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Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron, District 27

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Upcoming Events:

Monday, 17 July **July Dinner Meeting** The Chelsea

1700 — Social Hour 1800 — Dinner 1900 — Meeting

Speaker: P/D/Č Floyd Quisenberry

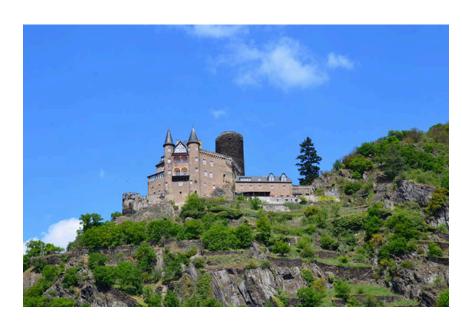
Week of July 23 **Cruise to Cape Lookout** Capt's meeting, 1000, 22 July at the Craven County Library See Commander's Report

Monday, August 7, 1900 CLSPS ExComm Mtg Christ Episcopal Church Library in the Parish Hall Bldg Pre-Dinner: Morgans 1730

Monday, August 21 **Solar Eclipse**

Friday-Saturday, August 25-26 **D27 Rendezvous** Wilmington, NC See page 9

Wednesday, October 18 **Grady-White Factory Tour** Greenville, NC Pictures from the United States Power Squadrons River Cruise Down the Rhine (and Moselle) River April 23-May 3 2017



One of many castles along the Rhine



Cologne Cathedral

CAPE LOOKOUT SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON BRIDGE

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Commander's Report

Cdr Lloyd Moore, JN



Squadron members and friends met in Beaufort on June 20 for a luncheon cruise of the Beaufort/Morehead City waterfront aboard the 100' vessel *Crystal Coast Lady*. It was an enjoyable afternoon, and the hot weather was kept at bay in the air-conditioned lower lounge.

Plans are in place for a cruise to Cape Lookout during the week of July 23. A captain's meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 22, at 10:00 am in the Craven County Library conference room, to decide on the final details. As noted in the last Outlook, Cape Lookout bight is a nice, big anchorage, but depths can be 20-25 feet, so your ground tackle should be sufficient to accommodate these depths. The Cape Lookout Lighthouse is open for climbing from Wednesday through Sunday, 9:45 am to 4:15 pm. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults.

Please let me know (email: Lloyd.Moore@suddenlink.net) if you're planning to join us on the Cape Lookout cruise.

The District 27 Rendezvous will be in Wilmington on 25 - 27 August. Activities on Saturday include a dinner cruise. If you're planning to go by boat, call the dockmaster at the City Docks, on (910) 520-6875 to reserve a slip. You can travel by "land yacht" and make reservations at the Riverside Hilton.

If you haven't toured the USS North Carolina, the WWII battleship berthed in Wilmington, be sure to make time to see it.

Cdr Moore is the CLSPS interim Port Captain. He is the point of contact for Local Knowledge in our boating area

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Early in June, we received a call from the family of one of our long time members, P/Lt/C Jessie Cudney, P requesting that our chaplain, P/C Ed Gagnon officiate at her memorial service on June 8. Jessie was a Senior member and served as Secretary for three years. Online condolences may be directed to www.pollockbest.com.

Our District 27 Rendezvous will be in Wilmington on August 25 and 26. Hotel Reservations at the Hilton Wilmington Riverside deadline is 7/24/17 and meeting reservations and payment to D27 are 7/24/17. Check the Carolina Bitts for additional information at http://www.uspsd27.org/newsletter.htm.

P/C Richard Tobacco will be recruiting Squadron members to volunteer for the upcoming MS Bike race on September 9 and 10. There will be a Saturday lunch stop in Ernul and a rest stop in Arapahoe on Sunday. Please support this event by volunteering to help on either Saturday or Sunday.

Advanced Piloting and ABC at CCC this Fall

CLSPS is going to continue our relationship with Craven Community College (CCC) this fall, offering Advanced Piloting (AP) and America's Boating Course (ABC) as part of CCC's Adult Enrichment Program. AP will start the last week of September, and ABC will begin on October 21. I'll be sending out full information as soon as all the particulars are confirmed with CCC. Our relationship with CCC has proven fruitful—they advertise our classes, handle registration and payments, and provide superior classroom facilities.

