

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB THE BUOYS

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CHANGE OF WATCH, 2023-24

The Change of Watch ceremonial dinner was held on February 28 at KJ's Steakhouse in Fort Myers. Around 30 Cape Coral Sail and Power members were in attendance, as well as special guests Gene and Wanda Burson from District 22. Gene Burson did the swearing in duties and Karen Collins served as Mistress of Ceremonies.



Scott Steele takes the oath as Commander of CCSAPS from Gene Burson.



Herbert Schneider receiving the Excellence in Teaching Award as Outstanding Teacher of the Year, 2022.



Karen Collins, Mistress of Ceremonies



Gene Burson swears in Scott Steele as Commander, John Swift as Exec Officer, Debi Swift as Asst Admin Officer, Jill Berger as Admin Officer, Leslie Corte-Real as Secretary and Carl McGrath as Treasurer.

The First of April is the day
we remember what we are
the other 364 days of the year.

-Mark Twain

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COMMANDER'S REPORT



Scott Steele | Commander
ABC/ Cape Coral Sail
& Power Squadron

I had the pleasure last night of hosting our annual Merit Mark social and dinner. We had around 75 folks earn merit marks last and we had a great turnout of about 50 people for our recognition event. We wouldn't exist without all the efforts from our members and volunteers. Thank You!

A question has come up about Merit Mark certificates. National does not send a certificate. They started a process where they send you an email and you print your own. This may have gone into your junk folder if you haven't seen the note. Some were received as far back as November. If you are looking for yours this is the first place I'd check. Regardless, the records on the National site should be correct.

Switching from National to District, you'll note the invitation to attend the District 22 Conference on April 21 and 22. This is the semiannual meeting. We'd like to get them to change to one annual meeting and even do that via Zoom, but so far we are in the minority. Regardless, if someone wants to attend you are welcome and we'll reimburse you for lunch. Just let me know by April 11th. The national commander is going to be the guest speaker for the luncheon.

We are still in the endless loop of dealing with our insurance carrier. We've received about 50% of what we believe we deserve and it's been 6 months. We've created a very thorough record of the interactions and are reviewing next steps. Email can be a wonderful thing because we have a written documents. It's probably not so good for our carrier. That said, we are starting discussions with a legal advisor to see what we can do to get what we feel we deserve. We feel confident we can cover everything completed to date and the completion of the first floor. It's wait and see for the second floor. We just need to be patient, though that's

not one of my strengths. Our roof replacement is underway. iRoof started last week and they hope to be finished next week. It looks like they are doing a good job and the new codes and requirements should give us a more robust structure. Hopefully it won't be tested in the foreseeable future.

I believe we are in the temporary "new normal" phase of post lan. We've started classes again and we have had some meetings and social events. It's not perfect but we're making progress. ABC is scheduled for April 10th, but we may push this back if we can get a finisher and painter lined up to do the first floor in April. Terry Rosenstrauch, our building manager, has been doing a great job getting quotes and keeping things moving forward. We can't have classes and construction going on simultaneously. We'll decide in the next few days.

Boating groups have been active and we plan to kick off Co-op charting in the middle of the month. We'll be very cautious and safe, but I'm sure it will still be an adventure. We'll start with local runs and prioritize the areas where we boat the most.

We've got some good social events upcoming. Mini-golf is scheduled for April 13th, we've got a brunch planned for May 7th and a baseball outing planned for June 3rd. Does a mussel really instill fear in their opposition? That's something to ponder.

The office is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9am until noon. If someone needs something outside of these hours just send us a note or call and we'll see what we can do to accommodate you. We're overloaded with life jackets and have some we want to give away permanently. If you need a couple to keep permanently let us know. We have a surplus pile in the conference room. The racks are full.

Here's hoping everyone has a great April.

Thanks, Scott
Cdr Scott Steele, S
commander@ccsaps.org



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GRADES S – Seaman (aka Boat Handling)
 P – Pilot AP – Advanced Pilot
 P-Pilot JN – Junior Navigator N – Navigator

SN – Senior Navigator
 Indicates the highest level of education completed. Follows the name of the person.



