

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

Golden Isles



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Upcoming Events

- **Mar 16-18-** District 26 Spring Conference
- **Mar 19** – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm
- **April 7** – ABC Class 0800 -1600
- **April 17** – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

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Commander's Message



Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf,
SN-ON

We had another great turn out for our club's 3rd Tuesday Dinner last month. AO Rick Hindery, P, provided us with some very informative and enthusiastic speakers, Kelly Patton and Alex Muir of One Hundred Miles. They certainly raised our consciousness on not only how important our GA coast is, but also our responsibility to protect it.

I would like to congratulate the recent Seaman-ship students Terry Osman, P; Ed Reynolds, S; Mike Leben, S; Renee Leben, S; Keshia King who all successfully completed the course. I would also like to thank our SEO, Captain Paul True-love, SN for organizing and instructing the class. Paul's experience in teaching, along with his real world experience, is a real asset to our club. Our educational department is holding another America's Boating Course Saturday, April 7. Please help us populate the class by posting as many posters as possible and encouraging your boating friends and acquaintances to join the class.

Our National Education Committee is reintroducing, what was, the "The Digital Library", as "America's Boating Channel". They are continu-

ally adding new instructional videos. Check it out; you will be impressed with the content while picking up some more boating skills. Please pass the site on to your friends. I think it is just another way to market ourselves and spread boating knowledge. <http://americasboatingchannel.com/>



Another District 26 function, the D26 Cruise and Rendezvous is on the horizon May 18-20 hosted by the Golden Corner Sail and Power Squadron. If you have never been boating on Lake Keowee, SC; then this is your chance. The Cruise and Rendezvous is pure fun with no mention of business. Check out the event registration form on page 10 of this Porthole.

Boating season is almost here, if not, already. Now is the time to start running through the spring commissioning maintenance checklist to make sure your boat is ready to go. In addition, if you decide that your boat needs some repairs beyond your capabilities, now is also the time to get your boat into one of several local boat service centers. Turnaround times will become longer and longer as the season progresses. Make sure you do not forget to check all of your safety equipment, especially visual distress signals (VDS) to make sure they are not expired. If they are, you might consider purchasing one of the USCG approved new electric lights kits. The only thing you will be replacing is three C cell batteries instead of replacing expired pyrotechnic VDS every few years.

Hope to see you all at our next week's club dinner.

Cdr Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON

PREPARE FOR THE BOATING SEASON

Executive Officer
Ed Reynolds, S

If you are like me, with the return of longer days and warmer weather you are itching to get back on the water. But before launching, please join me in inspecting your boat. This will help ensure a safe boating season for you and your crew. A great way to do this is to request a courtesy Vessel Safety Check (VSC) by one of our Squadron members. Several of us are undergoing certification as VSC examiners and will be happy to assist. Also, please suggest a Vessel Safety Check to your fellow boating friends. This is a great way to introduce them to the many benefits of USPS membership. If you are interested in a free courtesy VSC, please feel free to call me at 423-341-2531.

Decisions, Decisions, Decisions



Administrative Officer
Rick Hindery, P

We have a wonderful opportunity to plan for our summer on the water activities but we will need to lock down some dates before spring has sprung. A Dolphin Tour seems like a good follow up to our shrimping adventure of last summer so here is some food for thought:

If we were to have a private Tour and sail on our own as a group, we would have a \$750.00 expense. The boat has a capacity of 49 so we would have room for every one of our 42 members and a few friends. If the usual suspects who attend our meeting along with a few members from afar are interested, we could open up the event as we did for the Lady Jane. Boating club friends from Savannah and the coast might be interested.

We have friends at the other local clubs too and it might be nice to have an open invitation with the Golden Isle Sailing club or the Surf sailors. Regular tours are 25.00 but a quick bit

of division shows that the cost would drop to just over 15.00 a person if we decided to make the excursion private and rent the entire boat.

Renting the whole boat gives us freedom to sail on our schedule. Regular times are 10AM, 2PM and a tour that leaves about one hour before Sunset. In June and July that is 7PM and during August 6:45. During August, the 2PM tours end so we would have more afternoon hours to schedule a private tour.

I think the next order of business would be a decision to go private and work to cover the entire \$750.00 by extending invitations or become part of a public tour.

In either case, we should decide if there are any dates that will not work for us. If you plan to meet us on March 19th, you might want to form an opinion as to what works best for you and think about what your summer calendar looks like.

Treasurer's Report



Treasurer Teresa
Wilsdorf, S

The GISPS account balance as of March 1, 2018 is \$6,140.79.

Happy Birthday in March to Squadron Members!

16 Terry Osman

25 Jack McMenamin



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GISPS Executive Committee and Club Dinner Minutes

Secretary

Margaret Butler, SN

GISPS Executive Committee Minutes

February 20, 2018

Cdr. Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Attending were XO Ed Reynolds; Secretary Margaret Butler, SN; Treasurer Teresa Wilsdorf, S; Vicky Jefferis, JN; Bob Butler, SN; AAO Tim Lahrs, S; AO Rick Hindery, P; Sharon Hindery, AP; SEO Paul Truelove, SN; Joe Stortz, AP and guests Cathy Stortz, Sharree Lott and Linda Thompson.

