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### **Upcoming Events:**

February 22-27 **ABC/USPS 2022 Annual Meeting** Marriott Sawgrass, Ponte Vedra, FL.

Saturday, February 26, 1130 CLSPS Change of Watch Chelsea Restaurant

Sunday, March 6, 1500 *The Wedding Singer* River Towne Players Lunch @ Lawson's On The Creek, 1300

Monday, March 7, 1900 **ExComm Meeting** via Zoom

Friday Saturday, March 18-19
USPS D27 Annual Mtg/Change of
Watch
Hilton Garden Inn in Cary

CLSPS Annual Dinner Meeting January 17, 2022



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Our Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron charter was issued on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 1960. At our Annual meeting in January, we celebrated the beginning of our 62<sup>nd</sup> year and going forward let's hope and pray that we will once again be able to plan in-person education classes, cruises and fun activities to keep our members engaged and active.

We welcomed three new members in 2021 – Leslie Lambrecht Gagnon, Juli Voelker and Bellanora McCallum, all willing to become active and get involved. Our current membership is 49. As of 12/30/21, National figures indicate there are 20599 members, with 2534 Life members and 323 Squadrons. Our District 27, has 17 Squadrons, with 873 members across North Carolina.

Thank you to the members of the current Bridge, Executive Committee and Committee Chair members who assisted me during the past year. I am thankful to the Squadron members who participate at meetings, socials and assist at the Bike MS and Clean Sweep.

As Commander, I presided at monthly Zoom ExCom meetings and bi-monthly dinner meetings which we were able to resume in May. I attended several activities to Sylvan Heights Bird Park, Ft. Macon Coast Guard Station and picnic at the beach, land yacht cruise to Core Sound Waterfowl Museum on Harkers Island, brunch and theater in New Bern and our holiday celebration. I volunteered at the Rest Stop for Bike MS historic ride in September, and participated with members in Clean Sweep in early October. Also, we reinstated the "Telephone" Committee to inform members about upcoming meetings and events.

At the National level, I participated in the Virtual Annual Meeting in February attending the different sessions from Feb. 15 to Feb. 24. Regrettably, because of the rise in Covid-19, I was unable to attend the Governing Board meeting in September in Raleigh.

As public contact for the Squadron, I answered requests for information about Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron to inquiries forwarded from the National Secretary. I virtually attended the D27 Spring Conference in March, and filed the Commanders report

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in October to the District Secretary. I am looking forward to the D27 Spring Council and Conference on 18-19 March in Cary, NC.

After two snow storm postponements in New Bern, we were able to have a planning meeting for 2022 at the New Bern Craven County Library on 5 February. P/C June Reasons gave a brief Operations Training review and our current and incoming bridge planned activities and events for the coming year.

Since joining the United States Power Squadrons in 1988, I have enjoyed being active in the Raleigh S&PS and Cape Lookout S&PS. After four years, on 26 February 2022, I will be relieved to become Immediate Past Commander. The incoming Bridge and Executive Committee are experienced Squadron members, and a few newer members, all who will bring fresh and exciting events to our Squadron. My sincere best wishes to the 2022-2023 Bridge, Executive Committee and Committee Chairs.



## Education Officer

Lt/C Lloyd Moore, JN



The last two years have been trying, for just about everyone in the world. For our organization, we have been unable to hold in-person education classes due to the danger of spreading the virus. Boating education is the backbone of our club, and we are all anxious to start again.

We are looking at the best way to offer the ABC class as soon as possible, to coincide with the start of the boating season. Several of our members have recently become certified instructors, and they will get a chance to demonstrate their teaching skills.

During this past year, I have participated in the online Executive Committee meetings, the very interesting trip to the Sylvan Waterfowl Sanctuary in Scotland Neck in April, the tour of the Fort Macon Coast Guard Station in June, as well as the few membership meetings that we were able to have.

Due to an unfortunate spike in Covid cases in August and September we had to cancel our plans to attend the USPS Governing Board Meeting in September.

