



BEACHCOMBER



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A Unit of United States Power Squadrons Sail & Power Boating

February 2025

FEBRUARY 2-10: National Convention, Rosen Hotel, Orlando

3: McKenna's Fundraiser, 5-8 p.m.

13: Executive Committee, HRYC, 7 p.m.

20: Squadron Dinner Mtg., Red Lobster, 6:30 p.m.

MARCH

3: McKenna's Place, Port Orange, 5-8 p.m.

8: D 23 Council Mtg. Caribbean Condo, DB Shores

13: Executive Committee, HRYC, 7 p.m.

20: Squadron Change of Watch Dinner, Red Lobster,
Arrive 6:30-6:45-Dinner at 7:00.p.m.

28-29: D23 Change of Watch, Westin Hotel, Lake Mary

APRIL

10: Executive Committee, HRYC, 7 p.m.

17: Squadron Dinner Mtg., Red Lobster, 6:30 p.m.



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- Bridge and Committees
- Squadron Officers' Reports
- Activities
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Shortest Month...

Biggest adventures!

General Committees

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P/C Cheryl W. Martines, AP
Rebecca Roman

Nominating Committee

P/C Don Roman, AP
P/D/C Jeffrey T. Wise, JN

Rules Committee

Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN
P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN

Commander's Department

Chaplain

Lt /C Gary Foster, P

Flag Lieutenant

P/C Don Roman, AP

Merit Mark Committee

Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN

Public Relations Committee

P/C Don Roman, AP

**Vessel Safety Check
Committee**

P/C Don Roman, AP

Secretary's Department

**Information Technology
Committee**

D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey
Lt Christine Zahornacky

Public Contact

Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN
P/C Don Roman, AP

Ship's Store Committee

Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN

Website Committee

D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey
P/C Don Roman, AP

Publication Committee

D/L/T Sharon Neitzey

Educational Department

**Assistant Educational
Officer**

P/C Don Roman, AP

Elective Courses

Lt/C Will Benny, SN-CN

P/C Don Roman, AP

P/D/C Tim Henke, JN-CN

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Asst. Administrative Officer

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Assistant Treasurer

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COMMANDER Cdr. Paul Martines, JN

As we are nearing the end of our current squadron year, we are asking for a few volunteers to be members of the Executive Board. We also need a new Executive Officer to fill a vacancy on the Bridge. Please contact P/D/C Jeff Wise at 386-299-4536 or me at 386-451-4575 if you are interested in one of the positions.

The USPS National meeting is coming up in Orlando at the Rosen Plaza Hotel from February 3rd through 11th. If you have not been to this National meeting before, this is a great way to get information about what is coming up this year from National, District, and other squadrons in District 23.

We have a lot of events planned from our District 23 Bridge, so please read the District 23 News report from D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey, D23 Admin Officer, in this issue of the BEACHCOMBER.

Respectfully Submitted: Cdr Paul Martines, JN



Executive Officer Lt/C Greg Zahornacky, P

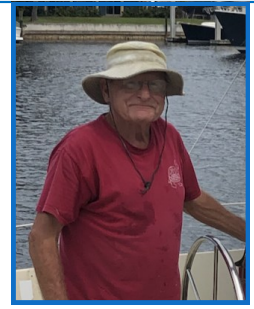
Our Squadron reported 104 Vessel Safety Checks in 2024.

Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C Greg Zahornacky, P.



Education Officers

SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN



ASEO P/C Don Roman, P

ABC3 Boating Safety Class is scheduled for 22 February and 01 March. Two Day Class that runs from 0900 to 3:30 PM each Saturday.

We are looking for folks to help: instruct classes and seminars, operate the MUVIT trainer (computer based boating trainer), liaison with local boating businesses, dealers, members who would like to help maintain website news and education, and a member to manage local press releases. Are you a Facebook expert, if so, we can use you with our Facebook page. Please contact Don Roman if interested in any of the above (386-453-6456).

We are looking for a few new Vessel Safety Examiners to help with our VSC program. If interested, please contact Don Roman, 386-453-6456. Don't know what a VSE does, but are interested in finding out? Call Don!

We are looking for anyone with some good ideas on attracting new membership. If that's you, please let anyone on the Squadron's Executive Committee know.

Respectfully Submitted: ASEO P/C Don Roman, P



Administrative Officer

Lt/C Gary Foster, P

January has been a chilly but eventful month for us with a good turnout at our squadron dinner at Red Lobster. The Routh family adventures were delightful and educational for anyone with sailing across the Atlantic on their bucket list. For the rest of us it seemed pretty daunting and a true lesson in courage.

