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Down By The Old Mill Stream

Plan on joining your fellow America's Boating Club of Central Ohio members "Down By The Old Mill Stream" at Griggs Reservoir Park, 2933 Riverside Drive, Columbus, 43221, Shelter House Number 3. Bring your summer boating stories, renew old friendships and make new ones. Clearly a very, very casual event.

Date: Thursday, September 5, 2019
Time: 6:30 till 8:30 pm
Cost: \$13.00 per person

Always popular City Barbeque will be the evening's caterer. Plates, red cups, plasticware, soft drinks and ice provided by the Club. BYOB (discretion please). Please bring a favorite dish or dessert to share.

Speaker: As of press time, a member of Columbus Marine Police Detachment will join us to give a short talk about marine issues and 'sea stories' of the waterways of central Ohio.

Please RSVP to Ruth Kubinsky at rkubinski62@gmail.com
by Tuesday, September 3rd.

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Richard Sorensen, SN



Reluctantly, I 'figuratively' put pen-to-paper to write the first fall column. Reluctant, not because of the task of writing to you but due to the relentless march of our calendar. Our boating season is more than half done. I want to encourage each of you to redouble your efforts to get on the water, cast off the burdens of land, let your minds seek a 'happy place' and perhaps start your cocktail hour a little bit earlier. Just enjoy life on the water.

While in your individual 'happy place' please let me share with you some information/progress along with planned key future events and then ask for your help this fall.

On a national basis the marketing efforts of our National Board appear to be working. Clubs have reported membership numbers are stabilizing, and some, like Columbus, show an increase in numbers. In anticipation of the Governing Board meeting in Louisville a Strategic Transition Plan has been developed. Heavy emphasis is placed on simplifying our operations and the way we run the Squadron. Some of the recommendations are worth sharing here:

- Review entire structure and eliminate programs. Validate everything as a cost benefit (true value) to membership.
- Leaders need to focus on creating fun activity-oriented jobs, not administrative, reporting jobs. Eliminate most formal reporting.
- Encourage "outreach" by thinking "young"



even though few members show interest.

- Immediately eliminate rank, grades as descriptors. Create an 'almost no-titles allowed' policy.
- Immediately eliminate uniforms. Encourage adoption of proper attire and set a proposed standard for casual attire at gatherings.

- Encourage Squadrons to adopt mostly electronic means of communication with members.

These parts of the Strategic Plan will be discussed and voted on at the upcoming meeting in Louisville. Attendance is open to all. Many of these recommendations/suggestions have or are already being implemented by our Executive Committee. I know many of these suggestions will cause some consternation. Change is difficult and even more so as we age. I find myself resisting it. Yet, if we are to survive and flourish, we must try.

Fall Class Schedule

Interested in taking a class? Please review John Seaver's post on his plans for the upcoming fall schedule. If you do have an interest in any of these classes, please email John. And if you don't see a topic in which you are interested, please tell John.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Sherri Haring, S



Hopefully everyone has had a great summer. I have been out boating almost every weekend now that we have finally been blessed with good boating weather. And to round out the summer, we are especially looking forward to the rendezvous trip later this month to Lake Cumberland.

I realize boating season is winding down for this year, but I want to share a great new (at least to me) product that I saw on CBS's The Henry Ford Innovation Nation program. Some of you may have also seen this on the show Shark Tank. This product is called See/Rescue Streamer, invented by Dr. Robert Yonovera. It



can be used on the water or on land. I felt that this would be a great product for any boater, any individual who hikes, and any number of other adventurers who might need to be rescued. The device comes in 2 sizes: a Personal Lighted Streamer that is 2' x 25 long and retails for \$80 and a Large Lighted Streamer that is 2' x 40' long and retails for \$120. Both streamers are orange, have the distress signal on them, and will stay lit for 3 days. I don't usually make a point of endorsing a particular product but this product is amazing! The segment illustrated how it makes finding a person in the water go from looking for a head, the size of a coconut, to trying to find a large explanation point, making day and night searching easier. This device is even used and approved by the military. The personal size is about the size

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Ruth Kubinski, P

Stop, don't read this!!!! Really, if you do it will mean that this month is September and the year is 2019. If we can get enough members not to read this article just maybe we can all deny the reality of "What the hell happened to the summer?". It was here just a few short months ago and we had time to do everything we needed to accomplish from yard work to home repairs to tending our gardens to everything and anything we had to start or finish. We were ready for a long boating season. Planning trips, hanging out with friends, waxing and cleaning our little babies. We had time!!