Teresa reported a balance of \$6100.79 in our treasury. Our income from dues this year is expected to be about \$800.00.

Margaret commended Cathy for a great "Porthole" in February.

The four domain names we have been paying for have been cancelled. Sharon will secure a domain name of americasboatingclubgoldenisles.org/.com. Sharon is continuing to update Facebook and our website.

Margaret will complete the Georgia annual Corporate Registration and will be the principal address and the registered agent.

Charles has received permission from the National Rules Committee Chair to wait until other changes are needed to our bylaws to do the change for the new meeting day. Margaret recommended that we do nothing on the bylaws at this time. Vicky seconded. The recommendation passed.

The Seamanship class ended last night. All students did well on the exam. The next ABC class is April 7. Teresa made a motion to advertise it on the causeway billboard. Ed seconded. Motion passed to use the billboard for two days for \$360.00.

Ed, Mike Moye, and Terry Osman are interested in becoming Vessel Safety Examiners. They will be studying the VSC material from the website during March and completing their five qualifying boat inspections with Charles on March 31.

National Safe Boating Week is May 19 – 25. Ed feels we should use the causeway billboard during that week to promote our club, our classes and our vessel safety checks. The committee agreed that we would pay for one day for \$180.00.

Course manual shipping costs have increased. Charles is checking with National to find out why.

The committee agreed to reserve the Virtual Trainer for Coastfest and work on getting the lowest possible shipping costs – we can always cancel this. Charles will reserve.

Vicky reported that we will host the 2019 Cruise and Rendezvous for the District. The committee voted to schedule it for May 17 – 19. Vicky is checking on hotel rates for that time period.

We expect to have a cruise on Lake Blackshear on one or more pontoon boats. A motion was passed to use Sharree's boat and the Lake Blackshear boat. This is a squadron activity and thus covered by USPS liability insurance.

Sharree will organize a dock party for the Saturday evening we are at Lake Blackshear. Teresa made a motion to contribute \$150.00 for the party. Bob seconded; the motion passed. We will not have a breakfast on Sunday morning. As of now, we have 22 folks confirmed to come to this event, as well as two of Tim's friends who will come by boat.

We need to get a banner with our name "America's Boating Club Golden Isles." The cost will be researched and we will approve the purchase by email.

Ed made a motion to adjourn. Teresa seconded; motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

GISPS CLUB DINNER

The Club Dinner began after the ExCom meeting. Charles welcomed our members and visitors. He recognized past-commanders Vicky Jefferis and Sharon Hindery.

January minutes were approved as published in the "Porthole".

Sharon reminded the group of the March 9 – 10 Peaches to Beaches yard sale and asked that we get sale items to her. She also asked for help manning the table during the sale.

Our speakers for the evening were Kelly Patton and Alex Muir from One Hundred Miles. The mission of One Hundred Miles is to protect, preserve and enhance Georgia's 100-mile coast. Their presentation outlined ways we can get involved in mission-related programs to take action for our coast.

Squadron Education Officer's Report

MAYDAY MAYDAY MAYDAY

I am on fire, POSITION 31° 02 7'N. 081° 25.4'W. You hear this distress call, can you plot this position on your chart? Better yet, can you plot my position and pilot your boat to come and help me out?

A Little Spring Training.

Here are the seven positions and photos of the nearest location. Pull out your paper chart and navigation tools. Can you match positions and photos? E-MAIL ANSWERS to captainpaultruelove@gmail.com. Be the first to match positions and photos.

Positions	
One	31°08.8'N 081°25.1'W
Two	31°11.2'N 081°25.0'W
Three	31°10.5'N 081°24.3'W
Four	31°07.0'N 081°25.1'W
Five	31°03.5'N 081°25.3'W
Six	31°00.5'N 081°25.9'W
Seven	31°02.7'N 081°25.4'W

Photo Locations
 ST SIMON'S MARINA
 ST ANDREWS GREEN 29A
 ST SIMON'S RANGE TOWERS
 FREDERICA RIVER GREEN 24I
 JEKYLL HARBOR MARINA
 JEKYLL FISHING PIER
 JEKYLL ISLAND CLUB HOTEL



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Continued: A Little Spring Training Pictures from Page 5

Seamanship Class was a success, all students passed. Congratulations Terry, Rennee, Kesha, Mike and Ed.
The next ABC Class will be April 7 at the UGA Marine Extension. Class begins at 0900. Please help recruit students.

Next month: The navigator's dilemma (Where am I?)

PAUL TRUELOVE SEO

Tim's Trivia



Assistant Administrative Officer
Tim Lahrs, S

How well do you know GISPS members and recent past members? Tim will share the answer at our next Club Dinner.

