what to expect. But, we're limited by their infrequent reporting. Of course, listening to the marine weather broadcasts on VHF radio has always been and will continue to be a good source of up-to-date information, especially after we are underway. Some of us are fortunate to have radar aboard. But, even if we don't, we now have the capability to receive visual reports with our cell phones and iPads by downloading various apps or using wifi or a hot spot. On my cell phone, when internet is not available, I use the MyRadar app.

Opening the TownDock.net weather page at <http://towndock.net/weather/radar-newport-morehead-city-nc> provides live weather radar of our local area that updates every few minutes. The display shows the location, motion and intensity of stormy weather and enables us to determine if there is an immediate or longer term threat that can ruin our day. While on the same Town Dock website, from the menu on the upper left, you can choose alternative live radar for other areas, including Norfolk, VA, Wilmington or Raleigh, NC, Southeast US, Northeast US, or National composite radar.

From this same menu, you can choose detailed marine weather forecasts for Neuse & Bay Rivers, Pamlico & Pungo Rivers, Albemarle Sound, Pamlico Sound, coastal marine forecasts for up to 20 nautical miles offshore for each coastal area of NC, and the Offshore Marine Forecast. Also available here are nearby 7-day weather forecasts for several towns in our area, or you may enter a town name or zip code for a forecast of your choice. If you need information about water levels in the Neuse, or other coastal areas of NC, there is even graphic information about this, as well as web cams to see current conditions in Oriental harbor and several views of the Neuse River. Commander's Report Continued.

I realize that I'm basically "preaching to the choir" writing about this in a Sail & Power Squadron newsletter. However, I don't think it's a bad idea for all of us to be reminded occasionally about the importance of staying aware of the weather when deciding whether to go or not go out on a boat. Or, if we're already underway, we need to know how to get information quickly if the weather suddenly threatens and it's time to head to a nearby port or safe anchorage.



## Vessel Safety Check Program

Members of our team visited Camp Seafarer on June 10 and checked well over 100 boats — leaving at least that many more between Seafarer and Sea Gull — it was a hot day but we persevered.

So with that said - have we done your vessel yet? If not, give one of us a call and we'll come on out. We have done 320 so far (A record for us and the summer is just beginning)

## Picnic at Fort Macon State Park

Pack your lunch and beverage and meet at Ft. Macon State Park beach on Monday, August 17 at 10:30 am. P/C Moore and I will be to the right of the lifeguard as you walk down the boardwalk to the beach. We'll have time for a swim and relaxation. Please send me an email [jane.moore@suddenlink.net](mailto:jane.moore@suddenlink.net) or call 637-5547 to let me know if you can join us. Remember your suntan lotion!

Jane Moore



## 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  
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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](mailto:lsampson@HeartWorksNC.org).

More information is available at our website, [www.HeartWorksNC.org](http://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.

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## Cruise to Hancock Creek Marina

**Jerry Rezab,  
Sue Gagnon,  
Jane Moore,  
P/D/C Floyd Quisenberry,  
Fred Cornford,  
Lloyd Moore, &  
Ed Gagnon**



P/C William J. Ash,  
SN, H



## **NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH...**

P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN, H

My carbide cannon lay in front of me on the picnic table, ready to fire. To start the day, I'd slipped the proper dose of calcium carbide into the cannon's water reservoir and was about to provide the electricity to ignite the acetylene gas with a mighty roar. It was exactly 0800 local summer time (1200 GMT). I tripped the spark and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July now was official. Hornblower emerged thru the French doors just as the blast reverberated throughout Trent Woods. Upon hearing, he dove for cover thinking the Spaniards had found him way over here. Apologies were in order, but it was too early to offer him the Riesling. He settled on a cup of good German breakfast coffee, straight up.

"P/C, that is no way to greet a house guest who is half asleep. What were you thinking?" I was surprised at his reaction, he, a battle hardened military genius who experienced the compressed air of Armada cannon balls 'wushing' by his temples. I did, however, owe him an apology. I had accidentally ambushed the poor bloke; best I make things right.

"Horatio, come over here and sit by me. I have a story to tell you which I'm sure you will enjoy. Hopefully, you will think better of me. I don't remember you sailing upon the highly saline waters of the Arabian Gulf. I'm one up on you there. I, in fact, managed a few exploits on the waters common to Iran, Iraq and Kuwait, where I resided some years ago. It's a multi-faceted sea story."

"It better be good or you will never see the inside of the Lydia again. I'm warning you!"

"OK, here goes. A group of approximately thirty members of the science and medical communities of Kuwait University cruised out of the local harbor for an island called Jaz. al Kubr where we were to explore, swim and keep out of

the way of sea snakes, sharks, stone fish, vipers and scorpions. Jones Beach it was not. The weather forecast indicated clear skies (what else during late summer?) and breezes approaching twenty to twenty five knots from the south.

