



History of Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron- starting with USPS



The Story begins:

Recreational yachting in the early 1900s –

Mostly sailing craft and large steam yachts manned by professional crews.

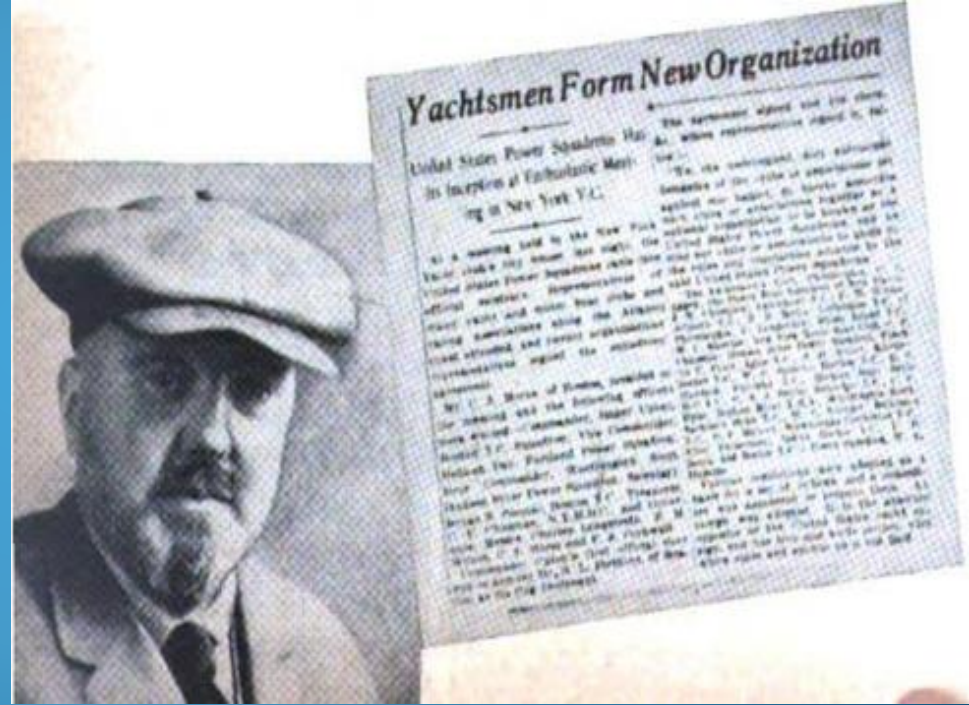




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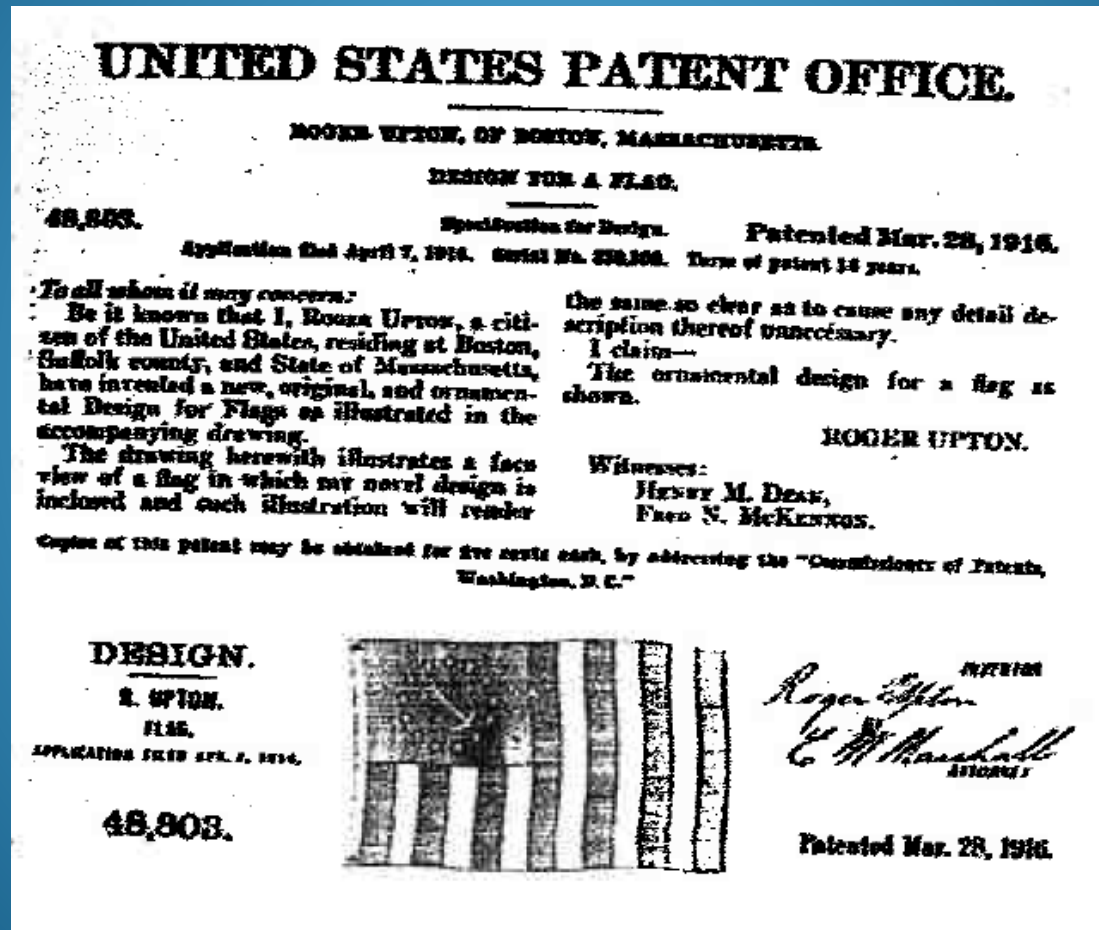