As for my contributions for the past year, sadly there was very little related to education. Earlier in the year I applied for a grant offered by USPS National for 20 copies of the ABC Student Manuals. These manuals are now in our inventory, along with student manuals for most of the Advanced and Elective coursed, as well as several of the Seminars.

Our projectors have been brought up-to-date with the addition of adaptors that will allow them to be connected to most laptops, including older models and newer ones.

I'm hopeful, as you all are, that the worst of the danger from the pandemic has passed, and we will be able to resume our normal activities, especially Education classes, very soon.

## Administrative Officer

Lt/C Elaine Lechner, AP



This will be my last Outlook article since Lydia Ash is taking over as Administrative Officer. Linda Whitley and I will be helping Lydia with the dinner meetings and the socials. I believe we came up with suggestions for speakers for most of the dinner meeting but still have one or two needed if you have any suggestions. We have several socials in the planning stages but welcome input on what you would like to do for the other months.

Our next event is the Change of Watch on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. It will be a plated lunch at the Chelsea. Marty

is including the menu in this Outlook so check out your options and get your reservations in to me by February 18<sup>th</sup>.



Your can reach me at <u>elechner@bellsouth.net</u>, 678-464-7665, or send your checks made out to CLSPS to Elaine Lechner, 2220 Caracara Drive, New Bern, NC, 28560.

We are going to the play, *The Wedding Singer*, on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Jane bought the tickets for our group. There are still plenty of tickets left if you still want to go. You can get tickets at Nautical Wheelers on Craven Street and South Front Street. Or you can order them online at rivertowneplayers.org. I have had a suggestion that we eat lunch at Lawson's On The Creek in the North Carolina History Museum on South Front Street at 1:00pm. If anyone else wants to join us for lunch be sure and let me know so I can add you to the reservations.







I have the new stickers for whomever wants a VSE. — Owen

BITTS is the newsletter for District 27. The BITTS is usually published quarterly and is loaded with information about our District: http://www.uspsd27.org/newsletter.htm

### Did you Know???? Bud Ellis

How often have you heard "Red, Right, Returning"? Do you know what it means? It's a little memory tickler to help you navigate in a marked channel. Usually, the case when you need help finding the safest water where you can travel (most often restricted by the water depth). Marked channels use 3 visual aids to help you travel safely. They are Marker color, Marker shape, and Marker number.

There are many colors used that signify different things. We are only going to talk about 2 of them, Red and Green. These markers are normally called Lateral Marks and they mark the edge of the safe channel. This is where the saying "Red, Right, Returning" comes into play. The Red Marks are found on the Right side of the channel and that puts the Green Marks on the left.

OK, Great, which side is the Right side? By the way, the marks don't change sides when you turn your boat around. The convention in US Waters is the Red (marks) are on the Right (side of the channel) when you are Returning (from the sea). In other words, when you are going upstream.

Let's say you are coming into Beaufort Inlet from Power Squadron Point at Cape Lookout. You will see 2 rows of floating marks (called bouys) sitting side by side and leading into the Sate Port in Morehead City. As you turn into the channel between the row of bouys note the Red bouys are on the Right side of the

channel Returning from Cape Lookout. These bouys are really big so they can be seen from the bridge of a container ship so don't get too close to them. You notice the tops of the Red marks have conical (triangular) tops and even numbers (2, 4, 6,...14, 16 etc.) painted on them. The Green bouys have square tops and odd numbers (1, 3, 5, ...13, 15, etc.). If you are leaving Fort Macon heading for Power Squadron Point (Yes, there really is a place with that name at Cape Lookout) now you have Green marks on the right side going Out to sea. Just remember, the marks did Not switch sides of the channel.

Where can you learn more about all this stuff? By taking the courses developed by the United States Power Squadron. Sign up for a class today.



Happy Birthday to the Following Members



### **February**

Morton, Donald "Scott" — 6 February Leahy, Pamela R. — 14 February

### 2022 CLSPS Booster Club

Only a small portion (about \$17) of our dues to USPS is returned to the Cape Lookout Squadron. Money collected from our members helps defray the cost of our Dinner Meeting speakers and other incidentals (cards & flowers). 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.

