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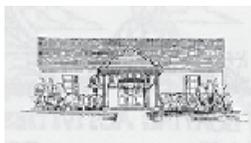
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From The Commander Cdr Joe Schady, AP



Greetings to everyone. By now, I hope all of you know me, but if not, I made the transition from Executive Office to Commander on 13 November 2010. My wife Susan and I moved to Charleston with our children Joey and Julia three years ago from New York. If you haven't met them yet, you will definitely get the chance at one of our events. They will be the "thuds" you feel against your legs as they run around without a care. Our family has been a member in the Power Squadron since my grandfather, and I look forward to continuing in the tradition as your Commander in the Charleston Sail and Power Squadron.

As previously stated by my predecessor and mentor Harl Porter, the "Bridge is defined by *Nautical Know How* as the location from which a vessel is steered and its speed controlled". Your 2011 Charleston Sail and Power Squadron Bridge consists of:

- Executive Officer - Carl Klele
- Educational Officer - John Meyenberg
- Administrative Officer - Elise Jorgens
- Secretary - Don Todd
- Treasurer - Rick Cone

I am happy to say that John and Rick, who served on the previous Bridge, have renewed their commitment to the Power Squadron. In addition, I am pleased to welcome and look forward to working with our new members to the Bridge, Carl, Elise and Don.

As your Bridge, we are committed to carrying on in the tradition of past leadership as well as bringing some new programs and traditions into our organization. I truly

believe the Charleston Sail and Power Squadron is an integral part of the Charleston community, and it is up to us to make sure it remains that way. Our educational material, which is available to the public in its entirety now, makes us a very important part of the boating community. As your Commander, it is my commitment to you that we will maintain and expand our tradition in the Charleston community to teaching boater safety and making the boating environment in the Lowcountry better.

In support of this belief, we have two primary goals for this year:

- To establish well formed programs that aid in the attraction and retention of members. One of these programs will be the Shipmate program of which you heard a little at the end of last year.
- To upgrade some of the features in our club house so it continues to be a great venue for holding classes as well as dinner meetings.

I am looking forward to serving as your Commander this year, and I hope you provide your continued support. The squadron can only be active in the community if our membership is active.

Thanks!

Joe



Executive Officer
Lt/C Carl Klele



For a little background on myself, I graduated from Virginia Tech and Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government. I served 28 years with the CIA and retired in 1998 as a Senior Intelligence Officer in Special Operations. I was called back after 9/11 for a few months and finally retired for good. My wife and I moved here in 1998 where we built our house in Brickyard Plantation in Mt. Pleasant. I have 3 grown children living in Richmond, VA, which makes it easy for them to come down to enjoy this beautiful area.

I joined the squadron 3 years ago, which was one of the best things I have done.

My responsibilities as XO are as follows:

BOAT SHOW LIAISON — VACANT

LIAISON OFFICER — VACANT

COOPERATIVE CHARTING — DAVID WALSH

PUBLIC RELATIONS — GARY WHITLEY

SAFETY — JOHN SIKES

VESSEL SAFETY CHECK — HARL PORTER

HOUSING COMMITTEE — DAVID WALSH

I am still looking for someone to fill 2 positions: boat show rep and liaison officer. I would appreciate anyone interested in serving in the above vacant positions to please contact me at cklele@comcast.net or by phone 697-1540.

Recently, Jerry and I took our boat *Spook* to St. Augustine, FL for 2 weeks. As we get ready for next holiday and the Christmas boat parade, this month has been pretty quiet. We have had great support for the Christmas parade and hope all of you either come and see it by boat or drive down to the Battery so all of you can have a great look at the many boats we have lined up.

Carl



Administrative Officer Lt/C Elise Jorgens, S



The Admin. Department of the Charleston Sail and Power Squadron is off and running, with plenty of continuing business and some new projects to keep us moving forward. As your new Admin. Officer, I am pleased to report that there are lots of opportunities for you to be involved. But first, let me introduce myself. I have been a member of CSPS since 2004, shortly after my husband (Chet Rogers) and I came to Charleston and bought our first boat—and soon recognized that we had a lot to learn. We both took classes, but it was slow going for me because I also had a very full and consuming job as Provost at the College of Charleston, which is what brought us here. After six years in that position, I retired last year and am now trying to spend more time on the water, catching up on my boating education, and using some of my administrative experience to make this busy CSPS department a lively source of interest and activity for all members.

Dinner meetings fall under this department, and of course our first event is the Holiday Party **this week – Thursday, December 9**. If you have not signed up, you can still do so by sending an e-mail message to me at jorgense@cofc.edu. But do it now so we will have plenty of food. Bring a \$10 gift for the annual Gift Exchange event, and if you have a favorite dessert you could share, there's room for it on the serving table!

In months to come, watch for some dinner meeting ideas we think you will enjoy. In January, one of the chilly months of winter, for instance, we will have a chili cook-off, with your favorite chili recipes and lots of prizes for things like hottest, most innovative, and best overall traditional chili. A “head chef” will soon be appointed and will be soliciting your contributions, whether it be some new take on chili or your own version of traditional chili. That will be Thursday, 13 January 2011. Mark your calendar now and watch for the announcement! Other theme-dinners are in the offing as well. Commander Joe Schady has offered to be “head chef” for an Italian

night. If *you* have a great idea for a dinner theme, please let me know. That's jorgense@cofc.edu!

