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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 05 Jan**            **Squadron Meeting – THURSDAY 1900** @ Jubilee Y.C. . . . FREE dinner. Barbara Warren will speak on What's fouling the water? Taking Action for Cleaner Water.
- 09 Jan**            **PILOTING** and **SAIL** courses begin. See SEO report on page 3.
- 10 Jan**            **ADVANCED PILOTING** and **WEATHER** courses begin. See SEO report, pg. 3.
- 02 Feb**            **Executive Committee** – Thursday 1830 at Jubilee YC.
- 21 Feb**            **Public BOATING COURSE** begins at 1930 at Danversport Yacht Club. Be sure to help our Publicity Committee to spread the word to non-USPS friends and co-workers.
- 02 Mar**            **Squadron meeting - Thursday 1900** at Jubilee Yacht Club

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## From the Bridge...

*By Cdr Ed Libby, AP*

18 December, 2005

As I sit here wondering what Santa Clause is going to bring, like a big new boat or something else along those lines I can help but wonder what everyone else is wishing for. In reality; I really hope that all of you have a great holiday and that the year 2006 finds you Healthy and positive of mind. No matter your religious convictions; spend some time with your family members and if you have a family member in the service of this Wonderful Country and they are unable to spend time at home; please keep them close in your hearts.

One of the presents dropped off early by Santa; was the list of names that have received Merit Marks for the helping hands and experience that they lent throughout the past year. I would like to thank the following members for their hard work and commitment to their fellow squadron members: *Alexander Arcisz – Karen Arcisz – Michael Berry – Joan Curran – James Curran – Joseph DeLorenzo – Marc Desmarais – John Hagar – Rita Hagar – Peter Hersee – Theophilos Kuliopulos – Edward Lamphier – Robert Mazzarino – Paul McMahon – Alex Pszenny – Carol Quinn-Lebrun – Kendrick Rattray – Herbert Ryan – Richard Salter – Linda Seal – Paul Secatore – Barbara Souza – Charles Souza – Edward Walsh – Dexter Wheeler – Richard Winskowicz – Raymond Wlodyka.*

### *Thanks again to all of you!*

As it is the season to give thanks, I would like to thank The Bridge Officers for all of their commitment and devotion to work; toward making Beverly Squadron one of the best. Thanks to all the Members and their non-member counterparts that have made sure that the meeting attendees are well fed, birthdays remembered, picnic's scheduled and carried out to perfection and many, many other events that are taken care of because they care. To all of those silent people I say 'Thank You' from the bottom of my heart.

As another Educational Season starts, I can not thank the SEO, Instructors and Assistant Instructors enough for all the dedication they put forth in keeping the thrust of the United States Power Squadrons alive and its student/members educated, aware and safer on the water.

**Welcome aboard** to all the new members that have joined from the last Basic Boating Class and a member and his wife that have transferred from another Squadron.

Please make the following members feel at home: Transferring from Gloucester to Beverly are **Bruce & Gisela Turner. Graduating from the last Basic Boating Class and joining are: Peter L. Carabillo – Scott Gaskell – Annie Gaskell – Scott Israel – David A. Lucier – Thomas M. Rich – Walter J. Riley III – Matt J. Slaven.**

### *A FREE gift to you. Why not take advantage of it?*

The SEO is offering the Seamanship class to all "New Members" and Existing Members that have not taken this course before; FREE. This offer is good until the end of this year. So won't you please sign up for Seamanship and then continue on to the other courses. It is fun, takes just a little of your time, develop a camaraderie with your fellow students and most importantly helps you become a Safer Boater. #

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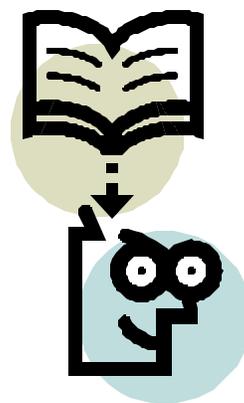
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## From the SEO...

