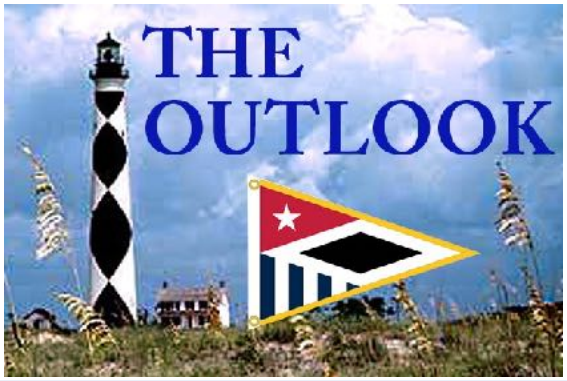


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Upcoming Events:

Monday, November 2, 1900
November ExComm Meeting
Via Zoom

Thursday, November, 12, 1800
November Dinner Meeting
Paula's Italian Restaurant

Monday, December 7, 1900
December ExComm Meeting
Via Zoom

December 13, 1600
CLSPS Holiday Party, Gift Exchange
Whitley's, 4606 Helen Lane

CLSPS Chili Cook-Off, October 17, 2026







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Happy Fall to you all!

We had a few rainy days at the beginning of the month, but the end of October has been beautiful. Let us hope the rest of the year stays nice. I hope you have had a chance to get outside and enjoy the good weather. We finally got *Fair Winds* away from the dock to see if she was still working. It was a lot of preparation for a short time on the water, but it was worth it.

As I write this article, Duane Mixon, Lloyd and Jane Moore, and I are participating in the new Advanced Marine Navigation (AMN) Instructors Course. I for one , am learning a whole new way to do and teach AMN. The course is dragging me by kicking and screaming into the 21st century. The basic concepts have not changed; we are still using all the methods we have done for years. The difference is how we use them. To begin with, NOAA is no longer printing any paper charts. All navigation information is now contained in a massive database in a digital format. This has been the case for many years, but now it is the only way it is done. All charting is now computer based and we are using a free downloadable program called OpenCPN. The more I learn the more I like it. USPS has finally accepted the fact that everyone is using marine electronics as the primary navigation method. When we complete this seminar (in 4 or 5 more weeks) Duane is going to set up a class for you. If you have been putting off Advanced Marine Navigation (Advanced Piloting) because it was outdated, now is your chance. I really think you will like it now.

I am sorry Bev and I missed the Chili Cook off. We had to make an unplanned trip to Indianapolis. The good part was the drive through the mountains. The scenery was fantastic on the way north but a little dark and damp on the way back.

Your bridge has lots of things planned for the rest of the year. Hope to see you there!

Fair Wind, Bud

The Outlook and other great information are available at the CLSPS website:
http://www.clsps.org

Education Officer

Lt/C Duane Mixon, P



Education Department Update

With Halloween now behind us and the holiday season quickly approaching, many of us are beginning the annual transition from busy days on the water to winter projects, maintenance lists, and dreaming about next season's adventures. While some boats may already be tucked away under covers for the winter, the off-season is actually one of the best times to invest in boating education and sharpen skills that will make next year's cruising safer, easier, and more enjoyable.

We're continuing to look forward to our upcoming **America's Boating Course** sessions at **Craven Community College** on **November 7th and November 14th**. These classes are a fantastic opportunity for new boaters to begin their boating education journey, meet fellow boating enthusiasts, and gain the knowledge needed to boat safely and confidently. If you know friends, family members, neighbors, or coworkers who have talked about getting into boating, please encourage them to register. More information and registration can be found through the Craven Community College Recreation & Wellness program at Craven Community College Recreation & Wellness.

Our advanced education programs continue to move forward as well. Currently, **Assistant SEOs Lloyd and Jane Moore, SEO Duane Mixon, and Commander Bud Ellis** are participating in the new **Advanced Marine Navigation** course. Over the first four classes, students have explored both the instructional techniques needed to effectively teach in a virtual classroom environment and the powerful capabilities of **OpenCPN**, one of the most widely used open-source chart plotting and navigation applications available to boaters today.

The new Advanced Marine Navigation curriculum represents a significant evolution in boating education, emphasizing modern electronic navigation tools while reinforcing traditional navigation concepts. Participants have been diving deep into route planning, chart interpretation, and the practical application of electronic navigation systems that today's cruisers rely on every day.

As we move into Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the New Year season, remember that boating education never really has an off-season. Every course completed, every navigation concept learned, and every skill practiced during the winter months helps prepare us for safer and more confident adventures when warmer weather returns. Whether you're planning next year's cruising destinations, preparing for a longer voyage, or simply looking to expand your boating knowledge, now is the perfect time to stay engaged with your squadron's educational opportunities.