1. **Who is a current member, lives in the Brunswick area, and keeps their boat in Jacksonville, FL?**
2. **Who at the age of 12 held a professional drag racing certificate and won 20 out of 25 races?** Yes, and is a current member and will be present at our March meeting. This one will blow you away.

The answer to February's trivia question.

Who owns a 19' center steer T top in rack storage?

That is Lynne Barron our GISPS Port Captain.

For everyone planning to attend our Lake Blackshear outing May 11-12, the largest striper fish in the state of GA was caught on Lake Blackshear for the state record at 30 lbs. There is still time to join the fun at Lake Blackshear.

Golden Isles Sail and Power Squadron Calendar March – August 2018

March

16-18 – D26 Spring Conference hosted by Lake Murray

19 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

April

7 – ABC Class 0800-1600

17 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

May

11-12 - 80th Annual Blessing of the Fleet in Brunswick

11-12 – Lake Blackshear Outing

15 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

18-20 – D26 Cruise & Rendezvous hosted by Golden Corner Sail & Power Squadron in Seneca, SC

19-25 – Safe Boating Week

June

19 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

July

28 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm

August

25 – Club Dinner at Moondoggys at 6:00 pm



Pictures from February ABC Class

Clockwise from top: Students listening to instructors during class; Cdr Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON instructing Riley Lawrey on tossing a line; Charles watching Kimberly Antic toss a line; SEO Paul Truelove, SN instructs students in cleating with confidence. Pictures submitted by P/C Vicky Jefferis, JN and P/C Sharon Hindery, AP.



February Club Dinner Guest Speakers

AO Rick Hindery, P arranged for two speakers from One Hundred Miles to give us some information about their organization. Kelly Patton and Alex Muir gave us some interesting information about their organization.



Alex Muir, on left, and Kelly Patton from One Hundred Miles. Photo by Sharon Hindery, AP.



Alex Muir OHM Coastal Advocate. Photo by Terry Osman, P.

Make sure to visit our Facebook page often. Click on this link https://www.facebook.com/pg/GISPS/posts/?ref=page_internal to see what is new on our Facebook page. If you already have Facebook open, visit our Golden Isles Sail & Power Squadron page.





USPS D/26 Cruise and Rendezvous

18 - 20 May, 2018

Hampton Inn, 1011 East North 1st St., Seneca, SC 29672

Hosted By: Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron

Friday, 18 May

1200-1730 Registration – Hampton Inn Lobby Area
1200-2200 Hospitality Room & Silent Auction
1430 Meet in hotel lobby for tour of Clemson Stadium and/or Botanical Gardens # of Attendees _____
Dinner on your own in Seneca (List of suggested restaurants close by available on next page)

Saturday 19 May

0800-0930 Registration – Hampton Inn Lobby Area
0800-1000 Silent Auction in Hospitality Room
1000-1500 Poker Run Lake Keowee # of Attendees _____
1200 "Wear It" group photo at High Falls Park Shelter 671 High Falls Rd. Seneca 29672
1200++ Lunch at High Falls Park Shelter # of Attendees _____ X \$ 11 _____
Delectable BBQ, delicious baked beans, fantastic potato salad, and crispy cole slaw
Poker Run hands \$20 for one, \$40 for three # hands _____ X \$20 _____ or # hands _____ X \$40 _____
(total pot will go to prize money)
1345-1700 Hospitality Room & Silent Auction
1800-2100 Dinner and play poker hands **Keowee Key Country Club**, 1 Country Club Rd. Salem: Please select entrée:
Salad, beverage, & strawberry cake included

Chicken Piccata	# of Attendees _____	X \$ 26 _____
Pan-seared Grouper	# of Attendees _____	X \$ 34 _____
Steak Diane	# of Attendees _____	X \$ 34 _____

1600-1700 Last opportunity for **Silent Auction** at hotel, then at KK Club until 1800

Sunday, 20 May

0830-1030 Complimentary Brunch at The Summit Clubhouse, 510 Viewpoint Ct. # of Attendees _____
Seneca, 29672.

Boating or trailering and need transportation from boat to hotel and other events? **Yes, # of people** _____

You will be contacted by a Golden Corner Lakes Squadron member the week prior to the Cruise and Rendezvous to determine transportation needs. Then please call 864-376-0197 or 864-202-1547 to let us know when you arrive.

If bringing your boat, are you willing to take others on the poker run? **How many?** _____

Please Print:

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Last / First	Grade/Rank	City-State-Zip	Phone	Email	Squadron
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Deadline for Event Registrations: 1 May 2017

Make check to: "Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron"

Mail to: GCLSPS c/o Wendy Carter, 305 Beech View Dr, Seneca, SC 29672

Questions: Kathy Redford 864-972-8164 (864-376-0197) or Brian Hackley 864-973-4889 or (864-784-2551)

Conference Hotel: Hampton Inn, 1011 East North 1st St., Seneca, SC 29672; phone 864-482-2900 direct line

\$119 plus tax. 20 rooms guaranteed. Room rate held until April 18. *Hot Breakfasts included.* (ver 2/18)