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Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron, District 27

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Upcoming Events:

2016 CLSPS Change of Watch

Saturday, 6 February
CLSPS Change of Watch
The Chelsea

Monday, 8 February
CLSPS ExComm Mtg
Christ Episcopal Church Library
in the Parish Hall Bldg
Meet for dinner at Chelsea, 5:30

Monday–Sunday, 15–21 February
USPS Annual Meeting
Rosen Centre Hotel
Orlando, Florida

Monday, 7 March
CLSPS ExComm Mtg
Christ Episcopal Church Library
in the Parish Hall Bldg
Meet for dinner at Chelsea, 5:30

Friday–Saturday, 18–19 March
**D/27 Spring 2016 Council/
Conference**
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
Atlantic Beach Oceanfront
2717 West Fort Macon Rd.
Atlantic Beach, NC

Monday, 21 March
March Dinner Meeting
The Chelsea
1700 — Social Hour
1800 — Dinner
1900 — Meeting
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Cdr Jim Reynolds receives his ensign from D/C Dave Parsons



Old Bridge & Exec Committee

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I would like to thank everyone that attended our Change of Watch at the Chelsea this past Saturday. I also want to especially thank Jane and Lloyd Moore, June and Bill Reason, Susan Collyar, and Marty Warner for all their hard work and efforts to put together an unreservedly great evening. My appreciation also goes out to District Commander Dave Parsons and his wife, Linda, for making the trip up from Goldsboro to attend our COW and for Dave's participation in the proceedings.

I want to let everyone know that the EXCOM and the various committee members have gotten off to a running start to lay out a plan of action and an event calendar. Their objective is to provide something of interest to all CLSPS members. We have assembled a group of dedicated and enthusiastic individuals that I look forward to working with over the coming year. But, we need everyone's help to improve the effectiveness of their efforts. Your feedback, assistance and participation is a major part of improving everyone's experience and involvement in the Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron.

We are working towards having all event information available on the Calendar within the CLSPS website very soon so that it can be your main source of information for all upcoming events and training. In addition, and as always, we will be posting those events that will be coming up soon here in the Outlook.



Jim & Mike—Current and Past Commanders

Executive Officer

Lt/C Neal Byrne, S



The new year is upon us. Before you know it, the boating season will begin with a roar as soon as the weather breaks. That said, we in the squadron will have many opportunities to get out on the water and beyond with our fellow members. Bill Gewain has worked very hard to put together some on the water cruising and some land yacht events which will be lots of fun. We hope to get wide membership participation.

We have launched our Facebook presence and so far about a third of the squadron is on board. If Facebook is not your thing, no problem. But if you have a Facebook profile, simply search for "Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron" and ask to join the closed group. Once in, you will be able to see our schedule of events as well as RSVP for any scheduled events. Also, once you are a member of the group, you will be able to post things to the group which your fellow members will see including pictures and articles. Lastly, if you have problems finding the group or any other issues, please either call me or e-mail me so that I can be of assistance.

Most of you know we have a great leadership group for 2016 and they are working diligently to advance our Squadron goals. It is agreed that our Squadron at times seems like the best kept secret with lots to offer. It is up to all of our members to get the word out that The Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron is the best option for boating safety training, vessel safety checks, and friends being safe and having fun out on the water.

Lastly, just a heads up. This year's Blessing of the Fleet ceremony will be held at the Grand Marina in downtown New Bern on May 7th. More information will be sent out which will provide early reservations and discounts for all those who have participated in the past. We have started a list of those who intend to bring their boats to the Blessing. If you wish to get on the early list, feel free to e-mail me your name and boat details and I will insure you are on the list. There will be other forms to fill out later, but for now we just need to have your name, and your boat details, (type, length etc, name, i.e. - sail, 34', SeaLove)... This year Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron has agreed to co-sponsor the Blessing of the Fleet with the New Bern Yacht Club.