Navigation Trivia Question Advanced Marine Navigation Trivia:

When creating a route in OpenCPN or plotting a course on a nautical chart, what information does a navigator use to account for the difference between True North and Magnetic North?

A. Variation
B. Deviation
C. Leeway
D. Set and Drift

We'll reveal the answer in next month's newsletter. Happy learning, enjoy the holiday season, and as always... fair winds and following seas!

Administrative Officer

Lt/C Clair Mixon



So we've had the crisp chilly mornings, the football and chili and I'm eager for turkey and dressing. Fall is in full swing and I'm trying to enjoy it as long as I can before Christmas takes over.

The Mixon's have had a busy land-side life lately which is a bit disappointing because October on our boat tends to be my most favorite time of year. There's always 2027! That's hard to even type.

Thanks to everyone for pitching in and having a great Chili Cook-off. I got to taste some really yummy leftovers so thanks for that.

I hope to see you all at our next meeting/dinner at Paula's on Thursday, November 12th at 6pm. We have a fun guest coming to take us through the book-writing process. Jesse Pitman is a local author who is a delight to listen to. His latest book, Shadows On Brice's Creek, will be released in the next week so we can hear him talk about it.

On November 2nd at 6pm we will have a Zoom call to plan the holiday party, so please let me know if you'd like instructions on how to dial in. If you are on the Excom it will be just before the 7pm Zoom call. The Whitley's will once again host us for the party. It will be on Sunday, December 13th at 4pm. It will be a potluck so stay tuned for more on that later. Our annual gift exchange will feature gifts that can be eaten (think nuts, chocolate, treats, restaurant gift card, hot sauce, BBQ or spices).

Happy Fall Y'all!

MEMBERSHIP

P/C Jane Moore, AP



Chili Cook-off

Just a quick note to thank you all for coming to the Fairfield Harbour Community Center on Saturday during the storm. Thankfully, we were able to contact the FH POA to secure the "indoor facility" at the last minute on Friday afternoon. We also had two guests, Linda Warner and Bill Shattuck, invited by Elaine. Marty Warner was our photographer for the event and posted his photos in this newsletter.

Raymond held a 50/50 and Juli Voelker was the winner of $30.00. Donation to the Squadron from three guests - $30.00. Our small Ship Store was available - total sales $35.00.

Thank you for all the delicious chili, cornbread, desserts and toppings - cheeses, onions, sour cream. Clair was unable to attend, but she prepared the ribbons for the winners, thank you so much!

Thank you Linda Whitley for taking the reservations and we were sorry you couldn't attend.

After everyone had a chance to taste everything and to vote: our winners were:

1st place Chicken chili - Tiki Warner

2nd place Hot and Spicy chili - Suzanne Madison

3rd place tie - Elaine Lechner - Beef chili and Jane Moore - Beef & Bean chili

1st place for cornbread - Elaine Lechner - Mexican cornbread

2nd place Lloyd Moore - Jiffy cornbread muffins

3rd place Annalee Ash - Southern Bacon Ranch cornbread

1st place for dessert - Juli Voelker - Oreo Lasagne dessert

2nd place Elaine Lechner - Swedish Chocolate Cake

3rd place Rhoda Fort & Ron Davis - Peanut butter pie tarts

Thanks again to everyone who arrived early to help set up the tables and chairs, bring music, the beverages, hospitality supplies, ice and cooler, take home containers for leftovers, our CLSPS banner and burgee and extension cords! And stayed to put away all the tables, chairs and help with clean-up.

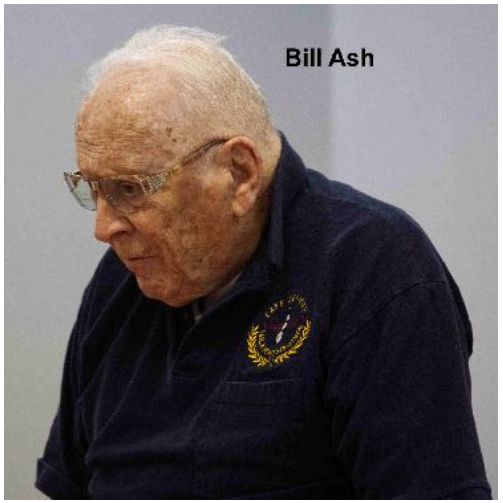
Note: a black Calphalon serving spoon was left and I will bring it to the next meeting.

