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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**02 Nov**            **Squadron Meeting** – Thursday 1900 @ Jubilee Y.C. . . **FREE dinner.** Dessert donations are welcomed.

Social hour — hashing over last summer's adventures..

Speakers: Cal and Dave Johnson from Marblehead Power & Sail Squadron will present "The Adventures and Misadventures of the *SHEARWATER* - a winter cruise down the ICW to Miami and the Bahamas."

**07 Dec**            **Executive Committee** – Thursday 1830 at Jubilee YC.

**22 Dec**            **Winter Solstice** occurs at 0022 UTC.

**03 Jan**            **Perihelion** occurs at 20 hours UTC.

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## From the Bridge

*By Cdr Ed Libby, AP*

*Just a reminder. Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Jubilee Yacht Club.*

*Food will be served at 1900 and the meeting right after.*

*So come on down and have some fun, food and camaraderie, and learn about cruising south on the Intra-Coastal Waterway.*

## From the SEO

*P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, SN*

The Beverly Sail & Power Squadron is having a very sparse season in conducting courses for members this fall. Although we were willing to offer any course with at least 6 members enrolling, I only had one request from one member for a the AP course. Hopefully, we are saving our time for the Winter season when you will enroll in a USPS course and reap the benefits of education. It should also be noted that a new Seamanship and Junior Navigation course have been released this fall (beta edition). They both have been dramatically update to better pertain to today's recreational boater. Why not think about taking one of these courses in the winter season.

***The squadron has also looked into the new seminar program and plans to provide these boating seminars to you. They are designed to be taught in one evening, could be just the thing for those with tight schedules. Check our web site, [www.beverly-usps.org](http://www.beverly-usps.org) for the latest in educational opportunities and a description of these seminars. Your inputs are always welcome.***

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# Meeting Minutes

By Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S Secretary

## September 6, 2006 at the Jubilee YC, Beverly, MA

Cdr Ed Libby, Lt/C Alex Arcisz, Lt/C Dick Winskowicz, Lt/C Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun and 1st/Lt Karen Arcisz.

### Dinner:

Tonight Squadron Meeting started with a Spaghetti dinner prepared by D/C John Graves, District 18 Commander, and his assistant Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun. The Spaghetti was accompanied with Kielbasa, salad and bread. Donated desserts were available. Colleen Libby couldn't make the meeting due to a job commitment and preparing for vacation on Friday.

### Guest Speaker:

Our own P/D/C Linda Seal told about her experiences in Belgium, piloting house-barges on the canal system. A slide presentation was shown with the assistance of Lt/C Dick Winskowicz. Her trip started a few days earlier in London. Linda Seal took the Chunnel to France. There were four house-barges, 21 people all together on a ten day canal cruise. No Sunday travel. Everyone was given a Navigation book of the canals to use in navigating. All took a turn operating the boat and the locks throughout the journey. They would have breakfast on board the boats and lunch. In the evening, some members ventured to try the local cuisine in the area they stopped for the night. There were parties on some of the house-boat barges, etc. There was a lot of fun on this trip. During some of their stops, they would pick up local food provisions, etc. Slides were shown of what these house-boat barges looked like and the group who took this trip with Linda. Very interesting views of the canals and scenery. Linda told about how some of the canal locks were a little tricky to maneuver, what with the locks being small and the presence of larger boats in the canal. The weather was generally in the 50 to 60 degrees. Most of the local people they met on their journey were very surprised that they were Americans.

### Squadron Business Meeting: Time: 2035

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A moment of silence was observed for the men and women serving our country, as well as, our deceased members.

### Commander

Cdr Ed Libby thanked tonight's speaker, Linda Seal for her wonderful presentation of her adventures on House-Barging on the canals in France and Belgium.

