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## DISTRICT 8 SPRING CONFERENCE-BOCA RATON 23-25 APRIL



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3. SATURDAY - COFFEE AND DONUTS WILL BE SERVED FROM 0800 - 1000. A DISTRICT BRIDGE AND SQUADRON COMMANDERS MEETING WILL BE HELD FROM 1000 - 1130 AFTER WHICH AN ALL-AMERICAN HOT DOG LUNCH WILL BE SERVED.
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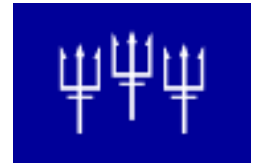




## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE FROM THE HELM

Cdr James A. Ward, AP

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As many of you know, most of your Bridge, R/C Tom Ellis, JN, P/C Woody Boarman, AP and spouses attended the District 8 Spring Conference in Boca Raton at the end of April. As Commander, one of my duties is to report to the District on a number of our activities. A summary of my report is as follows:

So far this year, we have increased our net membership by 27 and now have a total of 307. That's a 10 % increase in just the first four months! Thanks to Lt. Kathie Thomas, P, the rest of the Membership Committee and YOU for making our new members feel welcome.

This year we have educated 46 people in our ABC classes. 26 of you have completed our Advanced classes, 20 have completed Electives and 31 have attended our Seminars. Thanks to P/C Dan Thomas, SN, our instructors and YOU for attending these classes.

Your VBPS took 3<sup>rd</sup> place for the "Emil Jensen Vessel Safety Check Award", by completing 137 VSCs, and Joe Leitz was recognized for completing 42. Thank you Jack Kruiten and the VSEs.

We have held 5 boating events, including a poker run, a luncheon cruise, a mini-cruise, a raft-up and our cruise to the Keys.

Our Website was recently recognized by National as was this Nautical News which received the "Distinction in Journalism Award"! Thank you Woody for all your hard work.

We continue to support our local community. We provided a safety boat for the little paddlers at the Environmental Learning Center, supported the Boat Show and Hibiscus Festival. We held a day of fishing for the Boy's and Girl's Club and are a sponsor for the Youth Sailing Foundation of Indian River County. Last, but not least, we just finished judging the little artists for the Boarman National Youth Poster contest. A special thanks to all of you volunteers!

So far this year, we have held a dinner each and every month. We have held a New Member's Party, a Ladies Luncheon, a Ladies Pot Luck and of course our Friday Night Socials have been well attended. Thanks to all the hosts!

From the above, you can see why it is such a pleasure to represent you.

I might note that the Chief Commander, Frank Dvorak, SN was in attendance, so District 8 and the Vero Beach Power Squadron are getting National attention. We are "VERO BEACH PROUD"

Your Commander - Jim

**Editor's Note: All articles and reports for the August-September Nautical News should be turned in by 15 July. THANK YOU!! The location of this note was not intentional.**

# Happy Birthday

## June 2010 Birthdays

Nola Cloutier	06/02
Lou Farrell	06/04
Allyn Orth	06/05
Zack Tripaldi	06/05
Ellan Dodson	06/07
Carol Pastirchak	06/07
Jim Breslin	06/08
Jean Hyer	06/10
Maureen Mathewson	06/10
Cristi Wilson	06/10
Vernon Pastirchak	06/11
Bill Lavigne	06/13
Michelle Dale	06/14
Sara George	06/14
Susan Colby	06/15
Peter Lake	06/15
Dick Carlin	06/16
Peter Brown	06/17
Casey Ruhr	06/17
Robert Lewis	06/19
Marv Marvin	06/20
Barbara Thompson	06/20
Roberta Macdonald	06/21
Bill Reynolds	06/21
Lorre Dratch	06/22
Judy Hindley	06/23
Terry Green	06/24
Barbara Carlin	06/26
Dennis Joslin	06/26
Bill Curtis	06/27
Michael Herbig	06/28
Barbara Holley	06/29
Bill Yunker	06/30



## July 2010 Birthdays

Nicholas Melnick	07/01
Ed Carr	07/02
Marty Ford	07/05
Stacey Lewis	07/06
Joseph Gomez	07/07
Al Turner	07/09
Woody Boarman	07/10
Dan Thomas	07/10
Ray Imbro	07/12
Felicia Patton	07/13
Graham Clarke	07/14
Jules Magyar	07/14
Judy Peschio	07/14
Lynette Werner	07/14
Hughie Harris	07/15
Richard Hope	07/15
Phil Rogers	07/16
Ken Dale	07/17
Barbara Spilman	07/17
Rita Jordan	07/18
John Perrigo	07/18
Earl Hawk	07/18
Marilyn Maloney	07/24
Robert Sobieski	07/24
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Jack Knauss	07/25
Warren Miller	07/25
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Hello to All Members, Associates and Friends,

My, Oh, My, what a great winter for our squadron. It went very fast because our Commander did such an outstanding job leading us to be "Vero Beach Proud". He did a great job at the District 8 representing us. Thank you Jim!

The Boarman National USPS Youth Poster Contest is well underway. At the Squadron level we have the Oslo Middle School, the Vero Beach Elementary School, the Highland Elementary School and the Dodgertown Elementary School all having winners which will now go to the District level. Thank you to Beverly Jones for a job well done. This will be her last year to head this committee and we will miss her.

The Co-Op Charting 4th of July Picnic is just around the corner so please mark your calendars. It is always a fun time. Also the Boys and Girls Club Fishing Day is Saturday, August 7th and I am sure Lt. Richard Carlin, S will be e-mailing all of us to volunteer for this event. This is always a great day for everyone. Harold and I will be representing our squadron at the USPS Governing Board Meeting in Bellevue, WA. in September. If you have any suggestions you would care to send along please let us know. It should be an exciting event.