"The dhow we chartered came with a captain and first mate, and the odds were neither had seen the inside of a maritime school. This voyage was a primordial one, guaranteed to spring surprises as it advanced. There were no life lines on this ninety-foot vessel; the mast was a lateen rig but we cruised under diesel power. About an hour from our point of departure and approximately one-third the way to our destination the seas became rather high and the dhow was moving about in ways not accustomed by the innards of the passengers, save about four of us whose guts were fairly tough. Those of us still able to see and comprehend realized there was not one lifejacket on board. If anyone falls overboard they go to mariner's heaven most probably via a great white. Well, enough of all the extras; let's get to the main points. We would not reach Jaz. al Kubr; we made a 160 degree turn, nearly capsizing, or so we thought. Our new destination was Jaz. Failaka about 14 nm east-north-east of Kuwait City. Once there, I agreed to pitch in and hire a pick-up truck and visit an archeological dig with a group of colleagues.

The site was remarkably interesting and visitors could walk squarely into it without charge. Only one caretaker saw to it that any and all artifacts would remain where they were and he managed to answer questions regarding what he knew about the Stone and Bronze Ages. There I was standing in a trench where Alexander the Great may well have walked during his return journey to Macedonia from the western edge of India. Alex commanded both land and sea forces with top-of-the-line efficiency. And, this is where the story takes a decided leap. How did The Great One manage to command his forces, especially those at sea? Without chronometers!"

"P/C, it would be impossible without a clear cut system of communications. No errors!"

"Horatio, that was his secret. He hired, or perhaps enticed, by ways of sword or club, an alchemist to develop a compound which would change from one color to another over a period

of some hours, even a day or longer. Alchemists were persons of note in the good old days, always looking for some way to change lead into gold or to stay in the employ of the boss by exploding a compound, of sorts, to heights further up than the top of the local minaret. I can't think of one who ever made it into the National Academy of Sciences. Anyhow, let's continue!"

"For heaven's sake, P/C, get on with it! So he hired an alchemist to develop a compound to change from one color to another over a set period of time. I assume the compound was in solution. You failed to mention that."

"I am pleased to learn you are familiar with the term 'solution.' Ah yes, I realize chemistry does go back quite a ways. You might give some thought to taking a course in chemistry at the local community college. You need not be bothered by O or A level offerings. Now please, let me get on with the story.

"Alexander needed to make sure all his sea going vessels would arrive at their destination according to plan. The first squadron, or whatever it was called, would meet the next five or ten squadrons at a given location at exactly XVIII units of time, or whatever, from the present. The alchemist designed his compound to turn from a dark purple to a brilliant yellow in exactly that time. He summoned to his headquarters, land or sea, the executive officers from each of his vessels and told them his plans."

"P/C, What did he do? What.....did .....he.....do?"

'He took pieces of cloth, dipped them into the broth the alchemist had prepared and tied them around the wrists of his vessel's executive officers. The vessels left. When the color changed from purple to yellow, the ships went to the attack. A piece of cloth was originally called an Alexander's Rag Time Band. Hornblower, where are you going?" We still have much to talk about. Come on, get back here! Poor sport. Have some Riesling!"

**Happy Birthday  
to the Following  
Members**



## July

**Carleton, Carolyn N. — 1 July**  
**Kammer, Margaret — 6 July**  
**Gagnon, Edward W. — 8 July**  
**Smith, Carolyn P. — 8 July**  
**Fretwell, Elaine M. — 18 July**  
**Brown, Roger A. — 25 July**  
**Moore, Oliver S. — 26 July**  
**Tobacco, Richard J. — 26 July**  
**Reasons, June D. — 27 July**

## August

**Reynolds, James H. — 3 August**  
**Skrotsky, Robert W. — 7 August**  
**Johnson, Nicole C. — 9 August**  
**Stallings III, Robert L. — 12 August**  
**Geiling, Melanie, A. — 12 August**  
**Leahy, Robert F. — 14 August**  
**Byrne, Neal R. — 16 August**  
**McCulley, Carolyn C — 17 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**

**Sunshine Lady**

**Linda Tobacco, AP**



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

## June's Jokes

### P/C June Reasons, P



In the world of romance, one single rule applies: **MAKE THE WOMAN HAPPY!**

Do something she likes, and you get points.

Do something she dislikes, and points are subtracted.

You don't get any points for doing something she expects.

Sorry, that's the way the game is played.

Here is a non-exhaustive guide to the point system:

#### SIMPLE DUTIES

You make the bed. (+1)

You make the bed, but forget the decorative pillows. (-10)

You throw the bedspread over rumpled sheets. (-3)

You go out to buy her what she wants (+5) in the rain (+8)

But return with Beer. (-5)

#### PROTECTIVE DUTIES

You check out a suspicious noise at night. (+1)

You check out a suspicious noise, and it is nothing. (0)

You check out a suspicious noise, and it is something. (+5)

You pummel it with an iron rod. (+10)

It's her pet Schnauzer. (-30)

#### SOCIAL ENGAGEMENTS

You stay by her side for the entire party. (+1)

You stay by her side for a while, then leave to chat with an old school friend. (-2)

Named Tina (-10)

Tina is a dancer. (-20)

Tina has breast implants. (-40)

#### HER BIRTHDAY

You take her out to dinner. (+2)

