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2012 WPS Summer Cruise "Bettin' on a Good Time"

The "committee" once again scripted a week long itinerary of places and activities that would hopefully appeal to all membership. The area of concentration for the 2012 cruise was generally the Western shore ending in Baltimore.



The Chester River overlook at Lankford Bay Marina provided the ideal spot for our 2012 Cruise Kick-Off Picnic hosted by Cdr. Judy Stadler. Five boats with crew were berthed for slippage at the kickoff site - *Estelle* with Lt Tom and Kay Webster and accompanying family, Bob and Mickey Hall with daughter Kate on *MR~MILK*, P/C Mike

2012 Summer Cruise Photos

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King and Wendy Shipman on *Sea Lion*, Dave and Sandy Netting with Misty on *Second Wind* and *Greybird*, a 34' Hunter chartered by P/Lt/C Jack and Janet Bryson, their daughter Jennifer Wychock, and grandsons Josh and Ray Wychock. The balance of the 60+ WPS cruisers, shore travelers, and guests made their way to the festivities by land. First time cruisers were introduced and recognized: Bob Danehower and Barbara Bishop with guests Owen and Sue Ulmer aboard *BOB RA ANNE* and Michael Royal and Kim Miller-Royal aboard *Four Winds*. Bert Willett on *Royal Tern* introduced his crew, John and Heloise Osborn. Camaraderie, food, and great weather were the highlights of this festive day.

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**COMMANDER'S
MESSAGE**

Judith C. Stadler, AP

Summer is upon us and it's hot, hot, hot! I hope you are finding ways to stay cool either on the water or off.

We have had a wonderful spring and some very enjoyable Wilmington Power Squadron social activities. Approximately forty persons attended our spring picnic held at the community park in Rock Hall in late May. Many thanks go to John Ross and all those who helped organize and prepare for this event.

Just four people showed up to help with the Route 20 cleanup earlier in the day. Very little trash was gathered this year, and we may need to re-think this service project for the future. Perhaps there are other ways we could serve the community and have a greater impact. If you have ideas, please let us know.

Kudos to all the members of the Cruise Committee! This year's cruise was another great success. We could have used a little more wind and a little cooler temperatures at the end of the week, but no one on the committee was claiming responsibility for weather control! We were fortunate to have two boats with new members and a total of nineteen participating boats. Lots of food (appetizers anyone?) and good times had by all.

We had some successful courses this spring and certified a number of new boaters. We also participated with West Marine, and had a booth at the spring open house in May at their store in New Castle. Publicity was sparse and so the attendance was not that great, but we were still able to spread the word about Power Squadron education courses and possible seminars at West Marine later in the year.

There are no WPS events planned for the remainder of the summer, but the Assemblies Committee has already met to make plans for this fall. More details will be available later about these upcoming events for the winter months.

Have a wonderful and safe summer.

Executive Department

Greetings WPS Membership; welcome to summer and all the sweltering!

While recognizing the many squadron members that serve our community in my last communication, I forgot our good friend Geri Walker. Geri helps the Sunday Breakfast Mission on Tuesday evenings with her superb nursing skills.

I would like to revisit Maryland House Bill 1345 that I highlighted in the last Lubbers Line. This bill is sponsored by Ways and Means Committee Chair Sheila Hixson (D-Montgomery) and Delegate Heather R. Mizeur (D-Montgomery). This bill, if passed would add a 1-percent luxury surtax to the state sales and use tax on motor vehicles, boats and planes with a price greater than \$35,000. For vehicles, boats and planes with a price of more than \$90,000, the surtax would be \$550 plus 2 percent of the amount above \$90,000. A petition is circulating on Change.org to oppose the bill, which it says will have significant negative ramifications to the marine industry in MD. I encourage you to get involved if you are a MD boat owner.

My spin...hopefully this bill will not pass, but only because the MD legislature has decided to include the airplane industry for which I am told has a significant lobby to defeat it. I suppose one pays more for a jet than a sailboat.