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<http://www.clsps.org>

Education Officer

P/C Jim Starr, JN



The Education Department is going to make a few changes in 2016. The Education Committee (Lloyd Moore, Ed Gagnon, Bill Reasons, Wayne Fretwell, Van Rice) has worked with me to outline a plan for this year and is filling in the details. We have two main thrusts in our plan: 1) use educational offerings to introduce the community to CLSPS and build our membership, and 2) provide our newer members with class opportunities to continue their knowledge and skill development.

To generate a higher community profile, we will offer all our courses to the public and work on generating much better advance publicity for them. We are planning to teach America's Boating Course as a two-full-day-Saturday class, followed by a Sunday afternoon on the water for graduates to practice what they've learned. We will offer our seminars differently—picking the four most popular and offering all four on another Saturday. Attendees will be able to pick two. Classes will be scheduled in advance and a schedule announced to enable us to advertise effectively at boat shows, at Mumfest, during vessel safety check sessions, and in the media.

From our Core Courses series, we plan to offer Seamanship, Piloting, and Advanced Piloting this year. We'll get those scheduled in the next week or two after I've had time to talk to prospective students and instructors. Our Cruise Planning elective course has been very popular in the past—we'll teach as session in the fall. Other elective possibilities this year are Engine Maintenance and Marine Electrical Systems.

We are going to add an on-the water component to each of our Core Courses. Like ABC, these sessions will come at the end of the course and give students the chance to see and practice the things they've learned in the classroom. We are hoping these sessions will make our classes more attractive to both

members and non-members, and add value to our courses overall.

I'd like to ask all of you to think about taking a class this year, and to send any friends or acquaintances that may be interested our way. There is a great overview of our education program on our website—just go to clsps.org and click on the *Education* tab. And please contact me or any of the Education Committee members if you see something there that interests you.

Vessel Safety Check Program



THE DECALS ARE HERE

The Vessel Safety Check Team has received the 2016 decals and are ready to inspect your vessel and affix the current decal on the windshield. All you need to do is contact one of the team listed at the rear of the Outlook and we'll come on by and have a visit. Now is the time to do it while you are checking your vessel and getting ready for the 2016 boating season, which in ENC is not that far away. So call us up!

Are you interested in becoming a Vessel Check Team Member? It is a very enjoyable pastime and the time commitment is up to you. So call Larry Lovvorn (672-5200) and arrange a discussion about all the fun our team has each year.

Administrative Officer

Lt/C Jane Moore, AP



Early in January, many of the Bridge members attended the District 27 Winter Training Session in Cary to refresh our skills for the coming year. We attended classes on Membership A to Z, DB 2000, Education, Co-Op Charting, Administrative, Treasurer and Secretary. We brought the six winning Boarman National Youth Posters from Epiphany School of Global Studies to compete with the other nineteen Squadron entries. One of our entries, in the six to eight year age group, won third place and will be displayed at the District meeting in Atlantic Beach in March. P/C Wayne Fretwell and Elaine Fretwell attended the award ceremony at Epiphany School on 25 January to present the first, second and third place winners a small monetary gift from our Squadron and return the over one hundred posters with a Certificate of Participation for each student. Thank you to Sherrie Starr for contacting Epiphany School and helping judge the entries at the Squadron level, along with P/C Jim Starr, P/C June Reasons, P/C Wayne Fretwell, Elaine Fretwell and myself. *"When you Boat Be Ready To Float...Wear It!"*

In late January, I received a letter from District 27 Secretary, D/Lt/C JB Bagby JN-IN that our Newsletter Editor, 1/Lt Marty Warner, JN and Webmaster, P/C Richard Tobacco, JN received the Distinctive Communicator Awards for 2015 in District 27. Congratulations to both.

At our Annual meeting on 18 January, P/C Wayne Fretwell presented the slate of officers to the members of Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron and your new officers were elected by acclamation. At the Change of Watch on 6 February, District Commander Dave Parsons, JN relieved the outgoing Bridge of 2015-2016 and installed the Bridge for 2016-2017.

