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Celebrate St Petersburg Sail and Power Squadron's

85th Birthday

1939 — 2024

Wednesday, 12 June 2024

Cocktails and Social start at 5:30pm

Dinner served at 6:00pm

Meeting to begin at 7:00pm

Guest Speaker—*District Commander Ron Jones, AP*

St Petersburg Yacht Club

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Believe It or Not

June 2002 by P/D/C Tom Krupa

The first beer can was introduced in 1935 by Kreuger Beer.

Mosquito repellents don't repel. They hide you. The spray blocks the mosquito's sensors so they don't know you're there.

For those who own pearls—watch out—they melt in vinegar.

The human brain can hold 500 times more info than a set of encyclopedias — but will your memory let you recall the info?

2023 DISTINCTIVE COMMUNICATOR AWARD NEWSLETTER

'Distinctive Communicator' is an award for the publications that meet or exceed USPS defined criteria.
Our Force 12 has been recognized for this award.

A Tribute to our Heritage

Reprint of June 2002 Article
By Bert Beckoff, P

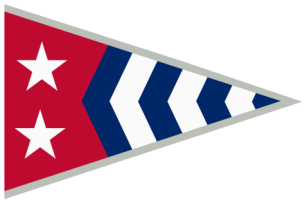
Founder's Day is a day we all can look to with both appreciation and pride. Appreciation for the group of twelve founders led by Charles S. West on June 15, 1939.

The St Petersburg Sail & Power Squadron has indeed become the shining star that we fly on our boats' waving burgees. We are both known and respected among our peers for all the accomplishments and performance of duty to the community.

We stand primarily for the continuance of three basic concepts: self education, civic service and fraternal boating club. These three ideals form the triangle of our goals. All three sides of this triangle must continue to exist to keep and show our respect not only to the founders of our squadron, but also to those who have contributed to our squadron's magnificent history.

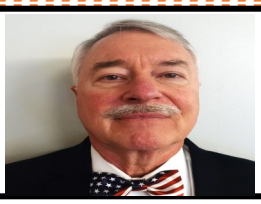
We have to look not just back but also forward to the present and future years. We cannot live on our past laurels. Every day that we exist we must find ways to make the future as fulfilling as the past. A squadron that only looks back on past accomplishments cannot truly survive. The stars on our burgee must continue to shine.

Each of us has a duty to perform not only to our founders, but to ourselves.



Our burgee has 2 stars to represent that we were the second squadron chartered in the State of Florida, the 7 stripes indicate that we practice safe boating 7 days a week and the colors of red, white and blue reflect our National pride.
The platinum band was added in 2014 to signify our 75th Anniversary.

Commander
Cdr Fred Hauck, JN



These past few months have been fairly busy with various events. In April, we had the District 22 Spring Conference in Punta Gorda, which was attended by several of our squadron members. Thank You to the following squadron members who attended as our delegates: Carol Segundo, Bob Potter, Michael McBride, Rebecca McBride, Louis McBride, Bruce Rodgers, Dawn Eckhart and Douglas Townes. Of note, Our Treasurer, Casey Considine was re-elected as District Treasurer and our Executive Officer, Louis McBride was nominated and voted in as the new District 22 Secretary! Congratulations Casey and Louis!

During the conference, we had several good roundtable discussions. I sat in on several, including First Aid for Boaters (great information on improving your on-board first aid kit) and the Importance of Public Relations (I am proud to say that we are doing several items mentioned). One program that was mentioned and we had previously discussed last November, is the Jump Start Program which provides hands on water training for new boaters. While we do have a program manager, Executive Officer Louis McBride, we do need volunteers to provide the hands-on water training.

April-May we had great spring weather which led to better boating conditions as members were able to venture to Caladesi Island State Park for a weekend of fun and relaxation. Thanks to Dawn Eckhart for hosting the event. May activities concluded with a barbeque at the Commander's home. Thank you to those who attended and also to those who brought sides to share.

We had Nicole Carlisle, Senior Meteorologist, Marine Program Leader for the National Weather Service -Tampa Bay Area and Christianne Pearce, meteorologist, as our presenters at the April meeting. The May meeting brought us Eckerd College Search and Rescue's (ECSAR) Colin Lang, Maintenance and Operations Supervisor, Tyler Massey and Carly Dehn (students and ECSAR members) presenting.

