

The Pilot



Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the FriendsSM

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From the Bridge - Pete Stevenson

Jump Start is a new national program that allows old farts like me to go out in public and give a boost to new boaters. We used to be paralyzed by insurance concerns, liability concerns and a lot of nonsense but now we can teach on the water.

If you know a new boater or the wife of a boating friend that is unsure of their skills and they are a little timid when considering taking the boat out, you now can help. You can offer to come on board their boat and teach them a specific skill or a host of techniques with the backing of Americas Boating Club and, of course, the Upstate Boating Club.

First, in the course of conversation, you learn about their concerns. Then you match your skills, or maybe another member of the Upstate Boating Club's skills, to the need. Set a date and mission accomplished.

Now you will not be surprised that USPS (Americas Boating Club) has established a protocol which is explained in an [online manual](#). Look it up at USPS.org. Then comply with the parts that fit you, your student and the opportunity. Despite the organizational jargon the whole program is simple: talk (define the need), assess (match skills with the need), perform (go for a boat ride and teach), report (inform National that the mission was accomplished).

Fantastic, simple, and should be of great value to the boating public, USPS, LHS&PS, Americas Boating Club and bringing it close to home, The Upstate Boating Club. Get going, get out on the water and teach somebody something.

Hallelujah.

Calendar of Events

LHS&PS Calendar of Events

February

3 ABC Class at Cabela's
13 Executive Committee Meeting
16 Happy Hour McGee's in Anderson 6:00pm

March

8 Partner in Command Seminar at Cabela's
10 Co op Jamboree at PortmanMarina
13 Executive Committee Meeting
16 - 18 Spring Conference Columbia, SC

April

10 Executive Committee Meeting
12 Mastering the Rules of the Road Seminar at Cabela's
21 Shakedown Cruise & Wooden Boat Show at Big Water and Hartwell Marinas

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Charles Guderian, S (3 Yrs)

Shakedown Cruise & Vessel Safety Check

By the time you read this the Boat Show will be over and everyone will be itching to get back on the water. Hopefully, the cold weather is over.

There is one upcoming event that I call to your attention. The Shakedown Cruise may be the most important event that we have all year. This is covered in detail on later pages, but it is an opportunity for each of us to make sure that our boat is really ready to go from both a mechanical and safety perspective. It also forces us to remember where we stowed everything.



This year is even more important because we are inviting the outside world to what has been an in-house event.

We believe that everyone on the water should have a Vessel Safety Check. It is also an opportunity to meet some other boaters and show what we are about.

See you at Big Water Marina on April 21.

Jim Carroll

By the Way

February is our month to survey the atons on Lake Hartwell. Even though the weather can be challenging, we typically have a few good days that would be enjoyable on the lake. If you would like to volunteer for a zone, please call Jef Lockman at 864-901-7939 or email me at jeflockman@gmail.com. Any and all help is appreciated.

Jef Lockman

Co op Charting Jamboree

We, the Upstate Boating Club, are hosting an afternoon cruise to teach and explain co op charting to the public (and of course conduct a full court press membership pitch). We will start at the Portman Marina courtesy dock and the little pavilion. After serving hot dogs and soft drinks, we will have a brief presentation explaining co op charting and then we will divide up the guests among our inspectors setting off about 12:45 and returning at 3:45.

Portman was chosen because of its proximity to Zones 2A and 2B, and 3A meaning we could send several boats into each zone with minimum travel to the zone and have plenty to do there as we will route each boat on its own unique path.

We don't know how many boats we will need but that question will answer itself as the date draws near and plans and guest list are finalized.

You may wonder how this all came about. Good fortune, blessings, luck play a major portion. Back in October, while we were wrestling with the transition to Upstate Boating Club while carrying on with the day to day of meetings, seminar and ABC offerings, co op charting schedules and the like, we published an invitation for the public to join us in co op charting in November. The response was stupefying. No less than 19 people responded they would like to participate. The responses trickled in and the result was we completed the November work without passengers while recognizing that we could not accomplish anything while trying to shoe horn too many guests into the conventional method we used for Co op charting.



So we came up with the idea of the Jamboree where the public can join us at a convenient spot (Portman) by car or bringing their own boat and we would assimilate them into an afternoons demonstration.

We have proposed this plan to the 19 or so respondents (message this past Thursday) and so far (Saturday) we have three direct confirmations for 5 people. I am confident we will get more. And of course, we will advertise the Jamboree at the boat show, the February ABC course, and perhaps another announcement in the papers.

So plan on getting your boat in gear and taking a ride on Lake Hartwell while introducing ourselves to people with clear interests in boating. Please let me know your intentions.

Pete Stevenson

February Happy Hour



Join us for an Upstate Boating Club Happy Hour Get Together

We'll meet starting at 6 PM on February 15, 2018 for an evening of fun and food, drinks and tall tales.

Officer Rodney Cutter from SCDNR will join us at 6:30 PM
to share some stories and on the water happenings in our area.