I've had one or two inquiries from folks who would like to take AP without first having taken Piloting (P). That's perfectly acceptable, but the AP class does rely on some of the material covered in P. If you are interested in AP, but haven't taken P, please give me a call to discuss.





Vessel Safety Check Program



Vessel Safety Team

As a boat operator, you are expected to make sure that your boat, referred to in the law as a vessel, carries at least a minimum of safety equipment (carriage requirements) and complies with federal and state regulations for such things as numbering and operation.

The Vessel Safety Check (VSC) is one of the services provided by US Power Squadrons who are dedicated to assisting the Coast Guard in promoting boating safety. This free vessel safety check is a courtesy examination of safety equipment carried or installed on a vessel and certain aspects of the vessel's overall condition. VSC requirements parallel Federal and State requirements with regard to equipment and vessel condition. If the vessel meets or exceeds all VSC requirements, the examiner will award the owner/operator a Vessel Safety Check decal. It must be emphasized that the VSC is NOT a law enforcement action and is not conducted by, nor is any information obtained or provided to any law enforcement organization. It is a FREE public service provided in the interest of boating safety.

The team has been very busy so far this year inspecting 395 vessels of all types, and have exceeded any previous years in the total number of VSC performed. But we are still available to check your vessel (or your neighbor's).

Royal Clipper, April 23, 2018 Cruise from Lisbon to Cannes is Filling Quickly

Fellow Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron members. Our previous sailings have been aboard the barkentines Star Flyer & Star Clipper. Royal Clipper is a five-masted squarerigged sailing 'ship'. On our first sailing, out from Saint Maarten, we had an at-sea rendezvous with the Royal Clipper - the vessel is magnificent!

If you have sailed with *Star Clippers* before you receive a 3% discount off the listed prices. Our travel agency, *High Country Travel & Tours*, owner is a member of CLSPS and as an incentive to book early, Julie is offering an additional \$50 per person discount and waive of the \$55 air ticketing fee if you book before July 1, 2017.

Information regarding trip details are on the <u>CLSPS website</u> home page, as well as links to slide shows of the previous *Star Clippers* cruises. A direct link to the pertinent page is http://clsps.org/westMed.html

Linda and I look forward to sailing with you. P/C Richard Tobacco, JN





Be safe from ESD

Six ways to prevent **electric shock drowning**.

While swimming deaths due to electricity fall into two categories, electrocution and electric shock drowning, both can be prevented the same way.

Electrocution can happen in fresh-or saltwater when swimmers make contact with energized metal dock fittings, boats or other structures due to faulty alternating current wiring.

ESD occurs when alternating current gets into freshwater from faulty wiring and passes through a swimmer, causing paralysis or even sudden death. With ESD a swimmer does not need to be touching a boat or dock structure, and even small amounts of electricity can be incapacitating and lead to drowning.

The risk of ESD is greatest in fresh-or brackish water, so some areas such as estuaries or rivers may only be in the danger zone after heavy rains. In saltwater, electrical current takes the path of least resistance, bypassing swimmers. Unlike a drowning swimmer, who typically can't yell out for help because their mouth is mostly underwater, an ESD victim is often confused about what is happening; may be able to shout; and will feel numbness, tingling, pain, and paralysis. Tingling in the swimmer's body is one of the early warning signs of ESD.

Here are six tips to prevent electrocution or ESD:

- 1. Never swim around boat docks that use electricity.
- 2. Post "no swimming" signs.
- 3. Have a qualified electrician with experience in dock electrical service inspect your private dock annually.
- 4. Install ground-fault protection on your boat and private dock.
- 5. Ask your marina if it has installed ground-fault protection, and if the electrical system is inspected and tested annually-just in case someone falls overboard. No one should ever swim in a marina.

6. Periodically test your boat for electrical leakage into the water.

What do you do if you see a distressed person in the water near a boat dock? First, don't jump in. Shut off power to the dock at the breaker panel, and if equipped, disconnect any power cable to the vessel. If power cannot be shut down, follow the "reach, throw, row, but don't go" mantra by using an oar, boat hook or throw a floatation device to reach the stricken person. –BoatUS

Booster Club

CLSPS 2017 Booster Club Members

Floyd Quisenberry
Bill & June Reasons
Lloyd & Jane Moore
Jim & Sherrie Starr
Marty & Tiki Warner
Owen & Carolyn Smith
Wayne Fretwell and Elaine Lechner

Money collected from the Booster Club helps defray the cost of our Dinner Meeting speakers.

