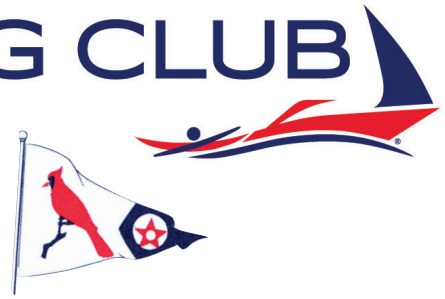


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# Galley Gossip



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## **MAY 4 DINNER MEETING:**

### **CONDADO'S TACOS**

**Easton Town Center, 4077 Fenlon Street**

**Social hour: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

**Condado's has their happy hour till 6:00 pm**

**(Get there early for drink specials:  
Frozen Margarita's / Cervezas / Beers)**

**Dinner: 6:30 - 8:30 pm**

**Everyone will order off the menu (own bill)**

**Please be sure to RSVP by May 1 at**  
**[rkubinski62@gmail.com](mailto:rkubinski62@gmail.com)**  
**or call me at 614-805-1001**





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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### MAY


- 4 Thursday Dinner Event – Condado's Tacos – 5:30 pm
- 8 Monday June 2023 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 14 Sunday Happy Mother's Day!
- 20-21 Sat – Sun Vessel Safety Exam Event – Alum Creek
- 20-26 Sat – Fri National Safe Boating Week
- 23 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 29 Monday Memorial Day

### JUNE

- 2-4 Fri – Sun Toledo ABC Shakedown Cruise – Put-in-Bay
- 18 Sunday Happy Father's Day
- 30-July 2 Fri – Sun Toledo ABC Rendezvous – Huron Boat Basin
- 30-July 2 Fri – Sun Sandusky / Port Clinton ABC Rendezvous – Huron Boat Basin
- 27 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm

### JULY

- 1 Saturday District 29 Summer Council – Huron Boat Basin – 10 am
- 14-16 Fri – Sun Toledo ABC Rendezvous – Kelley's Island



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Member-at-Large	Lt Janet Hern, S	Member-at-Large	P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S

## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Brian Crabbe, S



Well, another last-minute GG article. We have a game plan for some summer dinner events and fund raising activities, more information to come. I hope to see everyone at the VSC's on May 20th and 21st at Alum Creek.



## Changing Your Info?

If your member information needs to be updated in the USPS Roster:

Log on the USPS using your E# & password

Your personal information will appear on the right side of the screen - Click "manage profile"

Make changes as needed, address, phone, email, etc.

To make changes to an "additional active" member find their information near the bottom of the active members' page.

Correct all information and "Update"

You can also email the corrections to our membership chairman: [sue\\_goelz@yahoo.com](mailto:sue_goelz@yahoo.com) and she will make the changes for you.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP



I hope everyone has been enjoying this beautiful weather last month in April. 80 degrees for a couple of days and blue skies, you can't beat that. I hope our members took a moment to begin their boat prep for this coming season. I know my wife and I did. You always think you have all the time in the world for boating when the season first starts and then you turn around and it's the end of the season. How does that work? I try every year to get different repairs done and some always full though the cracks. This year will be different I hope but, knowing me as well as I do, I know a few things may linger on into the season. But as long as you are enjoying the water is the main point for our boating passion.

I would like to bring up a couple of reminders. The Vessel Safety Inspections will again be up at Alum Creek the weekend of May 20th and 21st starting around 8:30 am. We will be doing a hot dog cookout and maybe a little cornhole tournament. The last few years we have had pretty good weather, so let's hope this year is the same.



Also, the Bridge is discussing the idea of having meetings during the boating season so we may have a greater opportunity to see if we can recruit some new members. If anyone has any ideas or input please let me know at [glenkub@gmail.com](mailto:glenkub@gmail.com).