By P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, SN

It's the middle of winter and I am sure many of us are dreaming about another great day on the water in a few short months. So instead of dreaming, why don't you take a course and live a little bit of boating in these cold times. **Piloting** and **Advanced Piloting** are scheduled to start in January. **Sail** and **Weather** are also scheduled. Piloting and Sail start Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, and Advanced Piloting and Weather, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Check our web site for details. ( [www.Beverly-usps.org](http://www.Beverly-usps.org) ).and to register. You can also call me at 978-777-4740. Please let me know as soon as possible so sufficient material can be procured for the class.

The Squadron also agreed to make **Seamanship** available to any member this spring **FREE of CHARGE!** I am currently planning to



schedule this class starting 18 April. You can register for the Seamanship class now. A great opportunity to start you boating education. Please communicate with me if you have any suggestions or request regarding our educational program. The squadron is here to serve you and provide you

with want you want.#

## ***Bylaw Update***

*By P/R/C Richard Winskowicz,SN,  
Chairman, Rules Committee*

Beverly Sail & Power Squadron's bylaws have not been updated since 1990. The Squadron Rules Committee's proposed bylaw revision has received preliminary approval by the USPS National Rules Committee. The membership must now vote on these proposed changes. The Bylaws have been updated to agree with the latest model bylaws suggested by USPS. The following changes are proposed to the current bylaws:

- General housekeeping, formatting, and clarifications.
- Incorporation of all changes approved by the USPS National Governing Board.
- Beverly Power Squadron name change to "Beverly Sail & Power Squadron".
- Reference to communication methods using electronics, i.e. email.
- Reference to change membership dues billing to anniversary date if desired.

In accordance with our current bylaws, these changes may be voted on after notification to the membership and providing a copy of the proposed bylaws at two consecutive meetings of the general membership. Therefore, the bylaws will be available at the November and January meeting. They are also posted on our website: [www.beverly-usps.org](http://www.beverly-usps.org). They will be voted on at the 05 January meeting. A two-thirds vote of those members present is required, provided a quorum is present.

## ***Squadron Bylaws***

As previously announced, the Beverly Sail & Power Squadron plans to present its updated Bylaws to the membership for approval at the 05 January meeting. The bylaws have been updated to agree with the latest USPS Model Bylaws currently available. There are no significant changes to these bylaws from the previously accepted bylaws dated 1990. The changes made were basically housekeeping and changes required for conforming to changes made by the USPS Governing Board (National level). In addition, things like electronic communication, anniversary billing, and membership requirements were updated to agree with the National model. Our name change was also incorporated. A copy of the new Bylaws will be available at the meeting. They may also be reviewed in pdf format at our web site ([www.beverly-usps.org](http://www.beverly-usps.org)) by navigating to the members page.

I hope to see you all at the **January 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting at Jubilee Yacht Club**. Come on down and have some good food, listen to great speaker, share events with fellow members, welcome all the new members and just enjoy each others company. **The food gets served at 1900**. Come a little earlier, help set-up and make room for seconds.

— Cdr Ed Libby



## MEETING MINUTES

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

Beverly Sail and Power Squadron

November 3, 2005, 1900 at the Jubilee YC, Beverly, MA

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

Free Dinner: Tonight's Squadron Meeting started with a Macaroni & Cheese dinner with the baked beans and Kielbasa; prepared and served by Colleen and Lt Ed Lamphier. Donated desserts were provided by our members as well as a surprise birthday cake for the Commander and XO Alex Arcisz; made a wonderful end-of-meal-treat.