I hope all enjoyed the 2012 Cruise and the "almost" run-in with the Sailabration in Baltimore on 13-19 June. The WPS Cruise did get into Baltimore, but just two days later on Friday 22nd. Many of our group saw some of the tall ships making their way southward since they could not clear the bridges on the C&D Canal. Our crew saw a very unusual ship of cranes anchored in the middle of the bay near our destination for Monday: Herrington Harbor South. This ship was huge and I truly am sorry for not capturing an image of it for each of you to view. We saw it again the next day while participating in Tom Webster's navigation exercise.

Membership as I am told is my department and I will say that we have to consider all that the squadron has done for us and is doing. How much of a better boater would we be without its' influence? I can remember in earlier days when tying up at a dock I was being inspected by Jay Minshall. He immediately explained what I did wrong and how to correct it. I look back to those days as being not only worthwhile, but having an opportunity to learn more from our fellow sailors. If you haven't renewed your membership by now....please consider all the fun and fellowship you may miss.

Lt/C Donald R. Engler, P
Executive Officer

Administrative Department

I hope you've enjoyed your boating season thus far. It's been a hot one for sure! I know that Dave Sharpless will be covering the summer cruise in depth elsewhere in this issue, so I'll cover some other activities. If you missed the WPS Spring Picnic and Rte. 20 cleanup in Rock Hall on 20 May, you missed a nice turnout. With the squadron providing drinks and fixings, the 30+ attendees brought their own grill items and side dishes. While the pavilion turned out to be double-booked for the day, fortunately the weather held out and there was plenty of space for us mingle and munch. Special thanks to Dave Sharpless and Jim Robinson for their help to me in coordinating the event. We had a nice time and hope you mark this on your calendar for next year.

Georgetown Racing Fleet's BAY JAM scheduled for 8 September at Turner's Creek supports the Sultana Projects environmental education program. Each year more than 5,000 students of all ages take part in a unique educational experience with Sultana Projects. To learn more about the opportunity to sail or just raft for the weekend call Tom Stoner at 610 368-7077 or email Tom at tstonermate@verizon.net. If you can make it to Turner's Creek for a long weekend, GRF has moorings you can take advantage of or just anchor out and enjoy the quiet. Please make an effort to join your fellow WPS members in what promises to be an interesting event. We're also exploring scheduling a trailer boat and dinghy get together on the Sassafras River for the latter part of September. If you're interested in joining us, please let me know and we'll keep you in the loop as we solidify those plans.

Over the summer, Betty Ingram and the Assemblies Committee met and began planning the Squadron's Fall and Winter socials. On 9 November 2012, our first Social at the Brandywine Community Center will feature a speaker from the Port of Baltimore. (This will be of special interest to me since we had a heck of time getting an anchor to hold in the harbor when we were there for Sailabration and the Blue Angels Show during the summer.) With thanks to the Robinson family, Holiday Social will be hosted at their home on 9 December 2012. More details on that will be announced as we get closer to the event. On 15 February, 2013 the Annual Meeting and Founders Day Social will feature a film on the Hooligan Navy which was comprised of volunteer citizens who used their privately owned boats to help defend the US in World War II. Imagine painting your boat battleship grey and strapping on a rusted World War I machine gun to help defend your country! As always, we welcome your suggestions for any boating related activities.

At this point, I'd like to share a boating learning experience. I don't know if it's me but it seems over the past several years we've been experiencing increasingly violent weather. And that was the case in early July when we endured an extremely violent thunderstorm which rolled into the Sassafras River (where we keep our boat) about midnight. The storm lasted about 40 minutes with 70-80mph winds with more lightning strikes than I've ever seen. We happened to be at our boat that evening and we had just finished watching a movie aboard with friends when we turned on the 11:00 news and saw reports of very violent weather that, at that time, was hammering the Baltimore area and headed our way. So our friends scurried back to their boat and I checked our lines. We started off to bed but it didn't take long before the extreme winds hit and the lightning grew closer. We watched the wind, water, lightning and rain from inside our salon (which may or may not have been wise) and watched as various boat debris blew and floated about in the wind. First, an unmanned kayak went by, and then we saw various cushions and chairs go by. We also watched a main sail on a nearby sailboat get shredded by the wind. Our marina lost power quite early in the storm and power wasn't restored for nearly four days (which also coincided with our vacation week). Fortunately, we

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Education Department

Our spring certification courses were very well attended, thanks in no small part to the efforts and energies of Sgt. Greg Rhodes and his staff at DNREC. The state in concert with the News Journal was able to assemble a month long ad campaign addressing boating safety and education. We, WPS, became beneficiaries of this initiative.