I would like to suggest that members take a look at the *Galley Gossip* for upcoming events and rendezvous that other District 29 clubs are doing. If you are a America's Boating Club member you can enjoy all the squadron's events. Take a look! One more thing regarding the *Galley Gossip* I would like to give Mary Rayburn a great big shout out for working so hard to get this publication out each month. Thank you, Mary.

Well, my time is up, as always I will see you on the water with a big smile on my face, and hopefully yours as well.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

### National

USPS Governing Board  
USPS Annual Meeting

August 27 – September 3, 2023  
February 18 – 25, 2024

Kansas City, MO  
Orlando, FL

### District 29

Summer Council

July 1, 2023 - 10 am

Huron Boat Basin



It's that time of year to get the boats out and ready for an exciting summer. Make sure your batteries are fully charged and all your safety gear is properly stored on the boat so you may enjoy a safe summer.

If you are a trailer boater making sure your trailer is working properly the lights,



brakes, tire pressure and check and grease the wheel bearings if needed. Make a check list of everything you will need and check off items as you make ready for a safe and enjoyable summer of fun!

I would like to remind everyone that the Vessel Safety check is May 20- 21, 2023 at Alum Creek main marina. We will be doing the hot dogs / chips / soda / water again this year; it's always a big hit. Hopefully, we can out due last year's numbers. Hope to see you there.

## Engine Cut-Off Devices Required

A requirement to use an engine cut-off switch (ECOS) took effect on April 1, 2021, and applies to all U.S. waterways, with fines of \$100, \$250, and \$500 for the first, second, and third offenses, respectively. State and local authorities may choose to enforce the law differently, but using an engine cut-off switch is now the law for qualified vessels everywhere in the United States.

The law applies to all personal watercraft and recreational boats under 26 feet with motors capable of 115 pounds of static thrust (a little under 3 horsepower). Boats not currently equipped with an engine cut-off switch are exempt, but that grandfather clause is closing fast. Another recent federal law required manufacturers to install engine cut-off switches on all new boats starting in January 2020.

Videos are available that offer an overview of the importance of specialized safety equipment for recreational boating that will shut down the engine in an emergency such as the boat operator falling overboard. America's Boating Channel™ produced these videos to help viewers learn about traditional lanyard type devices, as well as the new wireless systems.

Visit <https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel> to find these and other safe boating videos. Available on YouTube, America's Boating Channel offers quick and easy access to professionally produced high-definition safe boating and boater education videos.



William Edwards, Jr.  
Tracy Garrett  
Sue Goelz  
Katharine Johnson

James Ruth  
Jerry Spears III  
Frank Swiatek

## NAUTICAL DECK QUERY

Originally appeared in the U.S. Coast Guard's *Proceedings* journal.

What is the correct procedure to follow when manually launching an inflatable life raft?

- A. Open the canopy relief valves
- B. Pull the painter from the container and make it fast to the cleat provided
- C. Remove the raft from the container to permit complete inflation
- D. Connect the float free link to the vessel

**Find the answer later in this issue!**



Our education classes are winding down and on-the-water activities are starting up. The Catawba Island Boat Show will have passed by the time you read this message. Boats will have moved to their "natural place". Let's enjoy being on-the-water! Plan to join some of the summer cruises or day events on or near the water.



In this spring's Boat Handling class members are adding to their boating knowledge and building skills for the boating season. This group's

experience covers the range from inland new and experienced boaters to Lake Erie experienced boaters. They are enjoying more "hands-on" activities and looking forward to adding spring lines to docking techniques. I am enjoying the class as much as the fellow boaters. Their energy and enthusiasm is contagious.

The ABC four-evening class is complete. The team of instructors brought knowledge and experience to bear to help the boaters build understanding of nav rules, safety procedures and other procedures to help boaters feel more comfortable on the water. They enjoyed practicing with the model anchors as well as building knot tying skills. We know from survey information that

boaters taking our public course have fewer accidents. Our team of instructors is proud to help boaters build understanding to make good decisions while boating.