Carbon monoxide poisoning – Know the signs

By Barrett Bonden

The Coast Guard annually reports that carbon monoxide poisoning is one of the main contributors to deaths on the water. Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that is part of combustion engine exhausts. “Northerners” worry about it in their homes, but while out enjoying a day on the water it can be the last thing on our minds to worry about.

The symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include; dizziness, nausea, weakness, watering eyes, ears ringing, and red skin. Carbon monoxide will cause light-headedness, headaches, drowsiness, and loss of motion leading to loss of consciousness. It is easy to confuse some of the early symptoms with too much sun, and being tired. So, the symptoms can be easy to ignore.

A recent case of carbon monoxide poisoning involved the untimely death of a 21-year-old, while vacationing with her friends. The individual had been lounging in the rear-facing built-in seats on the swim platform at the back of a boat. After a while she decided to go for a quick swim and unfortunately, she never made it back to the boat. The coroner ruled that the cause of death was drowning, with carbon monoxide intoxication as contributing cause.

The driver of the boat had not turned off the engine and it had been idling while the passengers were resting. It’s likely the person sitting in the swim platform seats was starting to experience the effects of the carbon monoxide gases and perhaps thought a quick dip would clear her head.

Since the boat was not moving exhaust gases likely built up under the swim platform. Upon entering the water, the last breath taken by the swimmer may have included enough carbon monoxide to cause her to pass out.

Two key factors contributed to this accident. The driver of the boat let the engine idle while they were taking a break. The passenger was sitting in a seat that was not a “designated seating area”. According to the boat manufacturer, the seats built into the swim platform were not to be used while the engines idled. They warned passengers to **“Stay away from the swim platform area while the engines are running.”** The warning was in both the user manual and stated clearly on warning decals affixed next to the seats.

Locally, boaters can suffer the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning when their vessel is moving through the water. This is most likely to be experienced running through the Shell Point manatee slow zone.

With smaller vessels carbon monoxide poisoning can be caused in a couple of ways. First, it can happen if the wind is from behind the vessel and is slightly faster than the speed the vessel is traveling. In this situation exhaust gases are pushed into the boat. Another way it can happen is called the “station wagon” effect when the windshield of the boat creates a low-pressure system that allows the exhaust gases to be drawn into the back of the boat.

On larger vessels, with a cabin, the same low-pressure zone can be created, pulling the exhaust gases over the transom and into the cabin filling it with carbon monoxide. To prevent this from occurring, vessels with a cabin should keep a port open near the bow to allow fresh air to pass through the cabin.

If you feel any of the common symptoms listed above, get yourself and your passengers into free-flowing fresh air. It can be simple as having your passengers move to the front of the boat, and you stepping off to one side, out from behind the windshield.

“Stay Safe on the Water”



Barret Bonden, a recurring character in the Patrick O’Brian seafaring novels, is the nom de plume for one of our many safe boating instructors at America’s Boating Club Cape Coral. Barret would like to remind you that your new neighbors would likely benefit from receiving a copy of “Safe Boating in Southwest Florida Cape Coral Edition” by our own Tom Dawson. Be sure to tell them about it or make it a “welcome” present. Copies are available at the office and from Amazon.

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OPERATION DRY WATER

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OPERATION DRY WATER

July 1 – 3, 2023

Boating under the influence (BUI) continues to be a major factor in incidents and deaths on our nation’s waterways. Organizations and outreach partners are teaming up for Operation Dry Water, a national boating under the influence awareness and enforce

The 2023 Operation Dry Water heightened awareness and enforcement three-day weekend is July 1 - 3, prior to the Fourth of July – a holiday known for impaired boating, and deadly incidents.

The National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA), and the U.S. Coast Guard are joining together in an intensified effort to educate boaters about boating under the influence and safe boating practices.

