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## The Outlook



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

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CLSPS Website: <http://www.clsps.org>

### Upcoming Events:

Monday, 4 January, 2016

#### **CLSPS ExComm Mtg**

Christ Episcopal Church Library  
in the Parish Hall Bldg  
Meet for dinner at Chelsea, 5:30

Saturday, 9 January, 2016

#### **D/27 Training**

Resurrection Lutheran Church  
100 W. Lochmere Drive  
Cary, NC 27518

Monday, 18 January, 2016

#### **CLSPS Annual Dinner Meeting**

Chelsea, See page 7

Monday, 1 February, 2016

#### **CLSPS ExComm Mtg**

Christ Episcopal Church Library  
in the Parish Hall Bldg  
Meet for dinner at Chelsea, 5:30

Saturday, 6 February

#### **CLSPS Change of Watch**

The Chelsea  
See page 10

Monday–Sunday, February 15–21

#### **USPS Annual Meeting**

Rosen Centre Hotel  
Orlando, Florida

Friday–Saturday, March 18–19,

#### **Spring 2016 Council/ Conference**

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel  
Atlantic Beach Oceanfront  
2717 West Fort Macon Rd.  
Atlantic Beach, NC

### CLSPS Christmas Party



**Ed Gagnon ladles out some of his Great Lobster Bisque to Jane Moore**



**New Bern  
Christmas  
Flotilla**

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Officer**

**Lt/C Jim Reynolds P**



I hope that everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. It was very strange though, to have the air conditioning on during Christmas Day. Now that we find ourselves in more seasonal weather it is time to start thinking about the upcoming year.

For the CLSPS, the Executive Committee will be working this month to put together an event schedule for the year. Your thoughts about previous events that you enjoyed or other things that you would like to suggest as group events would be greatly appreciated. As an organization, we are here to serve the local boating community and to bring together those that are interested in boating. Please call or email me with your ideas in promoting either or both of those objectives through possible training, events, or outings that we as an organization can accomplish this year.

I encourage you to attend our Annual Meeting this month to vote for the new slate of Officers for 2016

**CLSPS Nominating Committee Report—2016 Nominees**

Commander	Jim Reynolds
Executive Officer	Neal Byrne
Educational Officer	Jim Starr
Administrative Officer	Jane Moore
Secretary	Paul Manganaro
Ass't Secretary	Marty warner
Treasurer	Lloyd Moore
Ass't Treasurer	Ray Whitley

**Executive Committee**

Bill Reasons	June Reasons
Wayne Fretwell	Marty Warner
Elaine Lechner	Mike McCulley

## Administrative Officer

Lt/C Neal Byrne



Fellow Power Squadron Members the new year is upon us. The Executive Committee is busy putting together the 2016 schedule. To that end, we are looking back at activities and programs which were well received and well attended in 2015 to try to put together a schedule which the membership will find interesting and enjoyable.

Our mission is two fold and at times is daunting. All of us have demands in our personal lives which often take precedence over other meetings and activities which we might chose to attend or take part in. Linking our scheduling to boating and boating safety and keeping things interesting and enjoyable are the challenges.

Our well rounded group of knowledgeable and friendly members deserves the best. That said, if you have ideas for presenters at meetings, or activities that other members might like to participate in, or just things that you think might make our squadron better please do not hesitate to forward these ideas to the Executive Committee for consideration. On at least two occasions in 2015 members suggested possible speakers for our group which eventually came to pass. Thank you specifically to Rob and Diana Thompson for introducing Captain Al Fowler, (USN Retired), as our November speaker.

Finally, if you just have thoughts on how we might improve something we are doing or maybe not doing, we welcome your input. As the outgoing Administrative Officer, I would like to mention a few people who made 2015 very gratifying. Commander Mike and Carolyn McCulley who were always very supportive. Professor Ashe who generally elevates the conversation on a positive and personal level. Lloyd and Jane Moore who are tireless and results oriented and always get the job done. Bill and June Reasons who are always smiling

contributors on many levels. Of course there is Ed Gagnon, who can be called on for anything and he tries to help, thank you Ed. Richard and Linda Tobacco, very nice people always doing good things for other people. Last but not least, Marty Warner for his tireless efforts.