Please mark your calendar for our June Founder's Day meeting, 12 June, our 85th birthday!

As we take the opportunity this summer to relax and enjoy the weather, boating, family, friends, or whatever else you may like to do, please do consider SPSPS and what it can do for you and what you can do for it. Bottom line, we need volunteers. Many on the current bridge have been serving in one capacity or another for four to five years straight. They, too, would like the opportunity to relax and enjoy other events in their lives. So, please consider donating your time and talents to keep this Squadron alive and kicking. There are many opportunities to help, some you can do from home and would only take a short time each month and others use your skill to organize boating events and social events, etc.

Last year when I became our squadron's Commander, I sent out a note asking for volunteers. The requirement still holds true. The opportunities are endless and the rewards are great. Remember the squadron's success depends on your participation. We still need people willing to:

- Use word and excel spread sheets to move data from one platform to another
- Help teach classes or become an instructor
- Help plan monthly meetings and contact speakers for our meetings
- Become a Vessel Safety Examiner
- Help plan new member receptions
- Notify people via email that their dues are due
- Send out welcoming emails to new members
- Jump Start program on the water trainers
- Sponsor an activity of your own or participate in Cooperative Charting
- Graphics person to make some new flyers or update existing ones
- Birthday Greetings - Interim Assistant
- Confirm educational courses by email
- Call members on a regular basis

Don't forget to check out our Facebook page (America's Boating Club - St. Petersburg) for seminars, classes and other events that are posted! When you see an event posted, please "Like" it and forward to your "friends", etc. to spread the word.

We have the entire coastline as our water playground year-round! We would love to do more anchor outs, raft-ups, marina visits, visit local "haunts", have BBQs, etc.! If you have a favorite place or event - let's go! **So, go out and have a great summer!**

Executive Officer
Lt/C Louis McBride, P

Hello all, hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day and enjoyed the great camaraderie at the Annual Memorial BBQ hosted by Commander Hauck and Michele at their home!

Safe Boating Week was held 18 - 24 May—did you get your annual vessel safety exam? Remember, a vessel checked means that there's another safe boat out in the bay. If you still need your safety exam, please contact one of our Vessel Examiners listed on page 6 to schedule your appointment.

We are planning the following activities over the next couple months, so remember to mark your calendar for the dates.

- 12 June – General Meeting (Founder's Day) at St Pete Yacht Club. Keynote speaker will be District 22 Commander Ron Jones to help celebrate our 85th anniversary! Don't miss out on this amazing event and BBQ!
- 13 June and 11 July - Luncheon at Portofino's Restaurant. Meet with other members for a tasty Italian lunch!
- 15 June - Egmont Key Beach Day. Ready for the best beach of the West that is in the East? Come join us for the Egmont Key Beach day!
- 16 June - Happy Father's Day to all the fathers and those awaiting an arrival.
- 12 - 28 June - Sea Scout Cruise. Sea Scouts from SSS Ballyhoo (Ship 912) will be cruising from St. Petersburg to Fisherman's Village on Peace River in Punta Gorda and back. With SPSPS help, we do the education and cooking part of the program for the scouts. If interested in joining this cruise, contact Louis McBride and Michael McBride.
- 13 July - Pass-a-Grille Beach Cleanup
- 27 July - James Museum Tour. Ready to experience western and wildlife art? This Museum provides over 400 works of art within 26,000 square feet of space! Watch for details via email.

Beach Clean-up: Saturday 13 July

Enjoy a one hour walk / beach cleanup
starting at 9am at the
south end of Pass-A-Grille Beach right by
the Castle Hotel.

Gloves and bags are provided or bring your own.

We meet at the
Seahorse Restaurant, Pass-A-Grille
at 8am to enjoy
their amazing menu for an early breakfast.

Contact Lt/C Louis McBride, P for more info at
louismcbride219@outlook.com

The beach cleanups are hosted by Sea Scout Ship Ballyhoo 912 every other month

Monthly Meetings

St. Petersburg Yacht Club

See details for the June Meeting
On the front cover of this Force 12

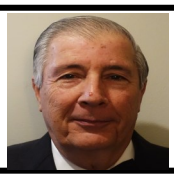
Our 85th Birthday Celebration

Remember -
parking in the SPYC Garage is INCLUDED.

