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2021, HERE WE COME!



*Here's to better days  
in 2021!*

*Happy  
New Year!*



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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### JANUARY 2021

- 1 Friday **Happy New Year!**
- 7 Thursday Virtual Monthly Membership Meeting – 7 pm
- 9 Saturday Toledo ABC Virtual Change of Watch – Time TBA
- 11 Monday February 2021 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 23 Saturday Findlay ABC Virtual Change of Watch – Time TBA
- 26 Tuesday Virtual Executive Committee Meeting – 7 pm

### FEBRUARY

- 6 Saturday ABC Sandusky Virtual Change of Watch – Time TBA
- 7 Sunday D29 Virtual Winter Council – Time TBA
- 8 Monday March 2021 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 11-13 Thurs–Sat USPS Annual Meeting – Ponte Vedra, FL – TENTATIVE
- 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



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Member-at-Large	Lt Sue Goelz, S	Member-at-Large
Member-at-Large	Lt Joe Huffman, P	Member-at-Large
Member-at-Large	Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP	Member-at-Large
Member-at-Large	Lt Glen Kubinski, AP	Member-at-Large
		P/C Larry Lowe, SN-CN
		Lt Ralph Newman, SN
		P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN
		Lt Beth Perchuk, P
		Lt Ruth Wilcox, S

## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Sherri Haring, P



Welcome to 2021! We certainly had a tough year. This year we have some interesting and fun boat trips being planned. There should be something or a few somethings for everyone. Bob Goelz will be providing information about our fun upcoming season. He is leading a great team of experienced boaters. The dinner meetings via Zoom ended on December 11<sup>th</sup> with an enjoyable holiday party.

We had our 2020 Ugly Sweater Party, and Tiffany Francis did a great job planning it. A great time was had by all when we were answering trivia questions and running around our houses looking for scavenger hunt items. Joe and Linda Huffman were the fastest at many of the fun hunts for items. I think that they may be the big winners of the gift cards. This month we will have some important business items to consider.

At the January meeting, we will need to vote on the 2021 slate of officers. Our current officers have agreed to remain in their current positions for another year with your approval. The budget will also need to be voted on at our ECOM meeting on 1/26/2021 at 7:00 p.m. We will continue to meet regularly via Zoom to keep everyone safe. Hopefully, we will be able to meet in person again soon.



Happy New Year to all of you!



## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Bob Goelz, S



Happy New Year to All,

Let's plan to have a great New Year! I hope your 2020 was a good one and I hope 2021 will be much better. I am overly optimistic but let's hope the pandemic is gone in 2021 and that the vaccine is helping everyone who cares for all of us.



If you are like me, at this time of year you're putting a lot of thought into New Year's resolutions. You know the ones: I am going to lose weight this year; I am going to spend more time with my family; I am going to make more money; I am going to contact my sister more often; and, my favorite, I will organize my time for success this year.

And this is what I hope for the America's Boating Club of Central Ohio:

1. More education using the virtual tools we have developed. I do hope we can get some "one-on-one" on-the-water training going as well.
2. Help more boaters with Vessel Exams and help more club members become examiners.
3. To complete our cruises and have a great time on the water this year.
4. Try to get together more often this year. Virtual is great but I miss being with all of you in person.

So, be of good cheer and have a great New Year in 2021. Let's be full of hope that 2021 will be so much better than this year. Goodbye 2020!





Ahoy!!!

With boating season fast approaching!!! Okay, it is me wishing it was here already! I would like to take this time and tell everyone how much I am looking forward to springtime when we can hopefully all get together outside, while still social distancing. Though I do like the Zoom meetings and I love how convenient they are, I really miss planning dinner events and seeing everyone.

I am hoping that this coming year we can plan for monthly outdoor dinner meetings. So, starting in April 2021, let's plan to meet at an outdoor-seating restaurant, a park, or any place that conforms to the social distancing requirements.



I am looking for some suggestions. I consider all of them to be good ideas, so please let me know a favorite restaurant or outdoor park or outdoor gathering spot that you would like to try or already have and think the group would love it too.

Please email me with your ideas!!  
Thanks, and have a safe and happy holiday!

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## **USPS Annual Meeting**

As of press time, the USPS 106th Annual Meeting scheduled for February 9-16, 2021 in Ponte Vedra, Florida is still a go. Further details will be provided as they become available.



