



For Boaters, By Boaters™

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Upcoming Events

June

- 18 EXCOM at ember Restaurant on St Simons Island - 5pm
- 18 Club Dinner at ember Restaurant at 6pm

July

- 16 Club Dinner
- 20 On-the-water Club Cruise and lunch Zachry's Riverhouse on Jekyll Island

August

- 17 - Cumberland Island Picnic Lunch Cruise
- 20 - Club Dinner

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Commander's Message



Cdr Charles Wilsdorf,
SN-ON

Whew, Whew, Whew, the District 26 (D26) Cruise and Rendezvous (C&R) is over, but boy did the work payoff. I have received many comments from attendees stating job well done, great food, great venues, great organization, and great transportation. Golden Isles has set a new benchmark for C&R's was another reoccurring comment by attendees. Gang, you pulled it off and knocked it out of the park. I thank all of you that made it all happen: Lt/C Ed Reynolds, S; Cindy Simpson; Bob Butler, SN; Margaret Butler, SN; Rick Hindery, P; P/C Sharon Hindery, AP; Lt/C Terry Osman, P; P/C Vicky Jefferis, JN, David Jones; Sharree Lott; Joe Stortz, AP; Cathy Stortz, AP; Lt/C Mike Moye, N; Sharon Moye; and Lt/C Teresa Wilsdorf, S. I also thank these members for the donations they made.

Now is the time to get back to club business; retaining members and gaining new ones, have some good times as a club on the water including a little Coop Charting (anyone notice a day beacon missing leaving south from Morningstar Marina?), interesting speakers at our dinner meetings (no we are not shutting down for the summer), and how about an advanced or elective class or two (we are

about boating education, right?). There is a new boat handling course, that to my knowledge no one in our club has completed. Check it out: <https://www.usps.org/index.php/departments/13000/13000-educational-committees/13180/13180-boat-handling>. Please let Lt/C Mike Moye, N know if you are interested.

America's Boating Club Tybee Light will be hosting the Fall District Conference and Change of Watch October 18 – 20. Their club has always been supportive of our club by attending our squadron events and events we have hosted for D26. As the old saying goes, "one good turn deserves another", so let's support them by attending the D26 Fall Conference. Lodging will be beach side at the Hotel Tybee, Friday afternoon tour of the Georgia Port, Friday evening a Low Country Boil on the Tybee Pier Pavilion, Saturday morning tours of the Tybee Lighthouse and Fort Screven, Saturday afternoon tours of Fort Pulaski National Monument, presentations and workshops Saturday, dinner and Change of Watch Saturday Night, and a Sunday Get-Away Breakfast.

Think I mentioned last month that it is renewal time again for many members. The due date for these members is 5/31. As of 6/5 there were still nine members who still needed to renew. I don't want to sound like I am hounding you, but we do value your membership. You may renew online at: <http://www.usps.org/dues/>. Please contact me if you have lost your invoice or not sure of your certificate number.

Sure hope to see you all at our next club dinner, Tuesday, June 18, at 6:00 PM at the Ember restaurant on St. Simons Is.

Chas

ANOTHER GREAT ON THE WATER EVENT JULY 20



Executive Officer
Ed Reynolds, S

Please join us for the second annual Fancy Bluff Creek Lunch Cruise.

- When: Saturday, July 20, 10:00am-3:00pm
- Where: Boats meet in front of Blythe Island Dock at 10:00am
Cruise Fancy Bluff Creek to Little Satilla River to Jekyll Sound
Dock at Jekyll Marina
Lunch at Zachry's Riverhouse
Return to Brunswick/SSI via Jekyll Creek
- What to bring: Lunch money
- How to sign up: email ejreynolds3@icloud.com or call 423-341-2531 by July 8, 2019.

Need to know number attending and if you can provide a boat.

If you attended our Cruise and Rendezvous, you know how much fun we had. If you missed it, please join us this time!

