

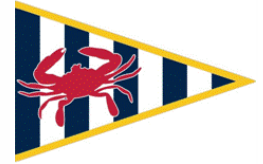
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## Commander's Message

P/C Bruce Arey, JN

This is a special month for members of the Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron as we celebrate the founding of our squadron over 80 years ago in April 1941 as part of the National organization of United States Power Squadrons established in February, 1914. Although our mission is to promote safe boating through the courses that we offer, camaraderie among our members and support of civic organizations, we also face enormous challenges in the future to ensure that the waters of the bay, on which we depend so much for our enjoyment of the pleasures of boating, be as clean as possible. Building and restoration of forested buffers along streams and rivers is a great way to capture and filter out the pollutants from runoff that pass through the buffers. I think that ASPS should seriously think about volunteering with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation Farm Stewardship Program in the building and restoring of forested buffers. I will keep watch for volunteer opportunities coming up this year and relay the information back to the squadron.

Make sure to watch for emails advertising upcoming ASPS educational, social, and civic opportunities.

A quote from Margaret Mead, an American anthropologist, who commented on many societal issues including environmental pollution:



**“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”**

**Margaret Meade**

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## Administrative Officer

Lt/C Priscilla Travis

As February arrives, we are hoping to see the peak of COVID-19 declining in the rear-view mirror so we can find a way to a more normal life. Our adaptability keeps being tested.



As you may have noticed in the ASPS Calendar, the February 3 and March 3 meetings will be on ZOOM. We hope we can change that for April.

## Founders Day

**February 3 at 7:00 p.m. is the Founder's Day Celebration and ASPS's 81<sup>st</sup> anniversary.** The agenda includes **voting** on the 2022-23 budget and **approval** of the slate of nominees for the 2022-23 ASPS Bridge. Please attend to carry out the business of the squadron. You will receive email reminders and login details.



The speaker for Founders' Day is ASPS member Bill Eldridge. Bill will reflect on "District 5, Wooden Boats, and Ceremonies: The Lighter Side of USPS."

Bill joined the Potomac River Power Squadron in 1963 and since then he's been an active Squadron member at four squadrons. He was charter Secretary of the Northern Virginia Power Squadron, and SEO, AO, XO, and Commander of the Palm Beach Power Squadron, Commander of D/5, and now he's with ASPS.

In 2015 he received the National Chapman Award as Teacher of the Year. Bill is a Governing Board Member Emeritus, and as you might expect with his long history with USPS, by 2021 he had achieved 56 merit marks.

## Founders' Day Recognizes 108 Years of Boating Education and Service

In February 1914, representatives of many yacht clubs met at the New York Yacht Club to join in a national organization to be known as the United States Power Squadrons. By 1938, there were 4,406 members and the Governing Board established seven divisions, later changed to districts.

By 1982, the Governing Board recognized that boating was a family-oriented activity and changed the constitution and bylaws to permit women and other family members to become active members. By 1995, women made up 27% of USPS membership.

The roster of seven squadrons in 1914 has grown now to well over 450 units operating in the continental United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Japan. USPS is the largest U.S. non-profit boating organization and has been honored by three U.S. presidents for its civic contributions. A parallel organization, Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons, with which we maintain close cooperation, flourishes in Canada.

## Change of Watch

**The March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting at 7:00 p.m. is the annual Change of Watch**, where you will meet the new officers. Watch for emails with agenda details and login information.



## 2022 USPS Annual Meeting, February 19-27

[Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa,](#)

1000 PGA Tour Boulevard, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL.

Below is some information about the annual meeting at the Sawgrass Marriott:

- The **Hotel reservations** have been extended until **Friday 4 February, 2022.**
- You may still make reservations for the Tours at the Annual Meeting.
- The discounted reservation on **Tours** at the Annual Meeting ended 15 January, 2022, but you can still make one of the Tours
- The **Meals and Special events** at the Annual Meeting still have an early bird registration available until **Saturday 5 February, 2022.**
- Please make arrangements to attend the Admin Lunch....it is a great time to be entertained and also learn.
- The COVID-19 Protocols below are **recommended** and not mandatory.
- Attending the Annual Meeting, the COVID-19 vaccine is recommended but **not** mandatory (it may be required for travel)
- All other items on the list below are recommendations as well.