Speakers this year will be under the leadership of Ken and Lynn Lewis. For the January meeting, they are planning an overview of Squadron activities designed to highlight the ways that *you* can become involved and make the most of your Squadron membership. Don't miss it! And if you have speaker ideas or want to help out with this committee, please contact Ken and Lynn at ken@svrestless.us.

Our big new venture at Headquarters takes us at least a few steps into “green” territory. In the fall, new member Elizabeth Wenner called our attention to the lack of recycling bins at Squadron Headquarters, and she offered to do something about it. As a long-time advocate of recycling (and one who frequently carried a soft drink can home after a class or meeting, to deposit in the bin at home), I was delighted to endorse this easy but critical step toward helping protect the environment we count on as boaters. Elizabeth is a biologist and long-time DNR employee, and she backed up her suggestion with science. Here are her comments:

Recycling, which has been around in various forms for many years, is a method of removing reusable materials from the waste stream and remanufacturing them into new products. While recycling provides the benefits of reducing the waste stream and conserving landfill capacity, it also does much more. It may result in a cost savings for waste disposal, and some revenue may be generated through the sale of the separated materials. Reusing materials generated through recycling programs conserves valuable natural resources. Reclaimed materials are often less expensive than virgin materials and require less energy when used in manufacturing. Lower energy usage generally results in reduced emissions to the air and water. In short, it is the responsible thing to do for an organization such as the Sail and Power Squadron.

We can do this—and we can all try to remember that this effort belongs on our boats as well. Put recyclables in the bin, and carry a recycle container on your boat.

Speaking of your boat, Chet Rogers has taken the helm as Director of Boating Activities. He will be coordinating monthly cruises and will be looking for “cruise captains” to head up these monthly events. In addition, Chet wants to launch a new program intended to pair up seasoned boaters with those who may be newer to boating in these coastal waters, integrating boating fun with the Squadron’s educational function. Watch for more on this from Chet, or let him know of your interest at chet.rogers@comcast.net.

Other activities that fall under the Admin. Department include Membership (both recruitment of new members and retention of those who have joined or shown an interest) and offering of Operations Training for new members of the Bridge or Executive Committee—or anyone who would like to know more about the details of how U.S. Power Squadrons work. More about those and other activities in future columns. For now, let me know how you would like to get involved.

Elise

Education Officer Lt/C John Meyenberg, AP



Congratulations to Rick Cone, Donald Todd, Ken Lewis, Donna Lynes and Bill Lynes who passed the Junior Navigation Course.

Mark your calendar to take one of the education courses being offered.

The following is the Fall Schedule:

Piloting	Monday, 07 Feb 2011
Seamanship	Wednesday, 09 Feb 2011
Cruise Planning	Monday, 14 Feb 2010
Marine Communications	Wednesday 16 Feb 2011
Sail	Tuesday, 08 Feb 15 2011
Advance Piloting	Monday, 06 Jun 2011

Anyone interested in the Navigation Course, let me know. Ed Kridler said he would be interested in teaching it.

The ABC course is scheduled for Tuesday, 11 Jan 2011, 05 Apr 2011, 12 Jul 2011 and 20 Sep 2011.

John

Nautical Dafynitions:

Anchor	1) Device designed to bring up mud and weed samples from the bottom at inopportune or unexpected times. 2) Things rotting in the bilge of every racing yacht (unseen). 3) Any number of heavy, hook shaped devices that are dropped over the side of the boat on end of a length of rope and/or chain, and which is designed to hold the vessel securely in place , until a) the wind exceeds 2 knots, b) owner and crew depart or 3) 0300.
Bunk	1) Small uncomfortable area for wet sailors to attempt to sleep. 2) location to store unused sails.
Capsize	Interior diameter of any piece of head gear, usually expressed in inches (sometimes kilometers)
Clew	1) Evidence leading to recovery of a missing sail. 2) Indication from the skipper as to what he might do next. 3) What a new sailor often doesn't have any of.
Dangerous Waters	Lying to your spouse.
Passenger	Form of movable internal ballast which tends to accumulate on the leeward side of sailboats once sea motions commence.
Ram	Intricate docking maneuvers sometimes used by experienced skippers.

Secretary Donald Todd, AP



I am Don Todd, your new squadron secretary. I have been a sailor since the 70s when, as a student on Lake Hartwell in SC, I managed to buy a 13 foot sailing dinghy. Although we are both southerners, my wife Jackie and I recently relocated to Johns Island from two years in northern New Jersey and, before that, 12 years in Fort Mill, SC (Charlotte). Between us we have three adult children and one grandchild (newly minted and locally on-hand). Over the years I have belonged (with periods of inactivity) to squadrons in Greenville and Fort Mill, SC and now Charleston.

