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**Safe Boating Through
Education**

**From The Commander
Cdr Art Clark, P**



Thanks to all for your participation in this month's member meeting. I understand we had a great agenda and a grand time.

Speaking of participation, we have over 200 members at the moment and I am encouraging everyone to renew their membership. Our new USPS motto (Boating is fun...let us show you how!) is a clear message that we want to enjoy our boats and other members. As always, we have about 70 members who routinely participate in our various events. Recently, we established a fishing club within our Squadron for our members to enjoy. If you even think you might be interested, please contact Dave Walsh. Our next fishing trip will be later this month. Keep an eye out for a Google message. Also, we have a number of members interested in kayaking. If you are interested in this activity, please call Jim Hackett.

Since we have over 200 members and about 70 who routinely participate, that means we have over a hundred members who might be more active. Again, I will be calling new members to see where they might be interested in helping out. Also, the nominating committee will begin meeting to discuss who might be good candidates to fill elected positions next year. So, if you are called, please give the committee and the squadron some serious thought.

If you have some ideas on how we might better serve our membership, please call me (849-9467). We really do want our members to enjoy boating and our squadron.

Art



**Executive Officer
Lt/C Dick Howells, JN**



First a little catch up; the Boat Show season is over and Daisy Proctor did a great job for us. Sometimes she had a hard time getting staffing for the booths but she still got the job done. The new display that Gary Whitley designed and helped build is great and certainly stands out.

Our Vessel Safety Check program has new examiners courtesy of Harl Porter, and we are ready to check out boats. Any member who has not had their boat certified for 2008 should definitely call Harl, and he will send out one of us ASAP.

New stuff; we have been asked if our Squadron would like to work with the Boy Scouts to sponsor a Sea Scout Program. This is a recognized United States Power Squadron activity. This would involve a major commitment, and we have about tapped out our regular volunteers with everything else we are doing. If there is someone who would like to research this and possibly take it on as a project for the Squadron, please contact me and I will put you in touch with the appropriate individuals.

And finally; the Executive Committee voted on 5 June 2008 to instruct the Rules Committee to prepare an appropriate resolution to amend our By Laws to change the name of the Squadron from "The Charleston Power Squadron" to "The Charleston Sail and Power Squadron". This can be done by a two thirds vote of a quorum at any meeting after notification of the members in the Log of the date and time of that meeting and the subject. We are aware of the legal changes required for our state charter, deeds and tax exempt status. These are being researched. There is a specific provision for making this

name change in the USPS operations manual, and it does not require any major approvals from the District or National since so many other squadrons have been making this change.

Our reason for changing the name is simply to make it more readily known to the general boating public that we are a boating organization and to recognize all of our loyal sailing members who are an important part of the squadron.

Hope to see you on the water soon!

Dick



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The low country weather is hot, muggy and getting hotter. Make sure you take precautions in the hot sun. Sun block is a must. Drink plenty of water and above all make sure you have your life jackets. We have several raft ups scheduled in the very near future. Raft ups are a lot of fun, and I encourage you to participate. Our Cruise Director Angie Wright and her staff put forth a lot of effort to coordinate these events. So come on out and enjoy the fellowship and fun in the sun!!!

We had forty-nine people attend our June membership meeting. Tommy Condon's did a fantastic job of hosting our meeting. They provided a great meal, with great service, at a reasonable price. Our speaker, Jimmy Hadden, from the Army Corp of Engineers provided some very useful and interesting information on the status of the ICW and provided insight on funding for this enormous well-traveled waterway.

We are still working on our membership renewals. Wendy Walsh tells me things are going great and most members have already renewed. If you have not completed the renewal process, please take a few moments to do so. If you have any questions, Wendy will be happy to assist you. See you on 10 July at the next membership meeting. Helen and her staff are back in the kitchen for a great meal at Headquarters. Details are in the Log.

BJ

An advertisement for Marina Diving Services. On the left is a black and white illustration of a diver in a full suit, holding a clipboard. On the right is the text:

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July Membership Meeting

10 July 2008

Social Hour 1800, Meeting 1900

Squadron Headquarters, 1376 Orange
Grove Road

Come one come all to the Charleston Power Squadron's family picnic! On July 10, 2008, Helen and her staff are back in full force. We plan to serve tasty chicken from the grill of our very own James Rowe, with corn on the cob, baked beans, cole slaw, seasonal fruit, and build your own ice cream sundaes with all your favorite toppings! Cost will be a nominal \$10 per person. As usual, the drinks will flow at 1800 and the meeting will start promptly at 1900.

