



# BEACHCOMBER

**DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON**  
A Unit of United States Power Squadrons Sail & Power Boating

## *March 2016*

- MARCH**
- 1 “Lunch Bunch” - Cracker Barrel Restaurant - Ormond Beach
  - 10 Executive Committee Meeting - HR Yacht Club Activity Center
  - 17 Auxiliary Meeting - Tomoka Brewing Company
  - 17 Dinner Meeting - Tomoka Brewing Company
  - 18-20 D#23 Spring Conference/Change of Watch - Daytona Beach
- APRIL**
- 5 “Lunch Bunch” - McKenna’s Place, Port Orange
  - 14 Executive Committee Meeting - HR Yacht Club Activity Center
  - 21 Auxiliary Meeting - TBD
  - 21 Dinner Meeting - TBD

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TBD

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**Navigation**

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**Elective Courses**

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## **Commander's Report - March 2016**

It's hard to believe, but it's already March 2016. Where does it go?

Rebecca and I were fortunate to take our daughter out for an overnight anchorage Friday 19 and Saturday 20 Feb. Weather?? Well, the weather was as near perfect as it could be. When much of the country is hunkered down trying to survive the months of winter, in Florida, we get to enjoy our coastal waters. However, you must watch those weather windows closely. The need for boater education continues as there have been a number of accidents this year.

We've talked about our two most significant challenges this year: **additional leadership, and expanding our Membership.** How do we do this? You do. You are our greatest ambassadors and recruitment assets. You can spread the word about our educational program, member benefits, activities and social activities. Find some boaters and those that want to associate with boaters. Ask them to attend Squadron functions. There are not that many organizations that can offer even half of what we do.

Leadership: We've had a temporary Treasurer sworn into the Bridge as Bob Spence has retired from that position. Bob did a fabulous job and he served for many years. We're sad to have him leave the Bridge, but he's still in the Squadron as an active member. We still need an Administrative Officer, Executive Committee member(s), VSC Chair (Bobby Bray is currently helping, as well as folks willing to help organize outings, dinners, National Safe Boating Week, Membership Committee, instructor certification, support for the Beach Comber, etc.) Basically, with as many opportunities to help/serve as you could wish. It could be as simple as helping to organize an on the water outing, a weekend luncheon, or a land cruise to a park/museum. However, if we're going to continue to provide the high level of both public service, and activity that we have; then we need YOUR help to both serve and encourage others to do so.

The Executive Committee has produced a calendar of events for 2016. Between Squadron and District activities there is always something going on. Further, we'll reach out to neighboring Squadrons to try and engage with their activities and vice versa, which will only increase the opportunities to participate. This schedule is not set in stone. It's a working document that can be changed to add, delete or reschedule activities. This is your Squadron, so if after reviewing the schedule, you would like to see changes, please email me, any Officer, or Executive Committee member.

**Boating Education**

**Community Service**

**Fun**



## Secretary's Report - January 2015

The Executive Committee meeting was held at the Halifax River Yacht Club Training Facility on 10 December 2015 at 1900 hours. The following committee members were in attendance CDR. Donald Roman AP, Lt/C. Brian Crusan P., Lt/C. Benny William, SN, Lt/C. Robert Spence, S., P/C. Robert Brian Ap., P/C. Robert Johnson AP., P/C. Jeffrey Wise JN., D/Lt. Rita Wise S., Nick Cessario, and Lt/C Alfred Fabbrini SN. The meeting was called to order at 1905 hours.

### Secretary Report: (Lt/C Alfred J. Fabbrini, JN.)

-Any printed material filed by the secretary such as financial records, publications, and other documents will be made available to the membership within a reasonable amount of time upon request.

-P/C Jeffrey Wise –publications committee – has installed a new and more efficient website to better serve the membership with the printing and distribution of publications.

### Executive Officer's Report: (Lt/C Brian Crusan, P.)

-An article from the Daytona Beach News-journal dated 11 February 2016 concerning a proposal from the state of Florida legislation to revise state law on boat safety inspections by law enforcement agents was discussed in an attempt to fully understand the meaning of the proposal.

-The cost of providing a virtual version of firefighting techniques and organizing a poster contest at the NSBW in May was discussed.