Bud and Bev, we were thinking of you and hope you had a safe trip home.

We hope to see everyone at our next dinner on November 12 at 6:00 pm at Paula's Italian Restaurant. The invitation will be out this week.

Jane Moore
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For tons of information about what's going on in our own District 27, take a look at their website:
District 27 of the United States Power Squadrons: http://www.uspsd27.org/

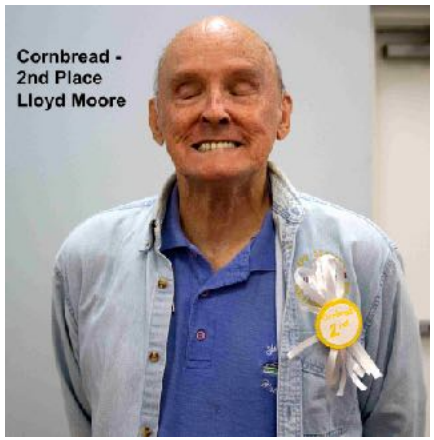

Chili - 1st Place
Tiki Warner


Chili - 2nd Place
Suzanne Madison


Chili, Tied for 3rd Place -
Jane Moore & Elaine Lechner


Chili with all the Fixin's


Cornbread - 1st Place
Elaine Lechner


Cornbread -
2nd Place
Lloyd Moore


Cornbread -
3rd Place
AnnaLee &
Lydia Ash


Ron Davis


Dessert - 1st Place
Juli Voelker
Oreo Lasagne


Dessert - 2nd Place
Elaine Lechner
Swedish Chocolate Cake


Dessert - 3rd Place
Rhoda Fort &
Ron Davis
Peanut Butter
Pie Tarts


Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron
Elaine Lechner
LInda Warner
Bill Shattuck

Booster Club

Only a small portion (about $17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. Money collected from our members (50-50 drawing) helps defray the cost of our Dinner Meeting speakers and other incidentals (cards & flowers). We appreciate your help keeping our books in the Black.

$10 a person is a suggested amount per year.

2026 Booster Club

Ray & Linda Whitley
Lloyd & Jane Moore
Carolyn and Owen Smith
Marty & Tiki Warner
Elaine Lechner

Happy Birthday to the Following Members



October

Stevens, James — 18 October
Doyle, Mark — 27 October

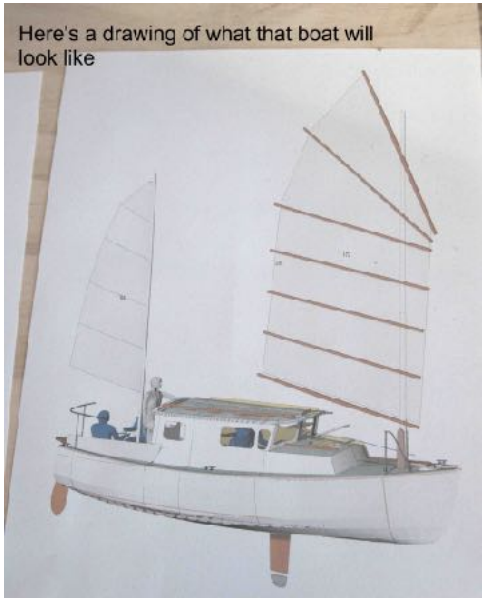
2026 B and B Yacht Designs Messabout

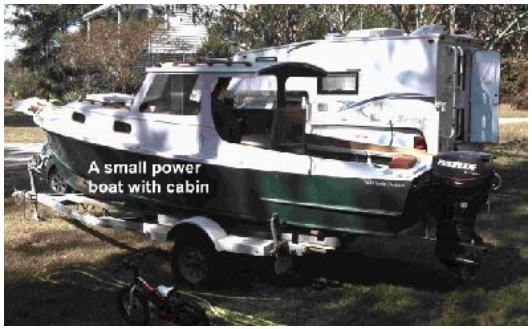
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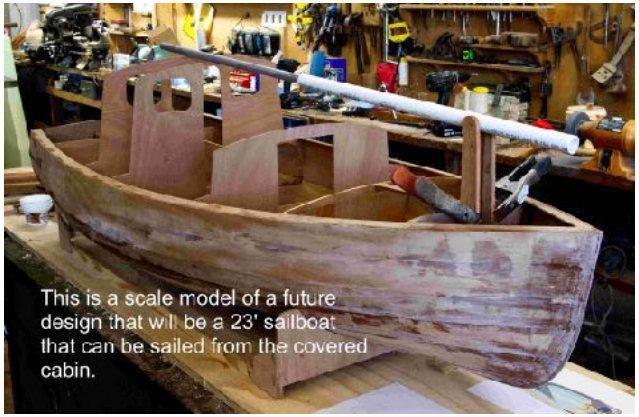
Graham Byrnes is a naval architect, originally from Australia, who lives and works in Pamlico County. He used to teach the Boatbuilding Class in Pamlico Community College. He no longer teaches that class, but he still has a Business building and selling Kits for mostly small sailboats. Every year he sponsors a Messabout (a get together) for folks that have built his kits. I took his boatbuilding class back in '06-'08, and built a dinghy. I've kept in touch with Graham, and attended this year's Messabout..