- Operation Dry Water is a year-round boating under the influence awareness campaign.
- Organizations and law enforcement agencies from all 56 U.S. states and territories participate in Operation Dry Water, and in the heightened awareness and enforcement weekend.
- Launched in 2009 by the NASBLA in partnership with the United States Coast Guard, Operation Dry Water has been a highly successful effort to draw public attention to the dangers of BUI of alcohol and drugs.
- Alcohol is the leading contributing factor in recreational boating deaths and a major factor in incidents on the water.
- BUI is illegal. Operating a recreational vessel with a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher is against Florida law. For more information, boaters can access operationdry-water.org, nasbla.org, uscgboating.org.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| Carlisle Barker Jr. | Timothy J. Maguire |
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| Stefan Drege | Jackie A. Pearson |
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| Patricia A. Kechik | Joudith M. Widmer |
| Ann Klakurka | Vince Wurtsbaugh |
| Elizabeth Lograno | |

*"April hath put
a spirit of youth
in everything."*

- William Shakespeare

SQUADRON EDUCATION OFFICER

SEO's Notebook



Neil Pignatano |
Squadron Education Officer
ABC/ Cape Coral Sail

Classes have restarted! Both Boat Handling and Marine Navigation are well along, with very good attendance. And, I am pleased announce the restart of ABC on April 10th, along with subsequent classes in May and June. As upstairs has still not been repaired, all classes are held in the first floor ballroom, affectionately known as Rm 101. And there are additional seminars added to the schedule.

Here is the current academic calendar, subject to change as situation warrants:

Courses

- ABC: April 10, 2023, 7-9 PM, Monday and Wednesday for three weeks (six sessions)
- Boat Handling: May 9, 2023, 7-9 PM, Weekly on Tuesday for seven weeks

Registration for these classes is available online, or contact me directly (contact info below)

Seminars

- Intro to Charting: April 27, 2023, 7 PM for two hours – marine navigation for beginners!
- Wine and Knots: April 29, 2023, 7 PM for two hours – marlinespike as a drinking game!
- Partner in Command: June 10, 2023, 1 PM for two hours – great for first mates!
- Weather and Forecasting: June 15, 2023, 2 PM for two hours – check the weather before going on the water

There is also a Hurricane Preparation seminar tentatively scheduled for May, exact date, time and place to be announced.

Partner in Command and Weather and Forecasting are available for registration online. Register for Wine and Knots and Intro to Charting during office hours, Tuesday and Saturday, 9 AM – 12 Noon.

If you'd like further information, please contact me at education@ccsaps.org.

Until next time...

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sale mid-March, and are limited to 30 participants. RSVP deadline is April 9, 2023.

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Looking Ahead

April 2023

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
Tues	4	Entertainment Comm	4:30 pm	Rusty's
Thurs	6	Exec Committee	7:00 pm	Squadron Harbor
Mon	10	ABC course begins	7:00 pm	Rm 101
Thurs	13	Mini-golf Social	4:30 pm	Tropical Breeze Fun Park
Tues	18	Weekdayer Boating	TBD	TBD
Fri-Sat	21-22	Spring District 22 Conference	All day	Punta Gorda
Thurs	27	Seminar: Intro to Charting	7:00 pm	Rm 101
Sat	29	Wine and Knots event	7:00 pm	Rm 101



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ccsaps.org](mailto:secretary@ccsaps.org)**



Joette Humphrey

Hi, I'm Joette Humphrey. My husband, Jim, and I are fairly new to the Power Squadron. Because I enjoy computers and am active on social media, I volunteered to help with the club's social media.

I hope social media can help attract new members and create community awareness. Besides that, it's a fun way to stay in touch and stay informed. But I need help! Anything that is of interest to you regarding boating will probably be of interest to others. It can be related to our club or not. Please send photos and/or ideas to socialmedia@ccsaps.org. And if you are on social media and you happen to see our posts, please "like" it and/or "share" it!

So far, we have posts on [Facebook](#) and [Next-Door](#). I am hoping to post on Instagram in the future, but I'm having a hard time with that because our log in data has been misplaced. (Any help or advice would be much appreciated.)

Looking forward to meeting everyone in person!

Joette

SQUADRON HELP WANTED

RENTAL CHAIRMAN

- Review rental files as they come in. This includes checking to be sure all payments have been received prior to rental, all documents have been signed, seating diagram is received and posted for setup crews, and door code issued to renters.
- Coordinate room setup crew for rentals.
- Give instructions to cleaning staff for before and after rentals.
- Act as main contact for renters before, during and after rental.
- Check the cooling (AC) system and cameras remotely during rentals. Remotely adjust room temperatures as requested by renters during event.
- Conduct building walk-through after rentals and report back to Treasurer regarding status of security deposit.

Contact: Marge Maciag margem5@gmail.com

ASSISTANT RENTAL CHAIRMAN

- Assist Rental Chairman as needed to balance workload.

