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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 03 Nov** **Squadron Meeting** – **THURSDAY 1900** @ Jubilee Y.C. . NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY — back to THURSDAYS for the winter season. FREE dinner. Det. Sgt. Michael Andreas, Intelligence/Anti-Terrorism Officer, Salem Police Department will speak on “**Local Anti-Terrorism Efforts**”.
- 24 Nov** **Happy THANKSGIVING**
- 01 Dec** **Executive Committee** – Wednesday 1830 at Jubilee YC.
- 21 Dec** **Winter Solstice** - 2119 UTC. Length of daylight starts to increase— time to start dreaming of next summer’s cruises!

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From the Bridge...

By Cdr Ed Libby, AP

I am here to assist you in getting what you want out of YOUR SQUADRON. One of these should be Boating Education and the other is enjoying the camaraderie of your fellow members. Getting involved and lending assistance in your area of expertise are ways for you to help make better members and a better squadron.

The Squadron S.E.O. has told me that there were not enough members signed up for courses to run them.

THINK ABOUT THIS!

I have found that over 30% of our Squadron members have not taken any courses beyond the Basic Boating course!

Not only is Boating Education one of the essences of the United States Power Squadrons; not having courses to offer is unfair to YOU; the member! If there are not enough members signed up to take a course; generally six, the course will not be taught. This can be unfair to those that want to take a course and cannot due to low participation.

The Squadron education courses are taught by fellow members that put their time and experience into making sure YOU have the best information for safe and

fun boating! For some reason or reasons some of the membership has not chosen to take advantage of these courses and become Better Educated and Safer Boaters.

So I have this question. **“Why did you the member; join the Power Squadrons?”** I have pondered this question and cannot come up with an answer to why wouldn't everyone take the basically free courses while enjoying being with friends and to helping others enjoy safe boating?

Please let me know what YOU WANT!

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This coming Thursday, 03 November the Squadron will have its semi-monthly MEETING at Jubilee Yacht Club. Please plan on coming!

The Squadron will have a Guest Speaker (See the article in this issue) and FOOD! (I could tell you what we are having, but let's call it a surprise in the hopes that you will want to come and find out).

I will be making some award presentations and passing on some squadron information. So come on down and eat some fine **FOOD**, enjoy the Guest Speaker, meet old friends and make some new ones.

Some information of interest:

Beverly Sail & Power Squadron Web Site

Dick Winskowicz has redesigned our beautiful and very functional web site and now has it linked through the **NATIONAL WEB SITE**.

This site contains information on YOUR Squadron, Pictures and Educational News and will continue to grow as you the member contribute to its growth. Check it out at: www.beverly-usps.org and also let Dick know what you think as he is looking for feed-back.

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From the SEO...

By P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, SN

The Beverly Sail & Power Squadron educational program is in full swing. Unfortunately we are sad to report that there are not any students. Although we offered a good selection of courses, insufficient enrollment in any one course prevented us from conducting the classes. However, the next chance to enroll is now. We have scheduled Piloting, Advanced Piloting, Sail, and Weather to start in January. If you wish to participate please register as soon as possible so the material can be ordered and the instructor can prepare for class. Check our web site, (www.beverly-usps.org) for details and the complete schedule of courses for our members. You can register by email (Beverlyps@comcast.com), telephone (978-777-4740) or regular mail (P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, 21 West St, Danvers, MA 01923. Or, the best way, see me at the meeting. Don't miss out on the best value in learning.

If your schedule does not allow you to take one of the scheduled courses or you wish to take a course not cur-

rently offered, please let us know. When we prepare the schedule of classes it we use the "best guess" method of what the membership wants. If we guess wrong, all is not lost. Let us know! We will try to make every effort to reschedule the classes for the convenience of the membership. We also would appreciate any comments relative to our educational program. Your ideas and criticism is wanted to make Beverly Sail and Power Squadron the place you want to get your boating education. We need your input.

