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From the Bridge By Cdr Douglas Kendrick, AP

This is the last Bow Lights for calendar year 2002. A December Bow Lights will not be published to give our hard working editor, Ed Oeters, a break. We all owe Ed a big "Thank You" for his hard work and dedication in producing the Bow Lights, our primary means of communication with you, the RS&PS members. Bow Lights represents a lot of work and it comes every month but for December this year.

Education is our main activity in November and December. Boat Smart finished and Seamanship started in October. Chris Heybroek, our SEO, has many courses going and more will start soon. Please check the course schedule and take a course.

RS&PS's cruising season was concluded with the Dan McLaurin Fishing Rendezvous and the D/27 Council & Conference Cruise to Wilmington, both in October. It has been a good cruising season for RS&PS with lots of destinations and various cruise formats. Ed Deyo has done a great job in organizing and planning this great cruising season. Too bad Ed can't control the weather!

Our cruising season was a success from the safety point of view. There may have been lots of mechanical failures, but no injuries. David Simons, our Safety Officer, has kept the safety issue in member's consciousness with at least one safety article in each Bow Lights. Keep up the good work David!

Speaking of safety, the Coast Guard published new interim regulations establishing a Federal Requirement for children under 13 to wear Coast Guard approved Personal Flotation Devices while the vessel is under way, unless the children are below decks or in an enclosed cabin. The regulations apply on waters subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, on the waters of States with no requirements for children to wear PFDs, and on the high seas beyond Territorial Seas for recreational vessels owned in the United States. More

information will be found in the January Bow Lights. Please look for it in the January.

I hope that everyone makes it to the George Margeson Oyster Roast at the L. R. Harrill Center at the NC Fairgrounds in December. This is the grand finale to the calendar year with lots of good food and fun. It is our best-attended meeting. The program is food and more food so make your plans early and be there.

It may seem to be very early, but I want to take this opportunity to wish everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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SEO N Sight

By Chris Heybroek, N

Forty prospective new members are attending the BOAT SMART course with their exam scheduled for October 15.

Our Fall 2002 courses are off to a busy start. Here is the scoop:

- 4 members are in the SAIL class
- 8 members are in the WEATHER class
- 9 members are in the PILOTING class
- 6 members are in the ADVANCED PILOTING class
- 11 members are in the CRUISE PLANNING class
- 3 members are in the JUNIOR NAVIGATION class

Thus 41 members are taking classes, add their 6 instructors, that makes for a total of 47 dedicated and involved members or 24.7%, assuming we have 190 members.

The following is a Notice for our members working towards their JN and N certification. Our National Headquarters has

advised that there is a JN 89/92 PHASE OUT. That means, if you are using the JN 89/92 student manual, examinations and reexaminations will be available only until 31 December 2003. Also original Sight Folders meeting the JN 89/92 requirements will not be accepted after 31 December 2003. Resubmitted Sight Folders will be accepted up to one year from their original submittal.

I will be going up and down the Panama Canal on a container ship cruise, the "SEA PUMA", from about 10 Nov to 15 Dec. In my absence, please call Doug Kendrick or Bill Dunlap for clarifications and other concerns.

As there will not be a December Bowlights issue, I join our commander in wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Many thanks to all Course instructors and Boat Smart assistants for your active support of the RS&PS educational department and making it a success.

November Meeting

By Lt/C Ed Deyo, AP

The Raleigh Sail and Power Squadron will meet on 5 November 2002, at the Clarion Hotel State Capital Restaurant (formerly known as the round Holiday Inn Downtown Raleigh.) Clarion Hotel State Capital is located at 320 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh. We will have a buffet meal and have as speaker James Francsconi, Artificial Reef Coordinator for the NC Department of Marine Fisheries.

Date: 5 November 2002
 Time: 6:30 PM Social; Meeting and meal 7:15 PM
 Location: Clarion State Capital restaurant on the top floor
 Cost: \$14.00
 Program: Artificial Reefs of North Carolina
 Speaker: James Francsconi



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George Margeson Oyster Roast

By Lt/C Ed Deyo, AP

Its once again, time for the George Margeson Oyster Roast. We will have oysters, boiled shrimp, fried shrimp and clam chowder and all the trimmings.

