



AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

New Bern 

Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron
February 2025 Volume 66, Issue 2

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, February 15, 1100
Cedar Grove Cemetery Tour
808 George St, Just off Queen
Street
Brunch after @ Baker's Kitchen

Saturday, February 22, 1130-1330
CLSPS Change of Watch
The Chelsea

Monday, February 24, 1030
Grady White Factory Tour
5121 MLK Jr Hwy, Greenville, NC
Cracker Barrel, 710 SW
Greenville Blv'd

Monday, March 3, 1900
CLSPS ExComm Mtg
Via **Zoom**

Friday, March 14, 1400
Hatteras Yacht Factory Tour
110 N Glenburnie Rd
Lunch before @ La Casetta, 2503
Neuse Blv'd

New Bern Craven County Little Sweep, February 1, 2025

Left to right, Bud Ellis, Lydia Ash, Mary Ann & Charlie Cleveland, Bob Burget, Lloyd Moore, John Kwak, and Anne Brittle in front. *Photo by Jane Moore*



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Lydia Ash, S



Writing my last Co-Commander Message is a little daunting, so I'll just start off by saying, this is my last Co-Commander piece, "for now!"

I truly have been blessed to be at the helm of this organization with the many who have "Co-Commanded" with me! Last year, with the late, great June Reasons, Owen Smith and Elaine Lechner Fretwell...and this year, with Glover "Bud" Ellis. I have to chuckle thinking that I've served alongside members of the Navy, Marines and even a Green Beret! Did I forget anyone? It has been an honor and a privilege and I encourage each of you to consider serving as a member of the Bridge. We are a great group indeed, and we've had another great year!

In these uncertain times, when every day brings more chaos, I have to return to my days on the water to get a little relief! Even just running the engine in the slip this past week on a warm day and admiring the lines of such a well-crafted vessel, the *Jolly Tar* gave me pause. I could breath a little easier and I know how blessed I am. How blessed we all are.

And I think we can safely inter-change "squadron" and "nation" ...We are a blessed squadron/nation of people. An already great squadron/nation. Sure there are things to fix and improvements to be made. We can do that! We can do that together. We ARE doing that together. We can and should do that lawfully. At every level!

We didn't send our ancestors off to wars, foreign or domestic to now flush all of our standards out the bilge. We need to stand firm and keep a steady course, ever forward. Enough of this back and forth, left and right, sea-sickening posturing! Chaos must not rule the day. Chaos must not win! We have it in us to succeed mightily as "one squadron, one nation" "under God" "indivisible" "with liberty and justice FOR ALL!" The "FOR ALL" has somehow made some to feel as if there's a demon afoot... that some must not be allowed to participate,...that we can't possibly agree to EVERYONE moving ahead together. As the great Col. Sherman T. Potter* would say, "Horse pucky!" NOT SO! We can and we must! (*THAT'S who Bud reminds me of!)

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The Outlook and other great information are available at the CLSPS website:

<http://www.clsps.org>

Well, I didn't serve in the military, but I can tell you this,. If we don't go forward TOGETHER, we're not going to go anywhere but down. And we aren't going down,.. not to the lowest common denominator of policy, not to the highest bidder and certainly not to a place where we don't cherish our rule of law and our Constitution. We, who go down to the sea in ships, know the perils of not abiding by the rules. It's treacherous!

I'm proud to say that **we** all appreciate doing things by the book. We're educators. We believe in books! As several of us venture further into the rigors of the Piloting course, we know it

only takes a slight blunder to throw us off course entirely. We need only to check our bearings, have a little confidence, double check with the tools at our disposal, and trust our common sense, our "seaman's eye." We've developed all of this over time and we'll get there, just maybe not in a hurry!

Thanks to all members of the Bridge and especially to Bud, for a tremendous year. Thanks for the opportunity to serve you!

