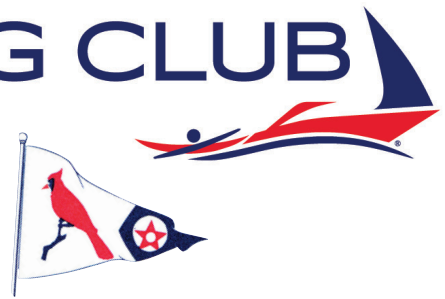


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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

- 6 Saturday ABC Sandusky Virtual Change of Watch – Time TBA
- 7 Sunday D29 Virtual Winter Council – 10:00 am
- 8 Monday March 2021 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 15-26 Mon-Fri USPS Virtual Annual Meeting
- 14 Sunday Happy Valentine's Day
- 23 Tuesday Virtual Executive Committee Meeting – 7 pm

### MARCH

- 8 Monday April 2021 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 23 Tuesday Virtual Executive Committee Meeting – 7 pm

### APRIL

- 4 Sunday Happy Easter!
- 5 Monday May 2021 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 27 Tuesday Virtual Executive Committee Meeting – 7 pm



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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Sherri Haring, P



What a year 2020 was! We did accomplish some great things this year. We had three members get their 25-year merit marks. We upgraded our headquarters with new windows and graphics on the windows making it easier to find us. Some of our members were able to travel around on some fun boating trips using their boats. Our America's Boating Course via Zoom had 13 graduates. The AO set up some happy hours and a Holiday party via Zoom. All who attended the social events had fun. Cruise planning is on its way for the next year. Now that we have looked in the rearview mirror, let's look forward to 2021.

Looking forward, I would like to see our club maintain our current membership and build upon our present 110 members by at least 10 members. Our executive board continues to meet monthly and have been working on new ways to bring our club to more boaters' attention via print media, social media, and possibly a billboard. Our

education officer is working on a plan to bring more education to our members and prospective members. Social activities remain very important as well.

2021 should bring a boating adventure for all of our members with and without a boat. There are a wide variety of trips being planned to which you can bring your boat, hitch a ride, or meet us out at our location via car. We have a vessel safety event planned with a picnic for our members and for any new friends whom we meet during Safe Boating Week. The February National Conference will go on but will be virtual so check your e-mail for more information. Let's go out and have a good 2021!



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Bob Goelz, S



Something to look forward to!

Reading the *Dispatch* a week or so ago there was an article that says the Alum Creek Marina will be redone!! New showers, shops, and boat slips. Costs will be funded by the Waterway Safety Fund. This in turn is funded by boating registration fees.



What does this have to do with us? Well, I hope that it means more boat registrations are taking place in Central Ohio and that means more candidates for our organization. Now it will be up to us to take advantage and capture as many new members and folks that need boating education as possible.

My question for you is: how do we proceed to tackle this new opportunity? I will talk to an old friend who used to be head of ODNR and see how we can get closer to all of this new activity.

In the meantime, it is nice to hear that others see being on the water is quality time and they are putting our resources to use. Maybe I can get

a boat slip or perhaps we can do some training on site at the marina? Summer days are coming again, and this article makes me look forward to the season.

Happy boating everyone!





Happy New Year All! A wonderful time was had by all for our 1<sup>st</sup> Zoom Ugly Sweater Contest. I want to thank all who participated. Prizes were awarded for the Ugly Sweater Contest and the winners were Phil Osborne & Ruth Wilcox, Bob & Sue Goelz, Sherri Haring & Lee Gibson. We also played Zoom Scavenger Hunt, Trivia, and 20 Questions with prizes awarded for each game. I had so much fun doing these games on Zoom that I will be planning a Zoom Power Squadron game night for next month. So, brush up on your trivia,



make sure you know where all the random items for the scavenger hunt are located, and get ready to laugh and have an enjoyable evening with other members. More to come soon including the date and time. Until then, stay safe and warm and spring is just around the corner.

## SICK BAY

Joyce Hankel  
Mari Seaver  
Ruth Wilcox



## District 29 Winter Council

PLEASE NOTE - The District 29 Winter Council meeting will be held virtually on Sunday, February 7th at 10:00 a.m. More information about our ABC of Central Ohio Change of Watch and the District 29 Spring Conference including dates and times will be announced at the council meeting and shared with you via E-Blast. Both events will be held virtually.

