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With Sailing Friends and Conversation you get...

...a great PSC Monthly Meeting!

Thirty PSC'ers and future members shared an entertaining evening together at Bailey's. Commodore Eddie greeted everyone including Matthew and Tom, former members who are ready to join in PSC activities again. We also met Deanna (sans Bob) who wants to learn more about our racing program and Coy who recently graduated from the August River class.



Vice Commodore Tony Skivo recognized many hard-working volunteers and gave special recognition to Winnie O'Connor for all her efforts at the celebratory Labor Day BBQ at Port Annapolis. Remembering the club's 30th

Anniversary was part of that special day (read more inside.)

Bay Commodore John Buescher gave a lively presentation on the PSC 30th Anniversary Flotilla on the Chesapeake Bay (read more inside).



BIG THINGS are happening in October with club elections at our membership meeting on the 15th. Talk to Eddie or Tony TODAY about serving as Vice C., Membership C., River C., Racing C. or Secretary.

Look on the web site for news about the upcoming Annual Awards Dinner & Holiday Party on December 1st. See you next month at Bailey's!

UPCOMING EVENTS See our web site for details and more events

October

- Various Basic Sailing Class 5—*Space is available in this class*
- 15 PSC Membership Meeting, Bailey's Pub & Grill
- 27-28 Bay Training Sail with night sailing

November

- 3 Winter Training Class-Anchoring & More, Immanuel Bible Church
- 17 Winter Training Class-Boat Mechanical Systems, Immanuel Bible Church
- 19 PSC Membership Meeting, Bailey's Pub & Grill

December

- 1 Annual Awards Dinner & Holiday Party, Fort Myer Officers' Club



Fall Flotilla Trip on *Blown Away*

John Buescher

The Fall Flotilla was a great success!

At least that was the pronouncement by the crews of *Blown Away* and *Chica Caliente* as they shared some of their experiences at the September Membership meeting from their week-long excursion from Sunday, September 2nd through Saturday, September 8th. The six-man crew, consisting of myself, Andy Carlson, Rodney Jones, John Laffman, Mike Moreau, and Rick Naughton, from *Blown Away* traveled over 225 nautical miles during the sail. Additionally, Andy Carlson and John Laffman completed their Senior Crew qualifications, while Rodney Jones and Rick Naughton completed their Navigation qualifications.

On Sunday, *Blown Away* sailed to Fairlee Creek (above Rock Hall on the Eastern Shore) for our first destination and found the entrance to be quick tricky. Without wind and arriving at low tide, we were happy to be safely moored at Mears Great Oak Landing Marina after some “adventures” entering Fairlee Creek. The next morning we headed north to Havre De Grace and along the way we had conducted the standard man overboard drills for all members of the crew. The channel entrance to Havre De Grace was by far the longest of our trip, but that gave us some time to work on crew training checklists. That evening at Tidewater Marina we explored Price’s Seafood Restaurant for dinner. Turns out there are not a lot of places open on Labor Day.

Tuesday, we sailed to Still Pond Bay on the Eastern Shore and anchored. The crew enjoyed some swimming, a home cooked spaghetti meal, and a beautiful sunset before getting into our tethers and jack lines for some night sailing. We enjoyed 15 knots of wind that night and sailed down and back to the entrance to Baltimore channel. For some of the crew, this

was the first time underway at night and the experience was thrilling, especially when we encountered a car carrier in the main channel. Everyone got to experience looking head-on at a large ship and seeing both red and green side lights coming straight at you!



Returning to Still Pond, we anchored safely again for the remainder of the night before heading out to Middle River and mooring at Maryland Marina. This day was memorable for (1) a great day of sailing (2) being buzzed by A-10 aircraft while motor-ing up to the marina, and (3) witnessing a well-equipped research vessel with a tethered flying UAV. As usual, the crew ate well at the local marina restaurant.

