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19 to 21 May Myrtle Beach Cruise



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Calendar of Events

MAY

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15 Ex-com meeting

19-22 Myrtle Beach Cruise/CoOp Chart

JUNE

12 GPS Membership Meeting

15-18 Chesapeake Cruise

19 Ex-com meeting

22 Kid's Day @ Lake Townsend

JULY

10 HUMMER-IN-THE-SUMMER

In lieu of membership meeting

14-16 D-27 Rendezvous & Cruise
Washington, NC

May Birthdays

3	Paul D.	Shelor	19	Wayne	Southern
4	John J.	Mathews	21	Gretchen	Wright
11	Rebecca L.	Howe	23	Eric C.	Eakes
14	Benjamin F.	Broadway Jr.	24	Suzanne	Chabon
15	Jim A.	Humphries		Paula	Elliott
17	Philip C.	Deaton	26	W. Hardy	Spence
19	Jerry B.	Chance	30	Kevin D.	Andrew

Patrons of the Breeze

Bob & Bev Armfield.....*September Song*
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 John Lore.....*Sea Robin*

Betty & Jeff McCain.....*Adventure*
 Woods & Julia McGinn.....*Blue Moon*
 Jerry Newton.....*Petey*
 Al & Alexandra Pike
 Betty Potter.....*Sand Fiddler*
 Steve & Chris Puckett.....*Too-Tents*
 Fred & Donna Schultz.....*Titantic Too*
 Tom & Jo-Anne Statham*Allegra*
 Mike & Geraldine Stokes.....*Dad's Toy III*
 Frances & Jim Ward.....*Sea Star II*

"Thank You" From *The Breeze*

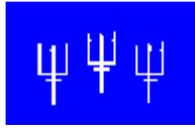
The following individuals made **substantial contributions** in support of our newsletter this year.
 On behalf of Greensboro Power Squadron, we thank the following Sponsors:

Sidney C. Mitchell, JN Delbert E. Foster, AP Eddie D. Yost

Thanks to your support and that of our many Patrons of *The Breeze*, we have had an outstanding publication this year, and we encourage your continued support. If you would like to become a Sponsor or Patron of *The Breeze*, contact Lt/C Charles W. Freeman, AP 336-288-8180



**From the Commander
Chuck Kammeyer, P**



**Executive Officer
Lt/C Tom Hamlin, P**



If there is a part of boating that sometimes defies description, it has to be launching and retrieving your boat at the launch ramp. To some boaters this is the part of boating they would like to eliminate all together. It seems to be one of those activities that you really want to learn how to master or you want to avoid it like the plague. As you probably remember from the boating class and in seamanship, there are step-by-step instructions on how to launch your boat the easy way; however, after watching boaters at a local boat ramp, either some have forgotten or never bothered to learn these steps.

The secret to successful launching is **practice** and **patience**. Every chance you get, practice backing your boat. It can be in a parking lot, driveway or at the boat ramp when it is not busy, but it is important to practice, practice, practice. The second element is just as important and that is you must have patience. Back that boat down the ramp at a speed at which you are in complete control.

Don't be intimidated by those other boaters who are waiting to launch their boats. Everyone who has trailored a boat has had at least one embarrassing moment at the boat ramp while being observed by the many critics that seem to gather to watch the "entertainment". When you do have that launch that goes just right and you have really impressed your fellow boaters, enjoy it, because the next one may be a total disaster.

I will not allow yesterday's success to lull me into today's complacency, for this is the great foundation of failure.

Og Mandino – From *The Greatest Salesman in the World*

Our annual **Kids Day at the Lake** will be **Thursday, June 22nd at Lake Townsend** from 9:30 in the morning till 15:30 (3:30) in the afternoon. This is one of our service projects. Approximately 30 kids from the Salvation Army Summer Day Camp will be our guests for the day. Their bus will arrive at 9:30 and we will have some orientation about boat safety. The kids will then go out on squadron member's boats about 10:30 for approximately 1 hour and return a little before noon where all will be treated to a hot dog cookout with all the fixings.

After lunch, the kids will have a choice to go back out on a boat or try their luck fishing. Fishing rods will be supplied. The bus will leave at approximately 15:30 (3:30) to take the kids home after a fun day at the lake.