But, because you started to read this, you know we cannot deny it is September and the season we call boating is almost gone. What happened to all the time we had? Well, first we live in Ohio and the season is short to begin with. Second, the beginning of this year was cold, windy and wet. This pattern lasted well into June. Sucking the entire month of May with it and leaving a lot of our waterways flooded. Docks and land masses were all under water. Lake Erie is still higher than I have ever seen it. Alum Creek and Delaware Lake were both under water. My husband and I were going to take our boat up the Detroit River in mid-August only to be told that the marinas up there were still flooded and they were not allowing transient boaters in the marinas. Wow, never saw that before!

And of course, my beloved Ohio River... Above flood stage for the first two months of the season or what we like to call "Log Fest". Boating on the river is a very picturesque and smooth place to

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of a cell phone when it is rolled up which make it convenient to have on your boat or travel bag and comes with a clip that you can easily attach to yourself.

You can find more information at www.seerescuestreamer.com. So even though summer may be coming to an end, this might be a great gift idea for yourself or one for your fellow boaters.



be except during Log Fest. You must keep a sharp eye ahead at all times to avoid logs that will end a boating season in an instant. And unless you have a mechanic on retainer the summer will be over. We only had one chance to make it to the Ohio River this year and that was in August. Very sad!

Let's face it this year was not the best and I wish we could push a button and have a redo. But you know that will not happen and the truth is it is almost over.

Ok, wipe away the tears! I said "almost over" but not over and, because you are this far into the article, we cannot deny the truth it is September. But there are a few more weeks to run our boats this year. So, get out there and savor what we have left. A good friend of mine once said, "If the water is not hard it is still Boating Season". Enjoy!!

SAVE THE DATES

District 29 Fall Conference

November 8,9,10



"Honoring Our Veterans"

At the beautiful 4 Star Hilton Polaris Hotel

** November 8 conference registration begins at 3:00 PM*

** 6:30 PM "Meet & Greet" sponsored by America's Boating Club of Central Ohio will include loads of food and drinks*

Guest rooms are being offered at a very reasonable rate of \$109 plus tax.

The Hilton is holding twenty rooms for the America's Boating Club Conference at this discounted price. November 9 is a home Ohio State Football game; hotel rooms will be in great demand.

Your hotel reservations for the Fall Conference must be made by October 9. Call 1-614-885-1600 . Identify yourself as a member of America's Boating Club to obtain the discounted rate.

Make your reservations early – more information regarding the conference will be sent at a later date.

See You at The Fall Conference



Summer is escaping, but we have a good slate of fall/winter classes coming together. Please watch the calendar and look for announcements as the dates get firmed up. Classes that are coming...

Marine Navigation (Formerly Piloting):

• As the next step from ABC & Boat Handling, you can learn the essentials of safe coastal and inland navigation using basic GPS in conjunction with charts and other marine data including traditional dead reckoning techniques for planning/laying out safe routes, as well as ensuring that you are on-course while underway.

Celestial Navigation

(Formerly Navigation – prerequisites include Boat Handling, Marine Navigation, Advanced Marine Navigation and Offshore Navigation)

• Learn navigation using all the celestial bodies! Prerequisites are ABC/NASBLA Course, Marine



Navigation, Advanced Marine Navigation and Offshore Navigation

Marine Electrical Systems

- Does your boat have a battery? Radio? Stereo? Lights? Radar? GPS or chart plotter? Need to charge your phone or see your dash at night? None of that works unless you have solid

electrical systems. This course will cover the basics to enable you to tackle yourself and/or guide the install/repair of your boats electrical systems.

Take a look at all the classes and seminars available at - <https://americasboatingclub.org/education-matters> - In-person Education, Classes & Seminars – or just reach out to me.

MERIT MARKS

Did you volunteer some time to help with America's Boating Club of Central Ohio activities this year? Help at a boat show? Assist with road-clean-up? Teach a class? Help with ABC? Etc, etc... Then you deserve a Merit Mark!!! Please send your name with a list of the activities with which you assisted and the time you spent on each to P/C Bob Van Der Wissel at rvanderw@columbus.rr.com . Deadline for submission is November 1st. Don't be too modest; you deserve some credit for your hard work! Get your list to Bob soon before you forget!