We are all looking forward to seeing everyone in Ponte Vedra, Florida from 19-27 February, 2022. This is our first annual meeting in two years....come out and see old friends and meet new ones. The seminars planned (see the National website) are going to be very informative and constructive for your District and/or Squadron/Club.

### COVID-19 Protocols for 2022 Annual Meeting participants

Your health and well-being has been and remains important to us. COVID has not disappeared and variants are concerning to many.

Those members who have underlying medical issues or are health-compromised should give serious consideration to the potential ramifications of choosing to attend. Each member must make his or her own decision to attend or not attend.

There are nearly as many variations of protocols as there are states in the union. We remain committed to recommending that our members follow all CDC, state, and local guidelines as well as those imposed by the facilities in which we conduct business. Based on these guidelines, the following recommendations and protocols will be enforced during the February 2022 Annual Meeting at the Sawgrass Marriott Resort in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

1. Get the COVID-19 vaccine. Proof of vaccination may be a requirement of traveling to and from the 2022 Annual Meeting.
2. Get the booster when you're fully eligible.
3. Continue wearing a mask in indoor public places.
4. Practice social distancing. We will again use the colored stickers on name tags to indicate one's comfort zone.
5. Wash your hands often. Use hand sanitizer.

Learn what to expect from the hotel and its services; visit the Sawgrass Marriott Hotel site: <https://whattoexpect.marriott.com/jaxsw>.

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## VPI Pet Insurance Discounts:

There have been a lot of reports in the news recently about pets adopted during the COVID quarantine period - especially about the surprising costs of veterinarian care. Squadron members can use one of the benefits from our national organization to help with this!

USPS members receive a 5% group discount on a VPI pet insurance policy. Plus, owners of multiple pets are entitled to receive additional discounts! Cover your pets from accidents, illnesses and more!

Call 877-PETS-VPI (877-738-7874) Mention your membership with the US Power Squadrons or visit:

<http://www.petinsurance.com/usps>.



**Your valentine would love to have an ASPS logo jacket from <http://asps.qbstores.com>**



**Executive Officer**  
**Lt/C Ralph Leasure, S**

As we approach our next meeting, we are shoveling out from the last snow storm, listening to winds trying to tear the roof off and desperately looking for products in stores with bare shelves. At the same time the pandemic continues to demand our attention and keeps us masked. It's unfortunate that our next meeting will be virtual, because it is significant as our Founders Day Celebration.

For over one hundred and seven years, America's Boating Club has been helping boaters enjoy the boater's experience. By providing sophisticated courses, seminars and on-water boater's education, the boater is given opportunities to increase their confidence and competence on the water.

In addition, the social experiences are extremely beneficial as new relationships are built and cultivated, not to mention the fun and collegiality of participating in events designed for boaters by boaters.

Sure, there's always talk about the best ways to govern or to change districts or National, but let's just pause to remember, and credit the founders and the effort they put in to organize what is now the largest boating group in the country, still all done to increase enjoyment and improve safety.

Come on Spring!

<http://aspsmd.org/>



**Overhand Knot**

Here is something really simple for February - an overhand knot.

You can try this one when you tie the ribbons on the present for your sweetie on Valentine's Day.







## *2022 ABC Valley Forge Summer Cruise*

*Note: Last year, LUX participated in the Valley Forge Cruise to get to know some other folks in D/5. If you would like to participate this year, here is the information direct from Valley Forge. For questions, contact [Georgiana Maszczenski](mailto:Georgiana.Maszczenski).*

Our Main Line Sail & Power Squadron **2022** summer cruise itinerary is set. This year we sent a questionnaire to the members who attended the 2021 Summer Cruise asking which marinas they prefer. There were four marinas and a yacht club chosen by our cruisers. The top five are listed below and we plan to go to all of them. We are estimating that between **10 and 15 boats will join us this summer**. If you would like to crew on a boat, please let me know.