See you on the water!

Ed Reynolds, S
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Squadron Administrative Officer Report



AO Terry Osman, P

Our Club truly celebrated the boating lifestyle at the Cruise & Rendezvous last month. Thank you, Americas Boating Club - Golden Isles, for giving us a way to remember and experience the joy of being in nature, on the water, in our boats – together.

Whether you own a boat, you crew, you fish or pleasure boat, since ancient times life on the sea has evoked a certain joy - a sense of adventure, romance, and mystique. Just seeing the sun on the water or smelling salt after a time away can bring on a familiar euphoria of sorts. Many who have lived a "landlocked" life hold a wistful yearning to cast off the lines and sail away to distant shores, harkening to the dreamy romance of the sea.

The desire for the sea is easy to satisfy here in the Golden Isles - something we can experience every day if we choose to. As a matter of human nature, though, those things, which we have in abundance, can become accustomed to and taken for granted after a while.

I know you can relate because you're a member of this Club! Is your desire for the sea still alive? Or has your boating experience become mundane or ignored? Maybe it's a rollercoaster, as it is for me. Maybe the maintenance work has worn the romance away. (Especially in this heat, whewee!) Or is your spirit still alive?

Whether the desire for the sea is altogether an illusion – a human fancy constructed entirely in the emotion and mind – or whether it authentically emerges from your soul, it doesn't matter. It deserves tender loving care! This is what Americas Boating Club - Golden Isles Squadron did for us in May with the Cruise & Rendezvous!

"No more beautiful sight can be imagined than a morning at sea, the sun rising among golden clouds; the dark blue sea flecked with glistening white caps cleaving a pathway of sparkling foam; towering masts, and yards covered with snowy canvas which bellies to the crisp morning breeze as if sculptured in marble..."

Captain Arthur H. Clark

Tender Loving Care for the Boating Spirit

It sounds like this:

"I've been itching to get out on the water. How about you?" Answer: Absolutely!

"We're not spending enough time chillin' at anchor." Answer: OK, lets go.

"Haven't seen a redfish on the hook lately; I'm leaving at 6 a.m." Answer: Bring me some!

Don't take it for granted. Do it. Schedule it in. Be gone. Bring back a story to your Club to share. Get the romance back in your life!

Terry Osman

June Club Dinner - Mark Your Calendars!

Tuesday June 18th

Location: Ember Restaurant on St Simons Island

6pm Cocktails

6:30 Program: WWII and the Coast Guard in Glynn County

Guest Speaker: Kim Campbell, Site Manager at the World War II Home Front Museum



Squadron Education Officer Report



SEO Mike Moye, N

America's Boating Club—Golden Isles has its next ABC course on October 19, 2019. We're pleased to say that we have already received notice that a person from Jacksonville has signed up for the course. We're hoping for many more; so please spread the word.

A couple of months back I encouraged our membership to keep their knowledge skills sharp with the many interesting forums, blogs, and newsletters found on the web. In addition, there are many, many excellent magazines available that give excellent boating information—sail, power, or paddle—there's something for everyone. I fully intended to give a rundown of the nautical related books in my small library but decided against that. True, I have some pretty good books that provide some very good details about maintaining and operating a boat, but those are just my preferences—they're certainly not for everyone. Sometimes when I look at my shelves, I actually wonder why I thought some of those books were for me (especially the one titled Capsized!)