Herbert Beidel
Martha Beidel
David Canale
Patricia Carpenter
Denise Cribben
Sherri Haring
Alaina Hudson
Michael S. Hughes
Doug Jackson
Wendy Louthen

Larry Lowe
James Meyers
Linda Moss-Edwards
Elias Murphy
Phil Osborne
Joyce Rogers
Clark Scheerens
Bob Van Der Wissel
Ruth Wilcox

CLUB MEMBER SHIPS OUT

One of our own has just signed on as a deckhand on a square rigger! Following a lifelong dream Paul King has secured a berth as an Ordinary Seaman on the three-masted barque, S.V. Picton Castle. Paul has been assigned as a deckhand and in the process will be an active part of the crew: standing watch, helmsman, participating in all aspects of working the ship including celestial navigation. Paul, who has completed numerous accomplishments in his life, has always wanted to be part of a working crew. His relentless quest to learn all things nautical has led him to America's Boating Club of Central Ohio and the educational designation of JN. He has completed numerous private courses with the Northeast Maritime Academy and on-board the Mary Day, a schooner sailing out of Maine. Follow the S.V. Picton Castle as it departs Erie, Pa on the 25 of August and heads to its homeport of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia. We wish Paul well and send him on his way with that adage, "One hand for the ship and one for yourself." I'm sure Paul will share his experiences with us when he returns.

— Commander Dick Sorensen, SN

Donald Trump Ain't the Only One

By Dick Sorensen, SN

I use hyperbole as much as any salesman does. "The greatest, the newest, the best, the longest lasting." You understand. But this 'verbal sleight of hand' isn't just confined to home improvement salesmen or Presidents. Your fellow members of America's Boating Club of Central Ohio were victims of it on our recent sojourn, the Trent-Severn cruise. It was proffered on us by the advertising/website copywriters and owners of the Champlain Waterfront Hotel in Orillia, Ontario.

Their website boasted, "a boutique hotel in downtown Orillia near Lake Cochiching & Lake Simcoe..."

Now I've stayed in a few very nice boutique hotels and I know what a boutique hotel is. Champlain Waterfront 'ain't' no boutique anything! Stay with me as I share with you their advertising 'smoke and mirrors.'

Usually a boutique hotel is built around some unique architectural feature/design. Whether it's a creative reuse of an old warehouse or a startling architectural wonder springing up amongst its more plebian surroundings. The Champlain has some right to make claim to historical significance. It was constructed in 1927 as a hotel, and, for the times, I'm sure it was quite chic. Not by today's standards.

As we ascended the front steps, we couldn't help but notice the substantial 'crater' next to the entrance. I observed but overlooked the landscaping that was mostly weeds and the peeling paint on the front columns. My first impression of the lobby was ho-hum. But our greeter was a delightful, very competent lady who answered every question. And there were a lot of questions.

Me: What is the giant crater out front?

"Oh, that's the future elevator," She replied.

H-m-m-m. Being sensitive to words I keyed on the critical word 'future.'

Me: "What is my room number?"

"We've got you in a nice room on the third floor," she replied.

Me: "Can you call the concierge?"

"We don't have a concierge, Sir," was her somewhat tart reply.

Me: "Again, what is that giant hole out front?"

"Sir, we don't have an elevator but our building permit for one has been issued," she replied with a straight face. Now, I reviewed the Champlain Waterfront Hotel website and it is completely silent on the lack of an elevator.

"How long has this 'boutique' hotel been open?"

"We've been open more than two years," with a certain amount of pride in her reply.

Turning to Skip, my brother, I inquired, "How is it legal to have an accommodation facility, open to the public, that doesn't have full access to everything?" Skip is an engineer who designs a wide variety of buildings all over Chicago, all of which require full ADA access. His reply was typical Chicago, "H-m-m-m, maybe somebody got to somebody."

Ok. What are we going to do? We had just hauled a 22-foot boat across Michigan and half of Ontario. So, my 79-year-old brother, who has had open heart surgery and his 74-year-brother with artificial everything lugged our luggage up three flights of stairs. I couldn't wait to see our boutique room. Nicely appointed, as one would expect in a 'boutique' hotel. Skip asks, "How about some ice?" Sure. Being the younger brother, I grabbed the ice bucket and went looking for the ice. Nothing on the third floor. Nothing on the second floor. So off I went to bother that nice lady at the front desk again. She directed me to the machine just off the lobby. It was empty! When I inquired for a second machine she replied, "Oh, that's our only one. The last user must have taken it all." Excuse me? One person took all the ice? This 'boutique hotel' has what, 25 plus rooms. One ice machine?

