



The Pilot

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Lake Hartwell Sail and Power Squadron

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From the Bridge - P/C Pete Stevenson

The District 26 Spring Conference: a blow by blow account. The hotel was excellent in so many ways: service, accommodations, food, appearance features, housekeeping, response to requests and did I mention food?

The conference content introduced a few new items: a new focus on BOC, USPS Partnership with Freedom Boating Club and District Assumption of Responsibility for the organization and management of the 2017 Fall Conference in Myrtle Beach (Swamp Fox cannot muster a team to present a conference). The Freedom Boat Club (FBC) partnership is a co-operation where Squadron instructors teach safe boating to Freedom franchise members. The course criteria adapts to the local conditions at the discretion of the local franchisee. LHS&PS is working with FBC at Clemson Marina teaching an abbreviated version of ABC. If the program is as successful as it is in some of the other 115 Franchise locations we may be overwhelmed with demand for teaching. Stay tuned.

The Friday night Pirates were a great success. Costumes, bullion, contests, prizes, dancing and great food set the mood for our master yarn spinner, Judy Seeley, and her feature story on Sir Francis Drake, Queen Elizabeth the First's very special privateer (pirate). Drake harassed the Spanish main in the pacific and the gulf returning to England with millions in gold and silver. The pirate costume parade was won by the man eating parrot and her escort pirate.

Saturdays conference yielded some clarity on co op charting and USPS remains in the co op charting business. The big change is the closing of a reporting system known as Depth Wiz which dealt with depth surveys. Depth Wiz operated in a window called CCWeb which was in danger of compromise by hacking and has been abandoned. No schedule for replacement is announced. But, the remainder of coastal reporting is intact: shoaling, damaged and missing Atons, and other information can be reported to the Coast Guard and or NOS (National Oceanic Service) a part of NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). Perhaps more important, because of the collapse of the CCWeb site USPS has lost the ability to recognize and reward the membership (recognition) for the civic service of performing co op charting. Seems to be a lack of imagination and effort.

Saturday evening featured another great meal followed by an award program that seems to recognize almost everyone for something. The day's activities concluded with a visit to the Hospitality Suite.

On Sunday morning seven hearty souls joined the Sunday cruise on which we toured the Seneca River from its confluence with the Savannah to the waters off Clemson University. The two and a half hour journey experienced good weather: sunny, clear, a five MPH breeze and only a mild chill. No problem for these sailors as blankets and jackets protected all and the cruise was very pleasant.



Commander Sorg proudly displays the new "Dreher Shoals" burgee for the 14th squadron in the District.

Calendar of Events

LHS&PS Calendar of Events

April

11 Executive Committee Meeting
22 Shakedown Cruise & Wooden Boat Show
29 VSC Lake Bowen

May

2 Kayak Trip
6 ABC Class at Cabela's
9 Executive Committee Meeting
13 On the Water Training
19-21 Cruise & Rendezvous- Charleston

June

3 VSC Lake Jocassee
9 Full Moon Raft Out Cemetery Island Cabela's
13 Executive Committee Meeting
23-24 Hartwell Lake Poker Run & VSC at Big Water Marina

Our Bridge

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Lynn Solesbee, AP

Al Engelmann, SN

Russ Dunston

David Cross, SN

Nominating Committee

Pete Stevenson, AP/BOC (1 Yrs)

Al Engelmann, SN (2 Yrs)

Jim Carroll, AP (3Yrs)

Nautical Quiz Locker

1. A _____ occurs where powerful tidal currents move rapidly over an uneven bottom or through a narrow passage.
2. When cradling a boat, proper support must be given to the hull to prevent _____.
3. The intercoastal waterways start and end in what two states?
4. A type of paint applied to sails to prolong the life of the sails is _____. Cutch; chum; cutty; sea putty.
5. "Light Lists" are published by the _____. National Ocean Service (NOA); U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; US Coast Guard; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
6. To determine the times when the tide currents change direction, you should consult the _____.
7. True or False: When two sailboats, neither under power, approach one another, the vessel with the wind on her port side has the right of way.
8. What was the name of the only 5 cylinder radial outboard motor?
9. A long narrow bank of silt that forms at the mouth of a river is a _____. Bank; shoal; bar; reef.
10. A red top topped white buoy indicates a boat should pass to the _____. South or west; north or east.