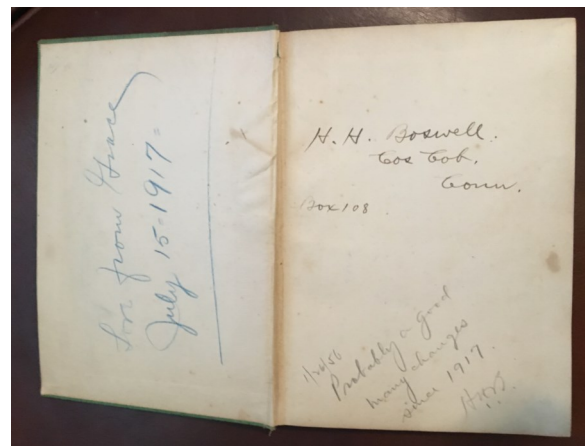
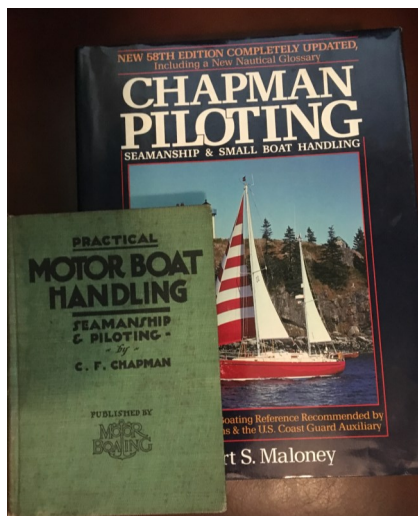
There's one book that I believe every boater would enjoy and use repeatedly. It was the very first book I ever read regarding boating. At the time I only had three boats. One of them was a wooden Chris-Craft cruiser that opened my eyes regarding the many possibilities of boating. The other two boats were for skiing and fishing; the Chris-Craft was for cruising and introduced us to a new world. The book that taught me about boating was Chapman Piloting, Seamanship, and Small Boat Handling. I'd bet most of you have a copy or two on your bookshelf. The most current copy is the 68th edition which was published in 2017. This is the 100th anniversary of the publication. See the attached photo and you can see that the book has changed quite a bit. I don't have the 68th yet, but I'll sure get one.

Charles F. Chapman was the author of the first edition. I've always heard that he put it together in three days. I didn't believe that until I saw recently an explanation that made it seem possible. Past National Commander Chapman was hired, in 1912, by William Randolph Hearst to edit his Motor Boating magazine. He did that job for 56 years. In 1916 he was asked by Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Franklin D. Roosevelt, to prepare a manual to train Navy Reservists. He was able to put it together so quickly because he had access to files from Motor Boating. Also, remember what was going on in the world in 1916. The next year that manual was published as Practical Motorboat Handling, Seamanship, and Piloting and was 144 pages (today it's more than 900 pages). In 1922, it was given the name we know today. I hope you are familiar with the name Chapman and recognize it in relationship to two things: first, the very prestigious USPS Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching and second, the fact that Charles Chapman was a co-founder of the United States Power Squadron. Our own Charles Wilsdorf was a recipient of the Chapman Award a few years back.

I would bet that "Chap" was an excellent teacher. Without question, the little book he put together has certainly been a hit. The millions published have educated a lot of both wanna-be boaters and seasoned captains alike. Finally, please note the second picture attached. This is from the inside cover of my little 1917 book. I'd just bet that Grace, whomever she might have been, gave this book not only with love but with a secret hope that someone would be a better boater. Education does make us better boaters.

Mike Moye, N

SEO



Secretary's Report

"Due to the (very successful) District 26 Cruise and Rendezvous held in May. GISPS did not hold a general meeting or Xcom. That said, there is no Secretary's report/ minutes this month... I do hope everyone is enjoying their summer..."

Sharon



Secretary Sharon
Hindery, AP

Happy Birthday

to Bob Morrison in June!



Treasurer's Report



Treasurer Teresa
Wilsdorf, S

Well, the dust has settled down and I think we have all also taken a deep breath and exhaled. Wow, what a job was done by all. Nothing was left undone and our C&R turned out to be even more successful than I imagined. Not only was it successful, but I think a good time was had by all. Many thanks to all of you that helped put on such a wonderful event.

Our finances look very good right now with all the profits that we earned from the C&R. We now have ~\$8,250.00.