Low attendance in our fall certification classes has eroded over the past decade. This being the case, we will not be scheduling any Basic Courses until Spring 2013. This having been said, we remain receptive to any inquiries from any group or business desiring certification or seminar formatted education.

Further, on 21 August, we shall present the first of a series of one evening only 2 hour seminars hosted by the West Marine facility in New Castle. The initial course offering will be "Using GPS". Each of the series of classes will be open to both WPS members and the general public.. Hours are 4:30 PM- 7:00 P.M. Fees are \$20/student. Registration will at the door. (Informational Note: The New Castle West Marine store will now be closing at 7:00 P.M. on weekdays).

Advanced Grades – 13 September at A. I. DuPont High School (50 Hillside Road, Wilmington) - Seamanship classes will begin. This course scheduling, the first offering in the past several years, resulted from valued inputs from membership. WPS continues to offer this course **Free of Charge** to all members in good standing. Any future scheduling of this course as to When and even If are unknown!. Please note that successful completion of Seamanship is just one of the prerequisite courses for AP certification.

Electives – None planned.

WPS Education Mission Statement-We have the depth and the expertise in our membership to not only present any USPS Seminar, but to customize, into seminar format, almost any boating topic that may be of interest to membership. This was successfully done last Spring with our Sail Racing Seminar. We are ready and willing to entertain any relative subject idea(s) for fall or spring presentation. What we teach is up to you, our membership. Your input is our best guide for future course scheduling. Please feel free to contact the undersigned with any educational requests or suggestions.

P/C James Robinson, AP

P/C C. David Sharpless, AP

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have a generator and had food and ice to carry us over the next couple of days, but the damage to the area of Maryland was shocking with trees and limbs down in an extremely large area.

I didn't hear of any injuries, but some boats in our marina were damaged. The old duPont Boat shed just up the river from us also succumbed to the storm's wrath. I also heard of one rather large boat that was anchored out whose anchor dragged about 100 yards during the storm. We didn't experience any damage to our boat and I credit that to us having the opportunity to check our lines as the storm approached and to the fact that beginning last fall I began doubling up all my lines. Our boat stays in the water in a covered shed year round and it dawned on me last fall to just leave the doubled lines on throughout the winter in the event a severe weather event occurred. That way, I wouldn't have to rush down to the boat in potentially ugly

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Boating Safety News

A REVIEW OF CPR

In 2010 the American Heart Association changed the recommended process for victims of cardiac arrest after studies showed compression-only CPR as effective as giving “rescue breaths”. However in a recent Red Cross CPR course I attended, compressions as well as “rescue breaths” were recommended.

Here is a short review of the CPR procedure:

- 1) First make sure the scene is secure and presents no danger to you, such as fire, electric wires, etc. When the danger cannot be avoided move the victim.
- 2) If the person is not responsive and not breathing, or not breathing normally, call 911.
- 3) Place the victim on his or her back. Make sure the airway is open by looking in their mouth for any obstructions. To open the airway, push down on the forehead while pulling up on the bony part of the chin with two or three fingers of your other hand. Check for breathing by positioning yourself so you can look to see if the person’s chest clearly rises and falls; listen for escaping air and feel for it against the side of your face. If the person needs CPR proceed as follows.
- 4) Place the heel of one hand on the victim’s breastbone and your other hand on top of the first, palm-down.
- 5) Position your body directly over your hands, so that your arms are straight and somewhat rigid.
- 6) Push hard, push fast at a rate of at least 100 compressions per minute. As you give the compression, count out loud, “One and two and three..” saying the number as you push and as you come up as you say “and”.
- 7) After 30 compressions open the airway (see #3), pinch the nose shut and then make a complete seal over the person’s mouth. Blow in for about 1 second.