One individual who appreciated such an adventure more than most (having a number of sailing adventures under her lifebelt) is Rebecca Roman who won our Lucky Star \$50. Frank Neitzey was happy to win the 50/50 cash.

February grabs our attention right out of the blocks as we kick off the new year with a 5 to 8pm fundraiser at Port Orange McKenna's Place on the 3rd. Great food from as usual. No reservation required. Bring friends and family for an early Valentine's treat.

Don't forget our regular squadron dinner meeting at Red Lobster on the 20th. We will be finalizing our March change of watch plans at that meeting as well. Contact me by the 18th to reserve your seats for the 20th.

Happy Valentine's Day on the 14th.



Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C Gary Foster, P



Treasurer D/Lt/C Steve Becker, P

The Florida Corporate Report for calendar year 2025 has been filed and the fee of \$61.25 paid. Sales tax for the second half of 2024 has been filed and paid (\$8.15).

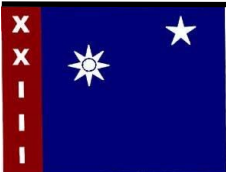
The Squadron's Executive Committee has decided to transfer \$15,000 from the Squadron's checking account to a four-month interest-paying instrument (CD) at Wells Fargo Bank. This will leave sufficient funds in the checking account for operational requirements.



Secretary D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

Please contact me (sneitzey@aol.com or 386-290-1243) with any corrections or questions regarding the current minutes. Also, let me know if you have photos or news that you feel should be included in our Beachcomber. Please send photos to Christine Zahornacky at gandczee@gmail.com. We will need all information and photos for the February Beachcomber by February 25.

Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey



District 23 News

District 23 Commander Gary Callahan is planning for a Council Meeting to be held on March 8. Thank you to the Conomos family for again offering us use of your condo party space for the meeting. District and Squadron Bridge Officers are encouraged to attend, as well as any other interested members. RSVP to Sharon Neitzey, 386-290-1243.

District Commander Gary Callahan is asking for volunteers to fill the District 23 Bridge and Committee positions. Contact Jeff Wise if you are willing to serve our District.

Our D23 Spring Change of Watch will be at the Westin Hotel in Lake Mary on March 28 and 29. Please plan to join us as we install the new Bridge Officers. We have some great activities planned for the weekend and the hotel is offering very good rates. More details about registration and the programs, schedules, and activities were emailed out. A copy of that information is found on pp.7-11 in this newsletter. Please register by March 7.

Respectfully Submitted: D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey, D23 Admin Officer



2025 D23 CHANGE OF WATCH

MARCH 28 AND 29

WESTIN HOTEL, LAKE MARY, FL ROOM RATE \$160/NIGHT

REGISTER NOW (SEE P. 2 FOR DETAILS)

DON'T MISS THE INFORMATION, FOOD, ACTIVITIES, & FUN.
LET'S ALL WELCOME OUR NEW DISTRICT BRIDGE OFFICERS

Our tentative schedule for the event is:

Friday Night, March 28

4:00 Check in

4:30-5:30 Hospitality

6:30-8:30 Top Golf (includes dinner)

9:00 Bring Your Favorite Game Party -or just enjoy the camaraderie

Saturday, March 29

7:30 Set up and Registration

8:30 Breakfast

9:00 N Club OR ECO-tour on the St. John's River OR

Scavenger Hunt Tour of Sanford

Lunch on your own (Hotel or many nearby restaurants)

1:00 to 3:30 Conference Meetings

4:30 Hospitality

6:00 Dinner Buffet

7:00-9:00 Change of Watch followed by music/social

REGISTRATION INFORMATION 2-Step Process

1. We are reserved as America's Boating Club. You must book your reservation with the hotel by **March 5** under our group name at the hotel and leave a credit card to hold your room and cover incidentals. TELL THEM NOT TO CHARGE YOUR CARD AT THIS TIME! ***Please call (321) 249-8023, Monday-Friday between the hours of 9am – 5pm. TELL THEM THAT THE GROUP BOOKING IS AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB.

Or use this link to complete your hotel registration online if you prefer.

[Book your group rate for America's Boating Club](#) Copy and Right Click. Select OPEN HYPERLINK at the bottom of the dropdown menu.