Education Officer

Lt/C Bud Ellis, Jr., SN



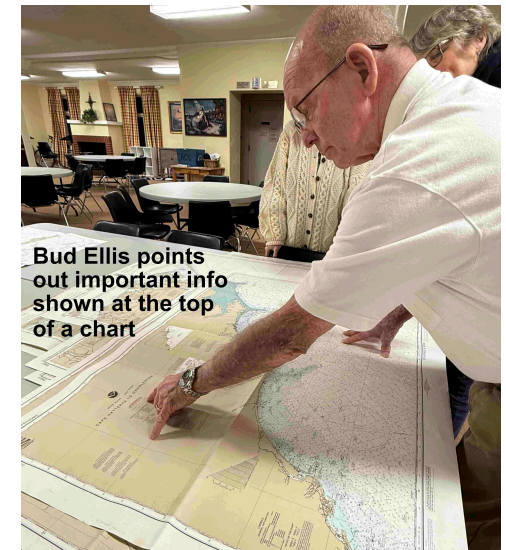
The Piloting class is in full swing with 7 students and 5 instructors. We are meeting in the Fellowship Hall at Broad Street Christian Church. We've had a little trouble getting the materials we need because The Weekend Navigator textbook is back ordered in Raleigh. Several people loaned their copies so we could get started.

We have discussed the importance of paper charts and plotting and labeling techniques even though electronics have become cheap (at least cheaper than they used to be) and easy to use. Believe it or not, charts are still available. NOAA no longer prints them but there are several companies that PRINT ON DEMAND. All charts are printed from the most up to date database possible maintained by NOAA.

Now we are talking about chart symbols and the mariner's compass and how to take a course for the chart to the cockpit. I want to thank Claire Mixon for taking the pictures. I was so busy babbling; I did not see her take them.



Clair Mixon gets to play with a Protractor



Bud Ellis points out important info shown at the top of a chart



Jane Moore, Lydia Ash, Bud Ellis, Duane Mixon, & Anne Brittle

Photos by Clair & Duane Mixon

**Administrative
Officer
Lt/C Clair Mixon**



As I write to the club on this very dreary drizzly day, I literally feel like a sloth. I couldn't be more ready for warm sunny weather. I'm trying to combat those feelings with reminders of LOVE during this Valentine's Day. I love our members, I love our classes and I love our meetings. I'm thankful for you all and the fact that Duane and I found this group that makes us feel like we are part of something special. Thank you for your patience and knowledge especially.

RSVP's are flowing in for our three upcoming field trips that Marty has reminded you of. I'm especially excited about the boat factory tours. As I look forward to future meetings, I'd appreciate any suggestions of guest speakers. Do you have a friend or a neighbor who has anything interesting to share with the group? Any contacts in the community or local government who could come visit with us? Remind them they'll enjoy a delicious Chelsea meal. Just let me know.

Land Cruises Coming Up

Please respond to Clair Mixon to sign up for these events:
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Cedar Grove Cemetery Tour Saturday, 2/15 @ 11am

Ahoy friends. I hope you can join us on Saturday February 15th at 11 am for an informative and historical tour of the Cedar Grove Cemetery with the Earl of Craven Questors. The Earl of Craven Questors are women dedicated to preservation and restoration of Cedar Grove Cemetery in New Bern, North Carolina. The tour will begin at the gates of the cemetery located off Queen Street. The tour will include walking on uneven surfaces but does include many resting spots as we move from grave to grave. After our tour we'll meet at Baker's Kitchen (227 Middle Street) for a yummy brunch. Please let me know asap if you can attend. Note that we will reschedule if the weather is bad. Also, this is a free event however this non-profit group would appreciate any donations, I'm recommending we all pitch in at least \$5 per person. All donations are used to preserve the cemetery stones.

Grady White Factory Tour Monday, February 24 @10:30am

Let's go see how they do it. Grady White has invited us into the factory to see how they make the boats. This facility tour requires closed toe shoes and lots of walking. The tour begins at 10:30 am so plan to leave New Bern in plenty of time. Please make carpooling arrangements amongst yourselves. My car may be full already. the group is capped at 20 people so please get those RSVP's in. No charges for this event. Address is: 5121 MLK Jr. Hwy, Greenville NC 27834. Our contact is Heather Toften.

After the tour we'll meet at Cracker Barrel located at 710 SW Greenville Blvd, Greenville NC 27834

Hatteras Yacht Factory Tour, Friday, March 14 @ 2pm

I want to make sure you save the date for this March outing. CLSPS will be getting a private tour of the New Bern Hatteras Yacht facility on Friday, March 14th. The tour begins at 2pm so let's meet at La Casetta at 12:15 (2503 Neuse Blvd) before heading

over to the tour. Their facility is located at 110 N Glenburnie Rd, New Bern. Make sure you wear closed toe shoes and be prepared to walk a big facility. This is a free event. The ships store will be open for you to purchase any Hatteras items you like. I need your RSVP's soon, so please reply to this message to only me, not the group

Chairman, Vessel Safety Program
P/C Owen Smith, AP





Executive Officer

Lt/C John Kwak, JN



THE NEW VSC DECALS ARE HERE!