If the breath goes in (you should see the chest slightly rise) give a second rescue breath. If the breath does not go in, re-position the head and try again. Each cycle of chest compressions and rescue breaths should take about 24 seconds. Minimize the interruption of chest compressions.

- 8) Stop CPR if anytime you notice that the person is breathing.
- 9) Continue until someone takes over for you, emergency personnel arrive, you are too exhausted to continue, an AED is available, or signs of life return.

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Special thanks to the *Portabella* crew, P/C Jim Robinson, wife Zelma, sons Charlie and Jimmy, for coordinating the Lankford Bay fete.

Sunday morning at 0800, the fleet was summoned to “check in” for the first of the daily WPS radio net role calls by P/Lt/C Bryson aboard *Greybird*. This, essentially first day afloat for many of us, marked the start of the cruise with a voyage to our first anchorage, Little Round Bay on the Severn River. Lt Carol Hanson on *Weatherly* and Lt/C Barbara Sharpless on *Knot Again* were our KIAs for the perennial favorite, the Pot Luck Raft-Up. Eighteen boats on pre-assigned rafts relaxed throughout the remainder of the afternoon and into the evening enjoying the company of friends and more good food.



Monday morning dawned with favorable winds. Eight boats of our sailing fleet headed out to participate in the first of the planned rallye formatted events (sail activity summary following later in this article thanks to Tom Stoner). Our port of call this day was the beautiful Herrington Harbour. P/C Sut and Lyn Anderson, aboard *Freedom* were finally able to join us this day after some personal schedule adjusting. KIAs P/C John and Betty Ingram on *Gypsy II* had organized a pre-dinner Wine and Appetizer Social on the beach followed by a cookout. Some of our group opted for dining indoors at Mangos, the marina restaurant.

Tuesday the cruise headed toward Harness Creek off the South River. KIAs for the day were P/C David and Barbara Sharpless and Mary Jane Wenhold on *Knot Again*. This was also the scheduled day for holding the Navigation Exercises that were formatted by Lt T. Webster and P/C Sharpless. The activity for the evening was a “bring an appetizer dinghy drift”. The event, the location, weather, food, a little bumper boat activity, and most importantly camaraderie made this a memorable anchorage which was enjoyed by all.



Wednesday found the cruise heading to Port Annapolis and the theme night of the cruise – Bettin’ on a Good Time. KIA assignments for this day were P/C Richard and Terry Butler on *Eau de Vie* who handled the slippage arrangements while Bart and Bev Wilson from *Pleasure’s Mine* had responsibility for coordinating the facility arrangements. Unfortunately a leg injury suffered by Bev over Memorial Day necessitated withdrawal from the cruise by the couple (**update**-Bev, healing nicely, is on her way to a full recovery).

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Last, but certainly not least, Jim and Nancy Ennis on *Nauti-Gal* - their charge-organizing the evening entertainment-Gambling!

Port Annapolis Marina offers the cruiser a beautiful facility to just “kick back”. Shuttles are made available for transport into town for shopping/sightseeing, etc. Many of us took advantage of the pool. We had enjoyed a great week of weather to this point. Wednesday saw the early summer temperatures beginning to ratchet up. Telltale water streams from our air conditioning systems attested to the rising temperatures.



Congregating for appetizers prior to the evening meal began under the pavilion at 1700. After dinner several well received Elvis impersonators (Charlie Robinson and Matthew Hanley) as well as a Tiny Tim impersonator (Jimmy Robinson) made appearances. Sandy and Dave Netting preformed a comedy routine followed by the crew of *BOB RA ANNE* with their rendition of the popular Beach Boys song. Following the entertaining performances, the area was “policed” – IT WAS TIME TO GAMBLE! Tables complete with game appropriate decorations and paraphernalia were set in place to accommodate Roulette, Black Jack, Texas Holdem, and Craps. Most of the attendees and all of the “table bosses” donned some sort of Vegas attire (visors, head dresses, arm bands made by Zelma Robinson, etc.). So Far-So Good- ALMOST! Fact, this is not a group familiar with gambling. Knowledge and the “how to’s” of the “games of chance” were practically non-existent when we started. This general lack of familiarity actually contributed immensely to the evening enjoyment. Predictably there were several notable exceptions to the list long list of gambling novices,

