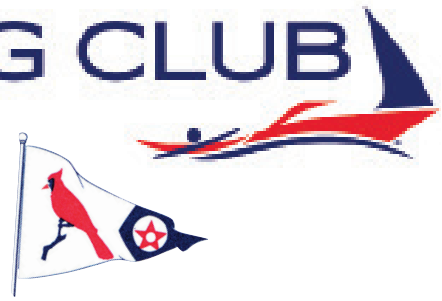


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**Dust off your green
and join us for the
March Dinner Event!**

**Thursday, March 7
6 p.m.**

Mimi's Café

1428 Polaris Parkway - Columbus, OH 43240

**Menu – Choice of French Pot Roast; Parmesan Crusted
Chicken; Grilled Atlantic Salmon; Slow-Roasted Turkey;
Tuscan-Style Grilled Chicken; or Jambalaya;
House or Caesar Salad; Rolls; and Dessert**

Cost - \$25.00 per person

**RSVP by March 4th to Mary Rayburn
E-mail humbelmh@yahoo.com
or text to 419-606-9345**



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CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

MARCH


- 7 Thursday Dinner Event – Mimi's Café – 6 pm
- 11 Monday April 2024 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 15-17 Fri – Sun District 29 Spring Conference – Sandusky, OH
- 18 Monday Trailing Seminar – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 26 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 31 Sunday Happy Easter!

APRIL

- 4 Thursday Dinner Event – Place/Time TBA
- 8 Monday May 2024 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 13 Saturday ABC Class – ABC Clubhouse – 8 am – 5 pm
- 17 Wednesday Rules of the Road Seminar – Place/Time TBA
- 23 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 24 Wednesday Confidence in Docking & Undocking Seminar - Place/Time TBA

MAY

- 1 Wednesday Boating with Confidence Class – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 2 Thursday Dinner Event – Place/Time TBA
- 6 Monday June 2024 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 6 Monday Weather for Boaters Seminar – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 8 Wednesday Anchoring with Assurance Class – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 12 Sunday Happy Mother's Day
- 13 Wednesday AIS for Boaters Seminar – On Zoom – 7 pm
- 15 Wednesday Emergencies on Board Class – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 20-26 Mon – Sun National Safe Boating Week
- 22 Wednesday Knots & Line Handling Class – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 28 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm



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Member-at-Large	Lt Tom Francis	Member-at-Large	Lt David Keller, S
Member-at-Large	Lt Sue Goelz, S	Member-at-Large	P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN
Member-at-Large	Lt Bob Hern, S	Member-at-Large	P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S
Member-at-Large	Lt Janet Hern, S		
Member-at-Large	Lt Joe Huffman, P		



Welcome to the month of March everyone. We are slowly moving away from the long dark days to longer sun lite days. And you know what that means we will be back on the water soon. As I am writing this, we only have 24 days until spring. That sounds real good to me.

I wanted to bring you up to date with the mechanics of the club. If you do not know once a year, we do a formal celebration to remove the old Bridge members and install new Bridge members. Commonly, called the Change of Watch or COW. However, this year we decided that the existing Bridge would continue on for another year. But we did have the ceremony February 17th at Gianmarco's Italian restaurant in Westerville. This was an excellent venue for our Change of Watch with 31 members sharing the celebration. We



had a few District members from Toledo and Sandusky joining us. Thank you to District Commander Pick for helping us facilitate our COW. Also, I would like to say our Commander Brian Crabbe and my wife AO Ruthie Kubinski did an excellent job on organizing and directing our

COW. Next year it will be my turn to become your next Commander and I look forward in serving our boating club. Save the date February 15th, 2025.

One more event that I would like to share is our 029 Spring Conference 2024 hosted by the Sandusky Squadron. This event will be held on March 15th though the 17th 2024 at the Holiday Inn Express 1515

Cedar Point Dr. Sandusky, Ohio 44870. Join us for the weekend or come on up and meets some other squadron members for the day. It is a great way to understand the way our club is ran. Also, the hotel is right on Sandusky Bay and it is a beautiful area to see and maybe take your boat out on when the water gets warmer. Look for additional information in the *Galley Gossip* or at our website.

I hope everyone is checking out the classes that the squadron is offering. Please check the GG for more information as well as our website. Hopefully,



District 29 members from Columbus, Findlay, Port Clinton, & Sandusky enjoy dinner together during the February 2024 USPS National Meeting in Orlando. Come join us next year!!

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**D29 Spring Conference
March 15 – 17, 2024
Holiday Inn Express, Sandusky, OH**

**D29 Summer Council
July 6, 2024
Huron Boat Basin**

**USPS Governing Board
September 22 – 30, 2024
Pittsburgh, PA**

Galley Gossip Editor Needed

Looking for a fun way to get more involved with the club? Why not consider becoming the editor of the *Galley Gossip*? I plan to retire from the position in 2024. I would be happy to work with an interested individual over the next few months to help them become familiar with the process before I make my exit. You will also be working with Melissa Fannon from DC AlphaGraphics who does the layout work after I have provided her with the information for the monthly issue. She is great to work with!!! If you would like to volunteer to become the editor and/or would like more information, please contact me at 419-606-9345 or humbelmh@yahoo.com. It's a fun way to earn your Merit Mark!!