Now, let's concentrate on expanding our membership and coming up with good ideas for group gatherings. We need to start having some fun!! Guess we should also teach a class or two, maybe get some new members from classes. If anyone has ideas on what we can do for get togethers, please contact one of the bridge members and let's see if we can make it happen!

Hope to see you at Embers on St Simons on the 18th ☺

Teresa

2019 Cruise & Rendezvous

Over seventy members gathered in Georgia's Golden Isles May 17 – 19 for the annual D26 Cruise & Rendezvous, arriving both by land and by water. Hosts for the event were the members of America's Boating Club – Golden Isles.

After months of planning and organizing, led by C&R Chairman Ed Reynolds, S, and Cdr, Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON, sixteen Golden Isles members were on hand all weekend to welcome the guests and execute a weekend of fun and fellowship for all.

The first event of the weekend was the Friday Welcome Social held at the gazebo on the dock of Morningstar Golden Isle Marina. Following that, attendees had their choice of dining on their favorite dishes since dinner was "On Your Own."

Saturday morning, everyone was back at Morningstar Marina for the Cruise Skippers Meeting and briefing on the day's Mackay/Frederica River Cruise plans and assignment to join those who were piloting boats to Two-Way Fish Camp Marina near Darien, GA. Everyone enjoyed the scenery and the experience (except for those pesky flies) on the journey up the Intra Coastal Waterway. Upon arrival at the marina, the group feasted on a Low Country Boil buffet lunch at Mud-Cat Charlies picnic pavilion.

Following the cruise back to Morningstar and a brief rest, everyone reconvened for a "Party in the Park" at Gascoigne Bluff Park on St. Simons Island to enjoy music, socializing and another delicious buffet, this one a Caribbean dinner catered by Brunswick's Island Jerk restaurant.

Alas, the weekend of fun and fellowship had to end, but not before Golden Isles members hosted attendees at a Down-Home Breakfast at the International Seafarers' Center near the Port of Brunswick. Many of the guests were surprised and very impressed to learn about the Seafarers' Mission of providing a welcoming staff of volunteers and employees to provide for the varying needs of the merchant mariners who ply the seas for months at a time.

As the weekend ended, attendees bid so long to friends, both old and new, and started looking forward to the fellowship sure to be rekindled in Savannah at the Fall Conference and Change of Watch.

Golden Isles members who helped plan and host the weekend were Ed Reynolds, S, Cindy Simpson, Charles Wilsdorf, SN-ON, Teresa Wilsdorf, S, Terry Osman, P, Mike Moyer, N, Sharon Moyer, Bob Butler, SN, Margaret Butler, SN, Rick Hindery, P, Sharon Hindery, AP, Joe Stortz, AP, Cathy Stortz, AP, David Jones, Sharree Lott, and Vicky Jefferis, JN. **JOB WELL DONE, EVERYONE!**

P/C Vicky Jefferis, JN



Golden Isles members who helped plan and host the C&R weekend. Pictured from left on front row are Rick Hindery, Sharon Hindery, Teresa Wilsdorf, Cathy Stortz; Middle row: Terry Osman, Ed Reynolds, Cindy Simpson; Back row: Vicky Jefferis, David Jones, Margaret Butler, Bob Butler, Joe Stortz, Charles Wilsdorf. Additional members not present for picture are Mike Moyer, Sharon Moyer and Sharree Lott. Photo by Stephanie Krause-Jones.