2022 Booster Club

Start the New Year with a contribution to the Booster Club!

Jane & Lloyd Moore

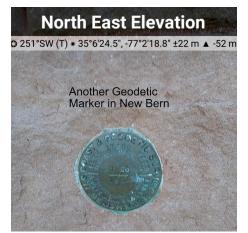
## Geodetic Survey Bob Burget

On November 19, Lloyd Moore, Lydia Ash, and I went looking for Geodetic markers to document. There are many in plain sight that are seldom noticed. We found three in downtown New Bern, as seen in the photos.

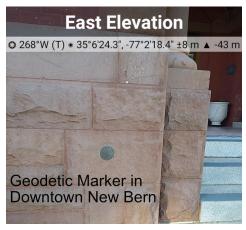
A smart phone photo utility called Solocator adds latitude and longitude, heading, elevation, and time and date, making a detailed record of the find.

To help locate the markers, there may also be a reference marker such as the small metal triangle that Lydia is showing us. It is imprinted with the words, "Geodetic Survey". The band of purple paint has significance too, but is not related to geodetic surveys.









### Marshall Van Winkle III

Marshall Van Winkle III died February 3, 2022. He joined USPS in 1963 and was a member of Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron as shown in our CLSPS Roster until 2020. He was an instructor in Marine Gas Engines, and a Life member with 35 Merit Marks. He was also an avid antique car enthusiast.



Memorial service is Tuesday, 15 February, 11AM at Spring Hope FWB Church in New Bern. Wear your CLSPS name tag.



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



# LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT A LOT OF STUFF P/C WILLIAM J. ASH S/N, H EMERITUS

It was a dark and stormy night, it was, and I had been warned not to start off an article this way. I don't know why but I was warned not to. So, I won't. There, that's better. Over the past month I have thought of hundreds of articles I should write and I could not wait to start my next adventure. Then I head out to the next doctor's appointment, have prescriptions changed, take a nap or two and come up with writer's block. I blame all this on my primary physician and the battalions of specialists he has recommended I see. But, I must be careful of what I write about Him because he is a member of our SOUADRON. This is a delicate situation about which I have taken delicate steps to avoid delicate conflict.

Also, my companion, Capt. Horatio Hornblower, was recently called back to England to take care of a mountain of administrative works he thought he could ignore whilst visiting with me here in the rebellious colonies. No such luck. But, I do expect him back before too long. Now, the other day I walked into the new restaurant in the History Center and who's there looking very much in

need of a decent night's sleep? Any takers? You'll never guess! Clewsew! I couldn't believe it. There he was, asleep in his chair waiting for his food to arrive.

Clewsew could not have returned at a better time. There are bits and pieces needing fixing before we set sail on the Jolly Tar. My regimental daughters are not allowing me to step aboard her unless I have company. Strictly for reasons of safety, mind you. So now I can call him to help when needed. And I can use him now. The tiller, the steering machine I use to turn the vessel (for you power boaters) needs reshaping; after it was fractured during Florence the overall curvature was changed and presently it doesn't clear the outboard engine lying in the well just beneath. That too should have been checked before relaunching. I suspect Clewsew has had experience with a drawknife, a substitute name for a spoke-shave. I'll find out.

Sorry, but I need to explain the situation with my regimental daughters. It is a serious issue which needs clarification. I'm diabetic with side effects of peripheral neuropathy. I suffer from light-headedness and numb feet; I must be careful how I walk. To be on a pier or a narrow deck of the Jolly Tar amounts to trouble, so I have promised my daughters, who live with me, that I shall always have company with me when I head out on the ocean blue. Ocean? Let's just make that the upper reaches of the Trent River. Age

brings on limitations. So I need to coordinate my helpers to make progress. Persons ask me to sell the boat and get rid of responsibilities. I'm quick with a response, "There is nothing, absolutely nothing half so much worth doing as simply messing around in boats," by Kenneth Graham. After owning Jolly Tar for thirty-seven years I consider her, and rightly so, a member of my family. I'm not selling her.