Oh, well, at least there's the morning buffet. It opens at 7. I was looking forward to that buffet. It was featured on their website with a presentation of an over-easy egg, accompanied by sliced avocados on a bed of fresh mesclun lettuce. And, Canada is the home of Tim Horton's, so the coffee is going to be hot, strong and plentiful. After all, I had seen it on their website. Couldn't wait! What an idiot! Should have remembered the giant elevator hole and the empty ice machine. There's a pattern developing here.



Dick Sorensen was pleased to be joined by Joe Huffman in planning this Ron Lavelle Memorial Cruise. We had a good time and told a lot of Ron stories. But it would have been so much better with Ron and Linda leading the way.

Backstory: Joe Huffman jumped in and helped me arrange this wonderful week of cruising Canada's historic Trent-Severn Waterway. Planning a week's cruise is a real challenge. Coordinating hotels, marinas and everyone's schedule is like that juggler with six sticks and rotating plates! Hard. Joe found us a starting point at the Champlain Waterfront Hotel.

The Ohio State University – Naval Reserve Officers Training Corp

Ralph Newman is working with Lt. Andrew Shopland on this fall's celestial seminar at OSU. Tentatively scheduled for October 15th and 17th, JN and N graduates are invited to join with Ralph in helping these future naval officers find out where their ships actually are! Contact Ralph at

RNEWMA3@columbus.rr.com or me at **zeke0711@yahoo.com** to express your interest.

District 29's Fall Conference is being hosted by ABC of Central Ohio on November 8th – 11th.

As the US ARMY's recruiting poster says, "We Need You!" To help with the registration process, help with the room layouts, serve as a bartender in our guest suite, etc. The Saturday night, November 9th, banquet will serve as our November meeting event. Please contact Sherri Haring, Ruth Wilcox or Sue Goetz to volunteer. Again, We Need You!

Bungle Jug and River Rat Awards

Due to the November District Meeting we are moving the presentation of these world-class, highly prestigious awards to our Christmas Party at Morgan House. Saturday, December 7th. Please plan on attending this much anticipated 'roasting' of your shipmates!

Leadership Needed

Would you like to learn Roberts Rules of Order? Learn how to work comfortably with others? Contribute to our educational efforts? Teach a course? Volunteer! Yup, it's that easy. Every one of our Club positions could use more participants. Like to plan trips? Consider helping plan next year's cruises. Like numbers? Consider serving on our finance committee. Like being 'wild and crazy?' Help plan our monthly social events. All you have to do is to 'say so.' We'd love to have your energy and new ideas!! Contact any of our Club officers.

80th Anniversary Looms

In the spring of 1940, some 20 mystified piloting students gathered at Columbus's old Seventh Street Armory to take their final exam, administered by the Dayton Power Squadron. Dayton was the nearest qualified Squadron to administer this exam. As a result of everyone's successful completion the National Commander, Arthur Middleton, N issued our Squadron's Charter on May 3rd, 1940. Next year we will celebrate our 80th Anniversary. In this age of disposable everything that's quite an accomplishment!

It's going to be a busy, fun fall. But before then, get on the water!

Regards,
Dick

Trump Ain't....

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It would be appropriate to remind the reader that I spent over 25 years in the catering industry. I have presented so many morning buffets that I could do one in my sleep. The Champlain's buffet was, maybe, on the level of one offered at our local YMCA. Everything, except the apples, came out of a box from the food wholesaler. Everything. Fresh eggs? Nope. Avocados? Not since their copywriter had a photo session with that descriptive page. Fresh mesclun? Are you kidding? Run out of coffee. You bet! Pastry not proofed and warmed. Absolutely! So much for my 'boutique' buffet inspired hunger. The little refrigerator announced a wide variety of breakfast juices: grapefruit, apple, orange, cranberry. But the only beverage was orange.