There will be **many interesting activities** on the cruise, all of which are optional. Look for details about the cruise activities in a subsequent Pilot article. We always have fun activities, and hopefully that will influence your decision to join us this year. These will include **a beach party, dinner at great restaurants, several guest speakers, more of our celebrated boat crawls, the infamous “forward throttle award” ceremony of course, and other interesting activities still in development**. You can sign up for the activities at our April pre-cruise dinner meeting.

**Don't miss this annual cruise!** Something exciting always provides wonderful memories. **If you are new to boating, we can team you with another similar boat.**

The marinas have requested a list of the boats that will require slips. **Please complete this form** indicating the marinas for which you will require a slip.

**Please email your response to [wrjones3@verizon.net](mailto:wrjones3@verizon.net) or send the completed form to P/C Russ Jones, 115 Oak Street, Downingtown, PA 19335. No deposit required.**

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Beam: \_\_\_\_\_ Draft: \_\_\_\_\_

Type: [ ] Power; [ ] Sail    Electric: [ ] Single 30; [ ] Dual 30; [ ] Single 50; [ ] Dual 50

- [ ] Friday, June 17 – Baltimore Yacht Club, Sue Island
- [ ] Saturday, June 18 – Baltimore Yacht Club, Sue Island
- [ ] Sunday, June 19 – Harbor East Marina, Baltimore
- [ ] Monday, June 20 – Harbor East Marina, Baltimore
- [ ] Tuesday, June 21 – The Yacht Basin, Annapolis
- [ ] Wednesday, June 22 – The Yacht Basin, Annapolis
- [ ] Thursday, June 23 – Herrington Harbour South, Herring Bay
- [ ] Friday, June 24 – Herrington Harbour South, Herring Bay
- [ ] Saturday, June 25 – Haven Harbor Marina, Rock Hall





## Photos from Members Betty Rouse Wilmot and John Wilmot

“Teddy loves the snow --lucky he has a black head so we can find him when he plunges into the deep stuff. A little chilly in the hot tub this morning--temp right on 0.”



This is from the deck of their home on Deep Creek Lake BEFORE the snow.

And, here is Betty, trying to walk the dog AFTER the snow. She might consider getting a dog with longer legs, or teaching this one how to use stilts.

John says they are thinking about us here in Annapolis.

We would love to get some pics from members. If you have some you would like to share, send them along for the next issue of the Anchor Watch.



## Boating Links to Browse

From Practical Sailor, a great article on Preventing [Marine Electrical Corrosion](#).

Some of our members dive. Did you know there is a museum just for you in Islamorada, Florida?

<https://divingmuseum.org/>

And if you do not dive, you can still experience life on the coral reef. Check out our own National Aquarium in Baltimore. This is the live feed from the Blacktip Reef. Great fun for a winter day!

<https://aqua.org/explore/livestreams#blacktip-reef>

From Chesapeake Bay Magazine:

St. Michaels, Md. is home to a unique program training shipwrights in the skills needed to build, repair and restore historic vessels. And now, the value of that program has been recognized with a new \$30,000-plus grant for the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum.

<https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/maritime-museum-apprentice->

For trip ideas in the Chesapeake Bay area:

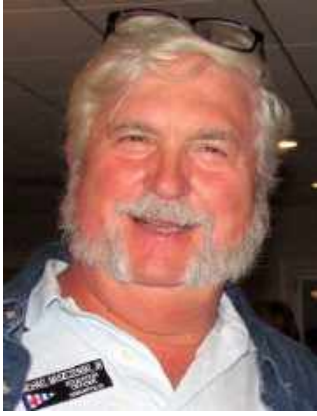
<https://www.findyourchesapeake.com/trip-ideas/article/featured-tips-this-week>

The last time I looked, there was a picture of a man ice fishing. But this website changes frequently. Bookmark it and check back frequently if you are wondering what you can do to chase away the winter blahs!

