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Dear

As we head into the summer, things are slowing down. In addition to Save the Lagoon, including a great pictorial, we have Boat Safety pics, ABC course - July 9 and 3 new members. ~ *Cmdr. M. Wohlstein*

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Save The Lagoon Committee - Toby Jarman, S

SAVE THE LAGOON COMMITTEE

Vero Beach Power Squadron continues to partner with other great organizations to promote increases in the Indian River Lagoon's water quality and wildlife populations. The latest example is the placement of over 1,000 oyster mats in the Lagoon just north of Grand Harbor's Loggerhead Marina. VBPS members David Hornchek and Toby Jarman used their boats to transport the mats and supplies to the placement site. These mats will "catch" oyster larvae from nearby oyster beds thus expanding the oyster population in the area. This is important because each new oyster will clean and clarify up to 55 gallons of water each day.

Now get out your calculators and follow the math: VBPS, Sunrise Rotary Club, and Coastal Conservation Association organized high school students and other volunteers that laid 1,021 oyster mats, each containing about 36 shucked oyster shells tied to mats in a vertical fashion resembling a series of "catchers mitts." If these 36,756 shells "catch" just one larvae each, this will lead to that many new adult oysters in one year. Now each of these new adult oysters will go about filtering 55 gallons of water each day leading to 2,021,580 gallons of cleaned and clarified Lagoon water. The best part is that these oysters will not take vacation days off-therefore these hard working crustaceans will filter about ¾ billion gallons of Lagoon water per year (737,876,700 for those who actually took out their calculators).

We also set out three "spat traps" to identify optimal sites for future oyster mat deployment. Once oyster larvae attach to something, it is called spat. A spat trap is composed of a PVC pipe "T" resembling a metal clothesline pole. Wires with ten drilled oyster shells are suspended into the water from each end of the "T." After several weeks, each trap will be analyzed to determine which trap contained the most spat thus determining the locations for future oyster mat placement.



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Perhaps the best part of this story is how one organization can partner with others to make a difference. The latest, and most prolific, organization to join in the project was The Arc, an entity to improve the quality of life for adults with intellectual challenges. Squadron members taught The Arc clients and staff how to assemble the mats and provide quality control. To say this was a success is an understatement. The Arc clients in Vero Beach now have the capacity to assemble over 5,000 oyster mats per year that could be used all over Florida. Further, this is the first time that clients of The Arc, which has local offices throughout the United States, have been used on an environmental project-the potential for nationwide replication is enormous. And if you stop by the local Arc campus you might hear a client say, "I'm going to work today, to help save the Lagoon."



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Commander - Cdr Mary Wohlstein, S



It is hard to believe that it is July already and half of 2016 is behind us.

Last month we enjoyed a visit from District 8 Commander, Al Furtado, SN at our Executive and General Membership Meetings. The Commander spoke to us about the importance of continuing education at the Squadron beginning with the ABC course. Whether you are a boat owner or a guest on someone else's boat, this boating course will give you all the safe boating basics.



The Commander also spoke about the other available continuing education courses such as Seamanship (S), Piloting (P), Advanced Piloting (AP), Junior Navigator (JN), and Senior Navigator (SN). You can challenge these courses by just purchasing the course material and taking the test, you do not have to attend the class.

Two important events are coming up at the District level and all members are encouraged to attend. On July 15, 16 and 17th, there will be a Summer Rendezvous at the South Hutchinson Island Marriott. Members can come by car or boat, stay for a day, or stay for the weekend. Lots of fun activities have been planned.

Mark your calendars for the Fall Conference being held at the West Palm Beach Embassy Suites on September 23, 24 and 25th. Several educational seminars are planned for Saturday morning and a General Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon. Watch for more information as the schedule for the weekend is firmed up. I have been working with District 8 Administrative Officer, Janet Leh, P, to offer a new and improved menu for the Saturday Night Banquet.

Some major "Spring Cleaning" projects have been completed thanks to the efforts of Bob Scully and John Spilman. The rusted drip edge on the east side of the building has been replaced and painted, and although the rotted wood on the east side of the building was replaced and repaired by an outside contractor, Bob Scully finished up the job by painting the newly replaced exterior.



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Calendar

July Events

Independence Day
BBQ - Monday 4th @ 5PM (plus **VB fireworks**)
Myers --Dick

America's Boating Course - Saturday 9th

Other projects still underway include new signage in the front of the building and the placement of the old sign at the rear of the building so that boaters approaching the City Marina or the public launch ramp will be able to identify the Vero Beach Power Squadron from the water.

The 4th Annual White Glove Moving Summer Food Drive is being conducted from June 13 - July 6. I have placed a box under the announcement board for donations of non-perishable food items. Thank you to all who have already donated and there is still time to participate if you have not. This is just another opportunity for VBPS members to reach out and support our community.

Reports from Nora and Dan Lichty about Mary Nelson-Lichty's condition continue to be positive. Mary has started her second round of chemo therapy, her attitude remains upbeat, and she feels good. The family wishes to thank everyone for all their encouragement through visits, cards and e-mails. Please continue to keep Mary in your thoughts and prayers - it really helps!