think Zimmerman. That’s right, surprise, surprise, both of them – P/C Donna and Bill Zimmerman (late life manifestations of misspent youths most likely) - sharks! Players moved from table to table throughout the evening, most learning each of the games as they went. In the interim, the “dealers” managed to learn their respective games, beneficiaries of a little old fashioned on-the-job training. The night and the event all worked - worked very, very well. Another great activity planned and coordinated by Nancy and Jim Ennis.

On Thursday, some of the cruisers motivated by such considerations as high temperatures, dockside air conditioning availability, and free slippage (three nights for the price of two), and a little extra Inner Harbor time opted to bypass the Magothy River anchorage and went directly to reserved slips at Harbor East Marina. The rest of the group proceeded on to anchorage at the Magothy River. KIA for the day was P/C Dennis Wallace on *Weatherly*. Pre-assigned raft-ups were established and a peaceful evening was enjoyed by all.

Friday afternoon, found the reassembled fleet berthed at Baltimore’s Harbor East Marina. This was the last day of the WPS 2012 Cruise. KIAs Lt/C Don and Sue Engler on *Jubilee* had successfully reserved and planned our closing ceremonies at the conveniently located Della Notte Restaurant. The mood of the group would continue to be festive throughout the Happy Hour, dinner, and even Dennis.

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Following dinner, Master of Ceremonies P/C Wallace went to work. This is now the point in time we all hoped that any of our miscues and indiscretions, from wherever whenever, had gone unnoticed by our MC. Not likely! Dennis, having called the ceremony to order, benefitting from a week (or a in one or two cases a lifetime) of general observation, eavesdropping, resourceful fabrication, tidbits volunteered by tattle taling friends, and some just plain simple situation embellishment, set about accomplishing the business at hand - that of creative boat by boat public humiliation and embarrassment. Side comment - Many of his friends have learned first hand that being nice to him, that week especially, assures them of absolutely nothing. The awards ceremony is always entertaining and well received. Dennis was on!

Rallye winners for the week were announced – first place went to Tom and Mary Sue Stoner on *Watermark*, second went to Bill and Donna Zimmerman on *Mystic Star* and third place was awarded to Dennis Wallace and Carol Hanson on *Weatherly*. *Mystic Star* was also the winner of the Navigation Exercise. Finally, last but by no means least, the bestowing of the prestigious Chance for Romance Award. The recipients this year were Cdr Judy and Chuck Stadler on *Wind Venture*. Hopefully, this magnificent trophy, in all its grandeur, is being conspicuously displayed in the family home.



Rallye Series Activities

Tom Stoner: Thought it would be good to report the results and point out how close some of the positions were. Everyone can see how they fit into the results, however tactics with current and wind shifts – or whether there was more wind inside or outside, were factors that need to be the end of the day discussions. I would like to thank those that joined us for a discussion of the rallye to Herrington Harbour. It seemed there was good interest in how to analyze how the day went and the differences in boat locations during the day. John has a faster boat than he lets on as suggested by the results of that day in spite of him sailing “close to the marks”. Of course Don sailed a similar race, although wind shifts were more of a factor for him. If you look at the corrected time finished there was some close finishes among quite a variety of boats. Now that I’ve sparked some further interest in discussing the details, I am hoping to have a day on the water in the fall on a few – or even a couple boats – out of Rock Hall to try some sailing trim and tactics and then have dinner and discuss the day over some good food/brew and company.