(answers elsewhere in this issue)

Transcript of an actual radio exchange, released by the Chief of Naval Operations, courtesy of the Charlotte Observer:

Message 1: Please divert your course 15 degrees to the north to avoid a collision.

Message 2: Recommend you divert YOUR course by 15 degrees to the south to avoid a collision.

Message 1: This is the captain of a U.S. Navy ship. Now, again I say, divert your course.

Message2: No, I say again, divert YOUR course.

Message !: THIS IS THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER USS ENTERPRISE1 WE ARE A LARGE WARSHIP OF THE U. S. NAVY!! DIVERT YOUR COURSE NOW!!!

Message2: This is a light house. Your call.

Pirate Night at Spring Conference

Without doubt the highlight of the District Conference was the Friday evening theme party with Pirates sailing in from all corners of the District. The costumes were great and a giant parrot presented by Mrs. Hackley, along with husband Brian Commander of Golden Corners, won first prize in the costume parade.



On the right, Mrs. and Cdr Hackley



Pam and Charles Guderian



Judy Seeley

Following the parade and dinner our yarn spinner, Judy Seeley, revealed the extraordinary career of Francis Drake.

Drake was the early prototype of the Caribbean pirates, with the advantage of being a “Privateer in the service of Queen Elizabeth”, and probably the best seaman of the lot.

Imagine, he sailed through the straits of Magellan in order to launch a surprise attack on the Spanish on the western coast of Panama.

Perhaps Johnny Depp could try that.



Al Engelmann & Joan Austin



Melissa and Lynn Solesbee

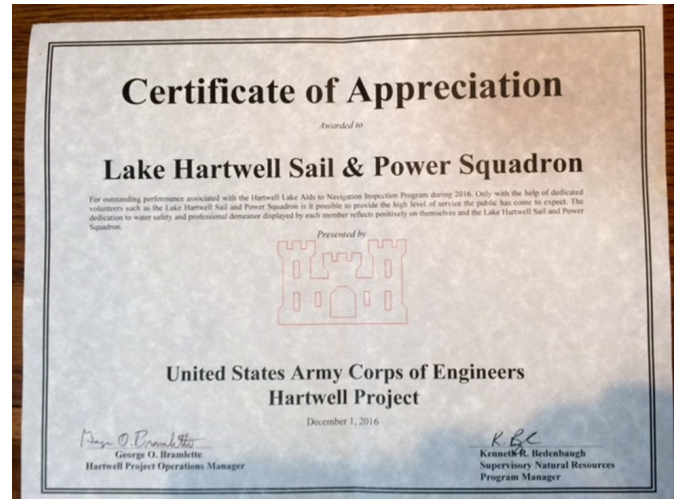
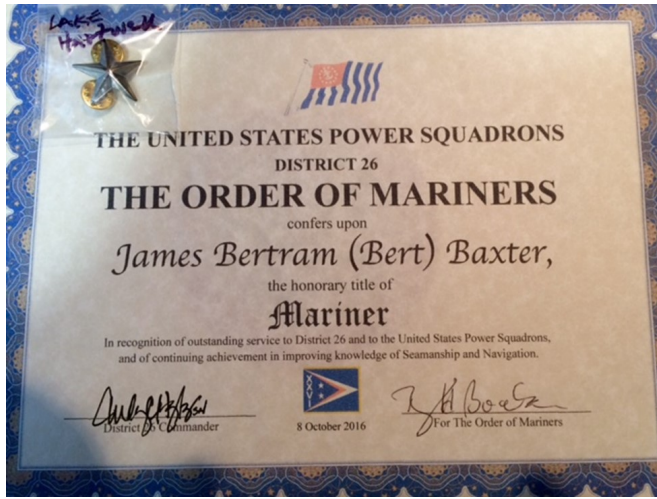


Lee and Jim Carroll

A Message from our Commander

First of all I must express my sincere thanks to all of you who helped to make the spring conference a success. Your hard work was greatly appreciated by all the attendees.