Let's change direction and take on other issues. I have a huge main-sail which needs it's tack-grommets tied firmly to mast hoops so I may raise the sail properly while circumnavigating the Trent, I need to contact a diver to swoosh off the bottom of the boat each month to prevent the accumulation of marine growth. I used to have a champ who, I believe, is not with us any more. I'm hoping the dock-master can find another champ for me. That's a chore I don't do.

The remaining text concerns the fate of USPS. I hope you will join with me in wanting to see this wonderful organization, founded in 1914, succeed through very tough times. Have patience as our leaders cope with serious administrative issues at National level. Changes will be made. I hope Squadrons are referred to as Squadrons and not Boating Club. USPS, in WW I and WWII instructed new incoming naval officers. We were, and are, more than a club. "Carry on!"

## June's Jokes

P/C June Reasons, P



### **RANDOM THOUGHTS**

I don't know how to TikTok, but I can write in cursive, do long division & tell time on clocks with hands---So That's THAT!

Now that I've lived during a plague, I understand why most Renassiance paintings are of chubby women laying around without a bra.

I just ordered a life alert bracelet. So, if I get a life, I'll be notified immediately.

We haven't panic cleaned for visitors in a while and it shows!

I don't understand why people have to "get ready" for bed. I'm always ready for bed.

Some call it multi-tasking. I call it doing something else while I try to remember what it was I was doing in the first place.

People ask me what I'm doing tomorrow assume that I even know what day of the week it is.

It helps if you imagine auto correct as a tiny elf in your phone who is trying so hard to be helpful but in fact is drunk.

Me: "I'm surprised at how tired I am by this exercise." Personal Trainer: "That was just the tour of the gym". I made a huge "to do" list today. I just can't figure out who's going to do it.

What do we learn from cows, elephants and buffalos? It's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass, salads and walking.

I am swift as a gazelle-an old one. With arthritis. Run over by a Land Rover. \* days ago.

So a burglar broke into the house. I put the red dot on his chest & the cat did the rest!

















## Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron Change of Watch

Saturday, February 26, 2022, 1130 The Chelsea, 335 Middle Street, New Bern, NC

Dress: Class A Uniform (without bow tie) or appropriate attire

Iced Tea, Coffee, and Water

Apollonian Salad with Grilled Chicken Shrimp and Grits French Dip Sandwich with Fries

Name:Name:	Dinner Choice: Dinner Choice:	 _
Number attending	_ x \$25.00 each = Amount enclosed	\$

The Chelsea requests the head count and entrée selection by Thursday, February 18, so please send your entrée choice and check, made payable to CLSPS, to Elaine Lechner, 2220 Caracara Drive, New Bern, NC 28560. You can call Elaine at 678-464-7665 or email her at <a href="mailto:elechner@bellsouth.net">elechner@bellsouth.net</a>. Please be sure to wear a face mask.



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### **Ships Store Inventory**

**Knit Shirts:** Ladies and men's short sleeve knit shirts - \$15. White and navy. Sizes: Ladies: S, M, L Men's: M, XL

**Ladies Long Sleeve Denim Shirts:** \$12.50. Available sizes M and L

Squadron Burgee sells for \$25.00.



**Pennant magnets** are priced at \$5. They can be placed on your vehicle or refrigerator.

Brushed Velcro Hat - white CLSPS logo, \$10.00 Cotton Visor - White and Navy CLSPS logo USPS D27 \$10.

Fleece Vest with CLSPS logo, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: We have navy.
Sizes: S, L \$18.

Reflector Safety Vest — ABC Geodetic Marker Recover Team, Size L, \$30.00

The inventory on hand has Cape Lookout Sail & Power Squadron logo and United States Power Squadron logo, with CLSPS and our burgee. We have a catalog from a Bender Apparel, please contact Cdr Moore for details.

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Contact Cdr Jane Moore at <u>jane.moore@suddenlink.net</u> or 252-637-5547

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### Annual Dinner Meeting Photos













