



Harris Chain Sail & Power Squadron

The Anchor Chain Newsletter

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Lake County Florida – Every Puzzle is comprised of many pieces. Living and loving the water that surrounds our homes in Florida gives us many opportunities to enjoy the beauty that boating offers. The Harris Chain Sail & Power Squadron gives us a chance to participate in the many faucets – or pieces of that boating experience. Come and be a part of the puzzle !



Most of us have started with the Power Squadron “up north” with a safe boating class. We were all able to reason that the water presented new challenges. Our boat was not equipped with a brake pedal. To further complicate the whole scenario is that there are no lines painted on the water to designate which lane to take. After learning the fundamentals we have jumped into being members and further our education.

Along the way we teamed up with some new found friends and continued the experience through our newly formed network. Most folks do not think of the power squadron as a networking to but it is. Friendships made here link with others across the country to over a potential of 40,000 other members.



We meet in the local mall community room to further our mission of Safe boating education, Civic Service and Fraternity. We come from all walks of life with our love of boating to draw us together as one.

IT Seems that,
Somehow,
Someway,



We always
Share a taste of
Gastronomical
Delights

Never satisfied with the quest of nautical knowledge we take additional classes to learn more about the idiosyncrasies of boating. Our thirst for knowledge brings us back to the classroom. Sometimes the classroom is out of doors. Always, a learning experience was our goal.



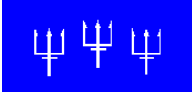
It's time that you chart a course to be one of those pieces of the puzzle.

Everyone brings something different to the table. Each and every skill is needed .

As the USPS approaches 100 years of being the center of boating, Be part of your squadron.

(Education + Civic Service + Fraternity) x You = USPS

Commander's Message



Cdr Cathy Henke, P

During the October General Membership meeting, all voted and the year end events are as follows: Santa for Seniors, Abused, Neglected and Abandoned Children and the second food drive of 2011. The Abused, Neglected and Abandoned Children was started by 2 attorneys. They will be our speakers (Kathleen Loftus and Stacy McDuffie) at November General Membership Meeting. With the times being so tight, any, and all help that we provide, will be ever so helpful, for those in need during this holiday season.

Elections for 2012 slate will be General Membership Meeting, Tuesday, November 15, please be sure to attend and vote for your 2012 Bridge Officers.

November outing is a sunset cruise will be Saturday, November 26, with the Pontoon Yacht Club and hosted by Raymond and Pauline Ellison. See outing news later in this newsletter.

There is a lighted boat parade on the water slated in Eustis during the First Friday (12/2) event in December. We need volunteers for First Friday to man the booth. Please let me know which shift that you will be available.

Our Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 11, at Crazy Gator in Eustis. Please set aside December 11th from 5:30pm – 8 or 9pm for this event. There will be a buffet for everyone to enjoy, cost will be \$20.00 per person and please make checks payable to Harris Chain. RSVP by Wednesday, December 7th if you plan to attend. Please arrange to bring your donations for the charities that evening.

Change of Watch (COW) is scheduled for Sunday, January 15th at Vic Embers Supper Club 2:00pm-5:00pm. Vic's will provide their legendary Sunday Buffet with all foods freshly prepared for our occasion. Last year's event was rated by most members as their best Harris Chain event, that they had participated in. Invitations will be in the mail before the end of the month.

The spring conference committee next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 1st, my residence following the bridge/exec meeting. Harris' Chain turn to host the District 23 Conference, is slated for the Spring of 2013. Preparations are needed 18 months out and we are on schedule for success in this event. This event is part of the responsibility as being part of our District 23. Success of this event depends on the efforts of each member. During the preparation for this important event, members will be requested to help in all sorts of behind the scenes activities. During the conference manpower will be needed for all sorts of jobs. The efforts of all will result in the success for all.



Lt/C Don Stewart, S **Squadron Executive Officer (SXO)**

We are looking for help in the booth for First Friday, December 2nd. Please let me know what month you can help in the booth either 1st shift 5:00pm-7:00pm or 2nd shift 7:00pm-9:30pm.

Members that have personal information changes such as new phone numbers, new e-mail addresses and other personal data changes need to log on to the national site. Log on to USPS.org and log in using each members number and password. The password is on your dues renewal on the same line as each ones name. On the lower left side column there is an option titled "Manage your own profile". Please update your information and then hit the update button at the bottom of the page.