Speaking of trips, our Southern Cruise was not without happenings. You know we always return with tales. We had a person and a dog fall into the water, (both doing fine); a boat with many problems; a margarita and chilli party; members who actually spoke to Kenny Chesney, the country western singer in case you didn't know; a winner at the Derby, well at a party at the Key Biscayne Yacht Club, and 2 boats docking near Tiger Woods' Yacht. Plus I didn't get yelled at once!!!

Your XO

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Wow! Another fast and furious couple months in the Educational Department. True to form, our instructors produced wonderful classes and our members became much more proficient boat handlers (and had lots of fun in the process). Congratulations to everyone listed below.

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Friday Night Socials - Thank all of you who signed up. Those who haven't please think about it and then do it. If you have any questions please see Lt. Jim Brown, S, Lt. Sue Hamel, P, 1st.Lt. Barbara Scully, S or me.

Activities and Events - There is a lot of action at the VBPS, as you know. Occasionally there are conflicts, which require some adjustments be made. That means we move things around (Stuart Marriott Mini Cruise) and sometimes we need to cancel an event (Derby Day). These things happen so please bear with us as we continue to drive forward to bring you the BEST we can! And remember that activity causes change and change is good for the many.

Chairman Boating Activities - Lt. Harold Leh, AP reports that 10 boats showed at the Hole-in-the-Wall Raft-Up. One of our vessels, Inamorata, launched a dingy with 2 photographers aboard to get a few panoramic shots from the river. That in itself is an interesting story. For insider details see Lt. Nora and Dan Lichty. A few more noteworthy events made good story material - P/C Woody HIT the deck, Maureen went swimming with the fish and Lt/C (XO) Janet Leh, P got lots of LEG shots.

The Southern Cruise is over and there will be lots of stories coming your way at the FNS throughout the balance of May. Pictures may show up in The Nautical News.

Port Captains - Lts. Erv Roberts and Marty Ford - All is well in Vero.

Operations Training - P/D/C Joe Leitz, SN - Joe says its coming soon.

Guest Speakers - At the 4/12/10 general meeting our guest speaker, Patrick Lahey, talked about Triton Mini Submarines ([www.tritonsubs.com](http://www.tritonsubs.com)). He spoke for over an hour about his company located here in Vero. He extended an invitation for all who were interested to visit his facility. Thank you Lt. Richard Carlin, S for introducing him.

At the 5/10 general meeting there was a video of a VBPS cruise narrated by Barbara Ebstein. I trust we shall see more about tales of the Cruise Gang soon.


The Hibiscus Festival - was held on 4/17/10 and attended by many Vero residents. Thanks to P/C John, SN and Lt. Barbara Spilman, S, Lt. Tom, S and Lt. Bev Jones, Jules Magyar, JN, Jim Brown, Sue Hamel, Toni and Wally Leopold and 1st Lt. Barbara Scully, S who managed our booth.

Your AO, LtC Bob Scully, AP

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WILL THE LADIES MEET THIS CHALLENGE IN THE FUTURE? - STAY TUNED



## **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER** **Lt. Frank "Tom" Jones, III, S**

The common practice on Memorial Day is that we honor our deceased veterans. It is true that we remember our fallen heroes (and they all are heroes to one degree or another), however; I would contend that the greatest tribute we can pay them is not to remember them as 'fallen' but rather as a 'living spirit and collective heritage of patriotism, duty, and honor' representing the backbone of our American way of life. This includes not only those men and women who immediately stepped up to the cause and enlisted, but also; those who were conscripted and/or joined not out of patriotism but perhaps even out of sheer necessity. I have observed that for whatever reason men and women find themselves in the service of our country, once in; they become better people and Americans. Sacrifice, service, and teamwork are the norm. They learned that success can only be achieved by hard work and internal fortitude. The Soldier, the Sailor, the Airman, 'the patriot' knows that 'a mission must be pursued lest we become the object of someone else's mission.' It is, and was, a brutal fact. So I say, 'thank you for your time and energy and I pray that your efforts will not have been in vain.' May the 'Spirit of America' reign in all who read my words.

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**COMING EVENTS (subject to change)**

DATE	JUNE EVENTS	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/C Bob Scully
Thursday 3	Partner in Command (Skipper Saver) Seminar	1830	P/C Woody Boarman
Saturday 5	Raft-Up @ Faber Cove (under Ft. Pierce S. Bridge then to port)	1100	Lt/C Scully/Lt. Leh
Sunday 6	Indian River Youth Sailing Foundation - Optimist Boat Launching	0900	P/C Dan Thomas
Saturday 12	Partner in Command (Skipper Saver) Seminar	1030	P/C Woody Boarman
Sunday 14	Executive Committee & General Membership Meetings	1900/1930	Cdr Jim Ward
Wednesday 16	Lunch Cruise to the Vero Beach Yacht Club	1130	Lt/C Scully/Lt. Leh
Sat. 19-Sun. 20	America's Boating Course	0900	Lt. Howard Daniels

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Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/C Bob Scully
Sunday 4	Co-Op Charting Picnic	TBA	Lt. Harold Leh
Sunday 4	Executive Committee & General Membership Meetings	TBA	Cdr Jim Ward
Fri. 17-Sun. 18	District 8 Rendezvous - Sailfish Marina - Palm Beach Shores	TBA	P/C Dan Thomas
Saturday 24	Raft Up @ the Redneck Riviera	1100	Lt/C Scully/Lt. Leh