Interest is growing in Jump Start as the weather warms. If you are interested in helping with Jump Start, please let the Commander know you wish to help. Do you know a boater who would be a more comfortable boater if they could become more proficient with some part of their boating routine? Please help them get in touch with the Jump Start Group.

Also do not forget Vessel Safety Exams. A VSC sticker lets a boater know that their vessel has the right equipment for safety and potential emergencies. The examiners do not have to wait for Safe Boating Week. Ask about a VSC exam for your boat or help a friend be ready for the boating season.

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## District 29

We are having a rendezvous along with the Summer Council Meeting!

Come for the friendships, stay for the fireworks!

When? June 30- July 2, 2023

Where? Huron Boat Basin 330 North Main St., Huron, OH

### What you need to know.

- **The docks are limited!** Call Dale Crawford (440 241-5336) ASAP to get a dock. *2023 Transient Dockage WEEKENDS* Daily: \$1.75 per foot, per night
- Friday night- Dinner on your own at one of the many restaurants within walking distance.
- The Summer Council Meeting will be Saturday Morning at 10 am. Come early for pastries and coffee.
  - Lunch on your own
- Afternoon of meeting new friends and visiting old friends from the district.
- Dinner is a potluck and steak fry. Call Tom Lander (419 271-1786) to order your steak **no later than June 26**. This is firm! Cost is unknown at this time because no one will commit to the price of beef this summer. We will let you know as soon as we know. In addition, please bring a dish to share.
  - **FIREWORKS SATURDAY @ 10:15pm**
- Sunday morning - Check-out before 11:00 AM



**America's Boating Club of Central Ohio -  
Columbus Sail and Power Squadron  
28 March 2023**

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

Cdr Brian Crabbe, S, called the meeting to order at 1900. Invocation was led by P/1st/Lt Mary Rayburn, P. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cdr Brian Crabbe, S. Roll call was taken by sight and the Secretary, Lt/C Tom Doyle, P, found that a quorum was present. Tom Doyle made a motion to review the February minutes. This motion was seconded by Bob Goelz. Upon review, there were no additions or corrections. A vote was taken, and the minutes were approved.

The following Executive Committee members were present: Commander Brian Crabbe, S; Executive Officer Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP; Education Officer R/C Bob Rayburn, SN-IN; Assistant Education Officer P/C John Seaver, SN; Administrative Officer Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P; Secretary Lt/C Tom Doyle, P; Treasurer Lt/C Mari Seaver, S; P/C Bob Goelz, P; P/Lt/C Tiffany Francis; Lt Sue Goelz, S; Lt Bob Hern, 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/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S; Lisa Hefflinger; P/C Michael S. Hughes, JN-IN; P/1st/Lt Mary Rayburn, P.

**Commander Brian Crabbe, S:**

In order to better control discussions at the ECOM meetings, we need to follow Robert's Rules of Order more closely. We also need to focus more on fundraising. Brian and Mari will be meeting with an attorney for advice on how to continue our non-profit tax-free status. The Ship's Store is now open on the website and will accept credit cards.

**Executive Officer Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP:**

Glen made a motion to form a committee to explore more activities we may have during Boating Safety Weekend and throughout the summer. The motion was seconded by Tom Doyle. During the discussion, it was decided the committee should consist of 5 members as follows:

- Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP
- P/C Bob Goelz, P
- Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P

- Lt David Keller, S
- Lt Janet Hern, S

A vote was taken and the motion was approved.



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

The Boat Handling class will begin on March 29. The next ABC class will start on April 10. It will be two hours long each Monday evening for five weeks. The final week will be the test and volunteers are requested to help grade the tests. Advanced Piloting, Weather, and Engine Maintenance classes are now finishing.

**Assist. Education Officer P/C John Seaver, SN:**  
No Report

**Administrative Officer Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P:**

The next dinner meeting will be at Mimi's on Polaris Parkway on April 6. We will just be ordering off the menu. For future dinner meetings we intend to again have a set fee for buffet dinners and limited menus.