Not only is this one of the best meals of the year, it is one of the more expensive meals for us to prepare. All that seafood does not come cheaply. For that reason, we are asking that members pay ahead for this meal. The price in advance will be \$16.00 per person or \$18.00 at the door. Please send the advanced payments to Masoud Manoo, Assistant Treasurer, 1580 Old Halifax Road, Zebulon, NC 27597. **The final date for advanced payments will be November 27, 2002.**

The meeting will be at the L. R. Harrill center at the NC State Fair grounds. The building is near Gate 6 off Youth Center Drive on the west side of the fair grounds.

Date: 3 December 2002
 Time: 1830 for social with meal and program to follow
 Location: L. R. Harrill center at NC State Fairgrounds near Gate 6
 Meal: Oyster Roast, Boiled Shrimp, Fried Fish and Clam Chowder
 Program: None
 Cost: \$16 in advance; \$18 at the door

Washington Cruise for 2003

By P/C Devohn Rhame, AP

Several of the Squadron's "Long Cruisers" have expressed an interest in cruising to the Nations Capital next year via the ICW, Pamlico Sound, Cheseapeake Bay and the Potomac River. With a little cooperation from the weather it should be doable in about eleven days roundtrip, including a one-day weather layover.

Windjammers will be urged to join in, at least for a part of the cruise, say up to Manteo and maybe up to Poquoson, VA. If a few of the larger sailboaters decide to participate and cruise in the ocean they may be able to attract a few power boaters, who may not be able to go all the way to Washington, to help crew on a shorter cruise. Now that sounds like something a power boater may be interested in.

A date in early June, determined by when the cruise days would not conflict with any Squadron, District or National

Power Squadron functions, will be selected when schedules are published.

A cruise to Washington would involve two days cruising on the Chesapeake, one going and one returning.

There are two caveats, which participants should be guided by as follows:

1. Cruising speed will be approximately 19 - 20 knots - necessary to maintain itinerary schedule.
2. I would suggest that no boat less than 22', closed bow, participate. Additional crew members are always welcome on other vessels.

If interested let me know as soon as possible.

Looking for a Few Good Cooks

By Lt/C Ed Deyo, AP

We are in need for members to join the cooking committee. The work of preparing meals has fallen on a steadily dwindling number of shoulders. We need members to volunteer to help set up the various facilities, take down the facilities, prepare the meal, help clean up and other tasks.

If you would like to get involved in the cooking committee or if you will just agree to help, call Ed Deyo at 467 6691 or Tommy Dunn at 872 6400 and we will find a job to fit your talents.



Sailboat Cruise for 2003

By Lt/C Ed Deyo, AP

I am currently planning a leisurely cruise from the Minnesott Beach/Oriental area to Virginia Beach, VA. This cruise will commence on or about May 17, 2003, and end about May 31. If the schedule causes major conflicts, the trip may be shifted backward one week. Either way, we will be gone over the holiday weekend. The initial plan for this 15 day cruise is as follows:

- Day 1 Minnesott Beach to Ocracoke, 44 miles
- Day 2 At Ocracoke
- Day 3 Ocracoke to Manteo, 55 miles
- Day 4 At Manteo
- Day 5 Manteo to Pungo Ferry Marina, 53 miles
- Day 6 Pungo Ferry to Portsmouth, 25 miles (lots of bridges)
- Day 7 At Portsmouth/Norfolk VA
- Day 8 Portsmouth to Rudy's Inlet, Virginia Beach, 33 miles
- Day 9 At Virginia Beach
- Day 10 Virginia Beach to Pungo Ferry, 50 miles
- Day 11 Pungo Ferry to Alligator River, 58 miles
- Day 12 Alligator River to Dowry Creek, 52 miles
- Day 13 Dowry Creek to Washington, NC, 41 miles
- Day 14 At Washington, NC and travel in PM to Bath 15 miles
- Day 15 Bath to Minnesott Beach 50 miles
- Day 16 Return to residence and rest

Most of these locations have a lot to see and do. For instance, Virginia Beach has a great Marine Science Museum just a very short distance from the marina. Also, most of the stops with the exception of Manteo, have adequate locations for anchoring instead of tying up to a marina.

Do not think I have excluded you speedsters, because you have a fast boat. A fast boat only means you get to sleep late in the mornings before starting the day's leg.

If you are interested in this cruise, email me at edeyo1@nc.rr.com and I will send you the details of the individual stops.