The New Year is upon us and our VSE Examiners are ready to check out your vessel to help you make certain your boating season will have the necessary safety gear aboard. All you need to do is contact one of our Examiners listed in this newsletter and we will be happy to check your vessel. Whether your boat is in a marina or on a trailer in your driveway, we can do a safety check and issue you a current sticker if everything is in order. If you are missing something, you will know exactly what needs to be done to be compliant with safety gear requirements by the US Coast Guard, the NC Wildlife Resources folks, or any state you where happen to be boating. Last year we had two squadron members complete a vessel safety check with our examiners. Hopefully 2025 will see better support of the VSE program from CLSPS members.

Part of our Civic Duties is to help out in the Craven County Clean Sweep.

We had a beautiful day for cleaning the New Bern Streets. Because of our large turn out (9 people) we cleaned two streets, Bridge Town Blvd and Half Moon Rd after which we had a nice lunch at Sara's Pizza.

Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron Participants of the New Bern Clean Sweep on Saturday February 1st

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These folks signed up but could not attend due to personal commitments.

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For tons of information about what's going on in our own District 27, take a look at their website:
District 27 of the United States Power Squadrons: <http://www.uspsd27.org/>





CLSPS Slate of Officers for 2025-2026

Commander Glover L. (Bud) Ellis, Jr. SN
Squadron Education Officer - Glover L. (Bud) Ellis, Jr. SN
Asst. Education Officer - 1/Lt Duane Mixon, S
Executive Officer - Lt/C John C. Kwak, JN
Administrative Officer - Lt/C Clair Mixon, S
Asst. Administrative Officer - 1/Lt Linda Whitley
Treasurer - Lt/C Raymond Whitley, AP
Asst. Treasurer 1/Lt Rhoda Fort, S
Secretary - Lt/C Jane Moore, AP
Asst. Secretary - 1/Lt Juli Voelker

Executive Committee
Immediate Past Commander - P/C Lydia Ash, S
P/C Robert Dale Burget, AP
Charles T. Cleveland, S
Mary Ann Cleveland
P/C Elaine Lechner, AP
P/C Lloyd A. Moore, JN
Lt Roger Martin Warner, JN

Elected General Committees:

Nominating Committee - P/C Lydia Ash, S
Rules Committee - P/C Lloyd A. Moore, JN
Audit Committee - P/C Lloyd A. Moore, JN

Annual Meeting, January 20, 2025

Annual Meeting, January 20, 2025: Co-Commanders Lydia Ash and Bud Ellis work with P/C Lloyd Moore during voting on the Slate of Officers for 2025-2026



Photos by Clair Mixon



February

MacGregor, Ian H. — 18 February
Morton, Donald "Scott" — 6 February

P/C William J. Ash,
SN, H



Those Who Can, Do— Those Who Understand, Teach

This article is from the Peconic Bay Power Squadron's Newsletter, The Tell Tale, from sometime last century



THOSE WHO CAN, DO-- THOSE WHO UNDERSTAND, TEACH
P/C WILLIAM J. ASH, JN

William Bush, Hornblower's First Lieutenant on the Lydia, was having difficulty getting his point across to the skipper of the Notwen Gif, the Welsh built supply boat. Bush was accustomed to conflict, having had cannon balls and grape shot sing within inches of his head, swords and daggers narrowly missing his thoracic anatomy and rogue waves thundering down upon his body and soul as he fought to keep his frigate from descending into Davy Jones' locker. Hornblower and I, standing in the doorway leading to the Ashaway sail loft, remained silent as Bush finished his argument.

"No, no old chap, you have it all wrong. They jolly well are not selling autocars equipped with four Fig Newtons. By jove, listen more closely! The autocar manufacturer is advertising the product as having "fahrvergnügen". It's a bloody sales gimmick so don't get your knickers in a twist."

Hornblower and I, realizing we couldn't help the frustrated Bush, continued to the lofting deck. At its far end sat a chap busily stitching the after end of the foot of a large sail. With his sailmakers palm clearly in evidence he finished his work on the canvas in the blink of an eye (im Augenblick, for those of you who insist on my noting it in German). Again, im Augenblick, this crafty needle-wielding magician had another sail in place and, as Hornblower called to my attention, began stitching the after end of the foot of the large quadrilateral piece of canvas. I exchanged winks with the sailmaker. Clewsew was on the job, and sailmaking was not his major profession.