1911- Roger Upton proposed a new group to the Boston Yacht club for the gasoline powered boat owners.



United States Power Squadron was formed!
Roger Upton was the first Commander.



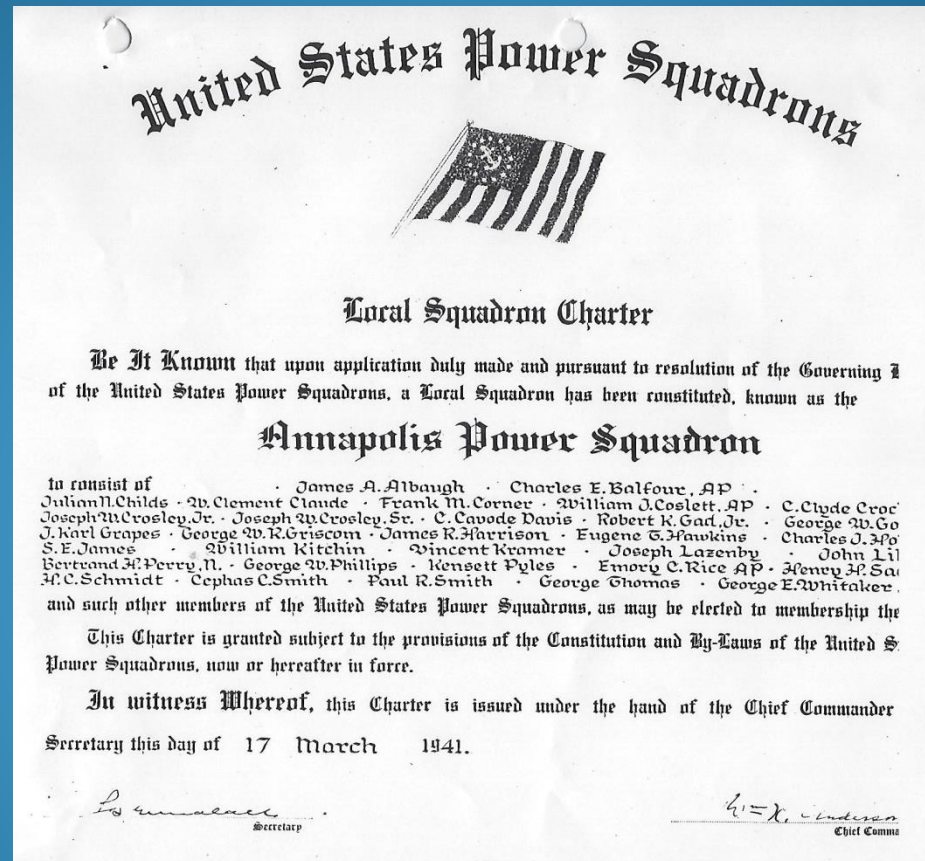
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The Burgee gets a US Patent in 1916.