Bow Lights Ads

By Lt/C Ann Bailey, AP

It is that time of year again. Time to sell or renew ads for the Bow Lights. The Executive Committee has approved a new fee schedule. These fees are; credit card size (1/8 page) ad, \$125.00; twice that size (1/4 page), \$225; 1/2 page, \$400.00. That covers 11 issues of the Bow Lights, the yearbook, and on our website on a continual basis. When you think about the selective membership we have, this is very inexpensive advertising compared to other methods. Sell an Ad! This is a great way to help our organization and someone in business that spends money on advertising. Please give obtaining ads for our communications your very serious consideration!

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How Not to Spend Your Boating Summer

Part 2

By Brian Tate, S

Continued from last month.

Fast forward one week. Time to make that call. No warm glow this time (must be the lack of scotch, single malt or otherwise).

“Hello? This is Brian Tate. Can you give me an update on the repairs to my boat? Sure, I’ll hang on.”

Eventually, a nice lady picks up the phone and says, “Mr. Tate? Sir, we had to order you a new door. It’s going to take about two weeks for it to be sent here from the manufacturer in Florida. Is that okay?”

Like I have a choice! “I guess so. Is replacing the door going to fix the leak, is that where the water’s coming in from?”

“Oh, yes sir! When we get this door in, you won’t have any more problems!”

“Great! Thanks.”

I tell the Admiral what the nice lady said, unfortunately the Admiral’s response isn’t suitable to print here.

Fast forward one week. A phone call from the dealership, “Mr. Tate? Hi. Uh sir, the door is in, but it’s the wrong color. It’s white and should be beige. We’re going to have to order this door again.”

It’s looking dicey for the Cape Lookout Rendezvous. The Admiral is about ready to order a full broadside on them for affect. After much yelling and screaming, wailing and gnashing of teeth (most of it coming from the Admiral), I tell them to forget the door repair, I want to use the boat over the weekend.

No problem. We’ll have it put in the water on our dock and plugged into power and water.

The Admiral and I head for the coast Friday June, 21st and load up the boat with everything we need for the weekend. We arrive too late Friday to make the 4 hour run to Cape Lookout, so we spend the night on the dealership’s docks. Anyone who spent the weekend of June 21, 22 and 23 on the coast knows that it rained buckets Friday night (Saturday too, but that’s another story involving lights drifting past the hatch, torrential rain, howling wind, a life jacket, thunder and lightening and a mad dash for the safety of the cabin while the Admiral blissfully slept off the warm glow produced by a nice bottle of wine).

Saturday morning dawns bright with sunshine and blue skies. After the required caffeine consumption has brought our systems up to operating temperature, we check on the aft berth leak. It appears to us that this leak has gotten worse and we decide to wait for service manager guy to get in to show him the problem. After looking at the evidence for a while and with much head scratching, he agrees that replacing the door is not the solution for this leak, although it still needs replacing. I also remind him that this is the same leak he chased the previous boating season and that the Admiral is getting miffed. Not a good thing (a la Martha Stewart)!

After agreeing to leave the boat tied up to their dock on Sunday, June 23rd, we proceed with our plans for the Cape Lookout Rendezvous. The rendezvous was a blast (nicely chronicled by Ed Deyo) and all to soon we found ourselves headed back home, minus our boat.

Fast forward two weeks. For those of you keeping score this should be about mid July, the boat was dropped off over the Memorial Weekend in May. The Admiral gets an e-mail from service manager guy, they think they’ve found the source of the leak. In a seat cushion that’s bolted to the forward bulk head left of the door. They’ve removed the cushion and cut the bolts out of the bulk head that held it in place, now all that remains is re-ordering the cushion, fiberglassing over the original bolt holes, drilling new holes and installing new bolts in the bulk head and finally re-installing the new cushion. Piece of cake, right? By the end of July they’ve completed the work and even delivered the boat to our home.

As of right now the entire state of NC is in a drought and we haven’t had enough rain to know if the leak’s been fixed.

Oh well. There’s always next year’s repair I mean boating season.