### Education Officer Report: (Lt/C. William Benny SN.)

-Some concerns about student failure and reluctance to retake the test were presented and discussed.

- The ABC class will start on February 20, 2016 with four students.

-Plans to provide seminars to interested members and teachers' certification were also discussed.

### Administrative Officer's Report: (position available) Reported by Lt/C. Crusan and P/C J. Wise.

-A draft of the projected list of activities for the watch year 2016-2017 was organized.

-Tentative plans to secure a restaurant for the March and April meetings until a suitable place is found were discussed.

### Treasurer's Report: (Lt/C. Bob Spence, S)

-The income-expenses' sheets were distributed, checked, and clarifications on questionable items made. The Squadron is financially solvent at the present time.

-The imminent necessity of auditing the squadron in the near future was taken under consideration.

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**Secretary's Report - (continued)**

**Auxiliary Report:** (D/Lt. Rita Wise, P.)

- Assorted craft items destined to be donated to D-23 and sold at auction during the event were displayed and their function explained.
- The idea of having a few social events in the near future was briefly articulated.

**Commander's Report:** (CDR. Donald Roman, AP)

- An announcement was made regarding the successful ongoing recovery of P/C Paul Martines from injuries caused by an accidental fall.
- CDR. Roman made a motion to make a donation to the Association of Retarded Citizens (ARC) for the use of their facilities over the years; the motion was seconded by P/C Bray and unanimously approved.
- CDR. Roman introduced Nick Cessario as the new candidate for the office of squadron treasurer who was unanimously elected by the bridge officers and the members of the Executive Committee.

**Unfinished business:**

- No unfinished business was reported.

**New business**

- No new business was reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 2115 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lt/C *Alfred J. Fabbrini*, SN  
Squadron Secretary

***DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE APRIL 2016***

***BEACHCOMBER IS MARCH 20, 2016***

***VISIT OUR WEBSITES***

***DBS&PS WEBSITE: <http://www.DBSPS.org>***  
***DISTRICT WEBSITE: [www.uspsd23.org](http://www.uspsd23.org)***

**Daytona Beach Sail & Power Squadron**  
**March 17th , 6-9pm**

**Grilled Chicken Monterey**- Lean chicken breast covered with Cremini mushrooms, melted goat cheese, balsamic reduction drizzle. served over arugula with cheddar jack mash and seasonal veggies.

**Broiled or Blackened Scottish Salmon**- Fresh Filet of filet of Salmon. Thai Citrus glaze, Cheddar jack mash, seasonal veggies.

**Shepherd's Pie**- Braised beef tenderloin, Lunar eclipse Mushroom stout brown gravy, peas, carrots, cheddar jack mash and seasonal veggies.

**Brew Pub House Salad**- European blend of fresh greens, roasted walnuts, sun dried cherries, blue cheese crumbles, Granny smith apples, key lime vinaigrette.

Includes Beverage- Sweet & Un-Sweet Tea or Coffee.



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**Daytona Beach Sail and Power Squadron Auxiliary**  
**March 2016**

We made up several items for the Conferences.

On **Tuesday, April 5, 2016**, 12:30 P.M., the “**Lunch Bunch**” will meet at **McKenna’s Place**, 3781 Nova Road, Port Orange.

We are still collecting aluminum cans and pop tops. Please ask family and friends to help. Thank you.

Please continue to pray for all those who are ill, in the hospital or at home. Glad to hear that Paul Martines is doing better.

Happy Easter to all.

Jennifer Kelly, Secretary

**USPS Emergencies On Board Webinar 19 April 20b16**

With the cruising season about to start, it’s time to prepare your boat and crew. With that in mind, the Marine Environment Committee is offering the Emergencies on Board webinar. This new, updated webinar covers tools and equipment for handling emergencies, new emergency techniques, and handling trauma and medical emergencies. The webinar also provides new information on CPR and AEDs along with ideas about medical kits for cruising. [Click to register now](#). Email: [Robert F. Anderson](#)

**Will Benny**

*Lucky Star*  
**Lucky Star**

*The drawing at the February Meeting with \$50 up for grabs, went to Joan Burroughs who was not present! The next drawing will be at the March Meeting at **Tomoka Brewing Company** with \$100 in the pot for a lucky attendee. **Do not forget that you must be present to win. See you there.***

## **2016 Squadron Calendar**

### **February**

27 Saturday - VSC for the Halifax River Cruise Club at Halifax Harbor boating ramps.

27 Saturday - ABC Boating Class at the Halifax Yacht Club Classroom.

### **March**

01 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets 12:30 P.M. at Cracker Barrel in Ormond Beach.