Last date for reservations or cancellations is 5pm the Friday prior to each meeting

Next dinner meeting will be 11 September

Education Officer
Lt/C Robert Cox, Jr, JN



Summer has arrived and along with sun, heat and humidity, hurricane season is here!! As you will note, summer is a great time for the power boats and fishermen, but the winds seem to be slack for the sail boaters. But do not despair, as the wind will arrive with rain as the fronts and wind roll in from the sea (onshore breeze) and collide with the offshore breeze blowing from the warm land mass. However, keep in mind, they are also the ingredients for those pesky afternoon thunderstorms, which you want to avoid. So keep a weather eye on the horizon as you are out on the water enjoying the warm, sunny weather; and don't forget your sunscreen. As your summer activities proceed, checking the weather forecast should be the first thing you do prior to venturing out on the water.

We will be taking a break from our education classes during the summer and will be back in full swing starting in late August with Boater Safety, and early September with Offshore Navigation and Advanced Marine Navigation. And for those eager to learn more about onshore and offshore winds, the Weather Course will begin 17 September.

Congratulations to our recent Boating Safety Class graduates of the March Class: John Adams, Danielle Carr, Rich Cusolito, Richard Giardina, Jeanne Marchak, Lindsay & Marc Shaw, Angier & Jason Smith, and Doug & Wendy Wisehaupt. Also, congratulations to our recent graduates of the Cruise Planning Course: George Baulig, Joe Muczynski and Zoran Stanisic; and the Marine Navigation Course: Buck Johnson.

The 2024 Fall Training Calendar is below and posted on our Squadron website.

	Start	Day	# Week	End Date	Instructor	Cost w/ Book	Share Book
Boating Safety Course							
Boating Safety Course - 3	31-Aug	SAT	1 Day	31-Aug	Jeff Eckhart	$70.00	$35.00
Boating Safety Course - 4	26-Oct	SAT	1 Day	26-Oct	Jeff Eckhart	$70.00	$35.00
Seminars							
On Board Emergencies	18-Sep	WED	1	18-Sep	Howard Rothstein	$35.00	$15.00
How to Use a Chart	16-Oct	WED	1	16-Oct	TBD	$35.00	$15.00
Advanced Courses							
Offshore Navigation (JN)	3-Sep	TUES	12	19-Nov	George Baulig Stan Morse	$125.00	$50.00
Adv Marine Navigation (AP)	5-Sep	THUR	10	7-Nov	Bob Cox	$75.00	$35.00
Weather	17-Sep	TUES	8	5-Nov	Bruce Rodgers	$75.00	$35.00
Boat Handling(S)	7-Nov	THUR	5	12-Dec	Bob Zewski	$75.00	$50.00

If you don't see either a course or seminar that you are interested in, please send me an email.

Americas Boating Channel https://americasboatingchannel.com/ is a great resource for boating info. Also, the ABC phone app is free. USPS created this app with links to resources, educational and safety resources at your fingertips for reference and to enhance your safe boating experience. Check it out at Boating App from America's Boating Club https://americasboatingclub.org/app.

Remember safe boating and education are the hallmark of having fun on the water; we are here to serve you and the local boating community.

Safety Article

By Lt Joe Muczynski, Safety Officer

Controlled Jibes - Boom Brakes and Preventers

Steady winds, calm waves, an attentive helmsman, proper sail trim and mainsheet handling provide wonderful conditions for successful downwind sailing and jibing. Avoiding danger is challenging when one or more of these conditions worsens.

An uncontrolled jibe occurs when the mainsail backwinds unexpectedly, causing it to swing quickly and stop abruptly with severe forces. The violence to equipment is shocking and may further endanger crew. Broken hardware may catapult after sudden release of tension, due to overstressed attachment points in the hull, boom, or traveler. Insufficiently strong attachment points have historically caused uncontrolled jibe injury and death on multiple occasions.

Crew below deck will notice a rapid reversal of heel and movement of loose objects big and small to the low side. Crew overboard may be injured and without assistance until the maelstrom onboard is resolved. There are two common equipment-based approaches to improve crew safety during uncontrolled jibes.

Boom brakes (e.g., Walden) uses friction to slow the boom swing. The braking force must be adjusted to match changing wind and sea conditions. Correct tension in this line can fully prevent boom swing and control it during a jibe. Installed abaft of the mast, boom brakes can be permanently installed. They swing with the boom during a jibe and after tensioning are ready for prevention on the new point of sail.