Call Charles Guderian at 864-477-9479 with any questions or to arrange a ride together..

McGee's Scot-Irish Pub
116 W. Orr St. Anderson SC 29624
864.261.6401

Education

Cabela's on Woodruff Road in Greenville **Schedule of Upcoming Classes and Seminars**

Seminar registration is required as class size is limited. Cost \$25.00 for first family member and \$10.00 for each additional family member. Register at www.UpstateBoatingCourse.org or phone us at 864 567-1394 for more information.

Saturday, February 3 America's Boating Course

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The Upstate Boating Club, part of the United States Power Squadron, will be presenting the Americas Boating Course from 9:30 until 5:30, covering these topics:

Boat Handling	Docking
Aids to Navigation	State & Federal Regulations
Anchoring	Trailer Tips
Rules of the Road	Emergencies
PWC Safety	Knots and Splices

This course is designed to provide basic safety instructions on the operation of boats for Skippers, Spouses, and Family Members

Taught by Experienced Boaters of the Lake Hartwell Sail & Power Squadron and approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and recognized by many major insurance carriers as well as the United States Coast Guard.

Thursday, March 8 Partner in Command

When crew members have little or no boating experience they may be confused and unprepared when emergencies arise. Do you know how to call for help on a marine radio? Do you know how to use a fire extinguisher, marine distress signals or how to handle lines? Do you know how to stop the boat, to turn it to pick up a man overboard, or to find your way to shore to meet first responders?

In emergency situations, there is no time to sit and read a manual, so the time to learn some basic skills is before the emergency arises. This seminar will not make you an expert, but will provide the basic knowledge to help deal with emergency situations.

Thursday, April 12 Maritime Rules of the Road: Understanding Your Responsibilities

When you skipper a vessel, you have a set of legal responsibilities to protect lives and property on the water. To help you grasp the Rules of the Road, the **Upstate Boating Club** will present a seminar, **Mastering the Rules of the Road** on April 12, from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Cabela's on Woodruff Rd. The seminar provides explanations with examples of the 37 Rules of the Road. It simplifies the sometimes complex law relating to boat operation for the recreational boater. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Register at www.UpstateBoatingCourse.org or phone us at 864 567-1394 for more information.



Upstate Boating Club

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes January 9, 2017

MD 360 Powdersville, SC

I. **Call to Order 18:30 by President Jim Carroll**

- A. A quorum was established
- B. Invocation – Jim Carroll
- C. Pledge of Allegiance – Jim Carroll
- D. Review Minutes of November meeting– Approved

II. **AD-Hoc Committees –**

III. **Department Reports**

- A. President – Jim Carroll
 - 1. The President asked for the Bridge to help push the Shakedown Cruise and to possibly get more involved with the Poker Run again.
- B. Past President– Charles Guderian
 - 1. The VSC stickers are in
 - 2. The Catch the Spirt Award was awarded to Don Woodard.
- C. Treasurer – Lynn Solesbee
 - 1. The bank resolution was signed by the Bridge to pass the checking account over to Lynn Solesbee.
 - 2. The 2018 budget is being finished up and will be e-mailed to the Bridge for approval
- D. Administration –. Nioka Rose,
 - 1. Pete Stevenson said Big Water Marina is coming together and should be ready for the Shakedown cruise
 - 2. January 19 is the Landlubbers lunch
 - 3. A Happy Hour is being scheduled for Mc Gee's on February 15
 - 4. Co-Op charting with the public is set up for March 10
- E. Education – Chris Rose
 - 1. No advanced courses are scheduled for this time.
 - 2. ABC course is set up for February 3 at Cabela's.
 - 3. An ABC course site is being looked for in the Anderson area.
 - 4. Partners in Command is set up for March

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5. Gradys is being explored for An ABC course in Anderson

F. Executive – Pete Stevenson

1. Boat show

- a. Set up will be Wednesday January 24
- b. A to-do list will be made
- c. Membership applications will be available.
- d. We will push people to attend the ABC, the March Co-op event, and the April Shakedown Cruise.
- e.. Updated 3-30-3 and new brochures have been created

2. PRO

- a. Jef Lockman has secured Upstate Boating Club on Twitter and Instagram
- b. Updated touch slips were handed out and is attached

3. Pete is pricing t-shirts and flags with the new logo for the ship store

G. Secretary – Billy Owens

Poinsett Pilot article assignments–(Articles are due by Jan. 20)

From the bridge- Jim Carroll
Education- Chris Rose
Shakedown Cruise Charles Guderian
PRO Jef Lockman
Jump Start Pete Stevenson

H. Members at Large comments and questions

1. Are forming a plan to contact members on upcoming events.

IV. **Old Business –**

1. 3-30-3 was discussed and streamlined for the Boat Show.

V. **New Business –**

1. Jump start was discussed, Pete Stevenson is writing a article for the Pilot

VI. The next ExCom meeting is at the MD 360 Powdersville Tuesday Feb 13 @ 18:30

VII. Adjourn 19:55

Submitted by Secretary Billy Owens



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