The Squadron Boating course is in process with 22 students. John Hagar and Jim Curran are doing a bang up job in educating these inexperienced boaters. Power boater John keeps the class involved with his maritime "war stories", and Sailor Jim tries to keep John on board with the use of the new electronic presentations. They are a good pair of instructors and complement each other providing the students with a wealth of boating experience.

All of our course instructors have been certified by the National USPS organization. If you have been certified, you should have received a certificate stating

so in the mail. Certification is especially important for the public boating course instructors. As of January 2006, any member who teaches any portion of the boating class must be certified as a qualified instructor. This is a NASBLA (National Association of Safe Boating Law Administrators) requirement to keep our courses nationally approved. If we missed anyone who feels they are also qualified or anyone who wants to be qualified, let us know. The requirements are simple. The method for obtaining certification to teach any and all courses is by passing the USPS Instructor Development (ID) Course. Successful completion of ID will result in the issuance of a USPS Instructor's Certificate valid for four years from the date of ID course completion. The ID course is scheduled for March, 2006. Also, members with certain pre-qualifications may request an initial four-year certification without completing the Instructor Development Course.

Current members with such pre-qualifications who may request an initial four-year USPS certification are:

1. Members who hold active, current teaching credentials from an accredited teaching organization;
2. Members who have taught for at least three years within the last five calendar years in an adult education community program or as a college instructor.
3. Members who have completed either the USPS IQ Course or both the USPS IT and IA courses, and who have had significant USPS classroom or public presentation experience during the last three years.

Other members who have completed either IQ or both IT and IA but have had no significant USPS classroom or public presentation experience during the past three years must complete a four-hour ID recertification seminar described below to qualify for initial four-year certification. As defined above, initial USPS instructor certification is valid for four years. Re-certification of all instructors requires completion of the USPS four-hour ID re-certification seminar.

On another note, the National Educational Department has been very busy updating our member courses. A new Seamanship course will soon be available. This completely re-written course compliments the new Piloting and Advanced Piloting courses. It addresses topics of immediate interest to the modern boater. It has also been "demodularized" and will be presented as one complete course. This is typical of the rest of the educational program. The modular concept is fading away and being replaced with much improved and pertinent material.

The Squadron Boating Course and Boat Smart are being combined into a new two part public boating course. Part one will be very similar to Boat Smart and part two similar to Chart Smart. These completely re-written courses will replace all existing USPS public boating courses. They will be up to date with the latest in elec-

tronic technology and filled with dynamic and colorful in-class presentations. Part one should be available next fall and replace Boat Smart. Part two, charting will follow and the Squadron Boating course will be replaced. with both parts. An exam will be offered after each part. Only part one is required for NAASBLA recognition. #



MEETING MINUTES

By Lt/C Carol Quinn-Lebrun, S, Secretary

Beverly Power Squadron
September 7, 2005, 1900 at the Jubilee YC, Beverly, MA

Commander: Ed Libby, Lt/C Alex Arcisz, Lt/C Alex Pszenny, P/R/C Dick Winkowicz, Lt/C John Hagar, Lt Dick Salter, 1st/Lt Karen Arcisz, and Lt/C Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun

Free Spaghetti Dinner: Tonight Squadron Meeting started with a Spaghetti dinner with the delicious sauce made by our Commander's wife Colleen Libby. Donated desserts were provided by our members.

Squadron Meeting: Time: 7:44 PM : The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

A moment of silence was given in memory of **Michael T. Berry** who died recently. He had been the Safety Officer, as well as the Chairman of the Squadron Picnic. He will be sorely missed by all our members.

Administrative Officer Report:

Lt/C Alex Pszenny told members he is in the process of lining up speakers for upcoming meetings. Alex gave a few topics he is thinking about: Fisheries Science/Management, Law Enforcement/Marine, Marine Science, Oceanography, messing around with boats, or cruising. Alex is open to suggestions and ideas, and welcomes e-mails. Commander Ed Libby mentioned also that Alex is himself a great source of information as a speaker, too.