Now the quality of a hotel buffet isn't a big deal until you add the word 'boutique.' That rachets up the amount of skin one has in the game. But two experiences really shamed this place. On two mornings the coffee (1) wasn't ready at 7 am and/or (2) was empty. Now you can serve me green eggs and ham, you can give me under-baked rolls and day-old bagels but don't ever run out of coffee! Ever! The second major screw-up was the most serious. On Saturday morning, while waiting for the coffee to brew, I stepped aside to let an employee report for work. I watched as he stopped at the chaffer with the sausage, lifted the lid, reached in with his hand and extracted a piece. This boutique hotel is sorely in need of some adult food service supervision.

The last issue I have is the hotel's name. 'Waterfront.' The Champlain Hotel is located some distance from the waterfront. In my world waterfront denotes 'on-the-water,' or at least across the street from the water or perhaps surrounded by water. Nope. A third of a mile? Less than half a mile. Waterfront? Maybe a million years ago when the glaciers were carving Canada up.

So the next time our Donald J. goes off on The Greatest, The Biggest, The Best. Don't blame him. He has the same speechwriter as this 'boutique' hotel.

**America's Boating Club of Central Ohio -
Columbus Sail and Power Squadron
Minutes of the Executive Committee
28 May 2019**

(These minutes will be approved at the August 2019 Executive Committee meeting.)

XO Lt/C Sherri Haring, S, called the meeting to order at 1900 at the squadron headquarters, 8492 Cotter Street, Lewis Center, OH and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by sight and Assistant Secretary, 1st Lt Thomas Doyle, P found that a quorum was present. The following Executive Committee members were present: Commander Dick Sorensen, SN; Executive Officer Lt/C Sherri Haring, S; Administrative Officer, Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P; Education Officer P/C John Seaver, SN; Assistant Secretary 1st/Lt Thomas Doyle, P; Immediate Past Commander Ed Mack, SN; Asst. Squadron Education Officer, 1st/Lt Paul King, AP-IN; P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; Lt Sue Goelz, S; Lt Robert Goelz, S; Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP; P/C Larry Lowe, SN-CN; Lt Jana Mack, S; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; Lt Beth Perchuk, S; Lt Ruth Wilcox, S. Guests present: P/D/C Bill Lehner, SN; Lt Doug Jackson, SN; Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt Linda Huffman. The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

Commander Dick Sorensen, SN

Good evening and welcome to the last spring 2019 meeting of America's Boating Club of Central Ohio's Executive Committee. The last three months have passed extremely quickly for me and during this rush I have learned a lot about our organization and, more importantly, how critical each of you are to our continued success. Thank you for your patience and guidance with me.

Our Winter Education curriculum is officially complete and we have a number of other projects that are either finished or coming to their end.

The Vessel Safety Check weekend was a big success. Kudos to John Pruitt, Ruth and Glen Kubinski and Michael T. Hughes. Each of these folks made a major commitment to our success. John for his continued leadership, Ruth and Glen for all the signage, organization and food and to Michael Hughes for getting the media's attention. Glen sure looked 'salty' on Channel 10.

The audit of the Squadron's financial records is complete and we will hear from Doug Jackson shortly on his committee's work and its findings.

I am pleased to announce that Bob Goelz has



agreed to serve as our Treasurer for the balance of this year. I would like to publicly thank Ed Mack for his many years of service as our Treasurer. His days of laboring over our books have come to an end.

We have officially started our summer and the first event is a dual squadron picnic at Indian Lake; I'll let Sherri Haring address that when it's the Exec's time. And along with Indian Lake I have asked Joe Huffman to bring us up to date on the totally revised Trent-Severn cruise.

We are the host Squadron for the District 29 Fall meeting. Sherri and her crew are hard at work.

I would like to 'mandatorily order' each of you to attend the Saturday Evening Banquet along with our hospitality suite after. Bring your partner and let's have a huge turnout. We are also going to need some help with bartending (and sampling) our menu at the suite. So please reserve November 9th for the Banquet... we can use your help all weekend if available.

The change of Bridge Officers and Budget process this last year wasn't the smoothest it could have been. I'd like to get out in front of that for 2019/20. With that in mind I am passing out this year's budget just for the Bridge Officers Department, namely: AO's department, Education, Treasurer, etc. Please take some time over the summer to take a look and put together your 'dream' budget for the fall.... I've asked Glen to think about how we can pump up interest in next year's VSE weekend. I have given some thought to our slate of officers for next year and will send you my suggestions over the summer.