## Galley Gossip Sponsor Club

It's time once again to sign up for the *Galley Gossip* Sponsors Club! A mere \$20.00 yearly contribution will give you the opportunity to list your boat, business, pets, etc. on the back page of each of the ten monthly issues (The *GG* is not published in July and August.) What a deal! Check out the back page of this issue for more details.



Rodney Cooper  
Jessica Garrett  
Jonathan Hollander

Debbie Murphy  
Bob Rayburn



The winter blahs have set in. It is that time of year when there are more cloudy days than sunny. It is cold and wet and makes me want to hunker down in front of the fire with a good book and dream of sailing in tropical waters. I have finally figured out why all those old New Englanders moved to Florida. On the bright side, we did have a white Christmas!

At the time of this writing, we are in the pre-planning stages for our spring educational activities. There may be a light in the fog with the COVID-19 vaccines coming out but let us not hold our breath for a full-fledged educational year. We are considering doing an ABC in the early spring and possibly Boat Handling as well. These courses will probably be virtual via Zoom.

If you are a new boater or an old salt, we have courses, seminars, webinars, and virtual classroom class available. You are never too old or too knowledgeable that you cannot learn something



new. I challenge every member of America's Boating Club Central Ohio (formerly Columbus Sail & Power Squadron) to take at least one seminar, one webinar, or one course (either online or virtual classroom) during the coming year. You never know, you may learn something.

I know this is short but educational activities have been limited. So, I guess you could say I have kinda run outta gas and haven't quite made it to the dock. Well, better days are coming!

As Dick the weatherman would say "Keep your nose into the wind and your eye on the horizon" and be safe.

Until then: "Any way the wind blows...Doesn't really matter."

## INFORMATION ON THE 2021 VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING

The United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club, 2021 Virtual Annual Meeting will run from Feb. 15–26, with sessions scheduled at different times to accommodate members in all time zones. Registration is not required for meetings, and everyone is invited to attend. (One course does require pre-registration.) Just open the [current agenda on the left-hand menu of the meetings page](#), find the sessions of interest to you, and mark your calendar.

### How to Connect

1. Go to [FreeConferenceCall.com](https://www.freeconferencecall.com) 10 minutes before the meeting date and time.
2. Enter meeting ID **USPSABC** for ALL meetings on the agenda.

### How to Prepare and Participate

- Attendees can connect 10 minutes prior to the scheduled meeting start time. Meetings will start at their scheduled time.
- Turn your **camera (video) and sound OFF** when joining unless specifically asked to turn them on.
- Connection issues? Refer to the [step-by-step connection guide for attendees](#).
- All meetings will be recorded in case you miss a session or have trouble connecting.
- You can access recorded meetings on the [National Meeting web page](#) 48 hours after the session concludes.
- Use the [step-by-step connection guide](#) to practice connecting prior to the meeting when no other meetings are scheduled, before 10:45 a.m. ET or after 9:30 p.m. ET during the conference or almost anytime before February 15.

### Don't Have a Computer/Smartphone?

- Call a friend and watch with them while social distancing! Everyone is invited!
- Call a non-computer owning squadron member and invite them to watch with you while social distancing.

Keep an eye on the [National Meeting web page](#) for updates before, during, and after the conference!



**America's Boating Club of Central Ohio -  
Columbus Sail and Power Squadron  
Minutes of the Executive Committee  
22 December 2020**

***Due to the coronavirus, this meeting was  
conducted by Zoom teleconference.***

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

X/O Lt/C Bob Goelz, S, filling in for Cdr Sherri Haring, P called the meeting to order at 1900. The prayer was given by Lt Mary Rayburn, P, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by X/O Lt/C Bob Goelz, S. Roll call was taken by sight/voice and Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S, found that after a few minutes into the meeting a quorum was present. The following Executive Committee members were present: Executive Officer Lt/C Bob Goelz, S; Administrative Officer Lt/C Tiffany Francis, S; Education Officer Lt/C Paul King, JN-IN; Assistant Education Officer P/C John Seaver, SN; Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S; Assistant Secretary 1<sup>st</sup>/Lt Tom Doyle, P; Treasurer P/C Dick Sorensen, SN; Lt Sue Goelz, S; Lt Joe Huffman, P; P/C Larry Lowe, SN-CN. Guests present: Lt Mary Rayburn, P; ANEO Bob Rayburn, SN-IN; Tom Francis; Mari Seaver, S. The minutes of the November meeting were approved.