## **SICK BAY**

Joyce Hankel  
Mari Seaver  
Ruth Wilcox

**JANUARY Birthdays**

Lynn Canale • Diane Cooper • John Seaver

## **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.



*Spring has Sprung, Fall has Fell,  
Winter is Here, And it is cold as can be!*

At the time of this writing the Schooner Roseway is about midway between Bermuda and the Bahamas heading south for the winter. By the time you read this she will be snug in her berth in St Croix. How I wish I were aboard (Big Sigh)!

The good news is that there are only a few months until we start doing the "spring splash".

I trust that all had good safe holidays and are raring to kick off a new boating and educational year. All things considered I would say we had a successful educational year this past year. We successfully did our first virtual ABC class and had some people successfully complete their Piloting Exam. I hope that some of those who completed ABC have decided to take Boat Handling (Seamanship) online with plans to move ahead with their boating education.

However, the way the situation is at this time does not bode well for a full-fledged educational year. We may have opportunities to do another ABC in the early spring and possibly some



classroom classes with limited students and social distancing. But nothing has been planned as of yet.

I may be preaching to the choir, but if you are a new boater or an old salt, we have courses, seminars, webinars, and virtual classroom classes 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.

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."

## Slate of Officers for 2021

The election for the 2021 Bridge will take place at the virtual January 7th Membership Meeting. Those who are unable to attend and wish to cast their vote earlier will be able to do so electronically. If you wish to vote electronically, e-mail Sherri Haring at [sherri\\_haring@hotmail.com](mailto:sherri_haring@hotmail.com) and state "I vote in favor of the 2021 Slate of Bridge Officers as listed in the January 2021 *Galley Gossip*". Or, if you are opposed, state "I vote against...". You may also write in candidates for any office. Early electronic votes must be received by 11:59 p.m. January 4, 2021. The slate is as follows:

Commander  
Executive Officer  
Administrative Officer  
Assistant Administrative Officer  
Squadron Education Officer  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Past Commander  
Assistant Squadron Education Officer  
Assistant Secretary

Sherri Haring, P  
Bob Goelz, S  
Tiffany Francis, S  
Ruthie Kubinski, P  
Paul King, AP-IN  
Ron Hupman, S  
Dick Sorensen, SN  
Dick Sorensen, SN  
John Seaver, SN  
Thomas Doyle, P

*Members-at-Large:*

Sue Goelz, S  
Joe Huffman, P  
Michael T. Hughes, AP

Glen Kubinski, AP  
Larry Lowe, SN-CN  
Ralph Newman, SN

Phil Osborne, JN-IN  
Beth Perchuk, P  
Ruth Wilcox, S

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

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

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

Cdr Sherri Haring, P, called the meeting to  
order at 19:00. The prayer was omitted and the  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by XO Lt/C Bob  
Goelz, S. Roll call was taken by sight/voice and  
the 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: Commander Sherri  
Haring, P; Executive Officer Lt/C Bob Goelz, S;  
Administrative Officer Lt/C Tiffany Francis, S;  
Education Officer Lt/C Paul King, JN-IN; Secretary  
Lt/C Ron Hupman, S; Treasurer P/C Dick Sorensen  
SN; Lt Sue Goelz, S; Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt  
Michael T. Hughes, AP; Lt Beth Perchuk, P; P/C  
Phil Osborne, JN-IN; Lt Ruth Wilcox, S. Guests  
present: None. The minutes of the October  
meeting were approved.

**Commander Sherri Haring, P**

Cdr. Haring wants to talk at the December  
meeting about how the squadron should move  
forward. She reported that Dick Sorensen has  
sent a hand-written note to ABC class participants  
welcoming them and describing the benefits of  
membership.

**Executive Officer Lt/C Bob Goelz, S**

Lt/C Goelz noted that we have events coming  
up such as Lake Cumberland, Poker Run and  
Nashville that should appeal to new members.

**Administrative Officer Lt/C Tiffany Francis, S  
Asst. AO 1<sup>st</sup>/Lt Ruth Kubinski, P**

A Zoom Christmas party will be held on  
December 11. There will be an ugly sweater  
contest with gift cards as prizes.

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

Again, thanks to all the people that contributed  
to getting the America's Boating Course up and  
running and completed.

Looking ahead, we need to start thinking about

next year. To the best of my  
knowledge the Ohio RV &  
Boat Show is scheduled for  
Jan 8<sup>th</sup> through Jan 17<sup>th</sup> and  
the Fishing Expo is scheduled  
for Feb 12<sup>th</sup> through Feb 14<sup>th</sup>  
(I think the Fishing Expo has  
been officially cancelled). In  
the past we have relied on  
these events to sort of kick  
off our education year with  
the America's Boating Course  
coming shortly after them.