Guest Speaker: Detective Sgt. Michael Andreas, Special Operations Division, Intelligence, Anti-Terrorism and Training. Det. Sgt. Michael Andreas has been with the Salem Police Department for nine years. After 9/11, Michael was promoted to the newly created job of intelligence officer, with the primary mission of combating terrorism and maintaining the community's homeland security. Mike presently has 20 other officers assisting him. He is a training officer at the Salem Police Department, as well as an instructor at the Massachusetts Police Academy in Reading. At the Police Academy Mike teaches courses in ethics, crime scenes, interview and interrogation, investigative techniques and terrorism

Before joining the Salem Police Department, 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 U. S. Army, Mike is a combat veteran of the first Gulf War, where he served as a Cavalry Officer and received 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 Andreas said we the people should be very diligent in reporting suspicious activity in our community to the local authorities. He gave several examples that have already occurred and were reported to him. Today's world is not like it used to be. He told of how easy it is for illegals to get documents here in the U.S. The prime targets LNG tanker terminals and power plants, etc.

Questions and Answer period followed. Many members asked good questions. A rousing applause was given to our speaker and thanks were given to Alex Pszenny for getting the speaker for tonight's meeting.

Squadron Meeting: Time: 7:44 PM: The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by P/C Dexter Wheeler.

Executive Officer Report: Lt/C Alex Arcisz had no report for this evening. He did however mention that postage cost has been going down due to more members receiving the Hannah's Banner by e-mail.

Administrative Officer Report: Lt/C Alex Pszenny told members he has lined up a speaker for our January 2006 meeting. It will be a Barbara Warren of Salem Sound Coastwatch (<http://www.salemsound.org/>).

Treasurer's Reports: Lt/C John Hagar, Treasurer reported that the Squadron is in good standing. Account started at \$500 and is now up to \$3,056. Fidelity Account is not doing well. He asked if anyone had a better idea for investing to speak with him.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of our last meeting were published in the October issue of the Hannah's Banner and were approved at this meeting.

Executive Committee Meeting: Next meeting will be December 1, 2005 at 6:30 PM in the Sandy Hook Room. All members are welcome to attend.

Educational Officer Report: P/R/C Dick Winskowicz said it is very important that all members check the Beverly website at [www.beverly-usps.org](http://www.beverly-usps.org) Information can be found regarding meeting dates and times, current news or notices, general updates, pictures, Squadron By-Laws, Roster as well as the courses are being offered. Dick said he would send out e-mails to students who might be interested in taking the next course or new courses; to try to see if there is any interest.

D. Winskowicz gave information about District Dues. Dues for the District will be going up from \$2.50 to \$6.00 and the National dues are going up \$1.80 every year for the next five years. We are one of the smallest Squadrons in one of the smallest Districts. Commander Ed Libby stated that some Squadrons charge from \$100.00 to \$400.00 for their annual dues. They do however have large memberships and there own Squadron Homes.

Twenty-five and 50 Year Pins: Herb Ryan has earned the 50 Year Pin and Plaque. Unfortunately Herb is not at this meeting. Commander Ed Libby will hold it until the next Squadron Meeting.

Commander Ed Libby presented a 25 Year Pin to Barbara Souza and thanked her for her hard work and support.



New Member Sworn In: Commander Ed Libby swore in Paul Jermain and presented him with a National Certificate. Another new member Melissa Demetrakopoulos will be presented her Certificate at the next meeting.

No other old Business to report.

Nominations for the Bridge: Lt/ C John Hagar, Chair of the Nominations Committee spoke about the next change of watch and that the position of Administrative Officer will be open. Anyone interested in the position or knows of anyone that would be good; to submit name to him ASAP.