Congratulations to:

Cdr Jim Reynolds, P
Executive Officer Lt/C Neal Byrne, S
SEO Lt/C Jim Starr, JN,
Administrative Officer Lt/C Jane Moore, AP,
Treasurer Lt/C Lloyd Moore, JN,
Secretary Lt Paul Manganaro, S,
Assistant Treasurer 1/Lt Ray Whitley, S
Assistant Secretary 1/Lt Marty Warner, JN

Executive Committee:

Lt Elaine Fretwell, S,
P/C Wayne Fretwell, P,
P/D/C Mike McCulley, JN,
P/C June Reasons, P
P/R/C Bill Reasons, JN
Lt Marty Warner, JN

The District 27 Spring Council/Conference / Change of Watch will be held 18-20 March at the DoubleTree Hotel by Hilton in Atlantic Beach, NC. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet Squadron members from North Carolina, with a representative from USPS National V/C Craig Fraser, SN NEO at a town hall meeting. There will be a 1st timer's reception on Friday evening at the Beaufort Maritime Museum and many events on Saturday at the hotel. Please check out the District 27 website for additional information. <http://www.uspsd27.org/>

Squadron member, Mike Power, will be our speaker at our dinner meeting on 21 March and will give his reflections on guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Mike served in the Army from 1968 -1970. The Tomb Guard platoon is a unit of the Army (3rd Infantry). Mike and his wife, Marty, retired to New Bern in 2006 after a career in consulting for 35 years, moving from Falls Church, Virginia. They spend summers in New England sailing their Marshall 22 catboat in the waters off southeastern Massachusetts.

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Cooperative Charting Program

Lloyd Moore, JN

As most of you know, this is a joint program between USPS and NOAA. There are several different field activities, and some of these result in NOAA making corrections to nautical charts, Coast Pilots and Light Lists, making the information available to mariners more accurate, thus safer.

For nautical charts the following activities are part of Co-Op charting:

- Nautical charting
- Depth Surveys
- Range Line Surveys
- Coast Pilot updates
- ATON (aids to navigation) Inspections

Recently, the geodetic marker recovery Program has been re-instituted. This involves locating Geodetic Markers installed and maintained by the National Geodetic Survey. Credit for members who submit geodetic reports is awarded by USPS, and is no longer part of the USPS/NOAA program.

The Cooperative Charting year for nautical activities is from 1 April through 31 March, so we still have plenty of time to do some Co-op charting this year and get our reports in. For the last two years, District 27 has been the only district in USPS to have 100% of its squadrons on the Co-op charting honor roll. We certainly don't want to be the ones to break the streak!

For Geodetic marker recovery, the year runs from January 1 through December 31.

We'll be setting up and scheduling a day to do some Co-op charting in our area, and we'll notify members via email and next month's Outlook. If you want to learn more, visit the USPS website and look at the Cooperative Charting pages.



**Jim &
Lloyd**

Booster Club

Only a small portion (about \$17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. We need help keeping our books in the Black. Please contribute to the Booster Club. Any amount is helpful, but \$10 per person is a suggested amount.

CLSPS 2016 Booster Club Members

Lloyd & Jane Moore
Bill Ash & Lady Gwen
Neal & Valerie Byrne
Owen & Carolyn Smith
Marty & Tiki Warner



**Sophie Oliver, first place in Boardman
Poster Contest for CLSPS and Third Place
in D 27**

**P/C William J. Ash,
SN, H**



A MASTER BOAT BUILDER

P/C WILLIAM J. ASH SN, H

Horatio once asked me, “Did you have a boat before you joined the Power Squadrons?” I remember answering him, “No, I passed the beginning course, Piloting, and the Seamanship course before I bought my first boat.” Many years earlier, as a young fellow, through high school, I spent many a day on the water with my dad. We rented boats in different places along the south shore of Long Island; we went crabbing most of the time. Once in a while we dug for clams. I was taught to row properly by good old Pop; he spent considerable time in the navy between the two great wars. He loved boats, but he warned me never to buy a sailboat. “They are too dangerous.”