Boom preventers control boom swing with tension opposing unexpected leeward forces, similar to how mainsheet tension controls windward forces. Unlike the main sheet, the preventer sheet is often relocated after each jibe or duplicated to service port and starboard operating positions. Because main sheet tension opposes preventer tension on the boom, these tandem lines must be trimmed together. Proper trim maintains tension in both lines, while preventing mainsheet chaffing on mast spreaders. Multiple designs for attachment points exist due to conflicting pros and cons.

Boom attachment is best near the clew to provide the longest lever arm for mechanical advantage, which also supports the boom during collision with waves while heeling. Line attachment to the clew end of the boom is more difficult, so consider proactively installing a large bowline loop or strap with eyelets (2/3 boom length). Alternatively, the boom attachment is mid-boom for convenience.

Preventer sheets are run forward to a fairlead (e.g., mooring cleat, toe rail or chainplate block), then aft to a deck cleat or mainsheet winch. Fairlead attachment near the bow keeps the deck clear and minimizes opportunities for entanglement with normal running rigging while sailing. Fairlead attachment abaft the bow avoids crew activity on the bow after each jibe and reduces the number of standing/running rigging obstacles through which the preventer line must be correctly threaded over, under and around. Alternatively, the spinnaker spar downhaul can be used as the preventer line for the main boom spar. Less mechanical advantage, attachment point loads and generous safety factors must be considered when choosing and installing all boom brake and preventer equipment.

An excellent YouTube video from the Maryland School of Sailing supplements this article well and is available here: https://youtu.be/qAhUWCa-KoQ?si=h_lOd9wC92NFfccj

Schedule your 2024 inspection!

The decal indicates that your boat has the required safety equipment.

Make sure to contact any one of our dedicated inspectors directly:

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Bob Zewski bobzewski@yahoo.com

or our chair: **Jeff Eckhart —** jeffeckhart41@gmail.com or 727-295-5920
Please contact Jeff if interested in joining the 'team'!

Calendar of Events

Time	Event	Location	Contact
June			
5	6:30pm	EXCOM Meeting	St Pete Yacht Club	Cdr Fred Hauck
12	5:30pm	Founder's Day Meeting	St Pete Yacht Club	Cdr Fred Hauck
13	11:30am	Lunch Bunch	Portofino's, St Pete	Lt Becky McBride
15	11:00am	Egmont Key Beach Day		Lt Terry Sicard
16				
17	7:00pm	Suddenly in Command Seminar		Lt/C Bob Cox
24	7:00pm	Hurricane and Boats Seminar		Lt/C Bob Cox
July				
4				
11	11:30am	Lunch Bunch	Portofino's, St Pete	Lt Becky McBride
13	9:00am	Beach Clean Up	Pass-a-Grille	Lt/C Louis McBride
27	TBD	James Museum Tour —watch for details via email		Lt Dawn Eckhart

Thursday 13 June & Thursday 11 July
Lunch Bunch
at
Portofino's Italian Restaurant
5035 34th Street, S, St. Petersburg
(Publix Shopping Center)

Join us for the camaraderie.
Please let Becky McBride know that you plan to attend.

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BIRTHDAYS

June

Clara Poffenberger	1	Elaine Schroeder	9
George Pownall	12	Gene Hammond	18
JoAnn Chamberlain	19	Karen Lieberman	23
Shelia Moore	26	Connor Bogart	30

July

Glenn Dobos	1	Catherine Lasky	2	Linda Albrecht	3
Robbie Paul	5	Kit Dabney	7	Shannon Carmona	8
Anna Pesce	9	Jamie Rimovsky	24	John Martin	26
Steve Epps	28	Bryce Rodgers	29	Demario Willett	31

Get to Know the Bridge

Bob & Cory-Jeanne Cox

Bob and Cory-Jeanne (CJ) Cox joined SPSPS in 2010 upon transferring from the Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron (NVSPS) having joined the USPS in 2004 seeking to continue their boating education. Bob served as an ABC Boating Safety instructor, Piloting and Advanced Piloting Instructor for NVSPS while also serving in various bridge and instructor positions in the Pentagon Sailing Club (PSC), chartered by the US Naval Sailing Association. Bob was both small and large boat sailing instructor for PSC in addition to serving on the bridge as the Education Officer and Commodore for the club during his tenure. He was awarded the "Old Salt" designation prior to his departure for Tampa Bay for an assignment with CENTCOM at MacDill Air Force Base. CJ served as the Chandler for both PSC and NVSPS.