Yes, the light air was a factor also, however *Mystic Star* showed a good day leaving Annapolis on the much modified course. So think about that day and what might have been if you just Well you get the picture. The more situations that can be reviewed, the better the learning curve regarding how your boat performs. Sail trim, particularly on light air Chesapeake Days, is a huge factor. So make some notes on the following result sheet and bring them this fall. Not sure how to define what we’ll do, however, let me know if you have an interest – probably a Sunday in September – and we’ll see what we can put together. I would suggest August, however, I need to get over the heat issue and not sure there is much wind in August, unless it is more than anyone would want to sail in – as in significant storm conditions.

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So thank you again for supporting the Rallye idea. Would like to hear your thoughts of any way to improve the cruise competition.

2012 WPS Cruise Rallye Results

RACE 1

<u>Boat</u>	<u>PHRF</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u>Elapsed Time</u>	<u>Corrected Time</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jubilee	87	13:43:45	2:43:45	2:20:07	5
Mystic Star	96	13:37:51	2:37:51	2:11:46	4
Weatherly	114	13:41:21	2:41:21	2:10:23	3
BOBRA ANN	138	15:00:00	4:00:00	3:22:31	8
MRMILK	147	15:00:00	4:00:00	3:20:04	7
Watermark	156	13:36:40	2:36:40	1:54:17	1
Greybird	159	14:13:29	3:13:29	2:30:17	6
Gypsy II	174	13:55:46	2:55:46	2:08:30	2

RACE 2

<u>Boat</u>	<u>PHRF</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u>Elapsed Time</u>	<u>Corrected Time</u>	<u>Position</u>
Jubilee	87	10:53:45	0:53:45	0:50:51	8
Mystic Star	96	10:43:13	0:43:13	0:40:01	5
Weatherly	114	10:41:10	0:41:10	0:37:22	3
BOBRA ANN	138	11:00:00	1:00:00	0:55:24	9
MRMILK	147	12:00:00	2:00:00	1:55:06	10
Watermark	156	10:36:07	0:36:07	0:30:55	1
Greybird	159	10:46:35	0:46:35	0:41:17	6
Gypsy II	174	10:45:38	0:45:38	0:39:50	4
Freedom	174	10:37:47	0:37:47	0:31:59	2
FourWinds	141	10:52:40	0:52:40	0:47:58	7

RACE 3

<u>Boat</u>	<u>PHRF</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u>Elapsed Time</u>	<u>Corrected Time</u>	<u>Position</u>
Mystic Star	96	12:32:25	2:17:25	2:14:13	2
Weatherly	114	12:34:25	2:19:25	2:15:37	3
Watermark	156	12:15:44	2:00:44	1:55:32	1
Greybird	159	12:46:49	2:31:49	2:26:31	5
Gypsy II	174	12:52:47	2:37:47	2:31:59	6
Freedom	174	12:44:27	2:29:27	2:23:39	4

NOTE: The extended times for each race "adjust" the computer program to think there was a no time finish for those boats that did not finish the course. Start times were also adjusted by reducing the start time allowances from the finish times to allow the computer program to compute the rallye results.

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2012 WPS Cruise Closing Comments: The camaraderie within this group of old and new friends is what makes this week afloat a truly special event. It was neat to have such strong contingency of “kids” with us this year. Participation by our first time cruisers, boat guests all helped to make our week afloat such a memorable success.

Going forward, a concerted effort is afoot to resurrect interest in competition sailing. We had good participation this year thanks in no small part to the enthusiasm and energies of Tom Stoner and his committee (Tom Webster, Dennis Wallace, and Don Engler). Thank all of you again for sharing your expertise.

EXTREMELY WELL DONE!!

The committee is interested in having more and more people participate, especially land cruisers. Interested in possibly participating next year, we would like to hear from you. Please forward any cruise feedback or suggestions (be it from land or sea cruiser) to either of the Co-Chairs.

Cruise Acknowledgements: **Jack Bryson** – excellent Directed Net; **Don Engler** – for his usual superior job on the printing of this cruise book; **Carol Hanson** – food and gift management; **Barbara Sharpless** – for assembling a great cruise book; **Carl Stacey** – T-shirt coordination; **Tom Stoner and Tom Webster assisted by Dennis Wallace and Don Engler** – stewardship of Rallye coordination and PHRF Handicaps; **Geri Walker** – Captains’ Meeting site procurement; **Tom Webster and David Sharpless** – Navigation Exercises, Rallye courses and Committee Boat; **KIAs and Committee Members** – an incredibly fine job coordinating all aspects of this cruise by everyone involved.