05 Saturday - ABC Boating Class at Halifax Yacht Club, Session 2.

10 Thursday - Executive Committee meets at 7:00 P.M., HRYC Classroom.

17 Thursday - Squadron Dinner Meeting 6:00 P.M., at Tomoka Brewing Co.

18-20 Friday/Saturday/Sunday - D23 Spring Conference and Change of Watch. Details in the Beachcomber.

24 - 28 Thursday-Monday - Boating to/fm St Augustine details TBD.

### **April**

05 Tuesday - Lunch Bunch meets 12:30 P.M. at McKinney's Port Orange.

07 - 11 Thursday- Monday - Cruise to St. Augustine

09 Saturday - Kennedy Point Flea Market.

14 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M. at HRYC Classroom

16 - 17 Saturday/Sunday - U/w for Disappearing Island.

21 Thursday - Squadron Membership Meeting and Dinner Party at 6:00 P.M.

26-30 Tuesday-Saturday, Daytona Tortugas' Evening Baseball Game at 7:00 PM. Details TBD

29 Friday - Evening PUB Visit to McKay's Irish Pub for music.



## **May**

03 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets 12:30 P.M., at Beards Beach

07 Saturday - District Picnic at Sand Point Titusville

12 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting at 7:00 P.M. at HRYC Classroom

19 Thursday - Squadron Membership Meeting and Dinner 6:00 P.M., Red Lobster Hwy 92.

21 - 28 Saturday to Sunday - National Safe Boating Week

## **June**

04 Saturday - District Rendezvous at Kennedy Point Titusville

07 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets at Museum of Arts & Sciences with details TBD

09 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M., at HRYC Classroom

16 Thursday - Squadron get together for informal Dinner 6:00 P.M..

TBD u/w for Outriggers, New Smyrna Beach

## **July**

05 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets at Daytona State Culinary School details TBD.

07 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M., at the HRYC Classroom.

14 Thursday - Squadron informal dinner 7:00 P.M. Details TBD.

16 Saturday - Picnic and Blue Springs Outing

## **August**

02 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets for International Speedway Tour followed by lunch.

14 Disappearing Island / HCC

18 Thursday - Squadron informal dinner at 6:00 P.M. Details TBD

## **September**

06 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets 12:30 P.M., details TBD.

08 Thursday - Executive Committee Meets 7:00 P.M., at HRYC Classroom.

15 Thursday- Squadron Membership Meeting and Dinner 6:00 P.M.

17 Saturday - Annual Trip to Silver Glenn Springs./ HCC Details TBD

30 Friday - Evening at McKays Irish Pub for music/food.

## **October**

04 Tuesday - "Lunch Bunch" meets 12:30 P.M., details TBD.

13 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting at 7:00 P.M. HRYC Classroom

15-16 Marineland / HCC

20 Thursday – Squadron Membership Meeting and Dinner 6:00 P.M.

Hontoon Island Picnic **TBD**

Planetarium **TBD**

**D23** Fall Council **TBD**

## **November**

01 Tuesday - Lunch Bunch meets at 12:30 P.M., details TBD.

10 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting at 7:00 P.M, HRYC Classroom

17 Thursday - Squadron Membership Meeting and Dinner at 6:00 P.M.

26 Saturday - Bing's Landing Picnic

Captain Daddy's outing Halifax River TBD.

## **December**

06 Tuesday - Lunch Bunch Meets at 12:30 P.M., details TBD.

08 Thursday - Executive Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M. at HRYC.

18 Sunday - Squadron Christmas Party at Halifax RYC, Halifax Room

Boat Parade - TBD

### **Event schedule for the Halifax Cruise Club**

Some of our events are already combined, but you are welcome to join in on any of these events that you wish. Contact P/C Jeff Wise for arrangements.