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



Defense Structures, Strasbourg, France

Happy Birthday to the Following Members



July

Gagnon, Edward W. — 8 July Lechner, Elaine M. — 18 July Thomson, Julia M. — 19 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 Leahy, Robert F. — 14 July Byrne, Neal R. — 16 August McCulley, Carolyn C. — 17 August Oltz, Donald F. — 20 August



Bike MS Volunteers so far

Saturday, 9 September

0630-0830 Tobaccos

0830-1100 Dunns, Gils, Jane Moore, Tobaccos

1030-1330 Tobaccos

Sunday, 10 September

0800-1130 Gagnons, Warners

1130-1500 Gagnons

2017 Bike MS

Nine years ago Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron started the tradition of hosting a lunch-stop and a rest-stop for the bicyclists. Each year Fairfield Harbour volunteers have participated in this event. Bike-MS is a very successful money raising event for multiple-sclerosis research. Last year, for example, there were nearly 2,200 riders who through their donations raised 1.8 million dollars. Many of the cyclists know an individual who suffers with MS, others have the disease themselves.

To support the event requires more than 400 volunteers. The organizers appreciate the volunteers and treat both riders and volunteers with food and drink Saturday evening after the event. You will be proud to know that you are one of those groups recognized for volunteering.

This year we will again be hosting the Saturday lunch stop in Ernul and a rest stop in Arapahoe. As a volunteer you will be giving 3-4 hours of your time to help truly appreciative riders. Supporting this event is one of the most rewarding things you can do. Send me an email (rtobacco@suddenlink.net), indicating what day(s) and shift(s) (first or second) you can help out. Once you volunteer, I will provide you with additional information.



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



TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN, 1954 AND 2017

P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN <u>H</u>

"Ah, Horatio, it is good to be back in my own house and, yes, back in my own bed. While the two week journey was meaningful, it's always good to be home where the rules and regulations of life are familiar. Visiting my two sons and their families always results in rib splitting laughter, and with my daughters joining in, the organized chaos has left lasting memories.

"On a sad note, Lady Gwen's cremains were put to rest in the deeded Ash portion of the Westhampton Friedhof, witnessed by friends and relatives. It was difficult, but it brought closure. Afterwards the family headed for Rehoboth, Massachusetts for the graduation of my younger grandson from high school. William, III is headed to the U. Mass., Amherst for biomedical engineering.

"But Captain, rather than relating the facts and figures surrounding this remarkable trip, I thought it much more appropriate to relate a true story of my witnessing a total eclipse of the sun during my military stay in Bavaria in 1954. Such an event is scheduled for August of this year right here on the eastern seaboard. Let me tell you what happened back then, and I am not fooling. Hornblower, I suspect you have documented some of these while at sea. I hope you don't mind my telling you all of this.

"No, not at all, and yes, I have seen my share of them. So what did you experience?"

"I was stationed in Lenggries, Deutschland near the border with Austria. The scenery was spectacular. The native Bavarians were living in the beautiful past with solid church felt customs. Well, anyway, a report came through our unit that a total eclipse of the sun was due during the afternoon on a date I can't remember. My fellow soldiers and I obtained film from the PX and exposed the whole bunch, giving us the needed protection for looking at our great star. All at once the daylight began to dim and sure enough, here came the moon crossing between earth and the sun, right on time. The day had been crystal clear, without a cloud, warm, and very much a day during the summer of 1954. It could not have been nicer.

"Our military post was located at the base of the Brauneck, a tall mountain containing Deutschland's second fastest ski run. Only the heartiest of ski champions used the top of the mountain for summer skiing; one climbed for about four hours to the top as there was no skilift. Today there is. Back then, the record time for skiing the giant slalom down the Brauneck was two minutes and eleven seconds. All this just sets the stage. Are you still with me? Okay.

"As the eclipse came to a totality the surrounding countryside became eerie. It appeared to be out of earth, not belonging to the planet. I specifically remember it gave us the 'willies'. We were young, tough, in great physical shape, indestructible, but we were not immune from the 'willies.' What happened next is for *Ripley's Believe it or Not*.