Thursday, we sailed south again and into another long channel into Baltimore’s Inner Harbor. We stopped to get photos at Fort Carroll on the right just before the Francis Scott Key Bridge and the Francis Scott Key Celebration ATON just after the bridge. We moored within the Inner Harbor at the Harbor East Marina. The crew explored the harbor area and ate at a restaurant in “Little Italy.”



Friday, we got underway and sailed south to the Magothy River anchoring off Dobbins Island. Some of the crew swam and we ate a hardy chili meal. At sunset, we weighed anchor and conducted night sail training. We returned home on Saturday safe, sound and tired having made new friendships and great memories.

A special thanks needs to be given to our Vice Commodore, Tony Skivo, for his effort in planning and ensuring the Flotilla became a reality. Look for more stories from other sailing vessels about this fantastic weekend in future Lubber’s Line editions.

Stay tuned for future sailing opportunities for 2013 Bay sails and information on the potential for a late August 2013 trip to Croatia. Please let me know if you want to plan a trip on the Bay or an out of the area outing. I am glad to share the knowledge and the experience we gained about this trip on the Chesapeake Bay.

2012-2013 Winter Training Program

Vilma Baez

Once again we are gearing up for an exciting Winter Training Program (WTP) for the 2012-2013 winter season. The program offers great specialized classes like Piloting & Navigation, Boat Systems, Anchoring, First Aid/CPR Certification, Rules of the Road, and many other unique courses at very reasonable prices. Plus this year we'll cover some new topics such as the "Art of Skippering" and "iPad Sailing Apps" in our classes.

Most classes are taught by our own in-house PSC experts and are aimed at those who want to learn more about sailing than can be taught in our basic sailing classes as well as those who want to keep active in sailing during the colder winter months.

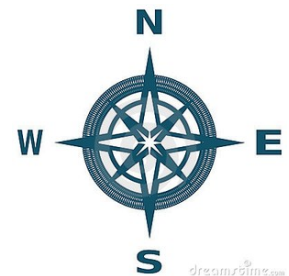
For those of you who are Bay Skipper Candidates, the WTP was made for you. Take advantage of this opportunity to gain skills and knowledge that will help you greatly in completing the Bay Skipper written exams successfully and make you a better sailor. Plus...as with all PSC activities...we have fun! Refreshments are served, and it is a great opportunity to hang out with your sailing comrades and team up in preparation for the sailing season.

Sessions are normally held on Saturdays from November through March or April at the [Immanuel Bible Church](#), 6911 Braddock Road, Springfield, VA 22151. See the WTP Schedule below.



Vilma

Date	Time	Class
11/03/2012	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Anchoring and Rafting
11/17/2012	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Boat Mechanical Systems
12/08/2012	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Electronics, AIS, iPad Sailing Apps
12/15/2012	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Boat Auxiliary and Electrical Systems
01/05/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Advanced Sail Trim and Balance
01/12/2013	8:30 am to 2:30 pm	CPR & First Aid Certification Class
01/26/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Bareboat Chartering
02/09/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Piloting & Navigation Part I
02/23/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Piloting & Navigation Part II
03/02/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Rules of the Road and Sailing at Night
03/09/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Art of Skippering & Offshore Sailing Preps
03/23/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Bay Skipper Exam Series - P&N (\$25), General Knowledge (\$10), and Rules of the Road (\$15)



FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AND THE REGISTRATION FORM, CHECK OUT THE PSC [WEB SITE](#) TRAINING PAGE OR USE THE WINTER TRAINING PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM ON LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER TO SIGN UP FOR A CLASS.

Training Accomplishments

Rick Robey

Kudos to all those who have met another training goal. Next step is to set another goal and to volunteer to help at one of your earlier levels to cement your skills and help those who are trying to reach their training goal. Enjoy Winter Training!