Contact: Marge Maciag margem5@gmail.com

CERTIFIED VESSEL INSPECTORS

- Complete short training course
- Inspect vessels for safety and place CSV sticker

Contact: Craig Buechler [buechlercraig@yahoo.
com](mailto:buechlercraig@yahoo.com)

EVENT SETUP

- With other team members, set up and take down chairs, tables (about once a month)

Contact: Marge Maciag margem5@gmail.com
Rick Clements retiredrick@yahoo.com

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

- Help in kitchen and hall, setting up for monthly dinner/social events. Have fun organizing our social events!

Contact: Jeff Maddy: adminofficer@ccsaps.org

LIFEJACKET LOAN COORDINATOR

- Organize, manage and maintain the life jacket closet.

Contact: Jeff Maddy: adminofficer@ccsaps.org

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A VSC is your best way of learning about problems that might put you in violation of state or federal laws or worse, create danger for you or your passengers on the water.

Contact us by phone @ (239) 549-9754 Tuesday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. - noon, or email buechlercraig@yahoo.com to schedule yours today.



LIFE JACKET LOANER PROGRAM

This program is a valuable public service. Please pass the word among your boating friends that life jackets are available to borrow at the Squadron, at no cost, for visiting children or grandchildren. We also have life jackets for adults and four legged friends.

Contact the Squadron for more detail.
(239) 549-9754

CCSAPS BOATING GROUPS

Plan to add your name to the roster of one of our boating groups:

WEEKENDERS & WEEKDAYERS

Weekenders, led by Scott Fergen, boat-a-long to waterside restaurants and meet periodically to plan future trips. For more information, or to get on their mailing list, please contact weekenderboating@gmail.com.

Doug Brenton leads the Weekdayers. This group goes out for lunch at a waterfront restaurant on Tuesdays or Thursdays. The next Weekdayers outing will be in April. For more information, or to get on their mailing list, please contact dwbrenton@gmail.com.

On Saturday, March 25, the Weekenders enjoyed an outing to Parrot Key. There were six boats and 30 people in attendance.



CO-OP CHARTING

The Co-op Charting Group normally meets the second Tuesday of the month at Squadron Harbor. If you are interested in joining Co-Op contact us directly. ccsapscoopch@gmail.com.

CRUISE & RENDEZVOUS

Cruise and Rendezvous cruises to marinas and resorts for overnight stays and also sponsors two dinner events at the squadron during the year.

KAYAK GROUP

The kayak group normally paddles area waterways on the third Tuesday of the month. Do you want to participate in these monthly kayak trips? It's easy! Send your contact information to Jeff Maddy at jeff.maddy@sbcglobal.net

FISHING GROUP

The fishing group normally meets at the Squadron building on the second of the month. These will resume when the building opens. If you wish to receive notice of upcoming group meetings and other events, please send your name and current email address (phone number optional) as soon as possible to:

fishingccsaps@yahoo.com

2023 Spring Conference

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Menu and

Change of Watch



8:00 am – 9:00am Complimentary Continental Breakfast

Luncheon – 12:15 pm

Choice of:

\$34.00 – Chicken Parmigiana – Bread Crumb and Parmesan Crusted Chicken
Topped with Marinara Sauce, Mozzarella and Parmesan Cheese

\$34.00 – Beef Brisket – Tender, Slow Roasted and Seasoned Beef, Sliced and Presented with Pan Gravy

Entrees will be plated and served with Garden Green Salad (Romaine and Artisan Greens garnished with Tomato, Onion, Carrots and Cucumber with Choice of Dressings, Roasted Redskin Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Rolls and Butter, Water, Iced Tea and Assorted Fresh Baked Cookies - Coffee on request

Change of Watch Dinner – Social 5:30 pm / Dinner 6:00 pm

Choice of:

Change of Watch Ceremony 7:00 pm

\$48.00 – Bourbon and Bacon Tenderloin – Seared and Roasted Bacon Wrapped Tenderloin,
Sliced and Complimented with Bourbon Demi

\$50.00 – Shrimp Skewer – Jumbo Shrimp Skewered and Baked with Lemon Garlic Butter
Atop Rice Pilaf with Shrimp Scampi Sauce

\$46.00 – Chicken Marsala – Sauteed Chicken Breast Finished with Mushroom Marsala Sauce

Entrees will be plated and served with Caesar Salad (crisp Romaine, tossed with Caesar Dressing, Parmesan Cheese and Croutons), Loaded Potato Casserole, Green Beans, Rolls and Butter, Iced tea and Water –
Coffee on request

Ice Cream Sundae Station!