Neal, Ed, Sue, & Val



## Vessel Safety Check Program

There is not much boating going on right now, but it is not too early to think of Spring and getting that boat back on the water. Look over all you equipment, especially the safety gear, and make plans to have everything ready on for the first day you take to the water. If you do boating over the winter safety gear is especially necessary to have correct and ready to use. The Vessel Safety Team will be ready to do your Vessel Safety Check around March, so please contact us and we will come on over to check out your vessel.



## **Booster Club**

It's a New Year and we're starting the Booster Club again for 2016. Here's the full list from 2015—not everyone got their name in print for 2015 last month.

And here's the start of the Booster Club for 2016.

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.



**Cdr Mike & Carolyn McCulley**

### **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  
Neal Byrne/Val Wilk  
Owen & Carolyn Smith



**Bill Gewain**

### **CLSPS 2016 Booster Club Members**

Lloyd & Jane Moore  
Bill Ash & Lady Gwen  
Neal & Valerie Byrne  
Owen & Carolyn Smith  
Marty & Tiki Warner

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P/C William J. Ash,  
SN, H



...2015.....2016...  
P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN H

"There it goes, P/C, another year with all its ups and downs, positives and negatives, balls and strikes, accomplishments and nothing at all. I'll bet you would like to retrieve 2015 and start it all over again, wouldn't you? I could tell, earlier today, by the expression in those eyes of yours. Are you truly happy with the departure of '15? I think not."

My colleague, Captain Horatio Hornblower of HMS *Lydia* and I were relaxing in deck chairs at the distal end of B dock at the yacht club. It was dark. Only a few lights were visible in houses across the river. The Trent River flowed from right to left. It just kept coming, it did not stop. Precious water, by the ton, swept past us, headed for the Neuse River, Pamlico Sound and the Atlantic Ocean. It will continue along our eastern shore on to Long Island, New England and the Canadian Maritimes. And then where? Some may be seen again here as rain, ice or snow. It resembled 'time'. Horatio and I were not saying much. It was 1 January, the New Year.

"Ah, Horatio," I blurted after a considerable pause, "I never enjoy seeing a year go out of existence. While I made it through to see this one end, I cannot, of course, tell what the next 365 days might bring. Will I be around to see this new one to its end? What mysteries lie below the surface of the dark waters entertaining us minutes after the bells rang in 2016?"

"By the way, Horatio, let me break away from the philosophical path we seem to be taking and get into something more familiar. I'll bet these waters, and I'm talking Trent-waters, are loaded with sharks, probably bull sharks, sand sharks, and rays of different types. I can only imagine the variety of life forms which swim and float through our neighborhood. Also, imagine the numbers of

bacteria, viruses and bacteriophage moving along for the ride!"

"P/C, I'm surprised you failed to mention sharks and rays have not a single bone in their bodies. They are referred to as cartilaginous fish. Interesting creatures they are."

"Just think of all the information flowing by us. I guess it resembles the 'internet.' Surely, you don't expect me to expose some of the secrets hidden beneath the surface of time. Listen, before we start down the mystical path once again, I think we owe all our friends and relatives a wish for a healthy, wholesome and productive New Year. May 2016 see you run a more efficient informational ship. Recognize how precious the river of time is. We must manage our time knowing it is not coming back as we would like. Hmm, does rain trip up my argument?"

"Let's call it a night and head to comfortable beds in *Haus Waldesruhe* Ash! I suspect we will resume all this later in the year. Goodnight everyone. Stay curious, stay well, stay in touch!"



