



# BEACHCOMBER



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

*October 2017*

<b><i>OCT</i></b>	2 “Lunch Bunch” -TBD-Daytona Beach
	12 Executive Committee Meeting - HR Yacht Club
	14 Underway from Halifax Harbor at 0930
	18 Dinner Meeting– Houligan's on ISB
	23-27 D-23 Cruise Meeting
<b><i>NOV</i></b>	07 “Lunch Bunch” - Aunt Catfish’s-Port Orange
	09 Executive Committee Meeting - HR Yacht Club Activity Center
	16 Squadron Dinner – Houligan's on ISB
	18 Bing’s Landing Picnic

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### **Commanders Report Oct 2017**

Hearts and Prayers go out to all the folks so badly effected by Hurricane Harvey, Irma and now Maria. Thankfully, we were spared the worst impacts of Irma even though the local area did suffer quite a bit of damage. However, southern Florida and especially the Keys suffered major damage. The windward Caribbean Islands, Puerto Rico and northern coast of Cuba sustained catastrophic damages. All of this and there's still two months left of the "season." Still too early to

relax.

Irma did impact our activities. It caused the postponement of our ABC Class as well as delayed our AP Class. We did hold our regular meeting on the 21st. River Grille food was great, company even better and our guest speaker, Dr. Debra Woodall, provided a excellent presentation.

Our member and District Commander, Ron Gagen, and Judy Coffman did attend the National Meeting at Dallas and presented the results of the high school graphics poster contest. He has told me that the national membership committee was extremely interested in the posters that were produced. Our poster contest also made page 36 of the Ensign, as well as Hometown News! Additionally, national thought that our Poker Run was very innovative, and they want some more information on that too.

Again, I would also note that in October, Cocoa Beach SPS is celebrating their 50th Anniversary at the Eau Gallie Yacht Club. They have invited any of our members that would like to attend this Saturday noon event on 14 Oct that starts with a happy hour for a fee of \$25 each. This sounds like a fun event. Let me know if you plan on attending, but you must RSVP to P/C Susan Kneeland, SN, ph 321-639-3860, email [jkeeland@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jkeeland@cfl.rr.com)

Our upcoming guest speaker is Mr. Joe Nolin of Volusia County. The information Joe provides us covering local water front developments is always of value and interesting. We look forward to hearing from him following our active storm season.

If you get out on the water this month, it's a good opportunity for some of our newer members to join up with those of us with some knowledge of local waters. Invite a prospective or new member to go sailing.

So, we again start our regular meetings and fall activities, and starting up our speaker series again. Charities; Second Harvest, Hope for the Warriors and Toys for Tots. Please plan ahead for all our contributions are most appreciated. Contributions to Second Harvest are always accepted either via the squadron, or directly by you. They also accept canned and dry goods too.

We'll have another busy year and I'm very much looking forward to it. Again... think of our squadron, How can you help your squadron and further your participation:

Attend our meetings, (invite potential new members), enjoy our camaraderie,

Pass your suggestions for squadron activities, events, speakers to any bridge member,

Decide to become an instructor. Instructor re-qualification will be held soon.

Qualify to do vessel safety checks, a great way to meet people.

Offer to take squadron members on your next boat ride, or invite potential new members to come along.

Help plan a squadron activity..... "Catch the Wave!"

## **Executive Report**

We currently own 12 counter top trifold brochure holders and need to get them placed into marine and other retail stores in our area. The Commander has received 100 new USPS Marketing Brochures for their use! We also have 9 full size 9x12 holders we can use for advertising ABC or Advanced Grade Classes in our market.

We ask for your help distributing this information to stores in your area.

We also have received 100 Vessel Safety Check forms for your use. Examiners please call Don Roman for requesting additional supplies! We are coming to the end of the Season for the year, so get them sent to National as soon as possible.

In the last 3 Beachcomber editions I have outlined a plan for what our members can do to increase the growth of your Squadron. Last month we published Member Benefits, WOW.

A very involved member asked me in a meeting recently, "What do we have to offer?" He thought there was very little. I had already been working on putting together this information, which is why I have tried to implement a plan which would answer EXACTLY that question! Well, that got me thinking...we have a ton of benefits to make membership more valuable than what is on the surface!

But wait, there is so much more. Our tradition of Public Education, Advanced Grade Educational classes, Community Involvement and the Camaraderie of Friends, with like interests, are the founding principles of USPS!

Please utilize this great information. We need your help to grow the Organization now and in the future.