You take her out to dinner, and it's not a sports bar. (+3)

Okay, it's a sports bar. (-2)

And it's all-you-can-eat night. (-3)

It's a sports bar, it's all-you-can-eat night, and your face is painted the colors of your favorite team. (-10)

#### A NIGHT OUT

You take her to a movie. (+1)

You take her to a movie she likes. (+5)

You take her to a movie you hate. (+6)

You take her to a movie you like. (-2)

It's called 'Death Cop.' (-3)

You lied and said it was a foreign film about orphans. (-15)

#### YOUR PHYSIQUE

You develop a noticeable potbelly. (-15)

You develop a noticeable potbelly and exercise to get rid of it (+10)

You develop a noticeable potbelly and resort to baggy jeans and baggy Hawaiian shirts. (-30)

You say to her, "It doesn't matter, you have one too." (-80)

#### THE BIG QUESTION

She asks, "Do I look fat?" (-5)

(Yes, you lose points no matter what)

You hesitate in responding. (-10)

You reply, "Where?" (-35)

You give any other response. (-40)

#### COMMUNICATION

When she wants to talk about a problem, you listen, displaying what looks

like a concerned expression. (+2)

You listen, for over 30 minutes (+50)

You listen for more than 30 minutes without looking at the TV. (+500)

She realizes this is because you have fallen asleep. (-4000)

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

**<http://www.clsps.org>**



## July Dinner Meeting Registration Form

Monday, July 20, 2015

The Chelsea, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC

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

Our Speaker is Lt. Steven Jerome of the New Bern Fire Rescue Department

Please send your check prior to Thursday, July 16, 2015 to:

Lt/C Neal Byrne  
6115 Castleton Court  
New Bern, NC 28560

Dinner will include Mixed Salad with House Vinaigrette, Rolls, and Chocolate Tuxedo Cake for dessert.

The following Main Course Choices are:

Brown Butter Barbecue Chicken with Stone Ground Grits and Sautéed Green Beans

Baked Salmon with Champagne Dill Sauce, Rice Pilaf and Sautéed Green Beans

Beef Tenderloin Shoulder Marsala, Garlic Smashed Potatoes, Sautéed Green Beans

Please make check payable to CLSPS.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate Dinner Choice:    Chicken \_\_\_\_\_;    Salmon \_\_\_\_\_;    Beef \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$23.50 each = Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

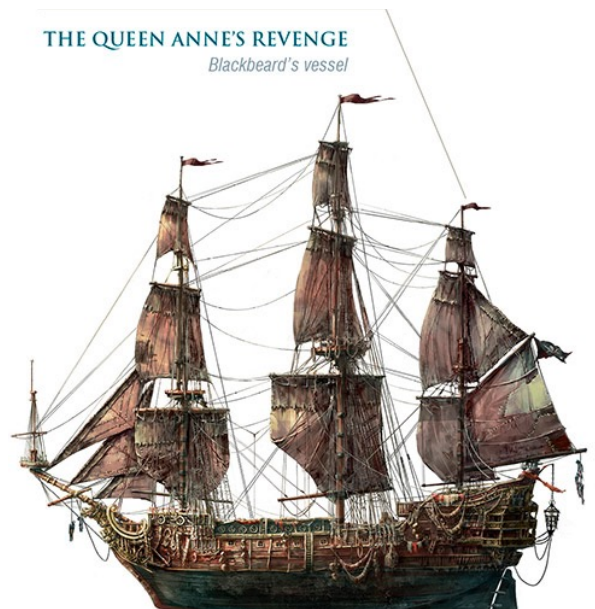
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## Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron's Dinner Meeting—September 21.

Mark your calendar for the September CLSPS Dinner Meeting. Our speaker will be Kim Kenyon, the Queen Anne's Revenge (QAR) Conservator for the QAR Conservation Laboratory at East Carolina University, Greenville, NC.

The Conservation Lab is responsible for the identification, and counting of thousands of artifacts of the QAR assemblage of artifacts. Some artifacts can be identified by simple physical examination, but many require use of x-radiography and cleaning of corrosion and marine growth before the artifact can be correctly identified.

See you there!





## 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.

**Fleece jackets:** Men and Women--sizes S, Med, Lg, and X-Lg 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.

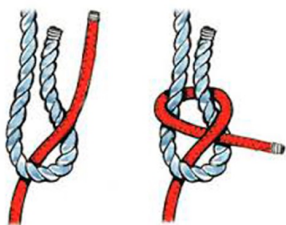
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## The Sheet Bend

The Sheet Bend is an important knot for joining two line ends, especially if the lines are of different sizes. Sailors named it in the days of sailing ships when they would bend (tie) the sheets (lines in the rigging of a ship).

Begin with a bight in the larger rope. Weave the end of the smaller rope up through the eye, around the bight, and back under itself. Snug it carefully before applying any strain in the knot.

Do not use the "square" or reef knot to tie two lines together. The knot can fall apart when you least expect it, and if pulled very tightly together (like in a tow line), the square knot is almost impossible to untie.



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