March 18-19	Hontoon Island (Some of us will cruise from there back to Daytona)
April 9-10	New Smyrna City Marina - Car Show
April 30	Harris Chain of Lakes
May 21-23	Hammock Beach Marina/Palm Coast
June 11	Corky Bell's / Crescent Lake
July 2-4	Camachee Cove / St. Augustine
July 14-16	Scalloping / Steinhatchee
August 14	Disappearing Island
September 17	Silver Glenn
October 15-16	Marineland
November 12	Goodrich's Restaurant / Oak Hill



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## DISTRICT 23 GALAXY NEWSLETTER



### D23 Commander D/C Roy Merritt, SN-IN

Greetings Everyone!

Has it been a year already? Where has the time gone? We are fast approaching our annual Spring Conference and Change of Watch and it seems as if it were only yesterday that I assumed the helm.

In my final report, I would like to thank all those kind souls that have supported me throughout this past year. It is a job worth doing and a job that cannot be done, at least not well, in isolation.

During the past year, we have seen a slight decline in our membership, which appears to be endemic to some degree or other, across all the Districts. Having said that, I still truly believe we continue to be a valuable and relevant District in the USPS. I believe we remain a force for good in safe boating practices and education in the recreational boating community. I have had the opportunity and privilege to visit all eight Squadrons and I see a vibrancy and rejuvenation at many levels so I know we are alive and well. I ask that each of you continue the good fight to bring our outstanding boater education program to the recreational boating communities which you serve.

From National, I am most happy to report that our very own Stf/C Ken Scherz, SN was one of the recipients of the coveted Chapman Award this past year. Well done Ken, congratulations and thank you for all your hard work in boating education.

We also were recognized as one of a small handful of Districts to receive the USPS Education Fund Certificate of Merit – 2015 Honor Roll Award in appreciation of the Extraordinary Contribution of the entire District for the furthering of education in the fields of navigation and small boat handling. Well done to all in District 23.

Further, our very own P/C Bobby Bray, AP was awarded his 5<sup>th</sup> Century Club certificate for completing over 100 VSCs in 2015. Well done Bobby and thank you.

In closing, I would like to say thank you to each and every member of our District for your support over this past year and for your warm welcome wherever Anne and I have visited.

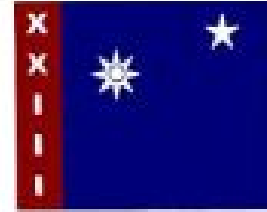
Thank you.

Yours in Safe Boating

D/C Roy Merritt, SN-IN



## D23 Spring Conference



# Mixin' Business with Pleasure

**When:** 18-20 March 2016

**Where:** Holiday Inn LPGA  
Daytona Beach, Florida

Address: 137 Automall Cir, Daytona Beach, FL 32124  
Phone: (386) 236-0200



Come and enjoy a weekend with your friends at D23.  
We will be mixing business with pleasure!

We have multiple tour options for you to choose from  
and of course, our annual Change of Watch Dinner and  
Event.

**Please watch the D23 Website for updates as we  
continue to plan this exciting weekend.**

<http://uspsd23.org/events.html>

**See You There!**

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

## **March**

**Bonnie Fulford**

**Mary Crusan**

**Ron Radford**

**Martha Woods**

**William Fulford**

**Joe Luckett**

**Patricia Stubbs**

**THE "LUNCH BUNCH" WILL MEET 12:30 P.M.  
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2016, AT**

**CRACKER BARREL RESTAURANT  
125 INTERCHANGE BLVD. (RT.40 AND I-95)  
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**Jeanette & Bobby Bray  
Jeff & Cathy Wise**

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 March 2016 **THE BEACHCOMBER**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1 Lunch Bunch</b>  <b>Cracker Barrel</b> <b>Ormond Beach</b>	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	<b>10 Executive Committee Meeting</b> <b>Halifax River Yacht Club Activity Center</b> <b>Daytona Beach</b>	11	12
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<b>20 D#23 Spring Conference and Change of Watch</b> <b>Daytona Beach</b>	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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