Our USPS Operations Manual calls on the secretary to report on the following squadron activities for CS&PS:

- Meeting activities,
- Membership
- Publications
- Computer Systems

Thanks to the continued hard work of several members, transition to the new watch is proceeding smoothly. Harl Porter continues as the CS&PS web master until time and talent is available for replacement; Steven Brostoff and Wendy Walsh continue to produce the Palmetto Log; Wendy continues her DB2000 administrator work keeping up with our membership.

We look forward to Rob Turkewitz leading an online discussion on Maritime law in the near future when the discussion forum is set.

Don

Treasurer
Lt/C Rick Cone, AP



I thank everyone for your vote of confidence in asking me to continue on as your treasurer for the 3rd year. Our fiscal year ended 11/30, and I'm pleased to report that due to the dedicated efforts and hard work of our many members and Excom Committee, we ended our fiscal year with \$19,457.67 in liquid financial assets (CD, saving account, and checking account). Serving as your treasurer I basically review and process all transactions on a monthly basis and create the corresponding financial statements that your Excom reviews the following month. When I'm not available to attend an event, we can always count on Wendy Walsh to quietly step up to the job and get it done. Thank you Wendy, you are greatly appreciated! On a side note, your Excom is always on the lookout for an appropriate sub-renter for our facility when we're not using our building, and, we're always looking for advertisers for our monthly electronic Palmetto Log.

Rick



13 January Dinner Meeting

The Charleston Sail and Power Squadron January Dinner Meeting will be on Thursday 13 January 2010 at our Headquarters building (1376 Orange Grove Road).

The theme of the dinner will be a Chili Cook-Off. Happy Hour will start at 1800 with dinner at 1900.

The presentation for the dinner will be a "2011 Kickoff" to acquaint members with the Officers and committees of the Power Squadron and give them ideas about how they might participate in Squadron activities.

Mark your calendar now and watch for the announcement!



2010 Member Awards

During our Change of Watch ceremony at the Holiday Inn Riverview on 13 November Cdr Harl Porter presented the following awards :

Fred Taylor Award - Presented to **Nelson Hicks** - The person who contributed most to the education efforts of the squadron

Student of the Year Award - Presented to **Rick Cone** - The student who passed the most classes during the year

Bronze Propeller Award - Presented to **James Rowe** and **Fred Wichmann** - The members who used their boat or property to benefit the Squadron the most

Spark Plug Award – Presented to **Carl Klele** - The new member who was most active and contributed most to the Squadron

Boner Award – Presented to **Dick Howells** - The member who made the largest error in judgment or navigation during the year

Fredrick C. Wichmann Award – Presented to **David Walsh** - The member who told the greatest story and spun the best yarn of the year

Wallace C. Till Memorial Award – Presented to **Beverly Meyenberg** - The member who the Commander feels has contributed the most effort to the Squadron above and beyond the call of duty

Commander's Award – Presented to **Wendy Walsh** - The member who the Commander feels has been of special help to the Squadron during the year.



2011 Bridge Officers, Joe Schady, Elise Jorgens and Don Todd



Wendy Walsh Receives Commander's Award

Change of Watch Pictures





Happy December Birthdays

01 Dec	Stanley H. Whitman
05 Dec	B. J. Smith
08 Dec	Michael R. Fauss
09 Dec	Richard A. Day
14 Dec	Steven B. Rustin
16 Dec	Lisa Piazzola
17 Dec	Tom Dougherty
18 Dec	Jeff Bowers
23 Dec	Donald K. Todd
28 Dec	Janice Kromer
28 Dec	Steven R. Poe
29 Dec	Donna Lynes
29 Dec	Joyce M. Wichmann
30 Dec	Mary U. Workman



Happy January Birthdays

03 Jan	James J. Easley
04 Jan	Joan Newton
05 Jan	Ernest F. Godshall
05 Jan	Jenny Reves
09 Jan	Ted E. Erskine
11 Jan	Nancy B. Gissell
12 Jan	Dona Jean Dorminy
16 Jan	Debra King
17 Jan	Patrick Keegan
17 Jan	Elizabeth L. Wenner
18 Jan	Wendy C. Walsh
19 Jan	Danell A. Waters
20 Jan	Stephanie Quick
29 Jan	Charles F. Rogers
30 Jan	Willie D. Gamble
30 Jan	Robert A. Kovach

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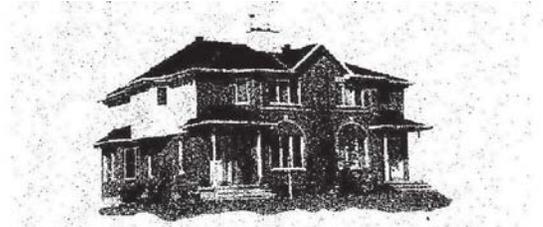
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Look Ahead Calendar

02 December	Executive Meeting
04 December	Parade of Boats
09 December	Holiday Dinner at Club House
No Cruise in December	
06 January	Executive Meeting
11 January (Tues)	ABC Class starts
13 January	Dinner Meeting at Club House
15 January	Lunch Cruise to Morgan Creek Grill



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- 13 Jan – Dinner Meeting at Club House
- 15 Jan – Lunch Cruise to Morgan Creek Grill

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