A number of our members received awards as pictured below:



Pelican Award



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF COAST SURVEY UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON
LAKE AND POWER SQUADRON

Cooperative Charting Program

HONOR ROLL

JEF W. LOCKMAN
LAKE HARTWELL SQUADRON, D/26

For superior performance in providing information to the chart maintenance programs of the Office of Coast Survey.
2016

Headquarters *Headquarters*
NATIONAL RANKING 146 YEARS ON THE HONOR ROLL 8

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NATIONAL RANKING 89 YEARS ON THE HONOR ROLL 6

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LAKE AND POWER SQUADRON

Cooperative Charting Program

HONOR ROLL

RUSSELL DUNSTON
LAKE HARTWELL SQUADRON, D/26

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2016

Headquarters *Headquarters*
NATIONAL RANKING 78 YEARS ON THE HONOR ROLL 8

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF COAST SURVEY UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON
LAKE AND POWER SQUADRON

Cooperative Charting Program

HONOR ROLL

LAKE HARTWELL SQUADRON DISTRICT 26

For superior performance in providing information to the chart maintenance programs of the Office of Coast Survey.
2016

Headquarters *Headquarters*
NATIONAL RANKING 14 YEARS ON THE HONOR ROLL 13

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF COAST SURVEY UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON
LAKE AND POWER SQUADRON

Cooperative Charting Program

HONOR ROLL

RAYMOND FEDELE
LAKE HARTWELL SQUADRON, D/26

For superior performance in providing information to the chart maintenance programs of the Office of Coast Survey.
2016

Headquarters *Headquarters*
NATIONAL RANKING 100 YEARS ON THE HONOR ROLL 12

Shakedown Cruise April 22, 2017

Join us at **Green Pond Landing** for our first cruise of the year. Vessel Safety Checks will be available from 10:00 to 11:00 and then a cruise down the lake to Hartwell Marina for the wooden boat show.

We will be updating the squadron's boat pictures for our website so get your boat cleaned up and ready to go.

Those of you without boats are welcome and encouraged to join us for a ride down to Hartwell Marina. Contact admin@lake-hartwell.org if you are interested .



Charleston Cruise & Rendezvous

Tall Ships

The Tall Ships will arrive in Charleston on Friday May 19 and depart May 21. The District Rendezvous is in Charleston from 19 to 21 May.



If we had a cruise from 17 or 18 May to 22 May we could tie in the cruise to the rendezvous for a great boating adventure including escorting the tall ships into Charleston on the 19th. Charleston Squadron Commander reports that he has been invited to form an escort on the 19th and is looking for boats.

We have told him we would like to volunteer. I will seek slip reservations at the Charleston Harbor Marina (Patriots Point) for five vessels for the nights of 18 May to 21 May.

The idea is to tow to the diversion canal early May 18, cruise through the lock and down the Cooper to rendezvous with the Charleston Folks. Friday we will be part of the escort and then participate in the rendezvous events which will include a dinner aboard the USS Yorktown. We will retrace our steps on 22 May.

Checkout the Yorktown at www.patriotspoint.org and the tall ships at www.tallshipscharleston.com

Folks without boats and looking for a ride, please contact me or Commander Guderian.

Pete Stevenson

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Ten Little Boaters

Ten little boaters,
Skimming o'er the brine...
One boat was overloaded,
And then there were nine.

Nine little boaters,
Fishing until late...
One ignored the weather,
And then there were eight.

Eight little boaters,
Motors really "revving..."
One had too much power,
And then there were seven.

Seven little boaters,
Seeking aqua kicks...
One brought a bottle,
And then there were six.