I bought a dory skiff with a high freeboard, lap strake, made from marine plywood and powered by 16 horses. In turn I taught four children to take the helm and cruise safely. The vessel, 16 feet LOA, called the *Red Boat*, would teach me text books worth of seamanship. I loved her.

I would have enjoyed being a boat builder. I love the smell of shaved, cut and sanded wood. I even went so far as to take a four day boat building course under the critical eye of John Gardner at the Mystic Seaport. I cut and shaved planks. I steamed stems to fit nicely against the planks and watched as a hull took shape. I recall lofting or designing hulls. And there was always the fragrance of wood. But I had no facilities to build anything at home. Nope. I did manage, however, to actually cut away the soft bottom parts of our first sail boat and successfully rebuild a portion of the hull. That was all done outside in the elements. Then one day I decided to concentrate on carving half hulls. I would be a boat builder on a small scale. Wood would be sanded, cut and shaved and the fragrance would be my opiate.

I’d start with three two-foot lengths of pine about six inches wide, glue them one on top the other, and draw the outline of the deck. Then I would cut the block along the outline. The hull began to take shape. Carving the concavities and the opposite convex elements of the hull was a labor of love. I used small spoke shaves and thin wood chisels. Of course, all this was done while the wood was in a large wood vise. It was pure therapy to watch the curls of wood shavings coming away under the sharp edge of the spoke shave. I was building boats or at least half of them. Sanding, staining and mounting them for show earned me favorable comments from my colleagues. I even sold some. Oops, here comes Horatio. I believe I will divulge to him that I was a master boat builder in my earlier days.

“Good morning, Horatio. If you have just a minute I’d like to tell you something.”



P/D/C McCulley with his model

Sid Weiner, RIP

We are sad to report that long time member, Sid Weiner recently passed away.

Sid was a USPS life member with 26 merit marks. He had been very active in the education department teaching basic boating. Sid himself was a JN. Sid was instrumental in obtaining the use of Brice’s Creek (#7) fire house for the teaching of basic boating classes. He was also very active in the Craven County Volunteer Fire department. Due to his age, he had become less active with Cape Lookout in the past few years.

His death resulted from an auto accident. He was 93.

June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



Happy Birthday
to the Following
Members



February

Parker, Sherry — 4 February

Power, Marty S. — 6 February

Leahy, Pamela R. — 14 February

Collyar, Newton A. — 15 February

Gagnon, Susan L. — 23 February

Campbell, Mary E. — 25 February

Reynolds, Susan B. — 27 February

Gewain, Sharon L. — 28 February

WORDS I LIVE BY!!!!!! Random Thoughts

I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds.
People get out of the way much faster now.

Gone are the days when girls used to cook
like their mothers. Now they drink like their
fathers.

You know that tingly little feeling you get
when you really like someone? That's common
sense leaving your body.

I didn't make it to the gym today. That
makes five years in a row.

I decided to change calling the bathroom the
John and renamed it the Jim. I feel so much
better saying I went to the Jim this morning.

Old age is coming at a really bad time.

When I was a child I thought "Nap Time"
was a punishment. Now, as a grownup, it feels
like a small vacation.

The biggest lie I tell myself is..."I don't need
to write that down, I'll remember it."

I don't have gray hair; I have "wisdom
highlights." I'm just not very wise.

If God wanted me to touch my toes, He
would've put them on my knees.

Last year I joined a support group for
procrastinators. We haven't met yet.

Why do I have to press one for English when
you're just going to transfer me to someone I
can't understand anyway?

Of course I talk to myself; sometimes I need
expert advice.