For more nautical-related links, see the "Links Page" on the ASPSP website:

<http://aspsmd.org/wrappers/pages.php?ID=13>





## Educational Officer

Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N

There were not enough registrants for the Marine Communications Systems to conduct the class. We will try again at another time. Fifteen students got a chance to complete the new replacement course for Piloting. The course was successful. A lot of good information was acquired from the revision. This was the first time Piloting was taught with the emphasis on electronic navigation. OpenCPN was used as the basis for the course. All responses have been very positive, and the participants were satisfied.

Don't forget that there are lots of educational and fun things to do to get into boating. If you have not explored the AmericasBoating channel, it is worth your time. Great videos on many topics about boating can be found at: <https://AmericasBoatingChannel.com>

Another useful thing to do during the winter months is to learn a new app for your phone. The America's Boating Club App is a good resource to have on your phone. So, taking the time to download it, set it up, and explore it is a great thing to do before boating season begins.

Don't forget to sign up for one of our seminars or courses. All classes will be conducted over Zoom until we can meet again at the schools. All courses and seminars will be on Tuesday nights - 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

### America's Boating Course -ABCIII

Date: Tuesdays - five sessions - April 12 to May 10, 2022

Place: Zoom - Login directions given prior to class

Cost: Members of ASPS Free, Non-Members \$10.00

Taking a boating class reduces your risk of accidents and injuries, saves you money on boat insurance, and qualifies you for a state boat license or operator certificate in most states.

America's Boating Course is the most comprehensive, single source, in-person boating course available to give you the skills you need to enjoy your time on the water and boat with confidence. Available in both English and Spanish, our boater safety class meets most states' certification requirements.

What You'll Learn:

- ✿ Information about your State Boating Laws, regulations, boat registration, and licensing.
- ✿ Required boating safety equipment
- ✿ Do's and don'ts of boating safely
- ✿ Practical knowledge of navigation and rules of the road
- ✿ How to handle medical emergencies onboard and mechanical problems on the water
- ✿ The basics of towing and trailering
- ✿ Special important information for hunters, anglers, and sports enthusiasts.

Upon passing, receive your Boating Safety Card, allowing legal operation of a recreational vessel for all persons born after July 1972.



### Trailer Your Boat Seminar

Date: Tuesday - one session - March 22, 2022

Place: Zoom - Login directions given prior to class

Cost: Everyone - \$10.00, plus an additional optional \$20.00 for nonmember registration with USPS.



Discover how to safely trailer your boat to areas with better fishing, weather, or camping facilities. You'll gain the skills and tips needed to safely move your boat, as well as maintenance hints and boat ramp etiquette. Get tips on protecting your gear before, during, and after transit, and learn the "one-block rule."

Discover how to: ♦ select tow vehicles, hitches, and trailers, ♦ how to safely and securely trailer your boat, ♦ techniques to launch and retrieve it, and ♦ how to operate and maintain your trailering equipment. The seminar includes video segments provided by the US Coast Guard and excellent slide notes.

Specifically, you will learn:

- ✿ The challenge of trailering
- ✿ Choosing your vehicle
- ✿ Types of hitches
- ✿ Choosing and equipping your trailer
- ✿ The art of towing
- ✿ Launching your boat
- ✿ Trailering sailboats
- ✿ Maintenance

### Basic Weather Forecasting Seminar

Date: Tuesday - one session - May 24, 2022

Place: Zoom - Login directions given prior to class

Cost: Everyone \$10.00, plus an additional optional \$20.00 for nonmember registration with USPS.



Don't let bad weather ruin your day! Learn to forecast and predict the weather. Learn to recognize the early signs of changing weather; how to anticipate storms, squalls, fog, and wind shifts. Become familiar with basic weather elements and how they affect your boating experience.