Class 1 (May) —River Class Graduates

Ryan Bates
Bedford Bentley Jr.
Andrew Carlson
Brian Curtis
Clara Draper
Garrett Garcia
Kathy Guttman
John Laffman
Samantha Livingston
Letty Mayoral
Hugh Saunders
Christina Schoeler
Jennifer Simancas
David Turner



Class 2 (June) —River Class Graduates

Caroline Acker
Joseph Berger
Jennifer Brzostek
David Campbell
Josephine Campbell
Anne Collesano
Tom Gordy
Dave Krauter
Charles Lorenzetti
Francisco Martinez-Murillo
Rusty McFarlane
Waina McFarlane
Rick Ortmann
Gustavo Rosotti
Nathan Tenor
Gregg Vander Ley



Class 3 (August) —River Class Graduates

Curt Andersen
Leighna Baxter
Donna Burge
Angie DiCiro
Israel Echevarria
Sean Ellis
Chuck Fox
Kyle Grunden
John Holt
Mel Laney
Chelsea Nguyen
Michael Pacifico
Coy Roberts
Kathleen Roberts
Adam Schreiber
Nicholas Terence
Duncan Yoder



ASA-104 Bareboat Cruising

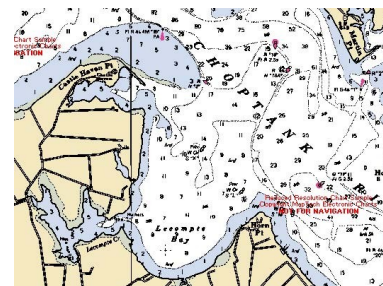
Lisa August
Francis Daulong
Kevin Kremer
John Laffman
Rick Naughton

ASA-101 & 103 Challenge

Duane Covino
Joseph (Jay) McColgan
Michael Robey
David Robinson
Bob Ware

ASA-105 Coastal Navigation

Caroline Acker
Lisa August
Matt Bunch
Stephen Curtis
Bill Diehl
Richard Douglas
Philippe Duverger
Sylvie Duverger
Roger Hammer



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Training Accomplishments

Rick Robey

ASA-105 Coastal Navigation (continued)

Susan Hazlett
Ken Homick
Ken Kessler
David Mayberry
Wesley Moy
Rick Naughton
John O'Connor
Gus Rolitti
Ross Rosiak
Reg Vaval

ASA-118 Docking Endorsement

Lisa August
Vilma Baez
Bill Diehl
Philippe Duverger
Sylvie Duverger
John Laffman
Gus Rolotti
Don Sedberry

ASA-201 Instructor

Rich Alt
Roger Hammer
Ken Kessler
David Kunselman
David Mayberry
Wesley Moy
John O'Connor
Ross Rosiak



ASA-203 Instructor

Roger Hammer
Ken Kessler
David Kunselman
David Mayberry
Wesley Moy
John O'Connor
Ross Rosiak

ASA-205 Instructor

Roger Hammer
Ken Kessler
David Kunselman

David Mayberry
Wesley Moy
John O'Connor
Ross Rosiak

ASA-206 Instructor

Will Kelchner
Rick Robey

ASA-218 Instructor

Will Kelchner
Rick Robey



Navy Sailing Senior Crew

Lisa August
Vilma Baez
Andy Carlson
Bill Diehl
Rick Naughton
Patricia Peter

Navy Sailing Navigator

Bill Diehl
Rodney Jones
Patricia Peter

Navy Sailing Watch Captain

Matt Bunch

Navy Sailing B-CS(N)

Matt Bunch

Navy Sailing D-CS

Ken Kessler
Diane Lietzau

Navy Sailing D-SS

Tim Olson

USNA Navy 44 STC OIC

Wesley Moy
John O'Connor



30th Anniversary & Racing News

PSC 30th Anniversary Land Cruise and BBQ

What a way to begin some of the best sailing of the year! Approximately 80 PSC members and guests gathered at Port Annapolis Marina's pavilion on September 1st to celebrate our Pentagon Sailing Club 30th year of sailing together.