Six little boaters,
Dunked - but still alive...
One tried to swim ashore,
And then there were five.

Five little boaters,
Zooming towards the shore...
One "buzzed" the dock,
And then there were four.

Four little boaters towing board and ski...
One steered alone,
And then there were three.

Three little boaters,
Well equipped it's true...
But one forgot his life jacket,
And then there were two.

Two little boaters,
Out for fishing fun...
One stood to land his catch...
And then there was one.

But there's one little boater who still floats today;
By following sound safety rules,
He hopes to stay that way.

Special thanks to the South Carolina DNR for
permission to use this poem.

Education

Cabela's on Woodruff Road in Greenville

Schedule of Upcoming Classes

Saturday, May 6, America's Boating Course

Skippers, spouses and family members come learn some basic boating safety. Topics covered include, Boat Handling, Docking, Aids to Navigation, State & Federal Regulations, Anchoring, Trailing Tips, Rules of the Road, Emergencies, PWC Safety, Knots and Splices. Upon successful completion of the exam a certificate will be awarded. SCDNR will also send you a boater education card. Cost for this all day class is \$50.00 for first family member and \$10.00 for each additional family member sharing the same book. Register at www.UpstateBoatingCourse.org or phone us at 864 567-1505 for more information.

ANSWERS TO XO QUIZ

1. Whirlpool
2. Warping
3. New Jersey and Texas
4. Cutch
5. US Coast Guard
6. Tidal current tables
7. False
8. Cross
9. Bar
10. South or west



Lake Hartwell Sail & Power Squadron

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2017

MD 360 Powdersville

- I. **Call to Order 18:30 by CDR Charles Guderian, S**
 - A. A quorum was established
 - B. Invocation –Lt/Cdr Charles Guderian, S
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance – Lt/Cdr Charles Guderian, S
 - D. Review Minutes of February meeting – approved with correct time 17:30 to 18:30.
 - E. The next ExCom meeting is at the MD 360 Powdersville Tuesday April 11 @ 18:30.

- II. **AD-Hoc Committees – D’26 Conference Spring 2017, March 3-5. P/C Pete Stevenson**

The D26 Spring Conference was successfully concluded with the cruise to Clemson on the Seneca. By all accounts the conference went well and most important the squadron was financially successful to the tune of approximately \$2500.00. A final report will be issued.

- III. **Department Reports**

Commander – Cdr Charles Guderian, S

Awards from the D’26 Spring Conference:

 - a. The Commander presented Ted Sauvain with the Catch the Spirit award.
 - b. The Distinctive Communicator Award – presented to The Poinsett Pilot -Nioka Rose editor.
 - c. Several Co-op Charting certificates were received, including Russ Dunston, Ray Fedele , Pete Stevenson, Jef Lockman and Jim Carroll. Cdr Guderian earned a Pelican as a member of the top 75 in the Nation.c. Several Co-op Charting certificates were received, including Russ Dunston, Ray Fedele and others.. Cdr Guderian earned a Pelican as a member of the top 75 in the Nation.
 - d. LHS&PS ranked 14th in the nation for Co-op charting. LHS&PS has been on the honor roll for 13 years.
 - e. There has been some confusion concerning the NOAA website, Co op charting and the awards program. One sub section of the NOAA was dedicated to integrating information from depth surveys using a program called “depthwiz”. This site has been shut down because it has been determined to be vulnerable to hacking. The immediate result is that USPS can no longer submit depth surveys. A secondary result is that the Co op charting recognition program is suspended. No information is available as to when and if the awards will resume.
 - f. LHS&PS received a certificate of appreciation from the Corp of Engineers.
 - g. National has informed the squadrons of a dues increase starting June 2017.
 - h. There are now 14 squadrons in SC with the new addition of Dreher Shoals on Lake Murray.
 - i. Bert Baxter was awarded the “Order Of Mariners” title of *Mariner* along with the accompanying silver star.