What's included?

- ✿ What causes weather
- ✿ How weather systems move
- ✿ Why winds blow
- ✿ What clouds tell us
- ✿ How storms and fronts create foul weather
- ✿ Why fog forms
- ✿ Where to get the best professional forecasts
- ✿ How to refine them using your own observations



**Do you have something you would like to present to a group of boaters?** I am always looking for someone to share their expertise in a subject of interest to boaters. If you would like to present a seminar, course, or become an America's Boating Club Certified Instructor, let's talk. Contact me at [michaelm\\_aacps@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelm_aacps@hotmail.com) or call 410-739-7800.



### Registration for All ASPS Sponsored Courses

ASPS needs 10 participants to present a course or seminar. Please register as soon as possible. Materials must be ordered, and materials pick-up arranged. [Click Here to Register](#) or [email michaelm\\_aacps@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelm_aacps@hotmail.com), or call 410-739-7800. If you do not get an answer, please leave voice mail with contact information. When registered, you will receive an email confirmation. Other information and directions will be emailed as the start date for the course or seminar approaches.

Other local squadrons' activities are available to ASPS members.  
Information for Nearby Squadrons:

### America's Boating Club Kent Narrows

Schedule of tentative courses and seminars. All but ABCIII will be over Zoom, except for ABCIII

- ✿ **ABCIII** live at Boson's Marine Grasonville - Being rescheduled for March, 2022. Free for stundets 17 and under, \$10.00 for all others. To register, go to <http://tinyurl.com/2m3m92tn>
- ✿ **Boat Handling Course** - May 5, 2022
- ✿ **Compass Seminar** - June 14, 2022
- ✿ **Winterization** - October 2022

Download their newsletter for latest info and registration information:

Website and Newsletter: [America's Boating Club of Kent Narrows](#)

To register for ABC Kent Narrows courses, go to [USPS.org](https://www.usps.org) or email Patty Eney [ABCKN.edu@gmail.com](mailto:ABCKN.edu@gmail.com) or call 773-351-2403.

Rockville Sail and Power Squadron: [www.abcrockville.org](http://www.abcrockville.org)

America's Boating Club Baltimore: <https://www.usps.org/localusps/sss-dk>



*“Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.”*

*Dame Edith Louisa Sitwell, British Poet*





## What's In Your Toolbox?

### Lord of the Electronics, Terry Slattery, Safety Officer

Are tools really a safety item? Absolutely! Examples? I'm glad you asked.

An Alpha 42 catamaran was lost in the Atlantic (the crew was rescued) when their steering system was damaged and they had limited tools on board. Most of their tools had been shipped to their destination. In a case closer to home, a sailboat avoided being swept into a shoal in light winds when the engine starter button failed. Ready access to a jumper wire in the tool bag allowed the crew to quickly start the engine. A catamaran experienced a night time collision with something during a delivery. A dive flashlight allowed the captain to ascertain the damage and take appropriate

action.

The USPS cruising course includes a whole section on tools and spares. The theme is to have the tools and spares you need to service all the critical systems on board. Critical systems are those systems that must function enough for you to get safely to your destination. It includes keeping water out of the boat, keeping the crew on board, providing a means of propulsion, a means of steering, and a form of navigation. You should include food and water needs for long passages. The less-than-critical systems make life aboard more enjoyable. Consider the weekend trip in which a repair to the marine toilet determines the outcome.



The tools most often needed on a boat are the same across different boat types. This includes the standard compliment of wrenches, screwdrivers, pliers, hammer, hacksaw with spare blades, wire brushes, voltmeter, sandpaper, waterproof flashlight, and tape of various sorts. You'll need a variety of some tools. For wrenches, you should have open/box, allen, adjustable, and sockets, in a combination of metric and imperial sizes to fit everything on board. It's valuable to have screwdrivers in various sizes and shapes and bits, including a set of jeweler's screwdrivers. A handy version is the six-way screwdriver that has two phillips bits, two straight bits, and two

nutdriver sizes. Modern boats contain a lot of electronics and that quality crimping tool, an array of connectors, and a container of spare wire is an essential item.