WPS 2012 Cruise Committee

Terry & Richard Butler – *Eau de Vie*
Sue & Don Engler – *Jubilee*
Nancy & Jim Ennis – *Nauti-Gal*
Carol Hanson – *Weatherly*

Betty & John Ingram – *Gypsy II*
Zelma & Jim Robinson – *Portabella*
Barbara Sharpless – *Knot Again*
Bev & Bart Wilson – *Pleasure’s Mine*

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P/C Dennis M. Wallace, P



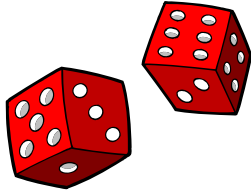
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weather to make sure it's secure. While maybe my boat looks like it's entangled in a spiders web, it really doesn't take that much longer to tie it up with the double bow, stern and spring lines than it does to single lines. And I can feel secure about it anytime ugly weather is forecasted. So if you have a second set of lines, why not use them? It's one less thing to find storage for and you too can find comfort in knowing your boat has that extra protection. And I'd also encourage you to store any exterior chairs or movable objects like cushions whenever you leave your boat. Not only will that protect your boat when these things get shifted about, you also avoid losing them if they were to otherwise blow off your boat.

For me, the Wilmington Power Squadron, and in particular its educational activities enable me to be a more competent and confident boater. The amount of experience among its members is amazing and the Squadron's social and educational activities provide us the opportunity to soak that all in, so please join us whenever you can. You'll be a better boater for it and you'll have the opportunity to make and keep new friends.

*Lt/C John S Ross, AP
Administrative Officer*



WPS Birthday List /August-September

<i>August-</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>September</i>	<i>Date</i>
John P. Goon	Aug 01	Carl L. Stacey	Sept 02
Chester M. Gibson	Aug 05	Thomas S. Webster III	Sept 05
James A. Ennis	Aug 07	Edward H. TenEyck Jr.	Sept 06
Wayne T. Stanford	Aug 07	Jeffrey J. Bottari	Sept 11
Barbara L. Sharpless	Aug 09	William L. Theis	Sept 12
Roger L. Cason	Aug 13	Carol Jo Heald	Sept 15
Richard Van C. Parker	Aug 18	Joseph D. Irr	Sept 19
Edward D. Kee	Aug 19	Gail Russell	Sept 20
Ronald D. Crooks	Aug 20	Rita A. Shade	Sept 20
Susan K. Leshar	Aug 23	Joseph Donia	Sept 22
Charles P. Schutt Jr.	Aug 30		



Calendar of Events

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Weekly Luncheons on Wednesday: 1130

Seasons Pizza, 3901 Concord Pike, Wilm., DE



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| 22 | Aug. | 1830 | WPS Executive Committee Meeting
Date, time and location changed from 2012-2013 Yearbook
Meeting to be held at the home of Cdr. Judy Stadler |
| 25 | Aug. | 1500 | Dundalk Power Squadron Crab Feast
Haven Harbour – specifics TBD |
| 03-08 | Sept. | | USPS Fall Governing Board Meeting
Marriott Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI |
| 07 | Sept. | | Deadline for October/November/December Lubber's Line Material |
| 08 | Sept. | | Bay Jam
Turner's Creek |
| 11 | Sept. | 1900 | WPS Fall Educational Courses Begin
Advanced Grades & Elective Courses
A. I. DuPont High School, 50 Hillside Road, Wilm., DE |
| 19 | Sept. | 1930 | WPS Executive Committee Meeting
Conectiv Energy & Technology Center, Newark, DE |
| 21-23 | Sept. | | D/5 Sail Regatta, Fishing Tournament and Fall Festival
Kent Narrows, MD
Hosted by Kent Narrows Sail and Power Squadron |
| 29-30 | Sept. | | WPS Event
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