Operations Training and Leadership Development classes have been offered by P/C Tim Henke, AP. I would like to thank the Henke's for offering their residence for training classes.

If you need rosters they are available at all General Membership meetings.

If you may have questions, please contact me.



Lt/C Ralph Shrivalle, AP **Squadron Education Officer (SEO)**

Seamanship is slated to begin Wednesday, January 11, 2012. Weather class will be beginning in late March 2012.

The final ABC course for this year will be Saturday, November 5, 2011. The few members who expressed interest in completing the IQ course please email Phil Ponticello (pponticello@harrischain.org) to setup testing.

The piloting course is almost halfway through their studies. They are learning to plot a course on a chart and calculate speed over water, time factors and distance calculations.

We have 4 members in the Self-Study Junior Navigation class and we are proud to report they are $\frac{3}{4}$ way through the course. They have taken their sun sights and are busy calculating the data. Thanks Goes to P/R/C Mike Scallan, N for his assistance on obtaining the sights. The classes are being held at the Henke home. We are now referring it as H U, Henke University.



HARRIS CHAIN SAIL & POWER SQUADRON



*Christmas Party and
Collection for Charity*

All Friends and Members of the Harris Chain Sail & Power Squadron are invited to our annual Christmas Party and Collection for Charities.

Join us for an evening of Food, Fun and Holiday Spirit. We will also collect contributions for our selected charities. This Year's Charities are :



**Lady Lake Food Bank
Santa For Seniors
Center For Displaced, Abused
and Forgotten Children**



December 11th, 2011 At the **Crazy Gator** Restaurant in Eustis, FL

Party Starts at 5:30 with a Fabulous Buffet being served at 6:30 PM.

Please Bring Contributions of Non- Perishable foodstuff for the Food Bank, unwrapped Children's Gifts and requested gifts for the Senior's Project.

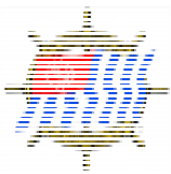
Buffet is \$20.00 Per Person (tip included) and select, non-alcoholic beverages.

Raffle and 50-50 night of the event

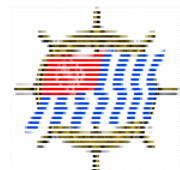
Reservations or information requests by E-mail to Harriseditor@aol.com

Or leave a message on the Squadron Hotline 352-702-0031

Reservations please before December 7th



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Lake County's Boating Club™





Lt/C Roger Wilson, S Squadron Treasurer

All is well in the Accounting Department. The Checkbook, Bank Account and Balance Sheet are all in balance! WOW!! I do not know how it happened, but we will take it.

Those looking ahead to the close to the financial year are reminded that Harris Chain Sail & Power Squadron IS A 501 (c) 3 Not for profit organization and will accept cash / monetary donations.

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Search: Harris Chain Click on LIKE
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Harris Chain Sail & Power Squadron 2011 Bridge

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Vacant _Administrative Officer SAO
Lt/C Ralph Shriville, AP Education Officer SEO
Lt/C Jerie Tallman, P Secretary
Lt/C Roger Wilson, Treasurer

NOVEMBER'S MEETING PLACE

Tuesday, November 15, 2011
Community Room

Lake Square Mall (next to Penney's in the mall)

6:30pm Social come on out and see all the snowbirds and see a few friends that you have been out of touch with.

7:00PM Speakers-Attorneys' will speak about the Abused, Neglected and Abandoned Children

7:30pm General Meeting ELECTIONS 2012
Santa For Senior & Children Gifts lists

Just as a reminder

The December Business Meeting is replaced by the Christmas Party. The next formal meeting is Change of Watch (COW) on January 15, 2012