Course Schedule

Boat Smart

Date: February/March 2003
 Location: To be determined.
 Phone: 919-848-0448 or 919-848-9464

Seamanship

Date: 1900 Monday, 21 October 2002
 Location: On Sphere, 3304 Glen Royal Rd., Raleigh
 Instructor: Lloyd Moore 846-3458

Piloting

Date: In progress, 1900, Wednesdays
 Location: Centennial Campus,
 Building Venture 2, Suite 400
 920 Main Campus Drive
 Instructor: Davis Abner 478-3003 or 553-1400

Advanced Piloting

Date: In progress, 1900, Wednesdays
 Location: Rm 200, Hudson Memorial Pres. Church
 4921 Six Forks Road, Raleigh
 Instructor: David Trogdon 556-6050

Junior Navigation

Date: In progress, 1900, Mondays
 Location: Shrine Club, 6015 Lead Mine Road, Raleigh
 Instructor: Russell Gray 469-0128

Navigation

Date: 1900 Monday, 4 November 2002
 Location: Shrine Club, 6015 Lead Mine Rd, Raleigh
 Instructor: Bobby Glover 557-3663

Sail

Date: In progress, 1900 Mondays
 Location: 2117 Cowper Dr, Raleigh
 Instructor: Michael Dykstra 387-8483 or 829-4202(W)

Weather

Date: In progress, 1900, Mondays
 Location: Hudson Memorial Pres. Church or
 Senior Center, Bond Park, Cary
 Instructor: Willem van Eck 380-1202

Engine Maintenance

Date: 1900 Thursday, 9 January 2003
 Location: 4509 Gates St., Raleigh
 Instructor: John Ayers 782-6530

Marine Electronics

Date: 1900 Monday, 6 January 2003
 Location: 6328 Secret Drive., Raleigh
 Instructor: Chris Heybrock 848-0448

Cruising Schedule

If you are interested in one of the listed cruises, please call the cruise coordinator to obtain detailed information. Upcoming cruises will be featured in a longer article in the Bow Lights.

Sailboat Cruise

Date: May 2003
 Coordinator: Lt/C Ed Deyo

Washington, D.C. Cruise

Date: June 2003
 Coordinator: P/C Devohn Rhame



ExCom Meetings

Please note the date and location of the upcoming Executive Committee meetings. All members are invited to attend.

1930 Tuesday, 12 November 2002
 12320 Lockhart Ln, Raleigh, NC

1930 Tuesday, 10 December 2002
 12320 Lockhart Ln, Raleigh, NC

1930 Wednesday, 8 January 2003
 12320 Lockhart Ln, Raleigh, NC

Course Schedule *continued.*

Cruise Planing

Date: In progress, 1900, Thursdays
 Location: 3608 Lubbock Drive, Raleigh
 Instructor: Ann Bailey 787-7354

Instructor Development

Date: 1900 Monday, 11 November 2002
 Location 12713 Timberlane court
 Instructor: Larry Stockett 847-3354

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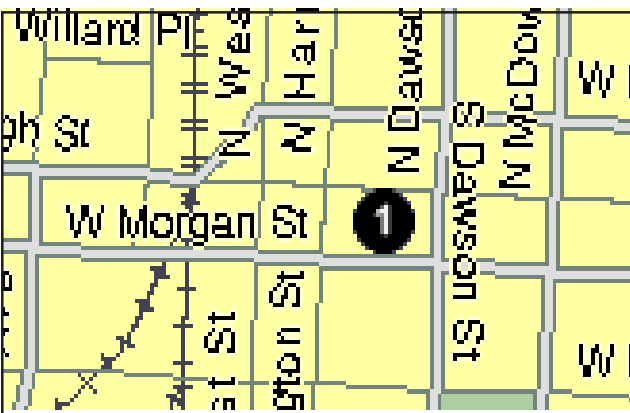



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Upcoming Meetings

Date: 5 November 2002
Event: November Membership Meeting
Place: Clarion Hotel State Capital
320 Hillsborough St
Raleigh, NC
Time: 1830 - Social
1915 - Meeting and program
Cost: \$14.00
Program: James Franesconi
Department of Marine Fisheries
Chief of Artificial Reef Program

Date: 3 December 2002
Event: December Membership Meeting
George Margeson Oyster Roast
Place: LR Harrill Center
NC State Fairgrounds
Time: 1830 - Social
1915 - Meeting
Menu: Oysters, shrimp, fried fish, clam chowder
Cost: \$16.00 in advance
\$18.00 at the door



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On the Horizon



November

5 Membership Meeting
12 Executive Committee Meeting
28 Thanksgiving Day

December

3 Membership Meeting
George Margeson Oyster Roast
10 Executive Committee Meeting
14 Commander's Holiday Open House
25 Christmas Day

2002 Yearbooks are still available at the monthly membership meetings, call 919-467-6691
or email bdeyo@nc.rr.com to make arrangements to receive one.