Bill Ash and Lady Gwen

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## June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



### HOLIDAY EATING TIPS

Avoid carrot sticks. Anyone who puts carrots on a holiday buffet table knows nothing of the Christmas spirit. In fact, if you see carrots, leave immediately. Go next door, where they're serving rum balls.

Drink as much eggnog as you can. And quickly. It's rare. You cannot find it any other time of year but now. So drink up! Who cares that it has 10,000 calories in every sip? It's not as if you're going to turn into an eggnog-alcoholic or something. It's a treat. Enjoy it. Have one for me. Have two. It's later than you think. It's Christmas!

If something comes with gravy, use it. That's the whole point of gravy. Gravy does not stand alone. Pour it on. Make a volcano out of your mashed potatoes. Fill it with gravy. Eat the volcano. Repeat.

As for mashed potatoes, always ask if they're made with skim milk or whole milk. If it's skim, pass. Why bother? It's like buying a sports car with an automatic transmission.

Do not have a snack before going to a party in an effort to control your eating. The whole point of going to a Christmas party is to eat other people's food for free. Lots of it. Hello?

Under no circumstances should you exercise between now and New Year's. You can do that in January when you have nothing else to do. This is the time for long naps, which you'll need after circling the buffet table while carrying a 10-pound plate of food and that vat of eggnog.

If you come across something really good at a buffet table, like frosted Christmas cookies in the shape and size of Santa, position yourself near them and don't budge. Have as many as you can before becoming the center of attention. They're like a beautiful pair of shoes. If you leave them behind, you're never going to see them again.

Same for pies. Apple\*\*,\*\* Pumpkin\*\*,\*\* Mincemeat. Have a slice of each. Or if you

don't like mincemeat, have two apples and one pumpkin. Always have three. When else do you get to have more than one dessert?. Labor Day?

Did someone mention fruitcake? Granted, it's loaded with the mandatory celebratory calories, but avoid it at all cost. I mean, have some standards.

One final tip: If you don't feel terrible when you leave the party or get up from the table, you haven't been paying attention.

Re-read tips; start over, but hurry, January is just around the corner.

Remember this motto to live by:

Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, chocolate in one hand, body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming "WOO HOO what a ride!"

Have a Wonderful Holiday Season and Merry Christmas!



Bill & June Reasons



Fred & Sally Cornford



# January Annual Dinner Meeting Registration Form

Monday, January 18, 2016

The Chelsea, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC

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

Please send your check, made payable to CLSPS,  
prior to Thursday, January 14, 2016 to:

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

Dinner will include **Mixed Green Salad with House Vinaigrette, Dinner Rolls with Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee and Water, and Chocolate Tuxedo Cake**

## Main Course choices are:

**Broiled Maryland Crab Cake** with Rice Pilaf and Sautéed House Vegetables

**Chicken Marsala** with Garlic Smashed Potatoes and Sautéed House Vegetables

**Shrimp New Orleans Pasta**

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

Please indicate Dinner Choice:    Crab cake \_\_\_\_\_;    Chicken \_\_\_\_\_;    Shrimp \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**Happy Birthday  
to the Following  
Members**



**January**

Ellis Jr, Glover L. — 1 January  
Fleckenstein, James A. — 4 January  
Lind, Eric — 5 January  
Long, Bonnie Lou — 9 January  
Gewain, William J. — 11 January  
Hawkins, Paul P. — 19 January  
Parker Jr, Charles N. — 19 January  
Warner, Roger M. — 19 January



**Jane & Lloyd Moore**

## Rescue at Sea

A new owner of a 32' Powerboat asked CLSPS Vessel Safety Program Chairman, Larry Lovvorn, to help deliver his boat from Oriental, NC to Boston, MA.