"Immediately after the eclipse, the sun came back as before but, something was wrong. The landscape remained eerie. Fast moving clouds came from the southwest, from behind the mountain, and quickly covered the sky. One sensed a change in the weather and it was fast in coming. The sky opened up delivering an enormous amount of rain which would continue for the better part of two weeks. Small rivulets became rushing streams leading into the Isar river which overflowed its banks leading to serious flooding. Roads closed, trees were uprooted and the countryside was awash.

"We young, tough and indestructible men in uniform were shocked by all this, but what really 'busted' our chops was the blizzard-like conditions on the upper half of the mountain. Heavy snows had fallen, in July, from the top of the Brauneck half way down the mountain. The local authorities could have scheduled another *Deutsche Alpine Skimeisterschaft* like the one in 1952, had they known this was to happen. Our war-dog training program might have to be altered. Was the change in the weather due to

the eclipse? Probably not, but try convincing the elderly Bavarians of that."

"P/C, not once have you ever related anything of this experience. Your story is very interesting. I must mention, however, that while you were away I happened to use your television and watched a program about Bavaria. I think the moderator referred to Bavaria as Oberbayern and Unterbayern. You were stationed in Oberbayern. Yes?" I nodded to the yes, wondering how he learned to use the television. I was proud of him.

"Horatio, I'll bet it was the same T/V program I had watched a few months back showing the high water mark in the German city of Passau which is located on the Donau (Danube) river. The high water mark is still there for all to see. The Isar river flows through Lenggries, down through Muenchen (Munich) and connects with the Danube. The record flooding right after the eclipse made a mark on much of Bavaria. And to think I was there for all of this.

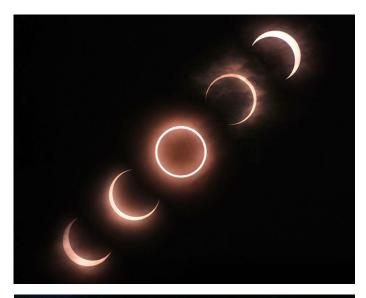
"I feel comfortable relating this story to you as it truly is an example of how the weather is capable of swift change, and any person with nautical interests should file away whatever information he or she may come across. I'm glad I had no boat in the water over on the Danube in 1954 because the spring lines would not have been long enough. Keep your eye on the weather when the eclipse is due. I'll bet nothing happens. But then again, then again, maybe something will. Horatio, why not stop off here at *Waldhaus Ash* and visit on the day of the eclipse, because I'm not going anywhere, and the spring lines on the *Jolly Tar* are plenty long enough."

The date Bill observed this Solar Eclipse was June 30, 1954. (Ed)

Our upcoming Solar Eclipse is August 21, 2017.

While we'll get a partial eclipse in our area, if you travel south to Columbia, SC the eclipse will start at 1:03 PM and end at 4:06 PM EDT. The Totality will be from 2:41-2:44—it doesn't last long!

Samples of a Solar Eclipse





Don't look at the Eclipse with your bare eyes
—it'll boil your eyeballs!!

June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



Student Who Obtained 0% On An Exam

I would have given him 100%! Each answer is absolutely grammatically correct, and funny too. The teacher had no sense of humor.

Q1.. In which battle did Napoleon die?

*His last battle

Q2.. Where was the Declaration of Independence signed?

*At the bottom of the page

Q3.. River Ravi flows in which state?

*Liquid

Q4.. What is the main reason for divorce?

*Marriage

Q5.. What is the main reason for failure? *Exams

Q6.. What can you never eat for breakfast?

*Lunch & dinner

Q7.. What looks like half an apple? *The other half

Q8.. If you throw a red stone into the blue sea, what will it become?

*Wet

Q9.. How can a man go eight days without sleeping? *No problem, he sleeps at night.

Q10. How can you lift an elephant with one hand? *You will never find an elephant that has one hand.

Q11. If you had three apples and four oranges in one hand and four apples and three oranges in other hand, what would you have?

*Very large hands

Q12. If it took eight men ten hours to build a wall, how long would it take four men to build it?

*No time at all, the wall is already built.

Q13. How can you drop a raw egg onto a concrete floor without cracking it?

*Any way you want, concrete floors are very hard to crack.