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Past Commander – P/C Jim Carroll, AP no report.

Treasurer – P/C Pete Stevenson, AP – The February report details some deposits and expenses of the District Conference including an apparent increase in our checking accounts. The increase is real but the full dimensions of the results from the conference will not be available until the March report is issued.

E. Administration – Lt/Cdr. Nioka Rose, S

1. Website: There are several issues concerning the website. First National will not consider for an excellence award, any web site that does not conform to the national model. However, the national model is limited and does not allow a squadron (us) to retain all the features and information currently on www.lake-hartwell.org. Specifically we cannot retain the many links we now reference. Second there is a photo storage issue. Where do we store old/archived photos? Cloud? External Drive? Link to a Drop Box? There are many. One proposal is to edit/delete photos but we do not have a criteria to edit against although we know there is redundancy and a certain degree of irrelevance.

2. Annual Meeting & COW – Suggestion – Epicurean Restaurant, Woodruff Rd.GV. or Twin Peaks, GV.

3. Tall Ships –The Tall Ships will arrive in Charleston on Friday May 19 and depart May 21. The District Rendezvous is in Charleston from 19 to 21 May. If we held a cruise from 17 or 18 May to 22 May we could tie in the cruise to the rendezvous for a great boating adventure including escorting the tall ships into Charleston on the 19th. P/C Stevenson will seek slip reservations at the Charleston Harbor Marina (Patriots Point) for five vessels for the nights of 18 May to 21 May.

2017 Boating Activities

Date Squadron Cruise Destinations

April 22 Shakedown Cruise
May 3 Kayak Trip
May 6 America's Boating Course
May 17-23 Cruise & Rendezvous
June 9 Full Moon Party
June 12-26 Chesapeake Bay Cruise
July 2-4 Boat Parade & Fireworks
July 14-16 Lake Murray Cruise
July 19 Tubing on the Green River
Aug. 4-6 Jocassee Cruise
Aug. 19-21 Wine Cheese Party and Solar Eclipse Raft up
Aug. 28 Sunset Cruise
Sept. 3-4 Labor Day Raft Out
Sept. 16 America's Boating Course
Oct. Cape Lookout Cruise

F. Education – P/C Chris Rose,N

ABC classes are scheduled for May 6 & Sept 16.

Seamanship class was cancelled – only one student registered.

G. Executive – Lt/Cdr Ted Sauvain, JN

1. Sail Club First Aid – Lt/Cdr Ted Sauvain to inquire

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2. Lancaster Lily Fest kayaking in May – Lt/Cdr Sauvain to inquire
3. Jocassee Pontoon Boat Trip – Lt.Cdr Sauvain to inquire

- H. Secretary – Lt/Cdr Rosemary Stevenson, AP
Sunshine Committee – Storyteller Judy Seeley sent a thank you note.
Poinsett Pilot – Articles are due by the 20th.

From the Bridge – Cdr Charles Guderian
Education -Seminars –P/C Chris Rose
D'26 Conference – P/C Pete Stevenson (Photos from G.Willamson)
Kayaking on Lake Jocassee in May – Exec Ted Sauvain
Tall Ships Cruise & Rendezvous- (May 19) -P/C Pete Stevenson
Shakedown Cruise April 22 – Cdr Guderian

- I. Members at Large – no report.

- IV. **Old Business** – P/C Stevenson and Cdr Guderian went to Clemson Marina to attend the “Freedom Boating Club” ribbon cutting. Member at large L Solesbee with concurrence by Ex O Ted Sauvain expressed concern about squadron Liability. We will seek and reach agreement on indemnification.
- V. **New Business** – There will be a Solar Eclipse Monday Aug 21. (estimated time 2:43 to 3:43 PM)
Plans will be made to raft out on Lake Hartwell after the Wine & Cheese party. Cdr Guderian will contact Golden Corners to see if a joint event is possible.

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- VII. Adjourned 20:15

Submitted by Lt/Cdr Rosemary Stevenson, AP



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