On November 13, 2015, while in fairly rough seas near Watch Hill, Rhode Island, about 90 miles away from Boston, the vessel hit bottom. The vessel was badly damaged, and sunk in about 10 minutes. They immediately donned their life vests and called for help. They contacted the Coast Guard, gave them their position, and activating their Personal Locator Beacon (PLB). Luckily a 45' Coast Guard Response Boat was nearby. It arrived in about 15 minutes and pulled them out of Long Island Sound. Flares were deployed, but due to the sun angle the Coast Guard didn't see them.

Once safely aboard the Station New London RB-M rescue boat, they were transported to Noank Shipyard where emergency medical services were awaiting their arrival.

Here's what the Coast Guard said about their actions:

"This is a great example of mariners being prepared prior to going out on the water," said Chief Petty Officer Frank St. Pierre, the command duty officer at Sector Long Island Sound. "They remained calm, maintained constant communications with the Coast Guard on channel 16 VHF-FM, donned their life jackets, activated their personal locator beacon, and confirmed their position using emergency flares. The reliable gear on board the vessel and the outstanding response from Station New London and Air Station Cape Cod led to a successful rescue."

Both mariners were taken to Pequot Hospital in Groton, Connecticut.

Three things made this a successful rescue:

1. The lifejackets were readily available and donned immediately.
2. The VHF radio (not a cell phone) was used to contact help. But not only that, you need to know what to say, and say it calmly so someone can understand you.
3. The Coast Guard picked up the Personal Locator Beacon which aided them in locating the two crew members.



**Pictures taken from a Coast Guard Sentry HC-144 aircraft**

## HERE IS THE COAST GUARD DISTRESS MESSAGE FORMAT

Speak slowly and clearly...

Call: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY, THIS IS (vessels call sign and name repeated THREE times).

Then follow with the following situational information.

Example: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY. MAYDAY, THIS IS THE SAILING VESSEL SUNSHINE, THE SAILING VESSEL, SUNSHINE, THE SAILING VESSEL SUNSHINE."

Give the following information:

WHO you are (vessels call sign and name).

WHERE you are (Your position in Latitude / Longitude from the chart or GPS, LORAN lines, or a bearing and distance from a widely known geographical point.)



WHAT is wrong (nature of distress or difficulty).

The KIND of assistance desired.

The NUMBER of persons aboard and condition of any injured.

Present seaworthiness of your vessel.

DESCRIPTION of your vessel - length, type, cabin, mast, power, color of hull, superstructure and trim.

Your listening radio frequency. It's important to make a communications schedule.

Survival equipment available (i.e.. rafts, survival suits, EPIRB, etc.).

### **ENSURE EVERYONE ON BOARD PUTS ON A LIFEJACKET (PFD)**

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*The Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron cordially invites you to the  
55<sup>th</sup> Annual Change of Watch*

*at The Chelsea Restaurant, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC 28560*

*on Saturday, 6 February 2016*

*at 1700 Social/cash bar 1800 Dinner*

*Dress is Uniform A with bowtie or appropriate evening attire*

*Dinner Selection is:*

*Braised Short Ribs Lasagna with Roasted Brussels Sprouts  
Shrimp and Crab Stuffed Flounder, Lobster Sauce, Rice Pilaf, Roasted Brussels Sprouts  
or Chicken Picatta, Rice Pilaf, Roasted Brussels Sprouts  
at \$35.00 per person*

*Please advise if there are any special diet restrictions or food allergies*

*Reservations and dinner selections, with check payable to CLSPS, should be mailed  
prior to 29 January 2016 to:*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner Selection: \_\_\_\_\_

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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).

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There are a few used items for free if anyone is interested:

Ladies: Small, dark blue pullover windbreaker by Timberline

Men's: White, long sleeve dress shirt, size 18 1/2, 32/33 Aviator/Van Huesen  
Long, white pants size 36W, 32 L

Black Dress Uniform-----jacket, size 42-44, pants, size 36W, 30 L

If interested, call Diana Thompson (252-638-2565) for contact information.

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Sizes:

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

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

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

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**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](mailto: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.





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