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At 2019 Oktoberfest

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November 2019

January 2020

- 11 **General Membership Meeting**, Alexandria Police Dept. Community Room 7:30 pm
- 25 **Executive Committee Meeting (new date)**

- 4 **Holiday Party**, Springfield Golf & Country Club—6 pm to 10 pm
- 13 **General Membership Meeting**



Bridge Officers

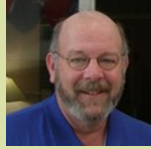
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Meeting Locations

General Membership Mtgs at Alexandria Police HQ
Community Rm, 3600 Wheeler Ave, Alexandria, VA 7:30
pm, until further notice, are:

- on the **2nd Mon of each month** except no mtgs in Aug. and Dec.
- The May and Oct. mtgs are combined with other events on different days., normally Spring Picnic and Fall Picnic on Saturdays.

Executive Committee Mtgs, 7 pm: by Conference call until further notice. Contact Executive Officer for conference call number and codes. Normally 4th Wed. of each month. Nov 25 mtg is an exception.

Do you enjoy designing?
Newsletter Editor and Designer Needed.
Coaching included.
Contact Editor@NVSPS.org

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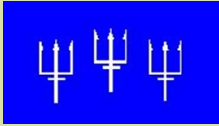
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Message from the Commander



Dear Fellow Members,

I'm looking forward to the squadron's scheduled yearly election in March of 2020. All of the elected squadron officers serve for only a one year term per election, so all elected squadron officer positions are up for next election. Also the current Commander is at the end of his two year term limit, so he will not stand for re-election. If a member wishes to be a candidate for a particular elective office, a discussion should be started with Alan Hart Chair of the Nominating Committee. If a member wishes to be appointed to an appointed position described below, a discussion should be started with any bridge officer.

ELECTED SQUADRON OFFICERS

BRIDGE OFFICERS

COMMANDER: The commander is the presiding officer of all squadron membership and Executive Committee (EXCOM) meetings. At the squadron level, the commander is expected to respond to all District 5 and national USPS communications, and perform all leadership tasks.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: The Executive Officer presides at all squadron general membership and EXCOM meetings and other duties in the absence of the Commander. The Executive Officer provides the leadership for all external activities for the squadron such as squadron newsletter, public relations, and boat show participation.

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER: The Educational Officer is responsible for the entire squadron educational program including the selection of the courses offered by the squadron, scheduling of the courses, and; negotiation of the site, and selection of the instructor(s). This officer may be assisted by an Assistant Educational Officer.

ASSISTANT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER (optional): The Assistant Educational Officer operates under the direction of the Educational Officer and assists the Educational Officer in assigned responsibilities

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER: The Administrative Officer provides the leadership for all internal squadron activities such as recruitment new members and retention of existing members, arranging for activities, and keeping members involved in activities.

SECRETARY: The Secretary is responsible for recording the minutes of all squadron meetings and maintaining the squadron membership records.

TREASURER: The Treasurer is responsible for managing the squadron financial activities and keeping of appropriate records.

AT LARGE BOARD MEMBERS: There are five (5) at-large board members that represent the squadron membership at the EXCOM.

APPOINTED POSITIONS

The following positions are appointed on the authority of the Commander:

Editor of the squadron newsletter is responsible for the editing and submission of the newsletter to the printer and submitting it for posting to squadron website.

Webmaster is responsible for the "care and feeding" of the squadron's website

Boat Show Chairman is responsible for maintaining liaison with National Capital Boat Show and other local boat shows and organizing the staffing of the squadron's booth if appropriate.

Public Relations Chair is responsible for promoting all squadron activities to the public.

Property Officer: maintains the inventory of all squadron property.

Membership Chair is responsible for the retention of existing members and the recruitment of new members.

From: (Bylaws for Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron) (USPS Structure, Procedures, and Guidelines)

Respectfully,
Cdr Charles Hurley, JN
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Thanks to
Fairfax Yacht Club
for the use of their
Beautiful Facility
for our
Oktoberfest!



Saluting our faithful crew!

A big thank you to the following members who received a merit mark for their significant service to our squadron during 2019. They keep our ship afloat!

<i>Evelyn Allis</i>	<i>Sue Karjala</i>
<i>Gale Allis</i>	<i>John Karjala</i>
<i>Tom Ballew</i>	<i>Walt Lazear</i>
<i>Dwight Bues</i>	<i>Dean Markussen</i>
<i>Jean Durgin</i>	<i>Jay Nelson</i>
<i>Richard Durgin</i>	<i>Keith Segerson</i>
<i>Sean Gallagher</i>	<i>Cathy Sheffield</i>
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<i>Charles Hurley</i>	<i>Claire Wyingaard</i>
	<i>Fred Zugay</i>



For information about Sea Scouting

Contact Sea Scout Ship 1942

<https://www.seascout1942.com/>



2019 America's Boating Club Mid-Atlantic District 5 Fall Conference
November 8-10 Fredericksburg, VA www.USPSD5.org

2020 National Capital Boat Show and Seminars

www.NationalCapitalBoatShow.com **March 13-15, 2020**
Dulles Expo Center, Chantilly, VA – See Speaker Schedule Online Now

2020 America's Boating Club Mid-Atlantic District 5 Spring Conference
March 26-29 Ocean City, MD www.USPSD5.org

Get Certified as a Vessel Safety Check Examiner Study Manual is Available Online

Message from Chair P/C Rich Unis, JN



The VSC program is a very important ongoing public service effort sponsored by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, America's Boating Club and BoatUS.