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17 March 1941 –
Annapolis Power Squadron is chartered!



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In the beginning, meetings and classes were held at the Annapolis Yacht Club



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CRABTOWN

ANNAPOLIS POWER SQUADRON

59° N — 76° 29' W ♣ SPRING 1943 ISSUE ♣ AAQL

... from the Bridge

Commander Emory C. Rice, N.
♣ A.P.S. ♣

The first issue of the *Crabtown Log*, can be classed as a very important happening in the history of the Annapolis Power Squadron. The growth of the Squadron and interest created since its inception in 1940 were 'way beyond the anticipation of any one who were responsible for its foundation. Its membership will be well over a hundred this year and its significance (than the number) is the fact that we have brought together a mighty fine group of men. Certainly with such an excellent response to a white objective, we should have the benefit of a publication which will not only keep everyone acquainted with the activities, but, as time goes on, form a historical record of this Squadron, which every indication of becoming one of the most important of all the United States Power Squadrons. If of us I am sure, will be looking forward with a great deal of interest to the *Crabtown Log*.

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Comdr. J. N. Childs, A. P.

It would like to call the attention of the whole crew to the fact that an urgent request has been made by Commander Wm. F. Avery, N., North River P. S., for books to go to sea. The Book Campaign calls for copies of books to be sent to the boys aboard. Special mention is made of the Naval Training Centers, Navigation and Seamanship books. All you have to do is open the attic, dig into that closet, empty the shelves, etc. But the main thing is to PRODUCE BOOKS TO GO TO SEA. Put your name, address and your affiliation on the inside cover of the book. You will never know from who or where you will get a message of thanks. Bring your seagoing books to me and I will send same to the New York Centre for distribution. Come on get going!

Another important announcement is the fact that the APS by-laws have been amended providing a Local AP Course Board. Approved by G/B January 16, at the USPS annual meeting in New York.

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Comdr. Bertrand H. Perry, N.
♣ USPS ♣

The USPS is a co-operative organization, operated on the principle of the Golden Rule, viz., to do

FOCUSL STUFF

Said a neophyte of the Elementary Class, "I'm taking this Piloting Course, because I love boats and everything nautical, but I wish somebody would give me some dope on what the USPS is all about." An old steady regular piped up with the following answer: "The objects of the United States Power Squadrons shall be to establish a high standard of skill . . . and to stimulate interest in activities which will tend to the upbuilding of our Navy, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine."