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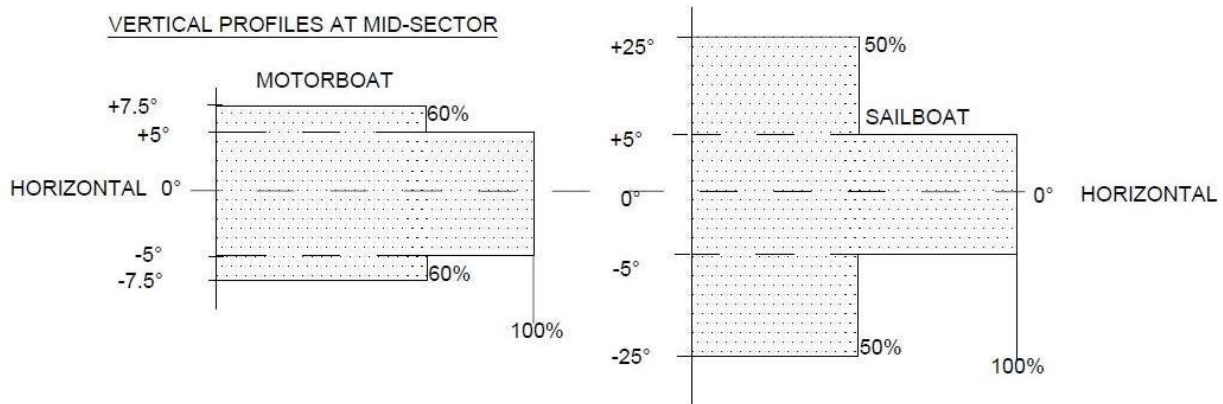
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Safety Alert 02-19

Not all navigation lights are created equal.

Navigation lights intended for use on power driven vessels may be different from navigation lights intended for use on sailing vessels. Although the horizontal arc of visibility is the same for all lights, the vertical divergence (i.e. vertical arc of visibility) requirements for lights on vessels under sail are larger to accommodate greater heeling. Manufacturer labeling may not discriminate between the different requirements. Navigation lights that claim compliance with the navigation rules¹ may meet the vertical visibility requirements for a power driven vessel, however, they may not comply with the vertical visibility standards for sailing vessels. Manufacturer labeling may not indicate that the lights are designed for use on power-driven vessels only.

Annex I (COLREGs section 10 and Inland 33 C.F.R. part 84.16 "Vertical sectors") prescribes the degrees and intensities that navigation lights must meet on the vertical plane. Many boat owners may not be aware of the $\pm 25^\circ$ vertical light divergence requirement for sailing vessels, a 17.5° increase from the power-driven vessel standard. Installing a navigation light, designed for use on a power driven vessel, on a sailing vessel may result in the light losing visibility when the vessel heels beyond the narrower $\pm 7.5^\circ$ vertical divergence angle established for power-driven vessels. A sailing vessel operator in this situation would likely not realize that the sailing vessel's lights were not visible when heeling beyond 7.5° .



What does this mean?

If your sailboat does not have the correct lights (sidelights, masthead lights, all-round lights, and/or combined lantern) and it heels past a certain degree, it may not be observable by other vessel operators.

¹ The International Maritime Organization Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 (COLREG 72) and 33 Code of Federal Regulations part 83 through 88.

