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For Upcoming Events....

See the Pentagon Sailing Calendar on the PSC Web Site at www.pentagonsailing.org

State of the Ship

Larry Paulson

Commodore 2010

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The sailing season is barely half over, but I am already exhausted. Three weeks and weekends in a row of Bootcamp, meetings, safety stand downs, and the ASA Instructor course have taken their toll. It is truly amazing how many activities we do at Pentagon Sailing Club.



As we start looking to the Fall, we have elections (more on that from the Vice Commodore) as well as the Winter Training Program (more on that from the Training Commodore).

We still have a few bay sail openings, but the river classes filled up by the end of July this year. I encourage you to take advantage of those sails and the tremendous skills of our instructors.

Our monthly meetings are at McGinty's in Arlington on the third Wednesday of each month. Please consult the PSC website (www.pentagon sailing.org) for directions.

**Larry Paulson,
Commodore**

Vice Commodore's Page **Tony Skivo** vicecommodore@pentagonsailing.org

2011 Bridge Elections

Elections.....

I can't believe how fast the summer flew by, there is still some really great sailing months ahead of us but soon it will be time to wrap up the 2010 sailing season. As its time for the weather to turn it is also time to turn over reins of leadership on the Bridge. We will hold Elections at the 13 October 2010 membership meeting.

As per our By -Laws we elect all of our Bridge members for two year terms, half are elected in even years, and half in odd years. This provides continuity from year to year. This year we are seeking nominees for Vice Commodore, Membership Commodore, River Commodore, Secretary and a new position Racing Commodore.

The slate for new officers must be finalized 21 days (23 Sept 1)0 before the October election. We will not accept any nominations from the floor the night of the election but you may write in someone's name on the ballot. If you wish to nominate someone for the position, please ensure that they concur with being nominated and send me an email. Each nominee is asked to write up a short paragraph of not more than 500 words on way they want to run and what their goals are for their position.

In order to vote you must be current in membership dues. You will be able to renew the night of the elections, but please don't wait renew now it makes things run much smother the night of the elections. Absentee ballots may be re-quested and must be received NLT 19 Oct 10.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at vicecommodore@pentagonsailing.org

Annual Holiday Party and Awards Dinner

Please come join us at the Ft Myer Officer's Club for 2010 PSC Holiday Party & Awards Dinner. This is a really fun event even though its on dry land and does not involve boats. The date is Saturday, December 4, 2010 PLEASE SAVE THE DATE.

This is the last event of our 2010 season and a time to acknowledge those that have done so much for the club.

Prices and menus and other details are being finalized be on the lookout for more details. Be prepared to sign up early because the party will be limited to 80 members. You will be able to use 1 FVSM. If you would like to help with the Holiday Party please contact Kate Miller, the [Membership Commodore](#).



The Bay and Beyond **Ray Widmayer** baycommadore@pentagonsailing.org

Fellow PSC sailors,

What an exciting Bay program we have had this year. We have had more bay training sails than ever, as well as two robust and fun raft ups. We had over 30 people attend the BVI trip.

We still have several Bay openings for November. I urge all new B-KBS skippers to participate and take advantage of the skills of our instructors.



Ray Widmayer

Membership **Kate Miller** Membershipcommadore@pentagonsailing.org

Fellow PSC sailors,

Thanks for helping me to meet my new member and retention goals for this year. I couldn't have done it without you.

Please come to the next membership meeting on the third weekend of September and meet some of your fellow club members.



Kate Miller,
 Membership Commodore

Training Corner Hal Moore

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Fellow PSC Members,

What a great and busy year this is shaping up to be. We have been filling our River Classes and Bay Sails to the point of bursting. We have had lots of new training classes and opportunities for our members to build their skills.

I am thoroughly exhausted.



We are putting together the final touches of our Winter Training Program for the coming "down season." We have finished up our ASA Lead Instructor's course, and have thirteen ASA 201, 203, and 205 instructors. Soon we will put forth a plan to have those who previously had only the B-KBS qualification to challenge for the ASA 101 and 103 qualification.

We have completed a very successful new set of classes....the Radar Contact Management and the B-CSN Bootcamp.

My thanks to everyone who recently stepped up to help teach the River Classes as well as help out with the various aspects of the Training Program. Many experienced helpers can dramatically reduce the workload of the various Bridge members and coordinators. I am ecstatic at how many people have stepped up this year to be skip-pers at the last moment on the River and the Bay, as well as do on-the-water evaluations. I am truly grateful.

Hal Moore, Training Commodore

B-KBS Class Graduates

The club recently finished its second and third River courses of the year, graduating 16 new B-KBS skippers. For the first time, we offered the joint ASA 101/103 qualification and used the ASA examination process. Will Kelchner served as the Lead Instructor for B-KBS II and Ryan Yost B-KBS III. Ryan was the first Lead Instructor to graduate from the ASA Instructor course to serve as a Lead Instructor. Larry Paulson filled in for one day for Will and Mike Moreau for one day for Ryan.