The Annapolis Power Squadron is mighty proud of the purposes of the USPS. We sincerely hope that Lt. Bob Brady's Elementary will feel the same way about it as soon as they get their "sea legs", because we are mighty proud of them too. The newcomers will soon realize that "establishing a high standard of skill" is accomplished thru the instruction given by the Squadron Staff, and some serious study on the part of the individual student. Navy a man in the Squadrons reaps a nickels worth of monetary remuneration for the time he spends lecturing, instructing, or any other activity concerning the USPS. He performs these duties because he enjoys helping others. . . . He wants to lend a hand . . . the same as he was assisted by members ahead of him . . . now he is doing his part . . . That is the spirit of the USPS . . . and one of the reasons why the organization is such a success, and held in such high esteem by all of our military and naval services today. You will be surprised what a big kick those "free" instructors get, when their class members complete their courses satisfactorily, and are presented for membership in the Squadron. That is the "Pay-off" they crave and appreciate more than anything else. So come on, let's get going. Elementaries, grab an ear, pull together, and prepare yourself for the "big payoff" which is, knock 'ole Piloting exam for a lollipopalooza.

All of the Squadrons are holding "brush up" classes for reserve officers, and men of the various services for the duration. This in itself is a manifestation that the USPS is still on the beam as of War I . . . "stimulating activities which will tend to the upbuilding of our Navy, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine."

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Lt. Lt. "Kenny" Pyles and his crew sure brought the last AP Class thru with colors by 22 members in the class—21 passed. "Port Inspector" Boit Perry reported a rather long watch for his staff during the AP exam, but he was optimistic about the outcome. Hours

Grog and Bellywash

GROG to—
Commodore Misgudt and his Annapolis Yacht Club, B/G for their valuable cooperation, and their kind hospitality, in materially assisting the APS. Commander C. C. Davis, USN, a "back log" of the APS, dependable as the state, always ready and willing to take over a watch for the APS. We are 'kucky to have you as a shipmate. Covode, thanks. . . .
Finn Lit, Kenneth Pyles, for an extra fine job in conducting a very successful AP Class. Keep up the good work, Ken.
Keith Moleworth for making it possible for the APS to have shown at their meeting, "The Earth," "Rules of the Road" and "Charts," USN Navigation pictures. It is not a case of giving us a foot and taking a yard, Keith, but we can use plenty of those instructive lectures. Do it again, sailor. We love it.

BELLYWASH to—
Lt. Comdr. Chilly Childs and Add Athaug for cornering the market on Wild Ducks and Shoes. (Ed. Note: These remarks were by some "coir-trapper"—but the Ed. wants it known that these two distinguished gentlemen are his best, best friends—especially with such a well stocked freezer.)
"Southman" Boit Perry, of the Crab Creek Plantation for re-designing a Maryland Mint Jalap, and dubbing it a Baltimore Blitz. The Stuka!
Sec. Lt. "Sea-Jay" Berry, reason: No news of APS in February Ensign's News of Local Squadrons.

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A further proof that the USPS is still conforming to its original purposes and objects, as of its inception in 1914, is the fact that all of the Squadrons have impressive Honor Rolls in this War II. In the Annapolis Squadron, for instance, you may hear something like—"what ever happened to Joe"—or, "don't see Charley anymore," etc. . . . Well, they have more important business to transact "elsewhere," or we know damn well that they would be right aboard here on duty in some capacity, O.K., Crabtowners, just cast your optics on the list below, and you have the answer.

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PROUDLY PRESENTING THE ANNAPOLIS POWER SQUADRON ROLL OF HONOR

V. R. Caronna	V. Kramer
W. J. Coulter	C. K. Lane
J. W. Crotley, Jr.	A. J. Powers
C. C. Davis	C. W. Sadler
R. C. Gal, Jr.	H. C. Schmidt
G. W. Gould	G. Thomas
G. W. Haley	R. L. Turner
J. R. Harrison	G. E. Whitaker
F. N. Howard	

(Total membership, seventy; members in service, 34%) "Never a finer bunch of fellows"

Keep The Ensign Flying

1943 A try at a new look for the Anchor Watch



History of ASPS

Our Squadron Song in 1943

- Hail Annapolis
 - Hail our Squadron,
 - Down the Severn Way.
 - We're not tailors, We are Sailors,
 - Sailing on the Bay
- We have A. P. S. Navigators,
 - Steer a course so true.
 - Join our chorus. You'll adore us.
 - Sailing on the blue!