Recognition was given to our member Dick Salter SN for his participation and hard work for the Friendship Sloop Society and having the 2006 Friendship Sloop Society 2006 Year Book dedicated to him. The Commander gave a short history of Mr. Salter and his Sloops; Old Baldy & Liberty. In 1980, with Liberty just completed Dick led the fleet to Boston where they led the Tall Ships Parade into Boston Harbor. In 1985 he won the Governor's Trophy in the final Regatta at Friendship and in 1986 the Ridgeway Trophy at Marblehead. He is one of our instructors here at Beverly Sail & Power Squadron and we are very proud of him.

Commander Ed Libby presented Certificates of Appreciation to the following members for their dedicated work for the Beverly Sail and Power Squadron:

Carol and Francis LeBrun - Overall planning and organization of the Picnic and helping with meals at the Business meetings.  
Ken and Claire Rattray - Making sure that we had the required food and materials for the Picnic and cooking of the corn and Lobster

Alex and Karen Arcisz - Barbecue meats, photography and ongoing hard work and support.

Colleen Libby - Cook, set up preparation, photography year long  
Dick Winskowicz - Teaching, webmaster and his continued support and dedicated hard work.

Dex Wheeler - For the many awards for the Hannah's Banner and dedicated support to the Beverly Sail & Power Squadron.

It is was offered that the Beverly Sail and Power Squadron Picnic be called The Mike and Gail Berry Memorial Picnic in honor of their dedication to the Squadron. This will be brought to the E-Board in October and then to the next Business meeting in November. Unanimous positive response from those in attendance at this meeting was shown.

Commander Ed Libby thanked Dex Wheeler for arranging the use of the DYC Marina for the Picnic, everyone had a wonderful time.

An error may have occurred in the Hannah's Banner PDF File that was sent out via e-mail. It was requested that 1/Lt Karen Arcisz resend the file. Make sure you have the latest Adobe Reader #7 in order to view it properly.

### Executive Officer

Lt/C Alex Arcisz mentioned the importance of involvement by USBPS members. Need more involvement like helping to set up, Treasure Hunts, etc. Questions and suggestions are always welcome to help the Squadron meet your needs and interest.

We are also making plans for a cruise to Scituate Harbor with our younger members. Need younger involvement to teach and train.

This will be re-visited at the next E-Board Meeting in October. Another item brought up was that Dick Salter has attained Full Certificate Status. We have many members like Dick Salter and Ed Walsh with a lot of boating experience. We will be looking into having a mentoring program for our younger members to gain the expertise and knowledge that these men bring with them. There are many other members who could become a mentor, too. Everyone can benefit from this program

### SEO Education Officer:

Dick Winskowicz said those members wanting to sign up for the courses offered by the Beverly Sail and Power Squadron or other Squadron can sign up on the website or see him tonight. Need 5 people to sign up in order to have the course given.

September 26, 2006 on Monday nights Boston YC - 11 week course. John Bedrossian, Marblehead will be teaching Weather Class.

Ed Walsh teaching Sail 1 & 2.

Jim Curran-October 3-Boating Course or sending a student for Vessel Safety Check. This year the Vessel Safety Checks were very slow due to the inclement weather we had. Less than 30 vessels were inspected. Most of our scheduled safety checks were rained out.

### District 18 News:

D/C John Graves mentioned that District 18 Council will be having a meeting on September 20, regarding the recent changes that have occurred at the National Level.

On October 28, there will be a District 18 Conference at the Lowell Boat Club. Announcements will be mailed out soon. There are always great workshop sessions to attend. This year in particular there are many changes in Educational structure and other dramatic changes scheduled for next year.

Another District Conference will be held at Woods Hole.

(Announcements to be mailed out) Come and meet new people from various Squadron Districts. This will be a multi-District Conference.

### Changes:

D/C John Graves, mentioned some of the new changes that have been approved at National Headquarters.

Initiation Fee will be going up to \$25.00. (This is for a whole family) Also, non-members do not need to take NASBLA courses to

qualify for membership in USPS. This was tabled until the next National Meeting. Commander Ed Libby is not in favor of this. Please call or write to Ed Libby any opinions or suggestions you might have on this subject.