Sharon Hicks is chair of this event and is being assisted by Jim and Cheryl Humphries. Sharon can be contacted at 656-0201. She needs to hear from boat captains to confirm you are bringing a boat and also needs volunteers to ride in boats to supervise the kids, to help cook, to assist the kids in fishing, and to bring homemade desserts. Please let Sharon hear from you at the earliest opportunity so she can confirm volunteers.

Another reminder – make your reservations for our **District Rendezvous in Historic Washington, NC for July 14-16** by calling the Hampton Inn at 252-940-4556 and ask for USPS block of rooms. To make reservation for a boat slip, call 252-975-9367, ext 221 and ask for Teresa.



**ANOTHER GREAT OUTTING
BELEW'S CRUISE
21 APRIL**





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Lt/C Mike Hackett, P



The following information is offered by Lt Neal Sheffield, AP our ChLB Advanced Grades:

The Education Department has several offerings for **August and September**. **Advanced Piloting** will start **September 5** at the Church at 1900 (7:00 pm). Dan Kelly will be the lead instructor. The current **Piloting Class** is finishing up and I expect all 11, and maybe some others, will continue with **AP**. We will not teach another **AP** course for at least a year. Details will be announced in the July and August issues of **THE BREEZE**.

The **Navigation Class**, taught by Paul Long, will start early in **August** with a few catch up sessions for those that finished JN some time ago. Exact start date TBD. Class will be on Tuesdays at the Church and the first one will start at 1900 (7:00pm). After that you can decide the time. We want to finish by the end of the year. We expect 10 or 12 so this will be a large class. If you miss this one you can expect the next N class in about 5 years. We invite USPS members from nearby squadrons to take this course. Let us hear from you soon to be included.

So we can keep you in the loop, please let me know if you think you will be able to take this course. Send your name, E-number, telephone number and e-mail address to **nshf@bellsouth.net** or phone **336-373-0510**. Please don't wait until the last moment to be registered. It can take several weeks to obtain class materials. This class will start promptly. Don't miss the boat.

Several have asked to order **N** course manuals now so they can get a running start. The **N** course has not changed in several years so some of you may already have course materials from a previous try. I will order the materials when you send a **\$65 check made payable to Greensboro Power Squadron. Send to Neal Sheffield, 108 Elmwood Terrace, Greensboro, NC 27408**. I will contact you with more details as they come available. Call if you need more information.

Many thanks to Chuck and Ann Freeman for the great program in April about their Narrow Boat Cruise. I saw a lot of people grabbing the brochures for a possible future cruise.

Our program for May is going to be an opportunity to learn more about boats. Gary Lowell is a Surveyor Associate with the Society of Marine Surveyors and is Standards Accredited in ABYC. Gary will generally explain problems and deficiencies that he typically uncovers in surveying. Gary also restores wooden boats, so I'm certain his program will interest us all.

By the time you read this, our first cruise at **Belews Lake** will be history. Although rain will postpone the event for a day, I'm sure that won't stop us from having fun. A special thanks to Carol and Dan Kelly and David and Sue Shultz for all the planning that has gone into this event and for being so flexible.

Our **Cruise to Myrtle Beach** is really going to be a special weekend. Departing from both Carolina Beach and Oak Island, we will raft up in Little River for lunch and arrive at the new Barefoot Resort and Yacht Club Marina later in the afternoon. Tickets have been secured for a show at Alabama Theater, and Del Foster's wife Linda is arranging golf for those interested. The dates remain May 19, 20, 21. If you need more info, contact the Wrenns or the Fosters. See more info later in the Breeze.

Walker Stevens has the **Chesapeake Cruise** ready to go in June. At present, 6 boats have signed up and I'm sure there is room for more. If you don't have a boat and would like to participate, please contact Walker and maybe we can get you on one of the boats making the trip. The dates for the cruise are June 14 through June 18.

Don't forget, Hummer in the Summer replaces our July regular meeting on July 10th and the **Watauga Blueberry** picking at M.L. & Karl Koebberling's home in the mountains is July 29th.

Again, a special thanks to all the cruise planners who are making this an exciting year for GPS. If you are looking for a place to volunteer with the squadron, please give me a call.