**Executive Officer Lt/C Bob Goelz, S for  
Commander Sherri Haring, P**

We will need a vote on the officers, budget and we will hold a Change of Watch via Zoom. Phil had a great idea to give the local marinas a card good for a free education class to anyone who buys a boat. (ABC)

**Administrative Officer Lt/C Tiffany Francis, S  
Asst. A/O – 1st Lt Ruth Kubinski, P**

The virtual Christmas Party was very good. Prizes were given in the ugly sweater contest.

**Education Officer Lt/C Paul King, JN-IN  
Asst EO P/C John Seaver, SN**

As we wind down this year, I will be looking ahead to the 2021 educational year and contemplating how we can move forward with our education program. I have solicited some input whether we want to do an America's Boating Course early in the new year as usual, and, if so, how and when.

If the social situation continues as it is, I think we will be handicapped in what we can do. Hopefully, times will improve enough that we can start holding in-classroom classes again.

As more information and guidance from National becomes available and our educational plans develop, I will keep you posted.



**Secretary Lt/C Ron Hupman, S  
Asst. Sec. – 1<sup>st</sup>/Lt Tom Doyle, P**

All officers are asked to prepare written reports and **email** reports to [hupman1@att.net](mailto:hupman1@att.net).

**Treasurer P/C Dick Sorensen, SN**

All bills are paid and 2019 taxes have been filed.

**Immediate Past Commander P/C Dick  
Sorensen, SN – No report**

**Member at Large Reports:**

**Lt Joe Huffman, P** – He has tried to call the hotel in Nashville to find out how many reservations have been made and won't be able to contact the marina until February or March. Phil is working on the beginning of the trip at the lodge on June 20.

**General Committees**

**Nominating Committee:** P/C John Seaver, SN; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/C Dick Sorensen, SN – No report

**Audit Committee:** Lt Doug Jackson, SN; Complete – Absent

**Rules Committee:** P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP; Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP – Absent

**Standing Committees**

**Finance Committee:** Lt/C Ron Hupman, S – The budget process was described, especially that there was a lot of guess work in this year's budget. Motion for approval by Dick Sorensen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ron Hupman, approved. There was discussion regarding Phil Osborne's suggestion of certificates for a free class to boat buyers. This was tabled until a later meeting.



**Housing Committee:** Lt Tom Doyle, P- He attended a BRK Zoom meeting where it was discussed that there has been a lot of vandalism and trash in the complex. They are installing more cameras and signs. Tom suggests redoing the utility closet. Dick Sorensen motioned that we allocate funds for this, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Huffman, approved.

**Planning Committee:** P/C David Canale, P; P/C Bill Lehner, SN – Absent

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

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

**Property Officer:** 1<sup>st</sup>/Lt Thomas Doyle, P, acting – See Housing

**Sea Gals:** Cdr Martha Beidel – Absent

### Special Committees

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

**Social Media Committee:** Lt Beth Perchuk, P – Absent

**Investments Committee:** Lt/C Bob Goelz, S – Investments are doing well. Some changes are in the works that he will report on later.

**Boat Shows:** P/C Dick Sorensen, SN – The Fishing Expo has been canceled; our deposit is rolled over.

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

**Boating Activities:** P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN – Absent

**Vessel Safety Check:** Lt John Pruitt, AP – Absent

**ABC Class Committee:** Need Chair

### Old Business:

Dick Sorensen is working on proposal for billboards along the route to Lake Erie.

### New Business:

Discuss with Phil Osborne his idea for a free class for new boat owners.

### Comments from Guests:

Bob Rayburn reported that the National Annual Meeting will be held virtually on afternoons and evenings over the 2-week period February 15-22. The Governing Board will be February 20. Larry Lowe is hoping to do an On-the-Water certification program in August.

### Sick Bay:

Joyce Hankle, Mari Seaver, Ruth Wilcox

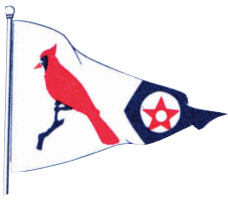
### Announcements:

Next ECOM meeting is **January 26**.  
GG articles are due January 11.

### Meeting Adjourned:

1953





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