A good selection of a few power tools can reduce the time necessary to effect repairs. A drill, an oscillating multitool, and a rotary tool comprise a nice, compact solution. You'll need to decide between cordless and corded tools. The advent of new battery types and brushless motors has made cordless tools very effective replacements for corded tools. Ideally, select tools that use the same battery packs and charger. Charging doesn't use much power and can be satisfied with a small plug-in inverter. If you opt for corded tools, you'll need an inverter to power them and long enough extension cords to reach everywhere on board. Just be aware that the higher voltages of corded tools may create an additional





hazard. Cordless tools with battery packs up to 50 volts are much safer.

But what about specialty tools? It depends on what systems you have on board. A contactless thermometer is useful for both medical use (is someone running a fever) as well as checking engine and electrical system overheating. A small tap and die set can allow you to fix a stripped out screw. A heat gun (typically corded) simplifies dealing with stiff plumbing hoses or sealing heat-shrink tubing and connectors. A gear puller may be needed to change a cutlass bearing, remove a propeller, or separate other friction-fit parts. A set of jumper wires, both small (22 gauge wire) and medium (16 gauge wire) is valuable for a variety of electrical system tasks. Small hand pumps are valuable for moving liquids of various sorts, especially oil and fuel. In another case, a caliper was used to measure the dimensions of a water pump oil seal so that a replacement could be purchased at a local auto store. Look out for special socket wrench sizes for oversize fasteners.



What do you do with those tools? It's handy to organize your tools by frequency of use. Consider using a small, soft tool bag for frequently used tools or tools that you may need quickly, and store it in an easily accessed location. It's ok to store the less frequently used tools elsewhere. Just avoid storing tools near navigation electronics that are disrupted by magnetic fields.



Changes to your phone number, address, e-mail?  
Please contact P/C Gary Budesheim, SN  
at [roster@aspsmd.org](mailto:roster@aspsmd.org) or (302) 538-5276.



## Founders Day Meeting February 3, 2022

This meeting will be a ZOOM meeting. Please attend as there are some squadron business items on the agenda which will affect all members:

We must vote on a **budget** for next year. The budget will not be printed in the Anchor Watch as this publication is freely available from the website. Those members wishing to have a copy may contact Jeff Short at [jeshortmd@gmail.com](mailto:jeshortmd@gmail.com).

In addition, the **slate of officers** must be voted upon at this meeting. They will be inducted at the March meeting. They are listed below.

### The 2022-2023 ASPS Proposed Slate of Officers

#### Bridge

Commander:	Ralph Leasure	Immediate Past Commander: Bruce Arey
<b>Executive Officer:</b>	<b>VACANT</b>	
Administrative Officer:	Susan Gilbert	Audit Committee:
Asst Admin Officer:	Georgiana Maszczenski	Rich Hughes
Education Officer:	Michael Maszczenski	William Klepczynski
Asst Ed. Officer:	Patrick McGeehan	Homer Sandridge
Secretary:	Carol Rechner	Nominating Committee:
Asst Secretary:	Linda Sweeting	Bruce Arey, Chair
Treasurer:	Lorrie Short	Peggy Slattery
Asst Treasurer:	Terry Slattery	Bruce Arey
Executive Committee:		Diane Leasure
<b>VACANT</b>		John Wilmot
<b>Harun Kazaz</b>		Rules Committee:
Georgiana Maszczenski		Stu Myers
Kay Himmelmann		<b>Anthony Martin</b>
Jeff Short		<b>Purnell Delly</b>
Edwin Sunderland		
John Wilmot		
<b>VACANT</b>		

But it is not all work! Our own Bill Eldridge will be our speaker for the meeting. His topic is one very appropriate for Founders Day - "District 5, Wooden Boats, and Ceremonies: The Lighter Side of USPS."

Early login will be at 6:45 pm.