BREEZE ADVISORIES



This section is to provide information to GPS members. **POST UPCOMING EVENTS HERE.** If you have a boating related item for sale, list it here. If you are looking for a partner to charter a boat, post it here. If you run across a new marina or restaurant on the coast that you think others might enjoy, let us know. Contact Tom 852-8411 or if possible TSTAT@AOL.COM

ATTENTION: THE WEATHER CLASS HAS BEEN SCHEDULED! IT WILL START 7:00 pm, MAY 17 @ THE KATHLEEN C. EDWARDS BRANCH OF THE GSO PUBLIC LIBRARY. 1420 PRICE PARK RD.(373-5810) OFF OF NEW GARDEN RD. KEN KARB WILL INSTRUCT. Call me if attending. Tom 852-8411



MYRTLE BEACH: Boat Captains: (cc: others on the cruise) Make your boat slip reservation now !!! We have 9 and possibly 10 boats going, 2 of us have each made our own boat slip reservations as of this afternoon, each of us gave the Dock Master our credit card number for our individual expenses. Bill Rathbun, Dock Master is ready for each boat captain to call and make their own arrangements for a boat slip at Barefoot Resort. Each captain will take care of his own boat slip expense. He will ask for boat type, length, & name. He will want a credit card number. You can call Bill at (843) 385-1829 or email at rwickie@barefootsortclub.com. If you email, you will want to look for a confirmation reply.



CHESAPEAKE: Here's the **preliminary** outline of our Chesapeake cruise. I have reserved slips for our six boats in Solomons, Oxford, and Crisfield, since these are among the most popular destinations on the Chesapeake Bay and they are filling up fast. I have given the captains' name and boat descriptions for each of our boats, and have reserved slips for my boat with a credit card. Cancellation requires 48 hours notice. **Each captain will need to call the respective marinas NOW and give his credit card number and address to hold the reservations.** Free anchorage is available each night if some do not want a slip, and I have provided some motel and B&B phone numbers for those who wish to sleep ashore. I will update this list as time goes along, and there is plenty of information available online also. I will be checking further on restaurants so these may change.

Please let me know if your crew list and boat information are not correct or if you have further questions or suggestions for improvement. Other boats are, of course, welcome if they would like to join us.

District 27 Rendezvous 14-16 July 2006 Washington (NC) Waterfront

Host Squadrons: Tar River, Pamlico & Raleigh

Arriving by Boat ? Please contact us early so we can plan for your arrival ! Boat slips will be available at the Washington Waterfront and Pamlico Plantation. Boats on trailers can be launched in several locations nearby.

Boat Slips – Washington Waterfront: Call 252-975-9367 Ext. 221 – Teresa Hamilton – Ask for USPS Group

Rental 75 cents/foot/day. Limited number of slips with power & water – must be reserved Slips without power & water: FREE – (no reservations) – 48 hour max. Those coming for Saturday only by boat can anchor out. Water taxis will be provided.

Additional Boat Slips – Pamlico Plantation

Pamlico Plantation has some boat slips that are available. Transportation will be provided to/from the Washington Waterfront from Pamlico Plantation Marina. **Contact Ben Reed at 252-875-8110 or by e-mail at benreed@vol.com to reserve your slip.**

93 Bayliner Jazz 14 ft, 2-seat 90 HP, with trailer & cover. Hasn't been in regular use in 10 years. Low hours, clean. \$2500. Small enough for inexperienced boaters, strong enough to pull a skier. Great alternative to jet skis. Mark Gibson: day 383-3693, eve 510-0975, gibsonlj@triad.rr.com

25' sloop, '74 Helms, main & 3 headsails, Suzuki 9.9 hp electric start. Long HD dual-axle trailer. Boat needs painting. Good fixer-upper. Now is the time to start. Dry storage area at Carolina Marina, Belews Lake. 336-586-0450 Bob Armfield \$1800.

2002 Maxum 1800SR, 190 Mercruiser, 90 hours, lots of extras, like new, always stored in dry stack, Belews Lake. \$14,900.00 Call John Oberholtzer 336-931-1204

Ninth USPS Youth Poster Contest "Boat Safely – Keep Our Waters Safe and Secure"

In this issue of the Breeze you will find an insert with information regarding the 2005-2006 Youth Poster Contest. We would love to see our squadron children and/or grandchildren, age eligible, to participate. This is a great beginning for our youth's awareness of boating safety as well as their involvement in squadron activities. Please read the enclosed information sheet and let me know if your little ones will be participating.