SICK BAY

Charlotte Mohr



Accessing Your Info on the National Website

How to Print Squadron Membership Roster

Go to USPS National Web Site:

<https://www.americasboatingclub.org/>

Log in: have your **E#** and **PIN** ready

There is a "help" button if you need your password sent to you

"Manage my profile" This is where you can make any changes to your personal information.

Click blue circle on upper right side of page.

Check "My Squadron Membership/Roster" on the left side of the page

Select "Roster" at the top of the page

Download a "printer friendly" roster and print if desired. Look at the other options to send email to all members, etc.

*This roster is updated daily.

District 29 Spring Conference March 15, 16, 17, 2024

Holiday Inn Express at Thirsty Pony
1515 Cedar Point Drive, Sandusky

Room Rate \$109.00 per night
Free Hot Breakfast

Reservations must be made before February 15, 2024
in order to get the \$109.00 room rate. Our Group Code for this rate is PSS.

Make your reservations by calling the hotel directly at 419-624-1515 or
visiting their website at www.HolidayInnSandusky.com

Be sure to use/mention the group code PSS.





The mild weather has us thinking about boating season. While making your plans for a rendezvous or boat maintenance items add thoughts about upgrading or renewing your boating knowledge. There are several seminars and a class coming up in April and that may pique your interest. *Boat Handling* starts in April as a full course or individual seminars. The seminar on *Trailing* should be of interest to newer members looking for pointers and techniques for moving their boat to new locations. People thinking about a hand-powered watercraft will find the *Paddle Smart* seminar very informative on vessel choice as well as paddles and other materials. Every boater can benefit from the



seminar *Weather for Boaters*. These in-person seminars will be held at our club headquarters. There is also one online seminar, *AIS for Boaters*, which will be offered on Zoom May 13th.

As you can see, we have a nice variety of educational activities to help you jump into the boating season. Please join us for any of them to help you prepare for another year on the water. If you have questions, suggestions or thoughts regarding the club's education program please do not hesitate to contact me. Also keep the web site on your list of locations to check for news and information. www.columbussailandpower.org.

Spring Classes (March – May)

ABC3 – April 13th – (Saturday – 8 hours, 8-5 with test)

Classes – Boat Handling Seminars or Full Course. (Wednesdays – could adjust days)

April 17th. Rules of the Road

April 24th. Confidence in Docking and Undocking

May 1st. Boating with Confidence

May 8th. Anchoring with Assurance

May 15th. Emergencies on Board

May 22nd. Knots and Line Handling

Seminars - Trailing – March 18th In-person

Paddle Smart – April 16th – In-person

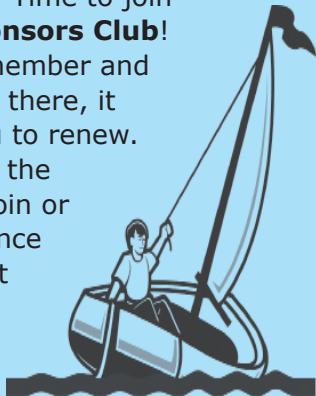
AIS for Boaters – May 13th – Zoom or in person?

Weather for Boaters – May 6th – In-person

Galley Gossip Sponsors Club

It's that time again! Time to join the **Galley Gossip Sponsors Club!**

If you were already a member and your listing is no longer there, it means it is time for you to renew. Check the back page of the GG to find out how to join or renew. Thanks in advance to all those who support America's Boating Club of Central Ohio in this manner!



Nahum Burt
Gage Green
Murray Headlee, Jr.

Sue Lowe
John Pruitt



America's Boating Club of Central Ohio -
Columbus Sail and Power Squadron
23 January 2024

(These minutes will be approved at the February Executive Committee meeting.)

Old Business: None

Approval of November Meeting Minutes: Lt/C Tom Doyle confirmed that a quorum was present and the December 19, 2023 ECOM minutes were approved.

Cdr Brian Crabbe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ECOM Officers Present:

Commander Brian Crabbe, AP; Education Officer R/C Bob Rayburn, SN-IN; Secretary Lt/C Tom Doyle, P; Immediate Past Commander P/C Bob Goelz, S; Lt Tom Francis; P/Lt/C Tiffany Francis; Lt Sue Goelz, S; Lt Janet Hern, S; Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt David Keller, S; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S.

Guests present: P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN-IN; P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S; John Paulsen.

Commander Brian Crabbe, AP:

The Change of Watch is scheduled for February 17 at Giammarco's Italian Restaurant in Westerville. Please RSVP to Ruthie Kubinski by February 10th. Brian passed out the Toledo squadron boating rendezvous schedule.