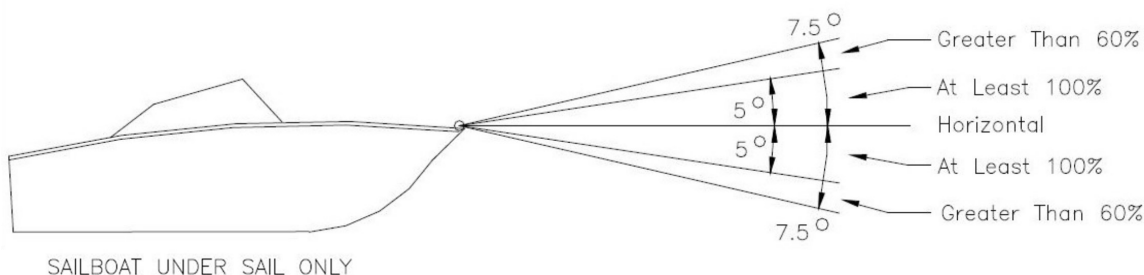
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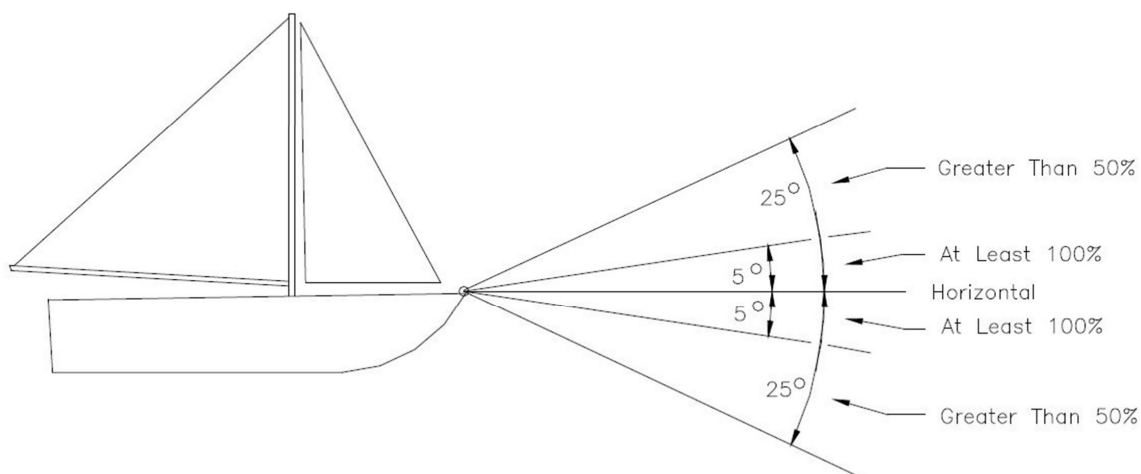
Why is that important

You may not know that other vessels cannot see you due to the heel of your vessel. Failure to operate with the correct navigation lights may create a situation where you mistakenly believe another mariner is able to ascertain your vessel's aspect or operational condition, which increases risk of collision.

POWERBOAT ONLY



SAILBOAT UNDER SAIL ONLY



Although a navigation light designed for a sailing vessel will not meet the vertical visibility requirements for a power driven vessel, it does not pose a commensurate safety concern (see diagram above). Manufacturers should be aware of the larger vertical visibility requirement for lights installed on sailing vessels. Likewise, sailing vessel operators and vessel repair facilities should ensure the installed lights meet the applicable requirements in Annex I. Since not all navigation lights are designed similarly, ensure that when you install a navigation light it is USCG certified for the length and type of boat. Such information should be readily available from reputable sources such as the light or vessel manufacturer.

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Welcome Social - The D/26 Cruise & Rendezvous fun began with the Welcome Social held at Morningstar Golden Isles Marina. The raffle items are on display in the top right picture. The weather was perfect for the weekend. Each picture is tagged with the photographer's name.



Shirley Robinson



Shirley Robinson



Shirley Robinson

Cindy Simpson and Sharree Lott



Shirley Robinson



Terry Osman

Cruise Skippers Meeting - C&R Chair Ed Reynolds, in the left picture with the megaphone, goes over the cruise information. Terry Osman, in the picture on the right holding a copy of the information, answers questions. Then it was time to depart on the cruise.



Vicky Jefferis



Vicky Jefferis

Cruise and Low Country Boil - The boats headed north on the Mackay and Frederica Rivers with a final destination of Two-way Fish Camp Marina on the South Altamaha River. C&R participants arrived by boat (and some by car) to enjoy the low country boil prepared by Mudcat Charlies. After a delicious lunch, the boats returned to Morningstar Marina via the MacKay River.



Shirley Robinson



Shirley Robinson



Vicky Jefferis

From left are Butch Rachal, Mike Moyer, Sharon Moyer and Lynne Rachal on board Mike's boat at Two-Way Fish Camp Marina dock.