Please continue to enjoy your summer wherever you are and stay safe.

As always, we are Vero Beach Proud!

Commander, Mary Wohlstein, S

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Executive Officer - Lt/C Tamara Smith, S



Happy Fourth of July to all our members, may your boating be safe and fun always!

Speaking of safety, National Safe Boating Week was successful with a Life Jacket/Man Overboard Demonstration given by Doug Jacoby and Joe Troiano during the lunch break of the ABC class.



Larry Lott and I spoke on two different radio shows about the Vero Beach Power Squadron Safe Boating events.

The Vero Beach Power Squadron manned a booth with the Chamber of Commerce at the Vero Beach Air Show in June. This is an excellent way we gain name recognition in our community.

The Indian River Waterway Cleanup is Saturday July 23rd, 8 am at Riverside Park. The clean up is another great opportunity to help support our community.

The Vero Beach Power Squadron will be serving drinks again this year at Piratefest on Friday July 29th, Saturday July 30th and Sunday July 31st. Our squadron will receive a generous donation for our efforts, requiring many volunteers to cover this event.

Beautiful Thank You cards have been made with our new approved Vero Beach Power Squadron logo. If you would like to send a "Thank You" note to someone, please see me.

Hope to see everyone at the Hutchinson Island Marriott Beach Resort & Marina for the USPS District 8 Summer Rendezvous.

Thank you,
Tamara Smith
Executive Officer

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Education Officer - Lt/C Douglas Jacoby, AP



In recent years, the summer months are reasonably quiet for the Education Department. In the summer of 2016...this is changing. Through the extra commitment of several of our instructors who are in the area all summer, we are offering several courses to the Squadron for a second time this year. Our goal is to provide a greater opportunity for students to take USPS Advanced Courses without waiting another year for our normal schedule. Our summer enrollment period has just ended. It seems this is making sense to students. We have demand to offer Seamanship (Jim Ward JN, P/C), Piloting (Dick Myers JN, AO) and Junior Navigation (Henry Krauss SN, P/C). Great news.



Our regular winter course program will be scheduled as before starting in January 2017. We expect to offer all Advanced Courses.

Recently our District 8 Commander, Al Furtado visited us during a regular Monday meeting. He posed an interesting challenge... as a Squadron member; develop a greater understanding of the Squadron, its mission and of boating knowledge. If you haven't taken the first level of the

@ 9 to 4:30PM--Larry Lott

Bowling Group at Vero Bowl - Tuesday 12th @ 6:15 PM--Nora Lichty

D8 Rendezvous & cruise to Marriot in Stuart - Fri 15th to 17th --District 8 Event

Book Club Lunch at VBYC - Wednesday 20th @ 12:30PM -- Carole Brubaker

Indian River Waterway Cleanup-Sat. 23rd- Riverside Park @ 8 AM--Tamara Smith

Pirate Fest--(Town Event)-July 29th, from 2 to 6, 30th from 10 to 8, 31st from 10 to 4PM--Tamara Smith

Boat "Beach-Up" - Sat 30th -Ft. Pierce Inlet @ 11AM--Joe Troiano

August Events

Executive/ General Membership Meeting - Monday 8th @ 6 & 7:30PM-- Mary Wohlstein

Bowling Group at Vero Bowl - Tuesday 9th @ 6:15 PM--Nora Lichty

Mini Cruise & Potluck Dinner- Sat. 20th afternoon -Pot Luck at 5:30PM @ Loggerhead Marina in Grand Harbor -- Hugh Aaron & Carol Pastirchak.

USPS Governing Board-Pittsburgh- 21st thru 28th--USPS National event

Boat "Beach-up"- Sat. 27th -Ft. Pierce Inlet @ 11AM--Joe Troiano

Birthdays

July

Advanced Courses, Seamanship ... go for it and add a letter to your membership... "S". Watch for course announcement schedules or contact me for further information.... edu@verobeachpowersquadron.com .

Lastly, don't forget to have a USPS Vessel Safety Check... it's free. Request on our VBPS website or give us a call.

Lt/C Douglas Jacoby, AP
Education Officer

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Boat Safety



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Safety - Captain Chris

The question is, "What would you have done differently?"

We have all seen the TV reports about the missing sailboat and four family members. As a responsible adult and trained US Power Squadron member, what advice would you give to boaters? File a float plan. Get a long range weather report from more than one source. Obtain appropriate safety equipment and practice with your crew so everyone knows how to use it. Consider how far off shore you and your boat will be in order to provide effective communication methods.

You always have opportunities to make a difference, in the the boat store, boat ramp, grocery store and anytime you see someone dressed or engaged in boating attire.

Make a difference...save a life.