D/27 Rendezvous in Wilmington, NC Reservation Form

Come by boat or car: Aug 25 – 26, 2017 Hotel Reservations by 07-24-2017



Rank	First		Last	Grade	Cert. No.
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Address			City	State	ZIP
Phone		email address		Squadron	

eservations and Payment Must Be Submitted by 24 July 2017

Mail to: Jack Moore, 859 Linda Lane, Charlotte, NC 28211-2034 Checks should be payable to "District 27"

You may pay by PayPal 🔝 by going to the D/27 website Calendar page

(www.uspsd27.org/calendar) and click on the PayPal button.

Friday 25 August 2017:

Reception with heavy hors d'oeuvres plus cash bar Location: Riverside Hilton, Wilmington, NC \$18.00 x ___ = \$_ Dinner is on your own. See list of restaurants in welcome package.

Saturday 26 August 2017: Dinner cruise, Caribbean theme, cash bar available

(Cruise is approximately 2 hours long on 60' pontoon boat.)

\$55.00 x

Boat Dockage Information:

The City of Wilmington maintains 450 feet of dock space on the Cape Fear River at the Hilton Wilmington Riverside Hotel, which can be rented by members attending the D/27 Rendezvous

Dock space rental is \$1.25 per foot and includes water and WIFI. Electrical service is available for \$3 per day for 30-amp electrical service and \$5 per day for 54-amp electrical service. Reservations may be made by calling Dockmaster Johathan Batts (910) 520-6875 and letting him know you are with "District 27 USPS". There are NO shower facilities but public restrooms

This information may also be found at www.wilmingtonnc.gov and going to the Parks and

Recreation Department pages.
For members trailering boats to the Rendezvous, there is a nice launching ramp with trailer parking space in downtown Wilmington approximately one mile (South) down river from the Hilton hotel at the end of Castle Street.



Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron July Dinner Meeting Reservation Form Monday, July 17, 2017



The Chelsea, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC 1700 Social Hour 1800 Dinner 1900 Meeting Our Speaker is P/D/C Floyd Quisenberry on the history of CLSPS

Dinner will include:

Mixed Green Salad with House Vinaigrette, Dinner Rolls with Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee and Water, Strawberry Layer Cake

Main Course entrée selections are:

- 1. Baked Salmon, Champagne Dill Sauce, Rice Pilaf, Sauteed Green Beans
- 2. Beef Tenderloin Shoulder with Cabernet Demi Glace, Garlic Smashed Potatoes and Sauteed Green Beans

3. Shrimp and Grits	
Name:	Dinner Choice:
Name:	Dinner Choice:
Number attending	x \$25.00 each = Amount enclosed \$

The Chelsea requests the head count and entrée selection by Monday, July 10, so please send your entree choice and check, made payable to CLSPS, to:

Lt/C Paul Manganaro, 813 Fork Point Rd. Oriental, NC 28571 252 249-0796

Although Paul can take phone or email reservations, please remember your reservation is a commitment to attend the dinner and pay for it!

Ships Store

Lt Van Allen Rice, 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.

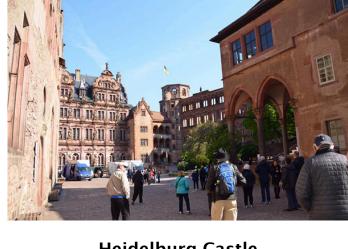
If anyone has any suggestions for other items to be carried in the Ship's Store, please let me know.

You can contact me at 252-631-1220, or email me at varbls@aol.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.

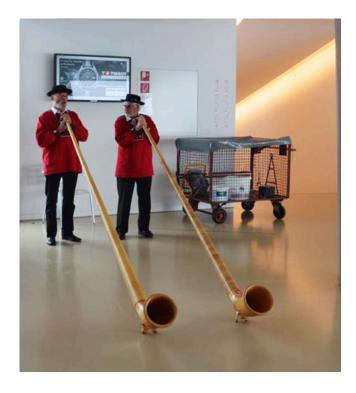
More Pictures from the Rhine River Cruise



Black forest from Mount Merkur above Baden Baden



Heidelburg Castle



Richard and Linda Tooting their Horn



Cochem Castle on the Moselle River



Statue overlooking the Rhine River



Tulips in Keukenhof Gardens near **Amsterdam**

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Don't forget to patronize our advertisers, and be sure to tell them you are from CLSPS and that you saw their ad in The Outlook.

NEW ADDRESS:

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.

Please provide information to the **Editor by** the 20th of the month by e-mail for the next newsletter. Late items will appear in the next issue of the Outlook. Marty Warner-rwarner4@ec.rr.com

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