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking
into a room and remembering what I came in
there for.

Teach your daughter how to shoot, because a
restraining order is just a piece of paper.



June and Bill Reasons



D/C Dave and Linda Parsons



March Dinner Meeting

Registration Form

Monday, March 21, 2016

The Chelsea, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC

1700 Social Hour 1800 Dinner 1900 Meeting and Member's Activity

Our Speaker is CLSPS Squadron Member, Mike Power

Topic: Reflections on Guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier



Dinner will include: Mixed Green Salad with House Vinaigrette, Dinner Rolls with Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee, Water and Carrot Cake

Main Course choices are:

Beef Tenderloin Shoulder with Cabernet Demi-Glace, Garlic Smashed Potatoes and Sautéed Green Beans
Honey Rum Chicken with Rice Pilaf and Sautéed Green Beans
Shrimp and Grits

Names(s): _____

Please indicate Dinner Choice: Beef _____ Chicken _____ Shrimp and Grits _____

Number attending _____ x \$23.50 each = Amount enclosed \$ _____

Please send your entree choice and check, made payable to CLSPS, prior to Monday, March 14, 2016 to:

Lt/C Jane Moore, AP, 6008 Booty Lane, New Bern, NC 28560

Ships Store

P/C Diana Thompson, AP



Do you need anything from the Ship's Store? What about a new knit shirt? They come in various colors. Ask me and I will show/tell you what is available. Also, we now carry ladies shirts with more of a "v" neck style. There have been requests for this style. See them at the next membership meeting, and see what nice colors they come in. If a burgee is starting to show its age, a new one would probably be most welcome. For any special requests, please don't hesitate to call me (see end of article for contact information).

Knit Shirts: Ladies and men's short sleeve knit shirts are \$30.00. Sizes 2X and 3X sell for \$33.00
They are available in red, white, navy, and other colors by request.

Sizes: Ladies: Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., 2X, and 3X.

Men's: Sm., Med., Lg., X-Lg., 2X and 3X.

Denim Shirts: Denim cloth shirts come in both short and long sleeves.

They are priced at \$25.00. Sizes--same as above.

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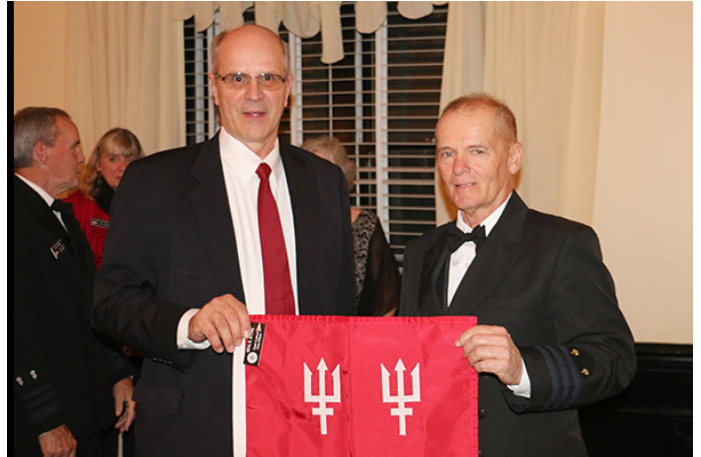
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Seen at the 2016 Change of Watch



Neal Byrne—Member of the year



Jim w/new Exec Off, Neal Byrne



Jim w/new Education Off, Jim Starr



Jim w/new Secretary, Paul Manganaro



Jim w/new Admin Off, Jane Moore



Jim w/new Ass't Treasurer, Ray Whitley



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Diana & Rob Thompson



Mike & Carolyn McCulley



Ray & Linda Whitley



Val & Neal Byrne and Larry Lovvorn



Richard & Linda Tobacco



D/C Dave Parsons



Senior Member, Sherrie Starr w/Mike



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P/D/C Mike



Wayne & Elaine Fretwell

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