I suggested to Hornblower that we move along to the Jolly Tar to continue our conversation and to try a nip of ale mixed with bubbly ginger (in London it's called a shandy).

"I'm amazed, old P/C, that the Squadron's spring Boating Course is now in the history books. Peconic Bay, so unselfishly, has given East Enders a remarkable chance to upgrade their nautical skills, and all of it for no cost other than materials. You don't get paid do you?"

"We do get pay of sorts my friend," I replied. "This arm full of merit marks represents pay. For each year that I contributed a worthwhile service to the Squadron USPS saw fit to award me a merit mark. Some of our members need a sling, while in uniform, to support their left arms. You remember the chap from East Quogue? He had difficulty with his knife and fork at dinner.

"He did eh?" Hornblower wasn't convinced in the least. "We never had an opportunity to learn things nautical in this way. Ours was the school of hard knocks. For us it was up the ratlines, straight away. But don't you get tired of teaching all that material semester after semester?"

"It is somewhat fatiguing," I replied, "but we do get enormous satisfaction from knowing our efforts help make for safer boating. Remember, my friend, those who can, do-- those who understand, teach." I caught a glimpse of Clewsew through the portlight.



**Cape Lookout Sail and Power Squadron
Change of Watch
Saturday, February 22, 1130-1330**

Menu: includes Garlic Smashed Potatoes, Green beans, Mixed Green Salad with House Vinaigrette, Dinner Rolls with Butter, Iced Tea, Coffee and Water

**Pork tenderloin with apricot rosemary demi glace
Horseradish salmon
Brown butter BBQ chicken**

Dessert: Lemon layer cake

Name: _____ **Dinner Choice:** _____

Name: _____ **Dinner Choice:** _____

Number attending _____ **x \$35.00 each = Amount enclosed \$** _____

Elaine Lechner will be taking reservations, elechner@bellsouth.net or 678-464-7665. The cost will be \$35pp with checks made out to CLSPS and mailed to Elaine Lechner, 2220 Caracara Drive, New Bern, NC, 28560. The reservations should be to Elaine by February 15th. Please select your Dinner option for each person attending along with a \$35.00 check for each meal selected.

Dress Code: Uniform A or appropriate attire.

Presidential Yacht, *Sequoia*
Used from Presidents Hoover to Carter
Sold in 1977



For more information about the **District 27 Spring Conference & COW**, please check out their website:
<https://uspsd27.org/php/d27Calendar.php>



D/27 Spring Conference & COW

Registration Form

Hilton Garden Inn
 131 Columbus Ave, Cary NC 27518
 March 21-22, 2025



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Phone	Email Address	Squadron	

Facilities Fee Early (until 3/1) \$8 Late (after 3/1) \$10 # **Facility Fees Total \$**

Lunch - Sat, Mar 22 Early (till 3/1) \$18 Late (After 3/1) \$22

Boxed Lunches: Include chips, pickle, cookie, condiments, and water

Choice # 1: Smoked Turkey BLT on multi-grained bread with cheddar cheese #

Choice # 2: Grilled Chicken Wrap with brie, green apple, baby greens, and honey mustard #

Lunches Total \$

Dinner Buffet - Sat, Mar 22 Early (till 3/1) \$45 Late (after 3/1) \$49

Beverages: Iced Tea, water, coffee, hot tea

Salads: Wedge Salad and Caesar salad with Romaine hearts (Rolls included)

Entrees: Oven Roasted Salmon, Rosemary Red Wine Braised Short Ribs, Pan Roasted Chicken Breast

Sides: Rice Pilaf. Oven Roasted Potatoes. Mixed Grilled Veggies

Desserts: Assorted Dessert Display

Dinners Total \$

Grand Total of Facility Fees and Meals \$

Make checks payable to District 27 and send along with this registration form to:

Greg or Connie Shay, 216 Kilbreck Drive, Cary 27511

Any food allergies please contact Connie Shay at connie.shay@aol.com.

Ships Store Inventory

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In Stock (6). \$15.00

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Marker Recover Team, Size L, \$30.00**

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e-mail or mailing address, birthdays,
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