Executive Officer Report: Lt/C Alex Arcisz talked about the many vacant positions on various committees. Especially, the most recent one of Safety Officer that had been held by the late Lt Michael T. Berry. A suggestion that Matt Fitzgerald take on the vacant position of Safety Officer. Members agreed that Matt should hold this position.

There has been a limited amount of participation in Co-Operative Charting, Legislation and Liaison, Radio Technical- Herb Ryan, GPS Treasure Hunt- was a great idea, but fell short of expectations. Need to drum up enthusiasm -so that next year will be a better response.

Treasurer's Reports: Lt/C John Hagar, Treasurer reported that the Squadron is in good standing. Squadron Picnic cost was \$639.47 - received \$638.00 - a loss of \$1.47. Will have at the end of the year roughly \$4,000. Report was approved by members in attendance.

Minutes of our last meeting were published in the May issue of the Hannah's Banner and were approved at this meeting.

Executive Committee Meeting: Next meeting will be October 5, 2005 at 6:30 - 7:00 PM in the Sandy Hook Room. All members are welcome to attend.

Educational Officer Report: , P/R/C Dick Winkowicz said at the meeting that anyone having e-mail addresses, etc., should make sure that 1st Lt Karen Arcisz is given that information. The cost of sending hard copies of the Hannah's Banner has dropped significantly since sending it out as an e-mail. Very important that all members check the USBP website. Information can be found regarding canceled meetings, current news, or notices, general updates as necessary.

Schedule of Squadron Courses are as follows:

Seamanship - starting October 4. This course is going back to 1 module.
Piloting- Dick Salter, instructor- all new material-starting October 3.
Advanced Piloting: course has been completely rewritten-all electronics-starts 1/10/ 2006.

Junior Navigation: JN- how you do it - ties everything together.
Navigation: Dex Wheeler is the instructor - starts Oct. 4.
Engine Maintenance: Herb Ryan - need at least 4 students to have the class
Cruise Planning: Ed Walsh- requires 6-10 students to have the class
Instructor Development: no cost to members-instructor is Linda Seal-starts March 4, 2006
Boat Smart - instructor Dick Winkowicz-starts March 20, 2006
Boating: instructor John Hagar-course starts October 4.
Marine Electronics: John Graves-starts October 6, Module 101, 102, 103.
Weather: instructor John Bedrosian and Bill Veno-starts in Jan.

Have sheets for members to sign up for the courses mentioned this evening. So please sign up this evening, and if a course isn't offered, please write it on one of the sheets-there may be others who are interested too and it can or will be offered another time.

Anyone not attending tonight can e-mail Dick W, or call him. He needs to know approximately the number of students interested in order to get the course materials for the classes.

Also, if you go to our www.USPS.org website and scroll down-will see discounts on boat insurance, computer discounts, 5% discount on Dell Computers, etc.

Commander Ed Libby mentioned that District Commander John Graves is in Portland, Oregon with his wife, attending a District Convention.

A Perpetual Enrollment from Lee, MA in the name of Michael T. Berry was received by the Commander Ed Libby. It will be given to the Members of the Berry Trust. Also have sent in to USPS Horizon an article on the passing of Michael T. Berry.

An important matter and vote regarding the raising of dues by National by \$1.80 every year for the next five consecutive years. A vote of yea or nay was requested from the members in attendance so that Commander Ed Libby can relay that information to District Commander John Graves. A vote of Yea as given and will be passed on.

Next Squadron Meeting:

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2005. Watch Hannah's Banner for more details.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM. Notes submitted to the Commander Ed Libby by the Secretary, Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun #



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GPS for mariners;

The squadron is currently using this 170 page book to support our GPS seminar. It shows boaters how to use GPS with charts and how to use digital charts for planning and navigating with your GPS. It is clearly written and applicable to any GPS. It is much easier to use than most instruction manuals. This book retails for \$15.95 but is available from BPS at a discount price.