All entries from Greensboro Power Squadron MUST be completed and brought to the June Membership Meeting (**Monday, June 12th**) for judging. All entries will receive certificates of appreciation for their participation. In addition to being taken to the District Rendezvous in Washington for district competition, first, second and third place winners in each age category will be awarded cash prizes donated by GPS.

In order to be eligible, entries must be a certain size and must be positioned vertically on the page. There are other specific limitations around the medium used in presentation, **so please read the instructions.**

In addition, if you have interest in presenting this to your school or scout troop, please let me know. I will be happy to furnish you the information necessary for their participation. Winners from these groups should be judged first at their school or troop location, brought to the squadron meeting, and judged along with our squadron's entries.

Looking forward to seeing lots of GREAT talent, artistic ability and personality!
P/C Vinnie Gordy, P

Ninth USPS® Youth Poster Contest

The ninth USPS® Youth Poster Contest Theme is "Boat Safely - Keep Our Waters Safe and Secure. The contest starts fall 2005.

Who Can Enter?

The contest is open to all children ages 6 to 14 years old. There will be three (3) age divisions: 6 - 8, 9 - 11, and 12 - 14.

Contest Rules

- The entry must be vertical, not horizontal, in orientation.
- The entry must be on 15-by-20 or 14-by-22-inch poster paper.
- Participants may sketch the design lightly with pencil, but the end result must be a color poster.
- There is no limit to the type of media used, except professional illustrations, photos or copyrighted material may not be used, and computer generated art may not be submitted.
- Do not fold the poster.
- The poster will be judged for the idea presented more than artistic ability.
- The contest entry form must be completed and pasted on back of the poster

- One entry per person, please.
- All entries become the property of United States Power Squadrons, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use the submission and modify any poster for future reproduction.

Squadron & School Contests

School posters will be judged first at the school then with squadron entries at the squadron level. Posters must be judged at the squadron level prior to judging at the district level (spring conference or summer rendezvous). Posters should be submitted to the individual designated by the squadron commander. Squadron & school winners will be announced after judging is concluded. First-, second- and third-place winners in each age category at the squadron level can be entered at the district level.

District Contests

At the district level, posters should be submitted to the individual designated by the district commander. District winners will be announced after judging is concluded. First-place winners in each age category can be entered into judging at the national level.

The National Contest

National level submissions may be made through Thursday, 17 August 2006 at the fall Governing Board Meeting in New York, NY. The entries will be numbered with age indicated. Attendees may view the posters at a prominent display area.

The grand prizewinner and two runners-up in each division will be presented with a monetary award and announced at the Governing Board Meeting.

After judging at the national level is completed, non-winning entries will be returned to the respective districts. All participants at the national level will receive certificates of appreciation signed by the Chief Commander.

Deadline for Entries

- Squadron level - prior to judging at District level.
- District level - District spring conference or summer rendezvous.
- National level - 17 August 2006 at the USPS fall Governing Board Meeting in New York, NY
Please mark the entry Attn: P/R/C Priscilla B. Clarke, AP, Lt/C Louise Manke, P or Claudette C. Gallop.

Ninth USPS® Youth Poster Contest Entry Form - 2005-2006
Theme: Boat Safely - Keep Our Waters Safe and Secure

Instructions: Complete this form and paste on back of poster. Send entry to your squadron's designated chairman. All entries become the property of USPS, which reserves the right to display or otherwise use submission.
Deadline for squadron-level entries: Prior to District deadline (Spring Conference or Summer Rendezvous).
Please Print:

Artist Name: _____ Age _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone: A/C _____ No. _____

Please check if this is a school entry. School name: _____

School Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Teacher Name _____

Squadron _____ District _____

Squadron Member's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone: A/C _____ No. _____

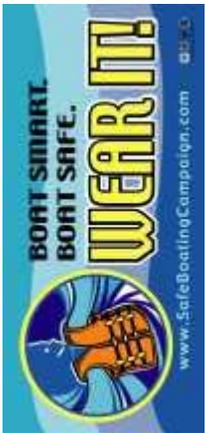
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