Reflecting on our future course, I have been influenced by you to think outside box. I am coming to the conclusion that we've got the financial resources to grow our group. Perhaps it's time to put together a working marketing group, solicit a marketing/advertising agency to take us to another level (social media, TV, etc.) and spend some money. Another thought was really hare-brained.... Should we look to acquiring a piece of land that could serve as a storage yard and perhaps a working shop/warehouse for our members...just a thought.

Anyway, my fellow volunteers, summer is here. Let's raise our sails and go to sea!

**Executive Officer Lt/C Sherri Haring, S**

Planning for the fall D29 Conference is underway. We are working with District as far as actual events. We are coordinating with Lima Squadron for the Indian Lake picnic to be held on June 9.

Administrative Officer Lt/C Ruth Kubinski, P

The service and food at the Der Dutchman dinner meeting was great. 24 members attended. 3 new members and 1 guest.

The vessel safety checks at Alum Creek on May 18 and 19 were a great success. Approximately 40 boats were inspected. Thanks to Commander Dick Sorensen, Sherri Haring, Bob and Sue Goelz, Bob Van Der Wissel, Brian Crabbe, John Pruitt, and Ruthie and Glen Kubinski.

Thanks to Commander Dick Sorensen for his relentless work on trying to get the squadron some news coverage during Safe Boating Week. Due to his efforts, Glen Kubinski was on Channel 10 news discussing safety on the water. They spoke about wearing life jackets, using flares, and an array of other topics dealing with safety. It was a great little piece to advance our mission.

We hope to start building a partnership with Alum Creek Marina to promote our agenda and mission. We saw a lot of bad boating practices over Safe Boating weekend and we want to make people aware that very good boating classes are readily available.

**Squadron Education Officer P/C John Seaver, SN
Asst E/O 1st/Lt Paul King, AP-IN**

Classes are finished for the summer. Venue for the Crossing Borders seminar has not yet been set. We are currently talking to Field and Stream and Paul's Marine. May talk to Dick's Sporting Goods as well. Cabela's didn't seem interested. Would like to hear from members what classes they would like to see offered in the fall.

**Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S: - Absent
Asst. Sec. 1st/Lt Tom Doyle, P**

No report

Treasurer P/C. Ed Mack, SN (acting treasurer until Bob Goelz takes the reins)

Ed Mack reported that the Morgan Stanley account is doing well.

Immediate Past Commander, P/C Ed Mack,

SN: See Treasurer

Members at Large Reports:

P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN: Our By-Laws have been approved by National. Harold moved that we approve the By-Laws and Ruthie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

P/C Larry Lowe, SN-CN: Inland and Coastal Navigation tests will be conducted by Larry Lowe at Lake Erie on August 17 and 18. The Border Patrol now recommends using the ROAM app on your phone for marine crossing of borders.

P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN: Thanks to Ed Mack for all his years of service as Treasurer.

Committee Reports**General Committees**

Nominating Committee: P/C John Seaver, SN; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/C Ed Mack, SN – No report

Audit Committee: Lt Doug Jackson, SN; Lt Ralph Newman, N: The financial audit is complete and no problems or inconsistencies were observed. The Audit Committee did have several suggestions to improve security. The Executive Committee will take these recommendations seriously and determine which ones to implement. Harold Beidel moved to approve the audit and it was seconded by John Seaver. The motion passed unanimously.

Rules Committee: P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, AP; Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP – see Harold Beidel –Member At Large report.

Standing Committees

Finance Committee: Lt/C Ron Hupman, S – Absent – No report

Housing Committee: Need chair since Matt Murphy has moved. – No report

Planning Committee: P/C David Canale, P; P/D/C Bill Lehner, SN – No report

Law Officer: P/C David Canale, P – Absent – No report

Merit Marks Committee: P/C Bob Van Der Wissel, AP - Absent - Send your volunteer hours to Bob.

Property Officer: Need new chair. – No report

Sea Gals: Cdr. Martha Beidel – Absent – Harold Beidel reported that the Sea Gals last meeting was at Scioto Downs. 15 attended.

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**Special Committees**

Investments Committee: P/C Edward Mack, SN – See treasurer

Roster: Lt Douglas Jackson, SN – Send updated info to Doug and he will update roster and National.

