

America's Boating Club of Winston-Salem



CROSSED ANCHORS



June-July-August

Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the FriendsSM



Commander Bill Davis, SN

Since my shelter at the farm is only 7000 square feet and I have five tractors, multiple mowers, trailers, tillers, disks, etc. under it, I had a little problem getting my 21-foot boat on the trailer added to the collection. On the other hand, I have had the boat in storage in Clemmons, NC for the past 7 years at \$65 per month with not a whole lot of use, I finally (sometimes my wheels turn slowly) determined there is more water in eastern North Carolina.



Also, I can now take my sister on the Roanoke River so she can see the pulp mill from the water side. What is also interesting is that there are two boat launches in Plymouth, one in Jamesville, NC (all 526 people strong), and numerous other places down east. The NC Wildlife people have been very generous in providing free boat launches all over the state. If you are not in to boats, we can talk

tractors, the corn crop (see past the boat), and other unrelated squadron stuff sometime.

Part of this trip to the farm was to attend the D27 rendezvous in Washington, NC the first weekend of August. I believe the count was 66 folks from the various squadrons in the district. Friday night we went over for dinner and the ghost walk that started at 8 pm. The gentleman took us on a 1 mile walk for 1.5 hours around town to look at the old courthouse, churches, cemeteries, and other unusual houses. One had a cannon ball shot thru it from the Civil War. The schedule for Saturday called for boat rides and various tours through the North Carolina Estuarian Museum. I had been through it before, so I spent the day working on mowers and tractors in the heat and humidity of the barn shelter. We did go back Saturday evening for the low country shrimp boil at a country club on the other side of the Pamlico River. Got to visit with old friends and eat, basically, shrimp, corn, and potatoes. We did get an ice cream sandwich out of the deal.

A few of the Friday night events below:





Administrative Officer

LCDR. David Jackson



Greetings, hope everyone is well. Summer has come and almost gone, still trying to figure out how that happen. Both Debbie and I have been traveling and visiting. Debbie has been in Alabama most of the summer while I have been to Columbia twice and spent the last week of July at Edisto beach for our family vacation, which took a big hit from the tropical storm last week. This week Debbie and I are both in Orlando for her grandson's birthday. He is four years old. Debbie is heading back to Alabama on Saturday, and I am flying to Winston Salem on Sunday.

I have managed to get some boat mechanics lessons from Eddie last month. We were able to remove his outboard foot and replace the water pump. We had a good time doing it and learned a few tricks along the way. Bill and I are still working on doing vessel inspections.

We are looking forward to our annual trip to Blewes Lake. Our next Membership meeting will be Aug. 21 at North Point grill. Hope to see everyone there.

Be safe.

David Jackson

Educational Officer

Lt/C. Kin Cartrette



Lt/C Kin Cartrette, P

Squadron Education Officer

The Winston-Salem Sail and Power Squadron/Americas Boating Club of Winston-Salem will be offering the fall boating safety course in September. The Americas Boating Course 3 classes will be taught on Thursdays, September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, and October 3rd, 2024 from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM at Polo Park Community Center at 1850 Polo Road in Winston-Salem. The cost for the course is \$28 for the ABC-3 book and exam. Please talk it up among your friends and fellow boaters! We still have a lot of boating season left this year with the warm weather and folks are still getting out doing family boating, fishing, kayaking and canoeing, and sailing on the local lakes and rivers!

I had the privilege to speak to the Twin City Kiwanis Club on Wednesday, August 14th, about our Sea Scout program. The Kiwanis were very receptive and interested in the program. There were several questions and comments at the end of the presentation as well as discussion before and after the meeting. A special thanks to our Squadron Commander Bill Davis, SN, arranging to opportunity to present to the Kiwanis. Thank you to the Winston-Salem Sail and Power Squadron/Americas Boating Club of Winston-Salem for continued support for the Sea Scouts through sponsorship, education, and donations!

Enjoy the remainder of boating season 2024 and remember "Safety First"! An educated boater is a safe boater.

Stay safe and we'll see you on the water soon!