**Secretary's Report :**

The Minutes of our last meeting in May - were published in the September 2006 issue of the Hannah's Banner and were approved at this meeting.

**Treasurer's Reports:**

No report this evening.

**Old Business:**

Membership Certificates:

Commander Ed Libby called Members names for Certificates to those members in attendance at tonight's meeting. They are: Robert Blake, Elaine Blake, Steven Garber, Melissa K. Carlton, Frank Pools, Arlene & Joe Levy , Mike Moll, J. Pierce Steven, Paul Sanger, Carol Sergeant, Michael Yabba, Lawrence & Maggie Durkin. The Certificates were given to the Secretary for further action.

The Commander asked members in attendance if there is anyone who had taken Seamanship course, if they received a flag. None responded

**Roster:**

Anyone who wants a copy of the Roster, please see 1/Lt Karen Arcisz.

**Next Squadron Meeting:**

Our next meeting is scheduled for November 2006.

Watch for more details in the upcoming Hannah's Banner.

**Executive Committee Meeting:** The next meeting will be on *October 5, 2006*, Thursday, 1830 PM at the Jubilee YC. All members are welcome to attend. Suggestions and participation of the members are always welcomed at these meetings.

**Vacation:**

Commander Ed Libby going on vacation starting Friday, September 8, 2006. He and his lovely wife Colleen will be going on a cruise from New York to the British Virgin Islands and back. This is a much needed vacation for them both and we wish them the best. Especially, since a hurricane may be in the area that they are cruising.

**Safety Officer:**

Open position available for anyone who would like to help the Squadron. This does not take a lot of time and is a wonderful way to get people involved in USPS and to earn a Merit Mark. Anyone interested, please contact any Bridge Officer.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM. Notes submitted to the Commander Ed Libby by the Secretary, Carol A.

Quinn-LeBrun #

# November Meeting

## *Squadron Meeting*

**Thursday Night, November 2nd, 7:00 PM**

### *Jubilee Yacht Club*

Come One, Come All, to a fantastic **FREE Dinner**, lovingly prepared by chef Colleen Libby.

**Our speakers for the evening will be Cal and Dave Johnson, from the Marblehead Power Squadron. The topic will be, "The Adventures and Misadventures of the Shearwater - a winter cruise down the ICW to Miami and to the Bahamas" The 7 month cruise took place in 2005-2006**

**Don't miss this social event of the season where everyone in attendance will be wanting to talk all about their trials and tribulations of the past boating season as we get ready to think about hauling out and signing up for another boating course.**

**So as the guy on TV says "Come on Down!" to the Jubilee Yacht club and instead of watching a another realty show on TV participate in the real thing and live a little bit of shore -side boating.**

**By the way, any dessert donations will be appreciated.**



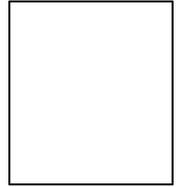
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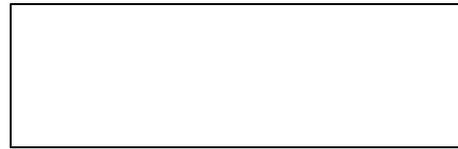
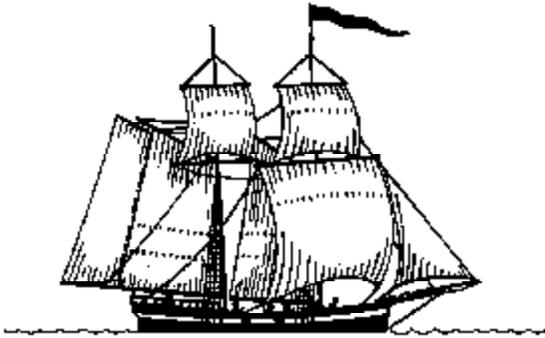
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