Executive Officer Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP: Absent

Education Officer R/C Bob Rayburn, SN-IN:

We will continue through the winter and spring to advertise classes to attract boaters. My belief is that even when classes do not bring in enough participants to hold the class, we are raising awareness of our club and opportunities for learning and involvement. Brian is advertising online, Facebook, and our web pages. We also register our classes with ABC, (national), which provides access to boaters living close to our location. Let us review the results in the spring.

To date:

I cancelled the January 20, 27, and Feb 3rd ABC course due to a low response. We should start working on the April class. Three people registered

for the class are on the April list.

Engine Maintenance has started. One member is from last year's Boat handling class.

Marine Electrical Systems is not going currently. John Seaver, Bob Goelz and a former student, Jim Gates are working on teaching aids to make the class more hands-on learning. We can try to schedule a class later and adjust the advertising message.

Eli Murphy is helping teach Engine Maintenance. Let's welcome him as an instructor.

Seminars in February include Modern Weather Forecasting with our weather sage Dick Sorensen in person at HQ on February 12th. The seminar Crossing Borders will be a Zoom presentation for any interested boaters.

Marine Navigation begins on February 14th at our club house.

Please let friends, family and fellow boaters know about our classes.

Stay warm and think spring! Boating will not be far behind.



Administrative Officer Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P: Absent

Secretary Lt/C Tom Doyle, P: No report

Treasurer Lt/C Mari Seaver, S: Absent

Past Commander P/C Bob Goelz, P: Will begin reviewing the By-Laws.

Flag Lieutenant P/C Sherri Haring, P: Absent

Members-at-Large Reports:

P/Lt/C Tiffany Francis: No report

Lt Tom Francis: No report

Lt Sue Goelz, S: We now have 101 members which includes 4 new members: Guy and Laurie Merrill, John Paulsen, and Andrew Crabbe.

Lt Bob Hern, S: Absent

Lt Janet Hern, S: No report



Lt Joe Huffman, P, Boating Activities: The Lake Cumberland trip will again be sometime in September. Exact date to be coordinated with Toledo's schedule.

Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP: Absent

Lt David Keller, S: No report

P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN: Working on the summer rendezvous.

P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S: Columbus Division of Police Dive Team may want to take some of our classes. There was general agreement that we should do more Vessel Safety Checks this year. This would include performing VSC's on more dates and at more venues.

General Committees

Nominating: P/C Dick Sorensen, SN, P/C Sherri Haring, P, P/C Bob Goelz, S: No report

Audit: Lt Doug Jackson, SN; Ralph Newman, N: Absent

Rules: P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Robert Van der Wissel, AP: Absent

Standing Committees

Finance: Open

Housing Committee: Tom Doyle put Brian Crabbe's name on the Bungle Jug for 2022. He hopes to bring the Member of the Year and River Rat plaques up to date in the next month or two. Tom also asked Brian Crabbe to send him a schedule of when the Sea Scouts would be meeting at headquarters.

Law Officer: Open

Merit Marks Committee: P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP: Absent.

Special Committees:

Technical Committee: P/C John Seaver, SN: Absent

Investments Committee: Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt Tom Francis: Joe gave a brief report on the Morgan Stanley account. We have made the conversion to a new agent and new investments.

Boat Show, Coastie: P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S: Coastie performed for 3 days at the Boat and RV Show.

ABC Class: P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S: The ABC class is scheduled for April 13, 2024. Please contact Tracy if you are able to help with the class in any capacity.

Marketing: Cdr Brian Crabbe, AP: Brian asked for suggestions for advertising other than Facebook. TikTok was again suggested. Is someone interested in spearheading this TikTok effort? Other suggestions were ODNR, Corps of Engineers, and signs at Alum Creek. Michael S. Hughes suggested approaching National for some free memberships for a trial membership drive that we could give to boat dealers to hand out to new boat owners. John Paulsen said he learned of our organization from Facebook.

We will have representatives at the Catawba Island boat show at the end of April.

Boating Activities: P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN: Lt Joe Huffman, P: See Members-at-Large reports.

Vessel Safety Checks: Lt John Pruitt, AP – Absent, see Ruth Wilcox's Member-at-Large report.

Action Items:

Review By-Laws

Sick Bay:

Charlotte Mohr

Announcements:

Next ECOM meeting is February 27, 2024.

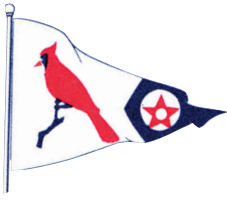
Meeting Adjourned: 2004

LAST HORIZON

Alveta Egbert, S
Gladys Prutsman



"What do you say we stay here for the next 10 years, and tell our bosses that we were shipwrecked on a deserted island?"



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Bob Van der Wissel

***At Last — Hughes-Garrett-Mohr Clan
Secondwind — Bob & Sue Goelz
Tool-n-Around***

Terrie Lynn

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Aquatron — The Fannons
The Boat — Barb Hupman***

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