Our thanks to Mike Steiner for serving as the official ASA signatory instructor for the first two classes while we awaiting the formal training for the new crop of ASA certified Lead Instructors.



Primary instructors for the two classes were Tim Olson, Rose Vega, Joan Rineberg, Mike Moreau, Vince Ferrer, Tom Pullin, Mike Steiner, Eddie Conde, Joe Osborne, Rod Fauth, Tom Dunn, John O'Connor, and Skip Gresko.

Additional assistant instructors were Vilma Calix-Baez, Rod Dorsey, Tom Cordell, Kevin Kremer, Joanne Vaughan, Kate Miller, Tracy O'Connor, and Dave Hillner.

Graduates were: Sean Bennett, Dorothy Bennett, Tom Broadwater, Mitch Broadwater, Sharif Calfee, Peter Kjeldegaard, Matt McCauley, Andrew Olesen, Michael Pelphrey, Chris Purvis, Don Sedberry, Mary Jerrell, Michael Berge, John Sandoz, Andrei Sandoz, Thomas Apker, Kathy Via, Keith Bocian, Derek Dow, Duncan Dow, Thomas Woodruff, Cynthia Houston.

Radar Contact Management Class/ B-CSN Bootcamp

The club recently completed two specialized classes. The first was a Radar Contact Management class. This class included a Thursday night shore school lecture on maneuvering board followed by two sets of sailing from Annapolis to Pax River and a return during a three day and two night time period for two different crews. Several Navigation, B-CSN, and D-CS OTWs were completed during the sail. The club used LITTLE DARLING, a Jeanneau at ABC which is equipped with radar.



Both crews practiced night anchoring and lots of maneuvering and communicating with big ships and tugs. There was plenty of night watch standing, and several tired sailors. We had all sorts of weather. The return night trip to Annapolis was the Training Commodore's personal record for Pax River to Annapolis, where we averaged 8.2 knots from Cove Point to 1AH with 15 to 20 knots of apparent wind from the west.

Those participating included Ross Rosiak, Matt Minatelli, Justin Kees, Mike Weber, Tom Dunn, Duane Covino, Rebecca and Dale Fridley, John O'Connor, and Vince Ferrer.

RadAR Contact Management Class/ B-CSN Bootcamp

The second sail was B-CSN “Bootcamp.” This idea was generated by former Training Commodore John Cavedo, and involved a concentrated Friday through Sunday evening combination of “chalk talks”, intense 24 hour sailing, and cruising exams. It involved having a crew willing to undergo this intense effort for two weekends in succession. The applicants needed to have their Senior Crew qualifications completed, and the plan was for them to earn their B-CSN upon graduation .

It was not for the faint of heart. The first weekend concentrated on navigation, contact management (lots of encounters with big ships and tugs), anchoring, and man overboard competitions. It also included swimming competitions.

The second weekend included lots of close quarters maneuvering, a sail to St. Michaels, and lots of heavy and light air sailing. Its focus was on the Rules of the Road and GK exams.

The successful graduates were Justin Kees, Ross Rosiak, Larry Paulson, Mike Weber, Ken Homick, and Glenn Kesselman.



Hal Moore, Training Commodore



As many of you know, with this year's B-KBS classes using our River boats, we have been awarding the B-KBS concurrently with the ASA 101 and 103. We have also recently qualified a number of instructors for the River Course at the 201 (the "two" series denotes qualified ASA instructors for those levels), 203, and 205 levels.



We are now in a position to offer an opportunity for existing B-KBS skippers to challenge for the ASA qualification. No classes or on-the-water evaluations are required for those holding the B-KBS Plus qualification. However, ASA has a membership fee and exam fee associated with the exam that you will need to pay.

To pass the exam, you can study the normal US Sailing Series, Chapman's, and the Annapolis School of Sailing book. You can also pay for the ASA textbooks associated with these exams. It is not required, but it is recommended that you buy and study the ASA books.

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ASA

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The opportunity to challenge will be at the Spring Cruising Exam Session on Saturday, 19 March 2011.



The cost to challenge for ASA 101 and 103 for those having a B-KBS qualification is \$100 and includes:

- **The ASA 101 and 103 exams.**
- **An ASA log Book**
- **The ASA Sailing Fundamentals textbook.**
- **ASA membership (first year, required)**

Please send in a check to the Treasurer with Winter Training Program (WTP) registration form (see the WTP page of the web site) and your desire for what you would like to order or take. The closeout date for reserving these exams is 15 February 2011.