The meeting will start at 7:00 pm.

Login information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4898735901?pwd=YVppczBkaWFpUjB5NjdUSzA4OVNlU0p1>

Meeting ID: 489 873 5901

Passcode: asps





## My Meeting Musings

### P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S

It was such a joy to be able to get together *in person* in December. Everyone was so excited to be free from our COVID confinement. We were so hopeful that we were coming out of our pandemic phase. It appears we were a tad overconfident. Once again, we find COVID doesn't care whether or not we are tired of dealing with it. By the end of December, COVID cases were on the rise once again. In response, the Executive Committee decided to hold January's meeting virtually. As always, our major concern is the health of our members. We met on 6 January, once again in the Zoom world.

Luckily, our planned speaker was more than willing to join us online. Debbie Daugherty, the Director of Development for Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating (known locally as CRAB), talked about CRAB past activities as well as plans for the future. Debbie has been active in the Annapolis area for over 25 years. She brings a wealth of knowledge and talent to her job at CRAB. If you missed this meeting, you missed learning all about CRAB and its role in providing accessible boating in the Annapolis area. Here's some of the information you missed!

- CRAB started in 1991 as a nonprofit providing access for sailing to anyone with a disability.
- CRAB provides sailing experiences and instruction to over 1,000 guests every year from its base of operations at Sandy Point State Park. Thanks to the numerous CRAB volunteer skippers, crew, and support staff, sailing programs are held every week from April through October and include Family Sail Sundays, Group Sails, Sailing Camps and Clinics, and Regattas.
- CRAB has been operating out of Sandy Point State Park.
- In 2017, CRAB added 6 new Beneteau 22 sailboats – modified for accessibility.
- As they go forward, CRAB plans to construct an adaptive boating center in Annapolis. It will be created out of the old Port Williams Marina on Back Creek.
- The City of Annapolis officially owns the land at the marina, but CRAB has leased it for 40 years.
- The site will have floating piers, a pavilion, and an educational building.
- CRAB is using grant money to add a pontoon boat to their fleet. It will have a ramp to enable easy wheelchair access.



Our meetings, whether in person or virtual, always give us the opportunity to connect with fellow members and to learn from a knowledgeable speaker. Our next meeting will also be held on Zoom. We will be celebrating Founders Day. It won't be the traditional meeting, but it will be an opportunity to come together to reflect on our past and to dream about our future. Until then, stay safe and warm.







[www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org)



[www.uspsd5.org](http://www.uspsd5.org)



[www.aspsmd.org](http://www.aspsmd.org)



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## Calendar of Coming Events

### United States Power Squadrons® Events

19-27 Feb USPS National Annual Meeting  
27Feb - 06 Mar ABC Eastern Caribbean Cruise

### District 5 Events

31 Mar -03 Apr D/5 Spring Conference - Ocean City, Maryland

### Squadron Events for Annapolis and Nearby Squadrons

04 Feb ASPS Founder's Day Celebration  
24 Feb Executive Committee Meeting - ZOOM  
03 Mar ASPS Change of Watch  
24 Mar Executive Committee Meeting - ZOOM

For a complete list of ASPS Squadron Events, see:

<http://www.aspsmd.org/calendar/month.php>

### SUNSHINE LADY

If you know of anyone sick or in the hospital,  
please contact our sunshine lady.

Betty Rouse Wilmot  
[sunshine@aspsmd.org](mailto:sunshine@aspsmd.org)



# Remember our Presidents



## ASPS Squadron Leadership

### Bridge

**Commander:** Cdr Bruce Arey, JN

**Chaplain:** P/C Howard Cupples, JN

**Merit Mark Chairman:** Lt/C Ralph Leasure, S

**Law Officer:** P/C Anthony Martin, JN

**Executive Officer:** Lt/C Ralph Leasure, S

**Vessel Safety Chair:** 1st/Lt Patrick McGeehan, P

**Safety Officer:** 1st/Lt Terry Slattery

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