With the way things are going now it is quite  
possible that these events will not be held or at  
least not as they have in the past. What we need  
to do is to determine:

1. Do we want to conduct an ABC early next  
year?
2. If so, how do we want to present the course  
(single day, two consecutive weekend days  
or as we did this fall 4 or 5 evening classes).  
The surveys from the recent ABC indicated  
that most prefer the multi-day 2-hour  
classes. However, in the past most responses  
were for single day classes.
3. No matter how we decide to present the  
course, we also must decide when to present  
it. Keep in mind that the USPS Annual  
Meeting is from Feb 14<sup>th</sup> through Feb 21<sup>st</sup>.  
So that might push the course start date out  
to the last week in February.
4. If the RV & Boat Show and the Fishing Expo  
are not held, we will need to figure out how  
to advertise the America's Boating Course.

I am not asking for any decision at this meeting  
tonight, but I am asking you to think about how  
to best facilitate this program and revisit it at our  
next meeting. If you want to send any comments  
or call me with suggestions feel free to do so.

The next milestone we have is Safe Boating  
Week and Vessel Inspections. Safe Boating Week  
is May 22<sup>nd</sup> through May 28<sup>th</sup>. At some point before  
that, if things change, we could have a vessel  
safety check class.

It could also be possible to have some  
small group in-person classes by maintaining  
social distancing and wearing masks. Dick the  
weatherman has indicated that he would be willing  
to do the Weather Course in this manner. We  
would just have to determine when to hold it.

Last I heard John Seaver was trying to contact



people who took the Engine Maintenance class to determine if they would like to do a review and then retake the exam.

I do not think that the educational environment is going to change drastically in the near future. We will be relying on virtual classroom and online classes for at least most of next year. As more information and guidance from National becomes available, 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). Also discussed 2021/2022 budget status. Budget must be approved by ECOM at December meeting. For budgeting purposes, there was a discussion about when we might be able to resume dinner meetings. It was decided that we should look at the possibility of a May cookout that could be combined with other activities such as VSEs and a trailering class.

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

Our taxes are being paid and accounts are up to date. The approved transfer from Morgan Stanley is underway. He doesn't expect people to participate if we have an Online annual meeting. We need some social activity.

**Immediate Past Commander P/C Dick Sorensen, SN See treasurer.**

**Members at Large Reports:**

**Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP:** He uses the *Galley Gossip* as a recruiting tool when talking with potential new members and thanks all who make the GG possible. Michael has taken a new prosecutor position in Muskingum County and will be moving to Zanesville. He plans to remain a member of the squadron and participate as much as possible. He wants to do a trip on the Muskingum River.

**Lt Joe Huffman, P:** See Phil Osborne's report.

**P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN:** The Nashville part of that trip has been pinned down. He is still working on the lodge but feels it will work out. Planning for the Cumberland trip is progressing.

**General Committees**

**Nominating Committee:** P/C John Seaver, SN; P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/C Dick Sorensen,

SN: All officers will carry over for next year.

**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 - No report

**Standing Committees**

**Finance Committee:** Lt/C Ron Hupman, S - See Secretary; budget ready by next meeting.

**Merit Marks Committee:** P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP - Complete for this year.

**Property Officer:** 1st/Lt Thomas Doyle, P, acting - See Housing

**Special Committees**

**Technical Committee:** P/C John Seaver, SN - More work needs to be done on the web page.

**Investments Committee:** Lt/C Bob Goelz, S - See X/O report.

**Boat Shows:** P/C Dick Sorensen, SN - The Fishing Expo has been canceled.

**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 - See Member at Large report.

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

**ABC Class Committee:** Need Chair

**Old Business:**

Dick Sorensen has talked with Hart Billboards regarding signs along the route to Lake Erie. They have an inventory of small signs for a reasonable monthly charge and will match a sign for every sign we take. Dick will work with Hart to prepare a proposal.

Dick Sorensen and Tom Doyle met with our insurance agent and then Tom's agent. National provides coverage for officers. There is no coverage for rendezvous. It was decided that our current coverage is OK.

**Sick Bay:**

Joyce Hankle, Mari Seaver, Ruth Wilcox

**Announcements:**

Next ECOM meeting is **December 22.**

**Meeting Adjourned:**

19:57



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