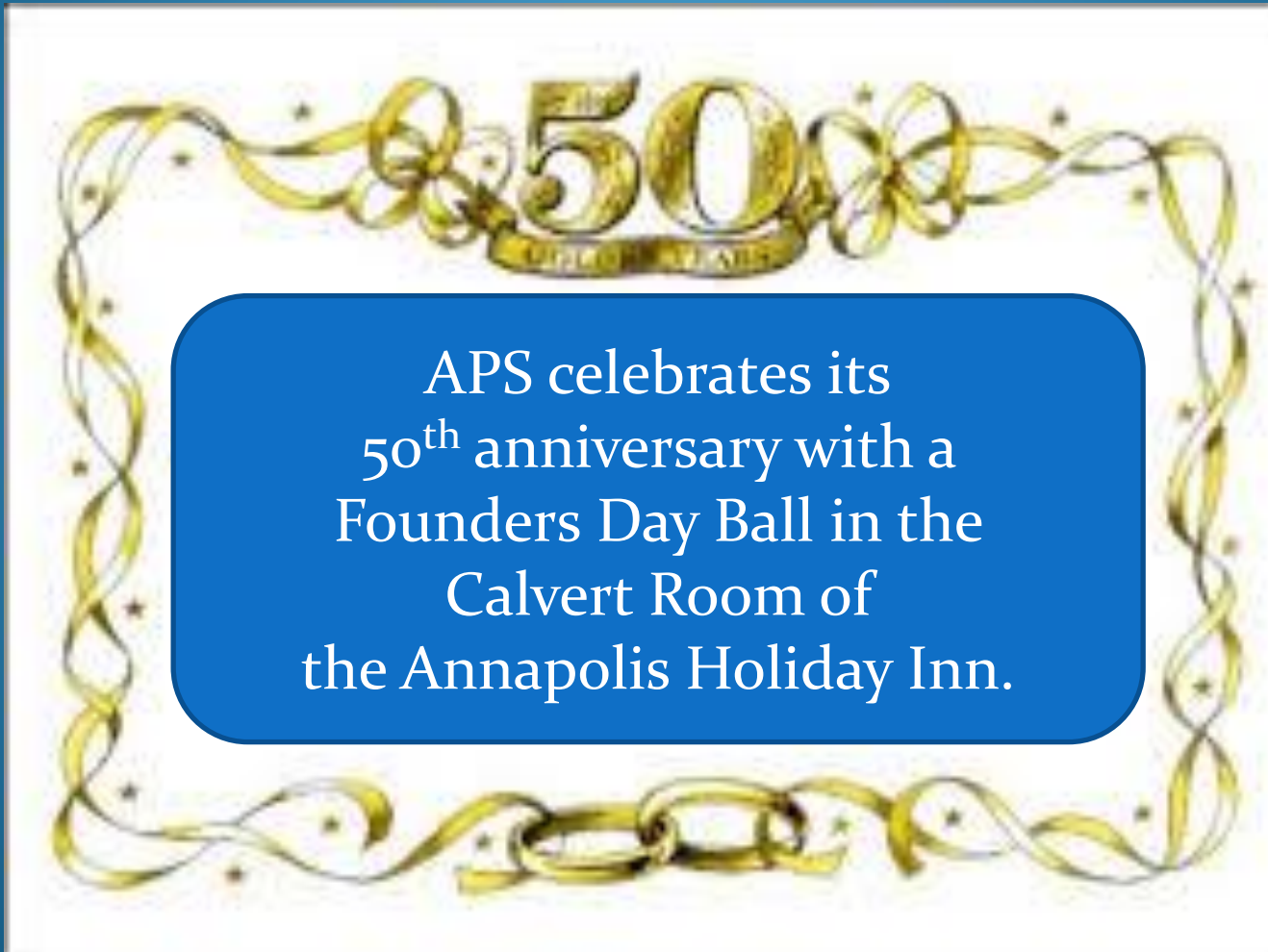
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Our New Squadron Song in 1947

- Now Squadron men
from sea to sea
 - May fly the Ensign
true,
 - But who has better
right than we
 - To hoist this symbol
hue?
- For here together by
the bay
 - Where Severn joins the
tide
 - Wins success on land
and underway
 - With the Squadron
Pledge our guide.