Some came by private boats from Solomon's Island and Herrington Bay while others 'sailed' in on their land yachts (automobiles) from Virginia and Maryland. Bayside Bull BBQ catering did a spectacular job with a whole Roasted Pig, BBQ chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, triple baked beans, rolls and all. A celebration cake, complete with PSC Burgee, design topped off the meal. Meanwhile, we were entertained by guitarist, Harry Evans, throughout the evening playing many of our old and favorite tunes.

At the end of the evening with plenty of delicious food left over, a big thank you goes to Majorie Lazzarini who transported the surplus to The Lighthouse Shelter in Annapolis. Also thank you to the Rosiaks, Hoglunds, Condes, and many others who helped get things set up at the pavilion while I was sailing up the Bay. The next day our flotilla of nine boats set sail for some great Maryland sailing: two boats up towards Havre De Grace, two boats across to Kent Island, and five boats off to Oxford. What a fantastic time! Thanks to all who attended to make this a super event.



Winnie O'Connor

Lubbers' Line Newsletters Are A Gold Mine!

Over the years I have collected as many of the PSC newsletters as I can. In honor of our 30th anniversary, I wanted to share a few things from the oldest newsletter I have, January 1988. Back then memberships ran January to December (rather than our current practice which is one year (or more) from the date you join) and the lead article was a request to renew. The monthly membership meeting was a Boater Safety and Education Course. Lew Lederer was teaching a celestial navigation class, and Judy Riendeau gave a review of the Annual Awards Dinner held at the Pier 7 Restaurant with 56 members and guests. Janie Allen had a Racing Program article and the Grenadine Cruise Planning Committee announced a potluck dinner to get interested parties together. Remember VCR tapes? The PSC had a good library with basic instructional tapes; a recent donation included Gary Jobson's Winner's Edge. Program Chairman Rick Baker wrote an article about "What Will Happen...If You Go Over the Side?" and Bob Howe urged everyone to get involved in Bay Training. He highlighted some Winter Training classes like Skipper Responsibilities. Back then our mailing address was a PO Box in the Pentagon.



Lynnette Hupman

PSC Racing Squadron Gets Ready to Wrap-Up Another Year

The PSC Racing Squadron this year hosted nearly 30 members. We raced on Tuesday nights from April through September for a total of 24 races. In addition, we raced the Cherry Blossom Regatta and the Leukemia Cup. Boats normally raced were Nova, Falcon, and Gannett, although we got Osprey out there once or twice.

We will continue racing in the KISS Fall Classic races through October 27...and there are those of us who fully intend to race on New Year's Day 2013! We plan to have a post-season potluck in October and prospective Racing Squadron members for 2013 are welcome to attend. More to follow at pentagonsailing.org.

Cynthia Houston

News You Can Use

PSC Annual Awards Dinner & Holiday Party, December 1, 2012

Save the date for the biggest PSC non-sailing social event of the year. The 2012 PSC Annual Awards Dinner & Holiday is Saturday, December 1st at the Fort Myer Officers' Club.

Plans are in the works and our Vice Commodore is putting together an outstanding group of volunteers (or a group of outstanding volunteers, maybe both) to organize a fabulous and fun party. [E-mail](#) him today to help.

There will be music, great food, recognition of the volunteers who make the PSC a great club, installation of new Bridge officers, and much, much more. So, save the date and stay tuned for more details. Remember, space may be limited and you do not want to miss the fun.

Hope You Don't Need This One (But When You Need it, You Really Need it)!

BoatUS Towing App — Naturally, this one remains our (*BoatUS*) favorite. We've told you about it before, so here's a basic recap: Using iPhones and Androids within cell/data range, the Towing App automatically transmits your breakdown location, boat type, size, and Member info to a BoatUS 24hr Dispatcher, before you hear their voice (similar to OnStar)! It also has an electronic "membership card," a "Share Location" feature that sends your latitude and longitude to a friend's phone, and a BoatUS directory. Free | www.BoatUS.com/app

From BoatU.S. Magazine October/November 2012

Looking for a volunteer coordinator for the 2013 Memorial Day Raft-up, 25-27 May 2013. If you would like to help with this event (and would like to attend the raft-up at half price and earn Frequent Volunteer Sea Miles) contact Bay Commodore John Buescher at John.Buescher@calibresys.com.