**Secretary Lt/C Tom Doyle, P:**

No Report

**Asst. Sec.** Open

**Treasurer Lt/C Mari Seaver, S:**

Mari received a notice from Orange Storage asking if we wanted their insurance. Tom Doyle stated our own insurance covered off-site items. Mari will schedule a budget meeting before the next ECOM meeting to bring everyone up to date on the budget and the general requirements for the 501C status. Mari also believes we should encourage more people to participate in the ECOM meetings via Zoom.

**Immediate Past Commander P/C Bob Goelz, P:**

Barbara Hupman requested that those attending Ron Hupman's memorial gathering not wear uniforms. Bob said we received a nice letter from the Franklin Park Conservatory thanking us for the donation to the Paul Busse Garden Railway.

**Members at Large Reports:**

P/Lt/C Tiffany Francis: No report  
Lt Tom Francis: Absent



Lt Sue Goelz, S: Sue passed around the current roster so ECOM members and guests could check their personal information and see if updates or corrections were warranted. Membership fees will also increase by \$5.00 for single membership and \$7.50 for family.

Lt Bob Hern, S: No Report

Lt Janet Hern, S: Janet and Bob attended the Indian Lake Boat Show. She passed around a Boat Show magazine that we may want to advertise in next year. She also said there is a person advertising boating classes at Indian Lake in competition to our possible ABC classes there.

Lt Joe Huffman, P, Boating Activities: No update on the Cumberland trip.

Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP: Absent

Lt David Keller, S: David requested a banner for Alum Creek advertising our boating activities.

P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN: Marinas are just now opening up. They have decided on venues and months, but not firm dates for the trips.

P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S: Ruth will be ordering more tee shirts, but will have the supplier add Central Ohio to the America's Boating Club logo.

**General Committees:**

**Nominating Committee:** P/C Sherri Haring, P; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/C Dick Sorensen, SN: No report

**Audit Committee:** Doug Jackson, SN; Ralph Newman, N – Absent

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

**Standing Committees:**

**Finance:** Open

**Housing Committee:** Tom Doyle asked why the area rug continues to be moved and was told it had become a tripping hazard. Tom was to try some double-sided carpet tape to see if that solved the problem.

**Law Officer:** P/C David Canale, P: Absent

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

**Special Committees:**

**Technical Committee:** P/C John Seaver, SN: No Report

**Investments Committee:** Lt Joe Huffman, P: Joe gave a brief update on the Morgan Stanley account.

**Boat Show, Coastie:** No report

**Fishing Expo:** P/C Dick Sorenson, SN – Absent

**ABC Class:** P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S – The next ABC class will be a 5-night course beginning on April 10 and each succeeding Monday evening. A Zoom meeting will be scheduled soon concerning the Jump Start program. Those interested in participating as instructors should download and read the Jump Start Guide prior to this meeting.

**Marketing:** Cdr Brian Crabbe, S – The website and Facebook have been updated. The Catawba Island Boat Show is scheduled for April 28, 29 and 30.

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

**Vessel Safety Checks:** Lt John Pruitt, AP - Absent

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Action Items:**

Since our building and technology expenses are among our highest operating costs, we need to try to leverage our building and technology assets to generate revenue.

**Comments from Guests:**

P/1st/Lt Mary Rayburn, P, said *Galley Gossip* articles are due April 3.

**Announcements:**

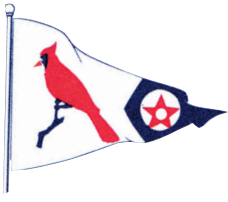
Next ECOM meeting is April 25, 2023

**Meeting Adjourned: 2052**

**Correct answer  
for Nautical  
Deck Query**

B. Before launching the raft by hand, pull out the painter from the container and make it fast to the cleat provided (on the cradle)."

*Reference: The Cornell Manual for Lifeboatmen, Able Seaman and QMED's, Keever, 2nd Ed., page 47*



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