Brian Crusan, Executive Officer

## **Administrative Report**

Our monthly dinner meeting will be held at Houligan's on International Speedway Blvd. We will meet on **WEDNESDAY, October 18th** as Bikertoberfest begins on Thursday. See the menu selections in the Beachcomber in another section.

We will be returning to Houligan's on **Thursday, November 16th** for the following meeting. The annual Christmas Meeting will be held on **Sunday, December 17th** from 1pm to 4pm at the Halifax River Yacht Club.

Mark your Holiday calendars NOW!

Submitted by Brian Crusan, Executive Officer For Sherri Martines. Administrative Officer



### **Secretary's Report - Oct 2017**

The Executive was canceled due to Hurricane Irma, so there is no official report for this month.

# Dinner Meeting

OCT 18 2017

**Hooligan's Sports Grill**

## ***Cheeseburgers in Paradise!***

Happy Hour 6-7 Dinner at 7pm. Our speaker will be Volusia County's own Joe Nolin, who is always full of information on local waterway and coastal issues and programs. See menu options next page.

Also the Lucky Star drawing will have \$50 up for grabs to a lucky attendee. For more info contact P/C Cheryl Martines, AP 386-405-0407

## **Lucky Star**

The drawing at the April Meeting with \$275 up for grabs, went to **Mary Crusan** who was present and won! **Congrats Mary!** The next drawing will be at the Oct Meeting at **Hooligan's Sports Grill** with **\$50** in the pot for a lucky attendee. **Do not forget that you must be present to win. See you there.**

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

October

*Catherine Henke*

*Bill Schwartz*

**VISIT OUR WEBSITES**

**DBS&PS WEBSITE: <http://www.DBSPS.org>**

**DISTRICT WEBSITE: [www.uspsd23.org](http://www.uspsd23.org)**

**The Squadron General Membership Meeting will be held on  
Wednesday, October 18th.**

**(Note the change of days as Biketoberfest will begin on Thursday)**

It's happening at...

**Hooligan's**

A Spirited Sports Grille

1725 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32114

Social hour at 6 PM and dinner served at 7pm

Our speaker will be Volusia County's own **Joe Nolin**, who is always full of information on local waterway and coastal issues and programs.

***Cheeseburgers in Paradise!***

***Signature Char-grilled Burger Buffet***

Choice of cheeses (American, Cheddar or Swiss), includes the choice of fries, homemade coleslaw, or pasta salad. \$13.50.

***Not catchin' the wave yet?***

***Try the Storm of Nachos Grande***

Fresh tortilla chips piled high, topped with Hooligan's homemade chili, Monterey Jack, Cheddar cheese, Nacho cheese (dude that's a lot of cheese), shredded lettuce, diced tomatoes and jalapeno peppers. Served with cool sour cream on the side! \$13.00

***Hang ten and take home five!***

***Big Surf with the Chef Salad Wipe Out***

Sliced ham, turkey, Swiss and American cheese, on a bed of lettuce of fresh mixed greens, tomatoes, red onions, sliced cucumbers, and seasoned croutons. Served with your choice of dressing. \$13.00.

Coffee, Tea or Water included in price. Soft drinks are an additional \$2.79 + tax charge.

**FULL BAR SERVICES AVAILABLE, PLEASE JOIN US!**



## United States Power Squadrons®

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### DISTRICT 23 GALAXY NEWSLETTER



District 23 Secretary  
D/Lt/C Ron Poland, SN

Our purpose as members of the United States Power Squadrons and particularly in the Squadrons that comprise District 23 is to promote safe boating and the fun that goes along with comradery on the water. In June, the Board of Directors approved the use of the name America's Boating Club™ in marketing United States Power Squadrons®. I believe the Board has truly captured the essence of what we are by declaring ourselves America's Boating Club and introducing the "For Boaters, By Boaters" moniker. Please keep that in mind as we target "outdoor enthusiasts" and "sociable adventurers" — comprising over 15.5 million US boaters — for membership in our organization. To support recruitment, National has developed several videos to arouse awareness, interest, and desire in adopting the safe-boating lifestyle and taking action by joining USPS. The videos can be played at public meetings, embedded in squadron websites, and posted on squadron Facebook pages. Links can be emailed to prospective members for playing and sharing with friends and family. These are currently available for your use. Consider giving them a try.