Boating Activities: Cdr. Dick Sorensen, SN – Detailed planning for Trent Severn is underway. Joe Huffman gave an overview of the trip and a detailed explanation of the trip will be distributed shortly. Those members going must call the hotels and marinas themselves. They are reserved under the Power Squadron and Joe Huffman's name. Picnic at Indian Lake with Lima June 9. Joe Huffman reported that three boatels now are reserved for Lake Cumberland, Beaver Creek Marina. There may eventually be 6.

Vessel Safety Check: Lt John Pruitt, AP: See Administrative Officer report

New Business

The District Lake Erie Cruise will be over the 4th of July week. If you are interested, contact Dale Crawford with the Port Clinton Squadron.

Comments from Guests: Bill Lehner suggested updating the flags and burgees on display at headquarters. He volunteered to see this done.

Sick Bay

John Seaver has a broken rib.

Announcements

Next ECOM meeting is August 27, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: 2037**SICK BAY**

Scott Shaw

Muskingum River Parkway State Park Office Change

Due to the addition of the new Jesse Owens State Park, ODNR has combined Muskingum River Parkway State Park and Jesse Owens State Park under one management team. The park office for Muskingum River Parkway and Jesse Owens will now be based out of Burr Oak State Park. If you have any questions about either park or would like to make special lock arrangements, please call the Burr Oak State Park office at 740-767-3570. You can also email the park at burr.oak.parks@dhr.state.oh.us.

Information submitted by Joe Huffman. Thanks, Joe!



1979 CSPS Muskingum River Cruise

Lake Cumberland: Sept. 19-24

Bon Voyage! Come cruise beautiful Lake Cumberland with us! We typically log 100-150 miles of cruising, but YOU can do more or less if you want. Lake Cumberland has 1,295 miles of shoreline as well as much to see & do. Once we know how many are coming, I will come up with a list of possible day trips.

I got our "Botels" for September. Grider Hill Marina (GHM) is no longer renting houseboats so we are moving to Beaver Creek Marina (BCM) this year. BCM is about Mid Main Lake or, as locals call it, the 10 mile stretch area; this means about halfway between the Wolfe Creek Dam & the State Dock. If you didn't know, Lake Cumberland is very deep with beautiful water.

This year's dates are Sept 19-24! You can shorten or increase your time if you want. The 19th is the earliest date BCM will let us reserve a boat. They make much more money if the Houseboats are on the water.

Our regular Botel group has selected the above dates and have picked the largest & best Botel, the Mystic! Invite whomever you like, any Squadron member or friend. You have 4 Botels to pick from this year:

1. **Mystic** (biggest/best), 80 x 18 ft. Note our biggest Botel at GHM was 73 x 16, so the Mystic is larger than we're accustomed to. It costs \$300.00/night + tax; our cost for 5 nights is 1,590.00 incl tax. I've already paid the \$300.00 deposit. Balance will be due in August. 6 queen

size bedrooms. \$1,590.00 divided by 5 couples is \$310.00/couple, divided by 5 nights = \$63.60 per night, a pretty cheap "Hotel on the water"!

2. **Stargazer** is 77 x 16 ft. This is also bigger than our GHM Botels! Cost of this is \$250.00/night + tax. 6 queen size bedrooms.

3. **Tranquility** is 64 x 16 ft. Cost of this Botel is \$200.00/night + tax. 4 double size bedrooms.

4. **Explorer** is 64 x 16 ft. Cost of this Botel is \$175.00/night + tax. 4 double size bedrooms.

As you can see, a Botel for every group size. Shortest stay is 2 nights; no limit on how long. You can see all the Houseboats at www.beavercreekmarina.com

Please MAKE YOUR OWN reservations by calling David at 800-844-8862. Tell him you're part of the Columbus Sail & Power Squadron & use my name. Please let me know when you make your reservations so I can keep checking. David will tell you about the refund of your deposit and when your final payment needs to be made. I think we can have as many as 4 Botels.

I will need to know the number of people on your Botel & the number of trailered boats you will have. We may/may not need to rent some slips depending on the number of boats. I will work this out with Terry, the Manager of BCM.

Joe Huffman
614-620-9696



UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS

USPS Governing Board Meeting
September 8-16, 2019
Galt House — Louisville, Kentucky

USPS 106th National Meeting
February 9-16, 2020
Ponte Vedra, Florida

UPCOMING D29 EVENTS

Fall Conference Hilton Columbus at Polaris
November 8 – 10, 2019



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