ASA Navigation Challenge

In the future, we will be giving the ASA 105 exam as our Navigation exam. As a result, you will get the ASA 105 qualification as one of the benefits of your having passed it, in addition to being on your way for your Navigation qualification.

The opportunity to challenge will be at the Spring Cruising Exam Session on Saturday, 19 March 2011.

The cost of the Navigation Exam (ASA 105) will be \$20, the same for the old PSC Exam. However, you will not be able to get your certificate until you have completed the Navigation OTW. This follows the precedent established for that qualification with the previous exam for the final Navigator qualification.



For you to obtain the ASA 105 certificate, you must be a member of ASA (\$39). When the club raised the cost for the 2010 B-KBS graduates to take the B-KBS class, this cost was factored in. However, it was not included for those graduating in prior years or challenging this year or in previous years. So if you did not graduate from the B-KBS class in 2010 or the ASA Instructor Course, you will have to pay this membership fee.

Although Chapman's, the existing Coastal Navigation Books from US Sailing course, and the existing Navigation Class should be sufficient preparation for the ASA 105 exam, you may want to order the ASA Coastal Navigation Manual (\$60) to help prepare for your study.

Please send in a check and your desire for what you would like to order or take. The closeout date for reserving these exams is 15 February 2011.

Winter Training Program Nona Pucciariello

As many of you know, this year we have lost our traditional facilities at Funari Hall. Our traditional stand by, the libraries, have reduced hours, increased fees, and have increased demand from other patrons.

We have been approached by the largest Sea Scout Troop in Northern Virginia (S.S.S. Constellation (1115)). They are sponsored by Immanuel Bible Church, which has a large and modern facility in Springfield, at the junction of Backlick and Braddock Roads. They are willing to make classroom space available to us for free in exchange for auditing our Winter Training Program. The Schedule is as follows:

Date	Day	Subject	Time	Proposed Instructor (s)
11/6/2010	Saturday	Weather	0830-1500	Hal Moore
11/13/2010	Saturday	Piloting and Navigation (Session I)	0830-1500	Jim Battles, Will Kelchner, Don Hupman
11/20/2010	Saturday	Piloting and Navigation (Session II)	0830-1500	Jim Battles, Will Kelchner, Don Hupman
12/4/2010	Saturday	End of the Year Standown (What Worked What Didn't)	0830-1500	Hal Moore
12/9/2010	Thursday	VHF Communications	1830-2030	Hal Moore
12/11/2010	Saturday	Rules of the Road	0830-1500	Jim Battles, Hal Moore
12/18/2010	Saturday	Anchoring and Rafting	0830-1500	Lynnette and Don Hupman
1/8/2011	Saturday	Introduction to Basic Racing	0830-1500	Racing Squadron Rep
1/22/2011	Saturday	Advanced Sail Trim	0830-1500	Racing Squadron Rep
2/2/2010	Saturday	Snow Day		
2/10/2011	Thursday	Chartering	1830-2030	Lynnette and Don Hupman
2/26/2011	Saturday	First Aid/CPR	0830-1500	ASHI-Heather Sides
3/12/2011	Saturday	Big Boat Systems: Diesels, Heads and Electrical	0830-1500	Tony Skivo
3/19/2011	Saturday	Cruising Skipper Exams	0830-1500	Trainng Commodore
3/26/2011	Saturday	Heavy Weather Preparations at Sea	0830-1500	Preston Brooks
4/2/2011	Saturday	Celestial Navigation	0830-1500	Hal Moore

Classroom rates remain at \$25, except for the Navigation Class, which is \$25. The CPR class will cost \$62, and has a 2 year CPR and 3 year First Aid qualification that comes with it. Your CPR/First Aid must be current to become or remain a PSC Bay SOR.

The Piloting and Navigation Classes are limited to 15 students. The Celestial Navigation Class is limited to 9 students. These classes, in addition to some lecture, require the instructors to walk around and assist the students to solve problems.

River Instructor Schedule

Class	B-KBS IV	B-KBS IV	B-KBS V	B-KBS V
Weekend Dates	(9/11-12)	(9/18-19)	(10/2-3)	(10/16-17) Weekend not consecutive
Lead Instructor	Hal Moore	Hal Moore	Mike Moreau	Mike Moreau
Primary Instructor	Rick Robey	Don Hupman	Rick Robey	Will Kelchner
Primary Instructor	Mike Moreau	Skip Gresko	Dave Hillner	Rose Vega
Primary Instructor	Rodney Jones	Rose Vega	Steve Calhoun	Steve Calhoun
Primary Instructor	Dave Hillner	Eddie Conde	Dave Hillner	Eddie Conde
Asst Instructor	Vilma Calix-Baez	Tracy O'Connor	Ted Cochin	Tracy O'Connor
Asst Instructor	Micah Czigan	Micah Czigan		
Asst Instructor	Ross Rosiak	John O'Connor (Sunday only)		
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Annapolis Boat Show

Looking ahead to the annual Boat Show in Annapolis (October 7-11), the United States Navy Sailing Association (USNSA) is looking for PSC volunteers to represent both the PSC and the USNSA at the 2010 National Sail Boat show in Annapolis. Navy Sailing offers PSC members free admission to the event if you volunteer to represent the Association and promote Navy Sailing at the show. It's a simple deal you volunteer for a half day at the show and you get free admission for the day. This is a great way to see the premier boat show in the USA for free.