Bob and CJ have served in various volunteer positions within SPSPS since their arrival in 2010, with Bob currently serving as Squadron Education Officer and CJ as the Assistant Treasurer.

They currently own a Caliber 47 LRC (long range cruiser) berthed at Twin Dolphins Marina, Bradenton, but have chartered boats both in San Diego, Annapolis, Bahamas and British Virgin Islands (their favorite place to sail). *(Bob shared that part of CJ's prenup was that she had to learn to sail, or they couldn't be together, she readily agreed as she was eager to learn and had always wanted to sail!)*

Bob retired from the Army after 28 years of service in 2004 as a Colonel assigned to the Army Staff Operational Directorate, he then transitioned to a Department of Defense Civilian position as the Operational & Intelligence War Plans Division Chief both in the Pentagon Joint Staff Director of Intelligence, and finally US Central Command, MacDill Air Force Base, retiring from government service in 2017 to avoid being shipped back to the Pentagon (43 years seemed long enough).

CJ serves as an adjunct at Florida Southern College in Ballet after retiring as a prima ballerina having performed professionally for 27 years. They both claim Tampa Bay as their forever home and travel to visit family in New Mexico, Colorado, Iowa and Georgia whenever possible.

Look forward to learning more about our Treasurer, Casey Considine in the next edition!

District 22
Spring Conference

Held April 13
at Charlotte County
Event Center

Executive Officer, D/Lt/C Ron Jones, AP was called upon at last minute to conduct the meeting in the absence of District Commander Matt Braatz, JN who was in the hospital due to an accident.

P/C/C Craig Fraser, SN presented remarks on behalf of the Chief Commander. Following the reports of the Bridge officers, the Committee chairs, and awards presentation, Cdr Sam Bonilla, AP, Chairman of the District Nominating Committee presented the list of nominees for District positions. Nominations from the floor were taken for District Executive Officer, District Secretary and Nominating Committee.

The district officers pictured above, from left to right are:

District Educational Officer, D/Lt/C Myles Gee, SN-IN, Manatee
District Administrative Officer, D/Lt/C Roxanne Fox, S, Sarasota
District Treasurer, D/Lt/C Kathryn Considine, JN, St. Petersburg
District Secretary, D/Lt/C Louis McBride, P, St. Petersburg
District Executive Officer, D/Lt/C Wilfredo Lopez, P, Sarasota
District Commander, D/C Ron Jones, AP, Peace River

MAY 2024 GENERAL MEETING

We had a very enthusiastic presentation about Eckerd College's Search and Rescue (EC-SAR) The program was lead by Colin Lang and assisted by Tyler Massey and Carly Dehn.

They provided valuable information concerning their role in assisting boaters in need. During the 2022-2023 school year, ECSAR responded to 405 such calls. All participants are highly dedicated volunteers who commit 10-20 hours a week. These volunteers receive no financial or academic compensation for their service and are required to maintain a 2.0 grade point average; however, the current team average is 3.4. The students' duty rotation is 24 hours on call and 48 hours off. When on call, their response time to the waterfront is 5 minutes.

In addition to their emergency case response, they perform weekly training and patrols, regular maintenance and upkeep of the fleet, and participate in community events – such as their presentation to SPSPS. Bottom line is Eckerd College wants to provide a fun, challenging, and exciting environment through maritime search and rescue, promote student development by teaching leadership skills, communication skills, personal and team accountability, and a positive self-image.

Cdr Mike Silvay and his wife, Rebecca of the

Manatee Sail and Power Squadron joined us for the meeting.

PS — remember, you are encouraged to invite visitors to all our meetings.

April Meeting Report by Lt/C Douglas Townes, Secretary

The April Meeting featured Nicole Carlisle, Senior Meteorologist, Marine Program Leader for the National Weather Service -Tampa Bay Area and Christianne Pearce, NOAA meteorologist who tag teamed in explaining the role NOAA plays in our Tampa Bay area — keeping us informed about the weather as well as warning local government officials about impending storms. A short discussion was also held about NOAA's role in chart updating.

Treasurer
Lt/C Kathryn Considine, JN

Thank You!

2024 Donation Total Through April:
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