Next Business meeting is January 17th, 2012

Next ABC x3 Class is January 21st, 2012



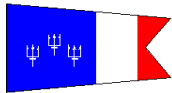
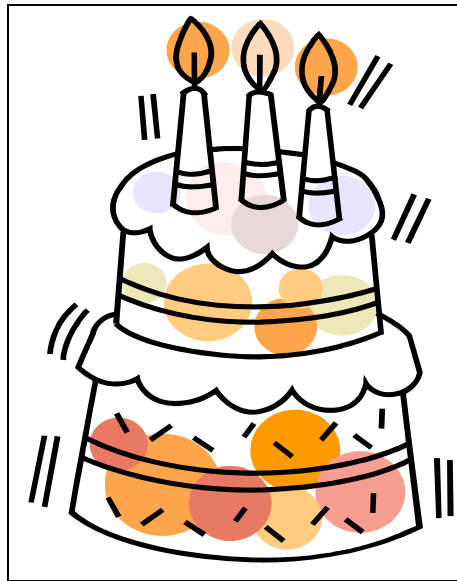
BIRTHDAY WISHES TO THE "NOVEMBER'S BABIES"

15th Ada Arthur, S

18th Larry Edelstein

19th Louise Homulak, S

21st Jack Rabon



P/C Sid Pitcher, S
Vessel Safety Check, Chairman



We have completed 92 vessel safety examinations scheduled to date, with 82 boaters awarded decals. On October 16th, Joe Rzewuski and I were at Venetian Cove for our scheduled vessel safety examinations.

We are finished with Vessel Safety Examinations for the season. We will start again in January, once we receive our new VSC decals.

SUNSET CRUISE SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 26

Host will be Raymond and Pauline Ellison

We will meet up at Lake Dora and Dora Canal at 2:00 PM.

At 2:30 PM, we will go to ALS restaurant and have supper on our own.

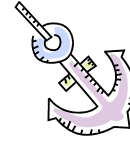
At 4:00 PM we will proceed to the raft up at Lake Dora at the mouth that goes to Mt. Dora.

At 4:45 PM we will raft up for the Sunset. For those who will be coming for sunset raft up only that is where we will be. Please bring your own drinks and finger foods to share with others.

Sunset should be around 5:30 PM. As always I will be on the water at least 2 hours after the completion of raft up and make sure all is safe at the docks. My cell number is 352-396-5529 and I monitor marine channel 72. Please, on the day of the sunset cruise, check all navigation lights and make sure they are working.



Ship's Store



**The ship store has what you need to be in Harris Chain Style.
Lt/C Roger Wilson has "The Store" and will have all items at the next meeting**

All member shirts
are the same

**Member Shirts
\$ 33.08**



For those that have
a past rank, the
rank is added to
left sleeve.
**with rank
\$ 36.35**



Burgees are HERE! Fly your Burgee when you are
out on the water. \$ 38.70 each



Car - Boat - Decals \$3.00 each

2012 Election Slate

Bridge Officers

Commander Raymond Ellison, AP
Executive Officer Steven Kupferberg, S
Education Officer 1st/Lt Phil Ponticello, S
Administrative Officer Lt/C Jerie Tallman, P
Treasurer Lt/C Roger Wilson, S
Secretary Victor Fernandez, S

Elected Committees

Audit

P/Lt/C Duff Lewis, AP
P/Lt/C Walter Gordon, AP
Bobbi Reese, S

Rules

P/C Joe Rzewuski, AP
P/Lt/C David Hepting, AP
P/C Bill Myers, AP

Nominating

P/C Sid Pitcher, S
P/C Bill Myers, AP
Cdr Catherine Henke, P

Members at Large

P/C Keith Rowe, P P/C Bill Myers, AP P/C Timothy Henke, AP

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Bridge Meeting Commanders Home 7pm Conference 2013 Meeting after Exec	2 Piloting Class 7pm	3	4 First Friday Eustis 5-9 pm Volunteers Needed	5 ABC Class LakeSquareMall Community Room
6	7	8	9 Piloting Class 7pm	10	11	12
13	14	15 General Membership Meeting Lake Square Mall 2012 Elections	16 Piloting Class 7pm	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 NO PILOTING CLASS	24 Happy Thanksgiving	25	26 Sunset Cruise on Lake Dora
27	28	29	30 Piloting Class 7pm			

DECEMBER 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 First Friday Eustis 5-9 pm Volunteers Needed Boat Parade	3
4	5	6 Bridge Meeting Commanders Home 7pm Conference 2013 Meeting	7 Piloting Class 7pm	8	9	10
11 Xmas Party Crazy Gator 5:30pm	12	13	14 Piloting Class 7pm	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Piloting Class 7pm	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Piloting Class 7 pm	29	30	31