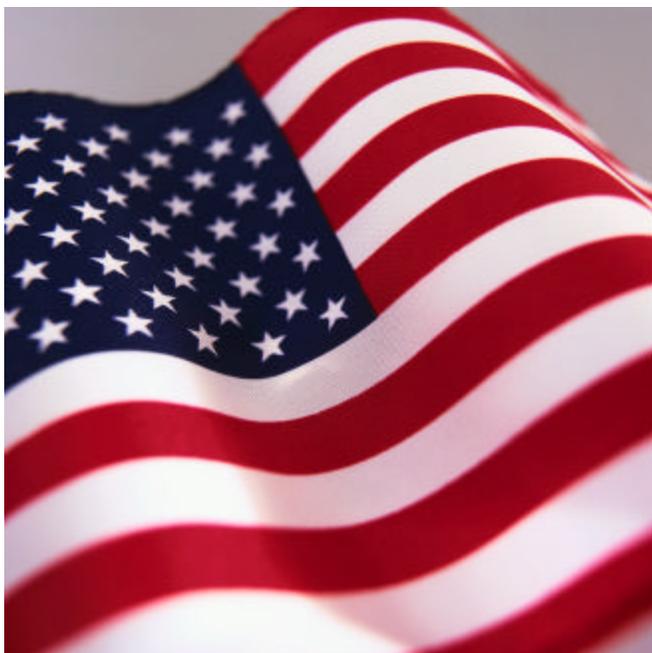
Courses: Commander Ed Libby has reviewed the number of members who have taken courses. His review revealed that over 30% of the present membership has not taken any courses after joining USPS. The Squadron is based on educating members in safe boating and we have to find a way or ways to get the members involved in boating education.

Credit Cards: Approval has been made on using Credit Cards in 2007.

Next Squadron Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for January 5th 2006. Watch for more details in up-coming Hannah's Banner.

Commander Ed Libby reminded all members in attendance this evening to try to bring another member who has not been to a meeting for a while with them to the next meeting. Try to get them involved again. Go pick them up and bring them with you so that they might share in the friendship and education.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 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](mailto:bev-erlyps@comcast.net).

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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.beverly-usps.org](http://www.beverly-usps.org)) 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. #

## 05 January Meeting

By Lt/C Alex Pzemy, N

The January 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!

After supper, Barbara Warren, director of Salem Sound Coastwatch (SSCW), will talk about marine invasive organisms that are fouling our boats and floats, and she will share the results of the boaters survey SSCW just finished conducting on marine sanitation in Salem Sound. She will also explain what they are doing to get a handle on these two issues and how we can help.

Barbara began her work at SSCW as a volunteer monitoring salt marshes and has also conducted juvenile lobster surveys for the Lobster Conservancy. She has a Masters of Science in Environmental and Conservation Biology from Antioch New England, Keene NH. She and her husband have sailed out of Salem Harbor for close to twenty years. As the Executive Director, she welcomes the opportunity to increase the public's knowledge and appreciation of the natural resources of the Salem Sound and its watershed and to work on resolving immediate and chronic threats to the ecological health of the place we call home.



## ROSTER ADJUSTMENTS

By 1/Lt Karen Arcisz, P

Please send all roster changes, corrections, adjustments, (whatever) to:

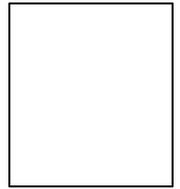
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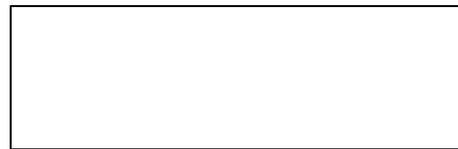
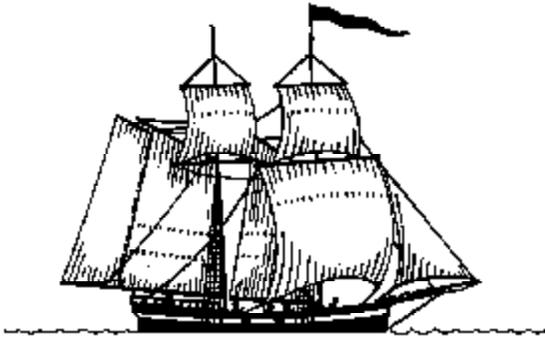
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**Thursday 05 January 2006**

**1900 - Jubilee Yacht Club**

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