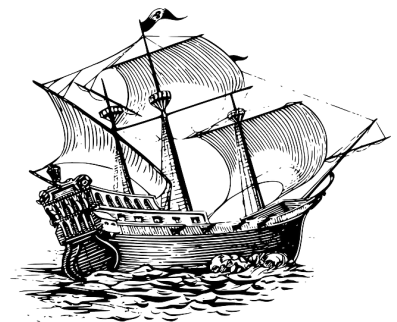
<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=V-DEPT&category=welcome>

Come join the program! Contact P/C Rich Unis, JN

at 703-777-8378 or at skipperunis@gmail.com

P/C Gale Alls and P/C Dick Durgin are on the lookout for new **interesting and educational** places for our group to visit.

Call Gale at 703-569-1511
or Dick at 703-560-9106 with ideas!
What do you want to learn about?



Boating Education Classes

Congratulations to adult NVSPS members and Sea Scouts for earning their “P” for successful completion of the USPS Piloting course. We had not only a 100% pass rate but all excelled in the rigorous exam with practical chart work. BRAVO ZULU to adult NVSPS members Asia English, Franklin Garcia and Jeff Ye. Sea Scouts Ethan Coit, Ethan Wilner and James Ye represent a generation of teen sailors who have embraced charts, parallel rulers and pencils as low tech but reliable tools to tell them where they are, and how to get where they want to go. The impressive results are directly attributed to the focused mentoring of students by longtime NVSPS instructor Jay Nelson.

Please share with your boating buddies who would benefit from basic and advanced boating courses we have lined up for the colder months. They are designed to provide a foundation of knowledge and skills in maneuvering, boat operation and techniques to advance safety and enjoyment on the water:

America’s Boating Course (ABC-3). Basic boating safety, navigation rules, regulations, anchoring, communications, trailering, knots and line handling, sports safety. Nationally recognized endorsement .

NOV 2, 16, 23. 0900-1300. \$50, Sea Scouts \$40. At St George’s Episcopal Church, 915 N. Oakland St, Arlington VA. No prerequisites.

<https://americasboatingclub.org/courses/americas-boating-course>

Seamanship. Boat handling, docking, line handling, anchoring and communicating with other boats.

DEC 14, 21, JAN 4, 11, 25. 0900-1300. \$50, Sea Scouts \$40. At St George’s Episcopal Church, 915 N. Oakland St, Arlington VA. No prerequisites.

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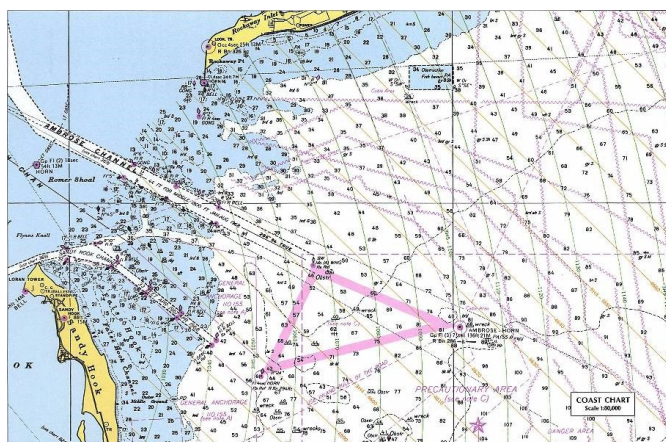
Piloting. Inland water and coastal navigation using GPS, aids to navigation, and plotting on charts.

DATES TBD in Spring 2020 after completion of Seamanship.

SAT AM 0900-1300. At St George’s Episcopal Church, 915 N. Oakland St, Arlington VA. No prerequisites.

<https://americasboatingclub.org/courses/piloting>

For more information and to register,
contact Dean Markussen, 703-751-9178,
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Let's celebrate squadron friendships!

The Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron's greatest strength is its members. Let's all mark the end of 2019 by reconnecting with old friends and making new ones by posting a holiday and/or new year's greeting in the December newsletter! This is your chance to write a 3-line greeting to the folks who make squadron membership so fulfilling and fun.

It's easy and it's free! Just email your message to P/C Dick Durgin (rjdurgin@aol.com) by November 15. He will forward them to the editor in time for publication.



Get ready for the holidays!

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www.AmericasBoatingChannel.com

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National ABC Magazine
The Ensign
Online at
<http://theensign.org/>



**Northern Virginia
Sail & Power Squadron**

invites you to sail into the new year
at our

FESTIVE HOLIDAY PARTY!

On Saturday, January 4, 2020

6:00 to 10:00 pm

Springfield Golf & Country Club

Bring your friends and family
for an evening of DJ music, dancing & fun,
cash bar & a delicious buffet dinner
Everyone is welcome!

---- Response Card ----

Members attending: _____

Guests attending: _____

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Enclosed check payable to NVSPS for \$_____ for _____ attendees

Please mail this response card with check to P/C Gale Alls, SN,
7800 Braemar Way, Springfield, VA 22153 by December 20, 2019. For information,
contact Gale at 703-569-1511 or galeandev@aol.com

Springfield Golf & Country Club
8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, Virginia
Driving directions at www.sgccva.org





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Holiday Party January 4, 2020

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