United States Sailboat Show

Now in its 43rd year, the [United States Sailboat Show](#), October 4 - 8, 2012, attracts more than 50,000 boating enthusiasts from around the world to the waterfront of historic Annapolis, Maryland. The Chesapeake Bay town is also home of the U.S. Naval Academy. Recognized worldwide as the premier sailing showcase, this is the place to buy, sell or dream.



The PSC is an organization run by volunteers, so we need your help in every single function we provide for our members! The "Frequent Volunteer Sea Miles" (FVSM) Program compensates you with coupons for your volunteer time. FVSM coupons can be redeemed for use of the river boats, trips on the Bay, or for other PSC activities like the Annual Awards Dinner and Holiday Party!

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: You invest some of your talent and expertise into the club. Every 8 hours that you volunteer earns you a Frequent Volunteer Sea Mile coupon. Each FVSM coupon is worth \$25, and can be redeemed to offset use of the River boats, the cost of a Bay sailing trip or other PSC activity. FVSM coupons are valid for one year from the date of issue.

This is an exceptional deal! You work at the marina, help maintain boats, instruct in the Basic Sailing Classes, etc. And in return, we'll reward you with Frequent Volunteer Sea Miles! Plus, we'll give you the training you need to do any job right; for most volunteer opportunities, no previous experience is required! Just think, while doing something enjoyable and helping the PSC, you'll collect coupons to use towards great sailing opportunities on the River and the Bay!

The PSC needs your time and commitment in order to survive and thrive ---VOLUNTEER TODAY!!



Pentagon Sailing Club

Registration Form for 2012-2013 Winter Training Program (WTP) Classes

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____ (C) _____

Email: (H) _____ (W) _____

All classes are in Room 203-205, [Immanuel Bible Church](#), 6911 Braddock Road, Springfield, VA 22151

Please checkmark (X) all of the classes you are applying for.

Class #	Date	Time	Class	Cost	Check (X)
1	11/03/2012	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Anchoring and Rafting	\$25	
2	11/17/2012	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Boat Mechanical Systems	\$25	
3	12/08/2012	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Electronics, AIS, iPad Sailing Apps	\$25	
4	12/15/2012	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Boat Auxiliary and Electrical Systems	\$25	
5	01/05/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Advanced Sail Trim and Balance	\$25	
6	01/12/2013	8:30 am to 2:30 pm	CPR & First Aid Certification Class	\$49	
7	01/26/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Bareboat Chartering	\$25	
8	02/09/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Piloting & Navigation Part I	\$75 for both sessions	
9	02/23/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Piloting & Navigation Part II		
10	03/02/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Rules of the Road and Sailing at Night	\$25	
11	03/09/2013	8:30 am to 12:30 pm	Art of Skippering & Offshore Sailing Preps	\$25	
12	03/23/2013	8:30 am to 3:30 pm	Bay Skipper Exam Series - P&N (\$25), General Knowledge (\$10), and Rules of the Road (\$15)	\$50 for all Sessions	

Total Fee Due: \$_____. and number of FVSM coupons enclosed: _____.(must accompany this form).

(Note: You may use one coupon per class, but only one FVSM coupon may be used for the two part Navigation Class).

WTP Cancellation Policy:

If the student must cancel his/her participation in a class:

- a. Fee will be refunded in full if notice of cancellation occurs more than 15 days before the class start date.
- b. Fee will NOT be refunded if cancellation occurs within 15 days of the activity start date, unless THE STUDENT finds a replacement.

The PSC recognizes that extraordinary circumstances may cause cancellation, and will take that into consideration for rescheduling or refunds.

Mail your completed form and check (payable to Pentagon Sailing Club)/FVSMs to:

Roger Hammer
PSC Treasurer
13130 Triple Crown Loop
Gainesville, VA 20155

Questions to: [Vilma Baez, PSC Winter Training Coordinator](#)