I would like to remind everyone to update your own profile on the national website. If you don't know how to do this, your squadron secretary can help. Your squadron secretary can also help you install and give you the user password for DB2000. This tool provides a source of general information about your squadron and its members. Any responsible member can have access to this data base and no one can change anything with a password.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming Fall Conference!

Be safe and have fun on the water, Ron



## MERIT MARKS

### **The following is an excerpt from the USPS Operations Manual.**

A “merit mark” (MM) is awarded by the chief commander to a member for substantial personal effort in furthering the interest, programs and objectives of USPS, its districts and squadrons. It is a coveted award; it is by and large the only official recognition members receive for their efforts. Only one merit mark may be awarded in a year to a member, no matter how extensive the contribution. A certificate is issued, and a special insigne may be worn on USPS uniforms.

Recommendations for a merit mark are made by squadron, district, rear and vice commanders to the chief commander. Active, family and apprentice members may be recommended. Merit marks earned by family and apprentice members shall not count toward senior, life or emeritus status.

Five merit marks are required for Senior Member, 25 for Life Members are dues exempt for life. In a few short weeks our Commander will be forwarding his merit mark recommendations to National for the year 2017. As with all commanders, he will have that nagging fear that she might overlook a member’s worthy contribution. Since none of us are blessed with the “all seeing eye”, we ask that any member who has contributed time and effort to our squadron, please call, P/C PaulMartines, JN Ch/Merit Mark Comm. I have forms you can fill out to give me the information needed, this can be mailed, e-mail - [paulmartinesd23@aol.com](mailto:paulmartinesd23@aol.com) - or you can get it in person at the dinner meeting. These need to be to me by, Nov. 10, 2017, so I can get them to National.

THANKS

P/C Paul Martines, JN  
Merit Mark Chair





Daytona Beach Sail and Power Squadron

Please provide the following information and return as soon as possible as there is a **deadline** of **November 10th 2017** for submissions.

Contact P/C Paul Martines, JN if you have any questions at 386-451-4575.

Members Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate No: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Classes taught (course titles and many) \_\_\_\_\_

Sessions Taught \_\_\_\_\_

2. Classes proctored (course titles and how many) \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Presentations or reports at Squadron or Executive Board Meetings and Conferences:

A. Time preparing the report \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

B. Time presenting the report \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Booth watches \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

A. Number of watches \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

B. Total time for watch \_\_\_\_\_

5. Number of meetings attended for which you helped set up \_\_\_\_\_

A. Total time for above \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

6. Co-Op charting

A. Number of reports \_\_\_\_\_

B. Time gathering and preparing the reports \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

C. Number of phone calls and time \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

7. Articles for the Beachcomber

A. Number of articles \_\_\_\_\_

B. Time preparing articles \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

8. Presentations at District and National Meetings

A. Number of presentations \_\_\_\_\_

B. Time preparing articles \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

9. Committee jobs

A. What committees

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. How many jobs \_\_\_\_\_

C. Total time spent on all jobs \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

10. Officer jobs (Commander NOT included)

A. Time spent \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

B. List of tasks \_\_\_\_\_

11. Any other job(s)

A. Name or type of job(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

B. Total time spent including preparation \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

12. Vessel Safety Checks

A. Number of vessel Safetchecks \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

13. River clean up \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

14. Boat Shows Manned booth or Set up/Break Down \_\_\_\_\_ **Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill this out and return to P/C Paul Martines, JN either by email or fax by **November 10, 2017** to receive credit for merit mark.**

Email - [PaulMartines@aol.com](mailto:PaulMartines@aol.com)

Fax - 386-252-5768

# Education Department

AP Class. 19SEP – 6NOV2017

Instructor Recertification will be held for ALL Instructors late NOV or early DEC 2017. I'll firm up a date later...

I would like to set up a schedule educational seminars this fall. Please check out the list of seminars at [USPS.ORG/EDUCATIONDEPT/SEMINARS](http://USPS.ORG/EDUCATIONDEPT/SEMINARS) to find those of interest to you. Please contact me with any seminar or squadron course desires at [aikido09@hotmail.com](mailto:aikido09@hotmail.com) or 386 428 8426.

P/C Will Benny SN-CN  
DBSPS Education Officer

***Please submit any materials for the Nov. publication  
to Jeff Wise at [jeffwise63@gmail.com](mailto:jeffwise63@gmail.com) by Oct. 20th.***



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Lunch Bunch	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 Executive Committee Meeting  HRYC Activity Center	13	14 Underway from Halifax Harbor
15	16	17	18 Dinner meeting Houligan's Sport Grill	19	20	21
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