His website is: bandbyachtdesigns.com. Look at plans and kits to see samples of his boats.

Here's a sampling of some of the boats in attendance.










Core Sound 20 Mk 3.
This is a popular boat
in the last several
years. A Cat/Ketch rig
is standard.

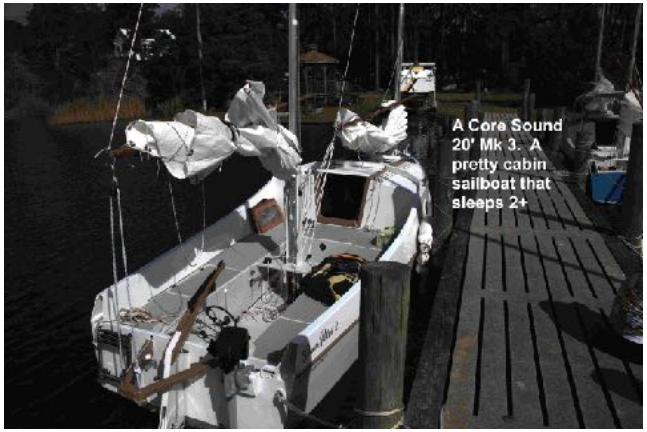

A Core Sound 20'


Spindrift 12 getting ready to
launch (owner in blue)


NC 2657 NK
Core Sound 20 Mk 3.
Note hole in bow
where a bowsprit
can be rigged


Bay River Skiff 15'. My
boat.


A 12' Spindrift sailing
dinghy. It's the owner/
builder's first time
sailing (in blue).


A Core Sound
20' Mk 3. A
pretty cabin
sailboat that
sleeps 2+


An Everglades
Challenge 22'--pretty
racy. Graham won the
Everglades Challenge
with a boat like this.

B and B Yachts cont.

You can see an evolution from the base Core Sound and Bay River Skiff—no cabin, to the Mk 3 models with a fully enclosed fore deck. As their names imply, the Bay River is pretty protected compare to the more open Core Sound, and the Core Sound boats are built heavier with more protection than the Bay River Skiffs.

Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron
November Dinner Meeting, Thursday, November 12 1800
Paula's Italian Restaurant
Guest Speaker: Author, Jesse Pitman
Meal is: Order off the Menu

Please contact Linda Whitley at lindaswhitley@gmail.com or 301-651-2445 text - by Monday, November 9th with the number off attendees in your party in order to notify restaurant.

Calling For Any and ALL nominations for the '27/'28 CLSPS Bridge.

If you would like to be a member of the Officer's Bridge this coming year, please speak with Lydia, Jane or Lloyd at your earliest convenience. Discussions are underway for the slate of officers and we do not want to miss any chance to put names forward for our upcoming year! I know we're all busy, but it is critical that we get this slate together prior to the next meeting as we will be rushing into the holidays!

Thanks for your attention to this announcement!

Ships Store Inventory

3 x Base Ball Caps: White with CLSPS Logo. In Stock $15.00

Knit Polo Shirts: Ladies short sleeve knit shirts -Navy w/CLSPS 50th Anniversary $15
1 X Small
2 X Medium
1 X Large

9 X Squadron Burgee sells for $30.00.
In Stock. 12"x18"



5 x Pennant magnets are priced at $5. They can be placed on your vehicle or refrigerator.

1 x Reflector Safety Vest — ABC Geodetic Marker Recover Team, Size L, $30.00

The inventory on hand has Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron logo and United States Power Squadron logo, with CLSPS and Burgee

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Contact P/C Jane Moore at pc@clsps.org or 252-637-5547.

Local New Bern, NC contact for embroidery: Scott Gaskins, nbstatman20@gmail.com, 252 514-8460.

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NEW ADDRESS:
Members can update their information through the Member Portal. Please notify Lloyd Moore (252-571-2391) Lloyd.moore@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. OR members can update themselves with iMIS Member Portal

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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