If interested please contact the Executive Director of USNSA Bob Howe, at usnsa@navysailing.org or call 703-517-5482 he is the sponsor/coordinator for this event and will provide additional details. .

ASA is also looking for volunteers to support the ASA booth. You must be an ASA certified instructor and volunteer for at least a 2 hour block to promote ASA and pass out flyers and/or business cards. Again only PSC members who are qualified as ASA Instructors are eligible to attend. Please contact Kate Miller, the [Membership Commodore](#), if you have interest in attending and volunteering for the ASA booth.

Please let Kate and Bob know the dates and times that you would like to volunteer for.

Cruising Skipper Designations

Bravo Zulus !!

The following PSC Members have successfully attained the following qualifications since the June edition of Lubbers Line:

ASA101/103 B-KBS Graduates

Don Sedberry Chris Purvis Michael Pelphrey Andrew Olesen
Matt McCauley Peter Kjeldegaard Sharif Calfee Tom Broadwa-
ter Dorothy Bennett Sean Bennett Michael Berge Andrei Sandoz
Thomas Apker Kathy Via Keith Bocian Derek Dow Thomas Woodruff
Cynthia Houston John Sandoz

PSC Day/Night Navigator

Ryan Yost Justin Kees

Senior Crew

Mike Moreau

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Cruising Skipper Designations

Bravo Zulus !!

ASA 201/203 Lead Instructors

Ryan Yost Mike Moreau Eddie Conde Rod Fauth
John Buescher Skip Gresko Hal Moore Bob Manning
Larry Paulson Jorge Gracia Dave Hillner Will Kelchner
Tom Dunn

ASA 205 Lead Instructors

Ryan Yost Mike Moreau Eddie Conde Rod Fauth
John Buescher Skip Gresko Hal Moore Bob Manning
Larry Paulson Jorge Gracia Dave Hillner

B-CS(N)

**Tom Dunn Ryan Yost Ross Rosiak Larry Paulson Mike Weber Ken
 Homick Glenn Kesselman Justin Kees**

D-CS/PSC Bay SOR

Vince Ferrer

Please join me in wishing them a hearty Bravo Zulu !! They worked long and hard for these levels of achievement.

Certifications

We have had a few questions about certifications and how they are handled within the club. Whenever a candidate has completed the B-KBS class, the following hard copy documents are maintained in perpetuity:

- The Skills Demonstration sheets that are filled out by the instructors each day.
- The ASA 101 and 103 skill demonstration and test answer sheets.

In addition, a B-KBS class written report is generated and stored electronically. The qualification information is then documented into the Consolidation Qualification Database, an Excel Workbook that is posted on the PSC Website under Learn to Sail. This spreadsheet is the baseline “ground truth” of anyone’s qualification. For ASA, the Training Commodore will then fill out a membership form for the member, and then click on a button to send the member their ASA certificates for posting in their log books. This action automatically bills their membership to the club credit card. Because we are still having problems getting our ASA site set up with our instructor credentials entered, we have not been able to complete this step. ASA is working on it, but their staff is overwhelmed with work from other sailing organizations with situations similar to ours.

The next step is that a list of names and qualifications is sent to Navy Sailing and Latitudes and Attitudes Magazine. Navy Sailing will then issue the qualification card. Latitudes and Attitudes has agreed to provide a free one year subscription to new PSC B-KBS course graduates.

For the B-KBS classes, and successful completion of D-CS milestones, a presentation certificate is then generated in PowerPoint, printed and placed in a presentation folder for presentation to the member at the next Club Meeting following their qualification. Although this certificate has no qualification value, its purpose is to provide an attractive method of recognition at club events and encourage members to attend the meetings. If the individual is not present at the meeting, we no longer mail the certificate to the member. It costs about \$2 and consumes about 1 hour of time to mail the certificates. They also usually do not make it undamaged. We will retain the folder and certificate, as well as continue to bring it to membership meetings. If members desire a copy immediately, a PowerPoint file will be emailed to them.

At the end of the year, a letter is sent to Navy Sailing with the highest qualification level attained by those advancing in the D-CS program during the year.