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1951



APS celebrates its
50th anniversary with a
Founders Day Ball in the
Calvert Room of
the Annapolis Holiday Inn.



History of ASPS

Burgee Became Official in 1957





History of ASPS affected by USPS



1975- Marilyn Hinden sues to allow women full membership in USPS

1982- Women were invited to membership.
Family Memberships were established



History of ASPS

- 1990- Charter was amended to allow “Sail” to be added to the Squadron names.
- Annapolis Power Squadron became Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron
- 2017- We became America's Boating Club®





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24 Years of Commanders!



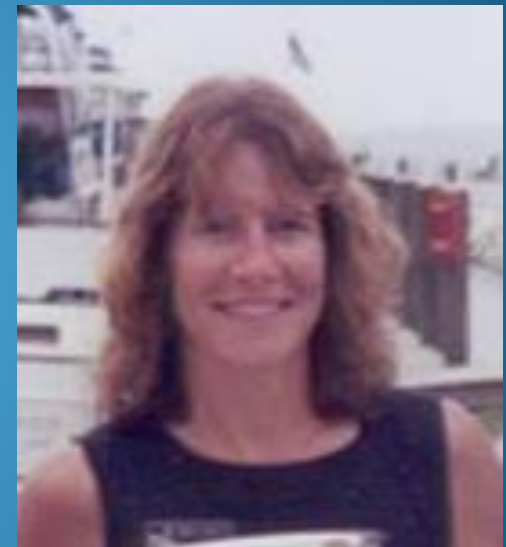
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F. Stewart Myers, AP
Commander
2000



Carole Tulip, JN
Commander
2001



Melinda Galina, AP
Commander
2002



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Lee Myers, AP
Commander
2003



Rich Romer, AP
Commander 2004



Gary Budesheim, SN
Commander
2005



History of ASPS



Jack Gottschalk, SN
Commander
2006



Carl Tucker, P
Commander
2007



Charles Tulip, JN
Commander
2008



History of ASPS



Andy Gray
Commander
2008



Howard Cupples, JN
Commander
2009



Sam Lyness, N
Commander
2010



History of ASPS



Rich Hughes, JN
Commander
2011



Marianne Lacey, P
Commander
2012 - 2013



Kathy Nash, AP
Commander
2014



History of ASPS



John Wesley Nash, SN
Commander

2015



Joel Hilden, P
Commander

2016



Jeff Short, JN-IN
Commander

2017



History of ASPS



Tony Martin, JN
Commander
2018



Ron Ricketts, S
Commander
2019



Peggy Slattery, S
Commander
2020



History of ASPS



Bruce Arey, JN
Commander
2021



Ralph Leasure, S
Commander
2022 & 2023



History of ASPS



Our Next
Commander-
Jeff Short



History of ASPS

24 Years of
Activities!



History of ASPS



Classes



History of ASPS



Dinner Meetings



History of ASPS



Vessel Safety Checks



History of ASPS



Boat Shows

History of ASPS



2005



Annual Picnic



History of Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron

2021



2017



2016

Ice Cream Social



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District Events





Founders Day

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2003



2005



2010



2014



2016



2019



History of ASPS



2003
Aberdeen Creek



2017

Raft Ups



2015

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2015

Blue Angels Raft Ups



2019



History of ASPS



The End – For Now