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- September 16-17, 2016 Introduction to Boat Systems Vero Beach FL
- October 17-20, 2016 Great Loop Rendezvous Rogersville AL
- November 11-12, 2016 Introduction to Boat Systems Vero Beach FL
- January 13-15, 2016 **Stuart Boat Show** Stuart FL

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Carr, Edward J., SN	07/02
Fisher, Scott W., S	07/02
Silver, Larry, AP	07/03
Ford, Ivan M., AP	07/05
Lewis, Stacey J., S	07/06
Pillorge, George J.	07/08
Treat, Terry J.	07/08
Turner, Alvin E., P	07/09
Thomas, Daniel A., SN	07/10
Imbro, Raymond J., JN	07/12
Luca, John A.	07/13
Magyar, Julius L., JN	07/14
Peschio, Judith A., P	07/14
Barth, Allyson H.	07/17
Neville, Mary A.	07/17
Spilman, Barbara, S	07/17
Barrett, Patricia	07/18
Perrigo, John M.	07/18
Caldwell, Alyse, AP	07/19
Auer, Eleanor	07/22
TREAT, Christi F.	07/22
Longmire, Peter H.	07/23
Cimino, Carmin F., P	07/25
Gerber, Gregory E.	07/25
Miller, Warren M., AP	07/25
Mc Gann, Sarah C.	07/27
Davila, Andy F.	07/28
Ashby, Patricia A., S	07/29
Fuller, James M.	07/29
Lavigne, Carol A.	07/29
Sangirardi, James, S	07/30
Murphy, Patricia, S	07/31

August



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Henricks, Herb	08/02
Poirier, Denise M.	08/02
Hutchinson, Linda D., S	08/04
Crawfis, D. James, JN	08/05
Simone, Kenneth E.	08/05
Soltysiak, Marie, AP	08/05
Dillon, Beverly	08/06
Lake, Sally H.	08/06
Colwell, Lawrence F.	08/07
Risley, Michael	08/08
Rockwell, Stanley C.	08/08
Thomas, Katherine I., P	08/09
Ellis, Thomas H., JN	08/10
Dykes, Gianna K.	08/12
Gohl, Barbara E.	08/12
Locke, Walter R.	08/12
Hamilton, Nancy E., S	08/13
McKay, Rosalia I., P	08/14
Finney, Frederick W.	08/15
Brogan, Kevin C., AP	08/16
Caldwell, Christopher H., AP	08/16
Hoogterp, Peter C.	08/16
Maloney, Sandra M.	08/19
Jones, Beverly J.	08/20
Knickman, Rose Marie	08/20
Duggan-Miller, Gayle D., P	08/21
Maloney, Kevin J., S	08/21
Lembeck, William H., S	08/22
Neligon Jr., Thomas J.	08/22
Castle, Paul J., S	08/23

New Members



Bill and Rose Marie Knickman



Herb Henricks with Cathy Ceglady

Please welcome the following new members who joined the Vero Beach Power Squadron since January 2016:

- Laurence Herman (transferred from Michigan)
- Ron Ruggiero
- Gina Johnson
- Walter and Kathleen Locke
- Ken Simone
- Tom & Diane Neligon
- Ella Castle (daughter of Paul and Caroline Castle)
- Robert Bath
- Stoney Powers
- Frank & Deirdre Hineline
- Bob & Nancy Prizito
- Phillip, Allyson & Matthew Barth
- Herb Henricks
- Rose Marie & Bill Knickman
- Michael & Kay Campbell
- Tim & Susan Fenstermaker
- Dan & Catherine Noonan (transferred from Milwaukee)

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Ward, James A., JN	08/25
Hutchison, Donna	08/27
Crawfis, Patricia W.	08/29
Hoogterp, Helena R.	08/29
Becker, Shirley	08/30
Ford, Beverly A., AP	08/31
Richelsoph, Barry	08/31

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Chaplains Corner

Well, I am up in Michigan right now but do not worry chaplaincy is in good hands and spirit with Jan Mooney in my absence. Jan and I attend the same church here in Vero where she serves as a deacon. Recently she participated in a retreat called 'Walk to Emmaus' (which I had previously attended) that amongst other things addressed the value of service to others and our community. Jan is a great gal and well prepared to offer sincere advice, inspiration and/or good conversation. Parting shot: Psalm 104: 25-31 25 "Look at the sea, so big and wide, with creatures large and small they cannot be counted. 26 Ships travel over the ocean, and there is the sea monster Leviathan, which you made play there. 27 All these things depend on you to give them their food at the right time. 28 When you give it to them they gather it up. When you open your hand they are filled with good food. 29 When you turn away from them they become frightened, When you take away their breath, they die and turn to dust. 30 When you breathe on them, they are created, and you make the land new again. 31 May the glory of the Lord be forever. May the Lord enjoy what he has made."

Questions and comments:
 Lt/Chaplain Tom Jones

SGM F.T. Jones III

The Great American Storyteller
 United States Army, Public Affairs (Ret)

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Ensign - Summer 2016

Summer months are upon us. Nautical News proving some light reading as we set sail to cooler climates. See you in September..

Thanks,
Ron Miller
Publisher, Nautical News - Vero Beach Power Squadron



Pieces of Eight - Spring 2016

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