Drinks can only be purchased with Credit Card - Event Center no longer accepts Cash

Purchase your meals using the D22 Website:

Sign in to the D22 website — <https://americasboatingclub-d22.org/>
Members Only – Registration/Purchase -
then follow the instructions (need your credit card)

No Reservations or Cancellations after April 10, 2023, please.



DISTRICT 22

2023

SPRING CONFERENCE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, April 21

- 0830 – 1200 Registration Desk Open 0900 - 1030 **Squadron Bridge Officer Meeting**
 1100 - 1200 **District Council Meeting** 1200 – 1330 Lunch on your own
- 1400 – 1500 **Procedure for Adoption of New or Amended Club/District Bylaws**
 P/D/C Ted Reiss and D/C Gene Burson
- 1500 – 1600 **One and Three Year Squadron/District Planning**
 P/D/C Sam Bonilla and D/Lt/C Matt Braatz
- 1600 – 1730 Social with Appetizers (cash bar) 1730 Dinner on your own



Saturday, April 22

- 0800 - 0900 Coffee and Pastry 0830 – 1200 Registration Desk Open
 0830 – 0930 – **Educational Updates**
 D/Lt/C Melissa Butler, SN, District Educational Officer
- 0930 – 1030 – **Safety and Recreational Boating**
 Scott Szczepaniak, Regional Boating Safety Specialist USCG 7th District, Prevention Division
- 1040 – 1200 – **Town Hall**
 Chief Commander Craig Fraser, SN and District Commander Gene Burson, JN
- 1215 – 1330 – **Luncheon**
 Speaker - Hans Wilson, President of Marine Industries of Southwest Florida
 SWFMIA sponsors the Go Boating Florida website which offers a wealth of information to recreational boaters
- 1300 – 1350 Registration Desk Open **1400 – 1600 District Conference**
- Change of Watch - social 1730 / dinner served 1800**
Change of Watch Ceremony 1900
Thank you D/C Gene and Welcome D/C Matt!



Dress: squadron shirt, khaki slacks, shorts or skirt
Change of Watch: squadron or district shirt with khaki slacks or appropriate attire

Wishing you safe travel home
See you at the Fall Conference, October 13 - 14, 2023



District 22 Spring Conference News *Update*

April 21, 2023 and April 22, 2023

Suggest you make your reservation NOW!



We were able to obtain 10 rooms at \$159 per night at the Wyvern Hotel

You may make your reservation on line or call our Reservation Specialist at 941.639.7700 and they can assist you.

Booking Link - <https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/XU42K>

Information previously sent:

We have found that there is a large event in Punta Gorda the same weekend as our Conference. Like us, they love the convenience of Sheraton Four Points and SpringHill Suites. BUT they contracted for rooms before us. Four Points will not allocate any rooms to us.

SpringHill has allotted us rooms at \$159 or \$169 per night, after our allotment is used, the rate will be \$269 per night.

Rate available Thursday, April 20 thru Sunday, April 23

2 night minimum for this rate

Last day to book is March 30, 2023

The link is [Book your group rate for America's Boating Club](#)

Please be sure that you plan to attend before making a reservation, if you need to cancel, please let us know in order to allow fellow USPS members to use your place

You are free to check with other hotels in Punta Gorda, D22 does not have any info on rates nor availability.



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WHAT IS ABC? ABC IS AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE. The course gives you the basics you need to get out on the water safely, and it meets most states' boating education requirements. Our in-person boating course includes a comprehensive introduction to boating, covering boat types, boat engines, boat selection and more.

THE NEXT ABC CLASS BEGINS APRIL 10, 2023 (MONDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS) 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. FOR THREE WEEKS. If you have friends or neighbors who are interested in the ABC class, have them contact our Education Officer Neil Pignatano at education@ccsaps.org or call the Squadron office at (239) 549-9754 for more information. Please leave a message.

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