Lt/C Kin Cartrette, P



The summer season brings with it the desire and the attraction to drive the four or five hours to the coast from Winston-Salem. Many families go to spend time with family vacationing together in a large air B&B that sits on the edge of the dunes overlooking the North Atlantic in Emerald Isle. Some drive to exciting fast paced touristy places such as Myrtle Beach in South Carolina. I like the slow pace of a family oriented sparsely crowded spit of sand found in an area of the North Carolina Southern Outer Banks called the “Crystal Coast”. To some people driving that almost 5 hours from the Piedmont Triad part of North Carolina may seem to be a chore. Some find it easier than others and some just allocate a nice day of leisurely travel occasionally stopping at a couple of rest areas and one for fuel replenishment.

When you arrive and unpack your belongings, you may be lingering into the evening hours and feeling a bit tired from the long day of driving and shopping for the needed sundries for the week. So, an early hour to bed to prepare for the week ahead with grandchildren and adult children who will arrive later in the week. The next day starts with the morning sun rise over the ocean and a subtle beam of light peaks into the bedroom awakening you and luring you to look outside at the waves as they gently lap the sandy shore.

You arise and walk down the small boardwalk to the sand and a familiar aroma greets you as a salty briny scent that is pleasing to the senses. You become mesmerized with the sounds of the waves gently lapping the sand of the beach in an aged old dance of ebb and flow. You close your eyes and remember when you were a child, and the first time that you saw the ocean. Very soon you are erasing the passage of time and you are transported decades into the past of your youth.

You listen to that rhythmic orchestral sound of wave after wave rushing toward the shore. The mixture of sea and sand is timeless as every wave that ebbs back into the ocean leaving a new tapestry of designs on the beach as the sea recedes. You stick your toes into the wet sand and the texture of eroding sand under your feet feel so familiar as the last wave recedes into the endless pool of moving water. The time machine has brought you back to a period in your life when you had a little dog with you that danced along the water's edge being careful to not get his feet wet. His joyous leaps and bounds chasing seagulls thinking he would catch them shows such a zest for life akin to that of a little puppy. You become possessed with the calming effect of clear and clean seawater holding 83 degrees as a warm summer breeze laps over your body and when you look down at your feet, you see why they call this the "Crystal Coast" as you can see your feet in waist deep water. The mild surf ponders the next small wave after wave giving you another thought of the past when you first learned how to body surf in your youth.

You look around and suddenly the time machine brings you back to the present day as the sound of grandchildren arrive in search for their Pepe to show them how to collect sea shells that were left by the living sea recently deposited on that beach.

They search for you and find you walking toward them as you greet each one with an open arm for that special bonding moment between a

grandfather and grandchildren creating that first memory of the beach for a five- and six-year-old.

The Carolina beaches are indeed rare in a way that they create a place to rejuvenate, collapse the boundaries of time, and become a sanctuary for the soul. Every visit is a return to the most cherished memory you may have in your youth. When you leave, your step will be a little lighter, your burdens a little less burdensome, the song in your heart a little bit easier to hear.

When I think of my very special place I want to go to month after month year after year, this is it. Will this desire every go away? Maybe someday. But for now, it is a desire of why I call this place on the earth almost “Heaven”.

See you on the Beach!!

Past Commander Don Breault, AP



Winston Salem Sail and Power Squadron 2024 Calendar

Date	Activity	Location	Time
Mon, Mar 4	Executive Meeting	Cancelled	
Wed, Mar 20	Membership Meeting	Little Italy Restaurant	1800
Mon, April 1	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, April 17	Membership Meeting	Little Richards	1800
Mon, May 6	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, May 15	Membership Meeting	North Point Grill	1800
Mon, June 3	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, June 19	Membership Meeting	Little Italy	1800
Wed, July 17	Membership Meeting	Little Richards	1800
Mon, Aug 5	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, Aug 21	Membership Meeting	North Point Grill	1800
Mon, Sept 9	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, Sept 18	Membership Meeting	Little Italy Restaurant	1800
Mon, Oct 7	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, Oct 16	Membership Meeting	Little Richards	1800
Mon, Nov 4	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, Nov 20	Membership Meeting	North Point Grill	1800
Mon, Dec 2	Executive Meeting	Zoom	1900
Wed, Dec 11	Christmas Party	TBA	1800

*Little Italy Restaurant—696 Angus Street, Rural Hall, NC 27145

* North Point Grill—7843 N. Point Blvd, Winston Salem, NC

* Little Richards BBQ—109 S Stratford Rd, Winston Salem. NC



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