Our guest speaker for this event is Lt. Myles Greenway with the USCG. His department of the USCG inspects cargo vessels when they initially enter Charleston Harbor. Lt Greenway will summarize their duties and relate interesting situations they have encountered.

So load up the car and bring the family to Squadron Headquarters. Make reservations with BJ Smith at smithbj@sc.rr.com or 843-514-9638. For planning purposes, please make your reservations before 9 July 2008. See you there!

BJ Smith
843-514-9638

Bass Creek Raft Up and Pot Luck Saturday, 19 July 2008

Join us for a fun day on the water. Reservations are not necessary, but we would like to know how many boats to expect.

Contact BJ Smith at 843 514-9638 or smithbj@sc.rr.com or Angie Wright at 843 729-3311 or awright@gates.com if you are coming or if you would like more information and directions.

Welcome New Members

Tim and Marion Barnett

When I called to interview new members Tim and Marion Barnett, I had no idea Tim was actually pouring beer and Marion was the cashier as squadron volunteers at the Charleston Harborfest! The Barnetts seem to be that kind of a couple – willing to help and find adventure in whatever they undertake. Tim and Marion hail from New Brunswick, Canada but are now full-time live aboards on their 41' power boat, "Whatever." Tim's career has been in cell phone networking, and he and Marion spent five years in China while he was instrumental in the cell phone network in that country. The "small village" of 5 million people was quite a change from their Canadian population. When they returned to their homeland in 2001, they decided to spend more time boating, so they joined a local Power Squadron to get as much knowledge as possible. This past winter, they decided to take the plunge, buy a boat and look for adventure. They were on their way to Florida to check out three possibilities when an internet search turned up a vessel of interest in New Jersey. That was their first stop - and that's where they bought "Whatever". Now living at City Marina, Tim and Marion plan to use the marina as home base and look forward to a visit from their children in July and August.



Happy July Birthdays

03 July	Richard E. Howells
11 July	Paula Smith
15 July	Patricia A. Brown
15 July	Amy N. Langville
16 July	William L. McRoy
20 July	Maryann LeVine
21 July	Patty Hays
21 July	Anne L. Howells
22 July	Richard R. Clarke
28 July	Michael S. Hamme

For Sale

2003 Triton 1650SC with 50 hp Yamaha 2-stroke oil injection. The motor is also a 2003 model. The boat is mossy oak shadow grass with a galvanized drive on trailer. Some options are: 43 lb motor guide trolling motor foot control, Lowrance depthfinder/fishfinder, livewell, dry storage, 12 gal gas tank, 2 batteries, 4 seats, in-line fuel filter, stainless steel prop. This is a great boat at a great price. Asking \$6000.00

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Fishing and Shrimping Club Outing

The Charleston Power Squadron's Fishing/Shrimping Club had its first outing on 19 May 2008. Six squadron boats participated. We fished in the harbor due to high waves at the Charleston NearShore Reef. Fish were caught by almost everyone. Here are some photos of the event. We are planning another fishing trip. Watch for an e-mail announcement for the time and place of our next fishing event.

David Walsh

Fishing/Shrimping Committee Chairman



Eric Namowitz and Gene Corbett Ready To Go



Peggy Bass Catches a Fish



Dave Walsh with His Big Fish of the Day

First International Drowning Report

The first International Drowning Report has been published, complete with a Power Point presentation, by the International Life Saving Federation (ILS). This is a must read eye opener for those involved in promotion of water safety. Both documents are posted in the Coast Guard Auxiliary's Boating Department document library. To visit the library, go to <http://auxbdept.org/documents.php>

John Sikes

Squadron Safety Officer



Morris Island Beach Party



We Are Not Alone on Morris Island



Angie Wright and Her Now Famous Hat



Betsy Porter and Daisy Proctor



Great Food Selection



James Rowe, Pat Brown, Stewart and Anita Darby



Mike Fauss Tows Walsh Ashore

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Upcoming Events

July Events

- 03 July - EXCOM Meeting - Headquarters 1800
- 10 July - Member Meeting at - Headquarters 1800 - Speaker: Lt. Greenway, USCG
- 19 July - Bass Creek Raft Up and Picnic

August and September Events

- 14 August - Member Meeting - Headquarters 1800 - Speaker: West Marine Manager
- 11 September - Member Meeting - Headquarters 1800 - Speaker: Charleston Chief of Police

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