\$10.00.

The above items will be available at the squadron meeting. You can also get them by contacting SEO Dick Winskowicz, SN; 978-777-4740, or bev-erlyps@comcast.net.

From the Bridge... (cont from page 2)

SPECIAL NOTE

A SPECIAL THANK-YOU to Barbara W. Souza and William F. Waters as this is their 25th year as members of the Beverly Sail & Power Squadron. I ask them to be present at the November 3rd meeting to receive their Gold-Wreathed 25 year Pins.

WELCOME ABOARD

I also ask Paul C Jermain to be present at the November 3rd Meeting to receive his Certificate of Membership. Welcome Aboard Paul!

Please support the squadron by attending the 03 November meeting!

I hope to see YOU there. — Cdr Ed Libby

FREE WANT ADS!

By Lt/C Alex Arcisz, P, Executive Officer

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BPS Roster now on-line

By P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, SN

The Beverly Power Squadron Roster is now available on line. Log on to the Beverly Power Squadron web site (www.usps.org/localusps/beverly) and click on the roster link. After you scroll to your name and enter your certificate number you will be able to view and print the roster. You will also be able to edit certain fields of your record, such as address, boat name, telephone, etc and update the roster. After you submit the changes, the secretary will be automatically notified by email of any changes and correct the master file at USPS National headquarters. #

03 November Meeting

By Lt/C Alex Pszemny, N

The November meeting of Beverly Sail & Power Squadron will start off with a FREE supper. The menu is being kept secret, but Colleen is a great cook, so I'm sure we will not be disappointed!

Following supper, Sgt. Michael Andreas, Salem Police Department will be our guest speaker. His topic will relate to local homeland security issues, with an emphasis on the marine side.



Michael Andreas is a detective sergeant with the Salem Police Department, and has been with the force for nine years. Shortly after 9/11, Mike was promoted to the newly created job of intelligence officer, with the primary mission of combating terrorism and maintaining the community's homeland security. He is also the department's training officer.

Mike is also an instructor at the Massachusetts Police Academy in Reading, where he teaches courses in ethics, crime scenes, interview and interrogation, investigative techniques and terrorism.

Prior to joining the Salem P.D., Mike served as assistant commandant at Norwich University in Vermont, the oldest military college in the country, his alma mater. A former captain in the United States Army, Mike is a combat veteran of the first Gulf War, where he served as a cavalry officer and received a Bronze Star Medal.

He recently returned from a trip to the White House, where he was one of two local police officers invited to brief members of the President's homeland security team on the local effort to prevent terrorism.

Mike holds both bachelor and master degrees in criminal justice. He lives in Danvers, with his wife and two young sons.

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By 1/Lt Karen Arcisz, P

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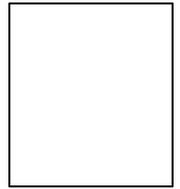
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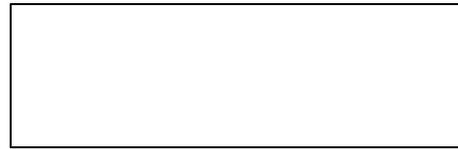
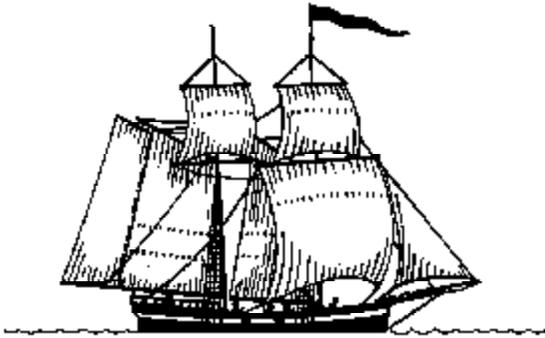
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