Carl Ericsson, TLSPS

Photo by Carl Ericsson, TLSPS



Vicky Jefferis

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Terry Osman

Party in the Park - The next C&R event was the Party in the Park at Gascoigne Bluff Park on St. Simons Island. The evening finished off with the raffle. Current and past D/26 commanders drew the winning raffle tickets.



Vicky Jefferis

D26 Commander Jim Wilkins addresses the C&R participants.



Shirley Robinson

Golden Isles Mix-masters Bob and Margaret Butler worked the bar both Friday and Saturday nights.



Vicky Jefferis

Bernie Gendron, owner of The Island Jerk, sets up our Caribbean Buffet Dinner. Notice the "watermelon flower" in the top left corner that Bernie carved.



Sharree Lott

Golden Isles Commander Charles Wilsdorf.



Shirley Robinson

XO Ed Reynolds and Lt/C Teresa Wilsdorf look at one of the last raffle items.



Shirley Robinson

Past D26 Commanders from left: P/D/C Ron Osburn, P/D/C Ed Kridler, P/D/C Andy Hyman, P/D/C John Ozols, P/D/C Roy Stevens with D/C Jim Wilkins.

Down-Home Breakfast - The last D/26 Cruise & Rendezvous activity before everyone returned home was a Down-Home Breakfast at International Seafarers' Center in Brunswick.



Congratulations Golden Isles, the D/26 Cruise and Rendezvous was a huge success!



USPS® National News on Membership and Louisville Meeting

News from Membership:

June is our big renewal month. Get in contact with all the members who need to renew this month. E-mail is good for those that need to have their memory jogged. Telephone is better for those that are on the fence. Personal contact is best for those that really don't intend to renew. Bob Howd rhowd1@ec.rr.com

Louisville Meeting 8-15 September 2019

There will be a Parade of Publications in Louisville. If you would like to share your DCA winning newsletters with other members during the USPS meeting,, please bring no more than 10-12 copies for display in the registration area.

R/C Cheryl Jarrell, AP
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America's Boating Club of Golden Isles Calendar June - November 2019



June

18 - Club Dinner at embers Restaurant on St. Simons Island

July

2 - *Porthole* articles due for July edition

9 - *Porthole* distributed to members

16 - Club Dinner at ember Restaurant on St. Simons Island

20 - Second Annual Fancy Bluff Creek/Jekyll Marina Lunch Cruise

August

6 - *Porthole* articles due for August edition

13 - *Porthole* distributed to members

17 - Cumberland Island Picnic Lunch Cruise

20 - Club Dinner

September

3 - *Porthole* articles due for September edition

8-15 - USPS® Governing Board Louisville, KY

10 - *Porthole* distributed to members

17 - Club Dinner

21 - Mudcat Charlie's Football Party Lunch Cruise

TBD - Liberty Park litter pickup 9-11 am

October

1 - *Porthole* articles due for October edition

5 - CoastFest at Mary Ross Park, Brunswick 9AM to 4PM

8 - *Porthole* distributed to members

15 Club Dinner and voting for 2020 Bridge

19 - America's Boating Class at UGA Marine Extension in Brunswick 8AM to 4PM

18-20 - District 26 Fall Conference and Change of Watch - Hosted by Tybee Light Sail & Power Squadron

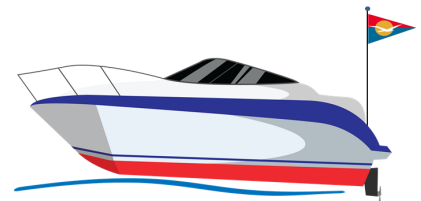
November

5 - *Porthole* articles due for November edition

9 - Liberty Park litter pickup 9-11 am (4th quarter)

12 - *Porthole* distributed to members

TBD - Annual GISPS Change of Watch



Scheduled Club Cruise Dates

July 20

August 17

September 21

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