2. THEN, fill out the Registration Form (attached) and give it with your payment to your Squadron Representative. Your Representative will then get the registrations to me, Sharon Neitzey, so I can pay with D23 funds. This will allow us to use our Tax-Exempt status, enabling you to avoid paying 22% taxes for the hotel and sales tax for food and activities. You can also mail your reservation and payment directly to me BY **MARCH 5. Sharon Neitzey, 724 Central Park Blvd., Port Orange, FL 32127**

NOTE: You can register late at the hotel, but the negotiated price, \$160 per night, may not be honored after March 7, our contracted deadline, and you will have to pay all taxes. Call or text me if you have a question or a problem with this process. Sharon Neitzey 386 290 1243.

WE HOPE TO SEE ALL D23 MEMBERS AT OUR EVENT AS WE INSTALL THE NEWEST DISTRICT BRIDGE OFFICERS.

TOPGOLF LAKE MARY INFORMATION

ABOUT TOPGOLF LAKE MARY

We've got lots of stuff that makes us **golf**: clubs, balls, tees, turf, a ball-picker-upper-cart thing, etc. We also have lots of stuff that's **not golf**: loud music, giant targets, giant TVs, and hand-crafted food & drinks.

Enjoy year-round comfort in our **all weather hitting bays** with cooling fans in the summer and heated bays in the winter, all with HDTVs in every bay and throughout our sports bar and restaurant.

ADDRESS

1010 Greenwood Blvd
Lake Mary, FL

DIRECTIONS

(407) 543-9138

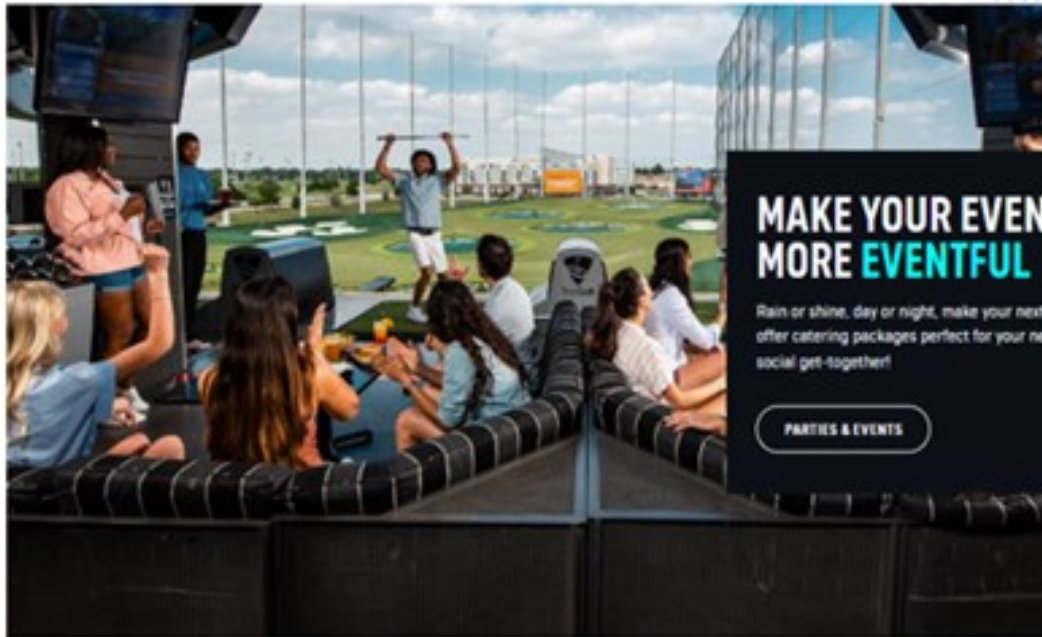
PRICING

HOURS

Mon-Thurs: 9AM - 12AM
Fri-Sat: 9AM - 1AM
Sun: 9AM - 12AM

SPECIAL HOURS

Feb 2: 9AM - 5PM



MAKE YOUR EVENT MORE EVENTFUL

Rain or shine, day or night, make your next party or group event more eventful at Topgolf. We offer catering packages perfect for your next birthday party, company event, fundraiser or social get-together!

PARTIES & EVENTS

In short, it is a sports entertainment complex offering an inclusive, high-tech golf game that everyone can enjoy. Experience the thrill of hitting golf balls at giant targets, all tracked by Toptracer technology for real-time feedback and scoring. The bays are equipped with cooling fans for the summer and heaters for the winter, ensuring comfort year-round. With delicious food, refreshing drinks, lively music, and an atmosphere buzzing with energy from the moment you walk in, Topgolf is the perfect destination for fun, relaxation, and unforgettable memories.

- Reserve two side-by-side bays for 7-12 total players 2 Hours of Game Play for \$286. Get the First available bays.
- Food and beverage ordered separately, in bay.
- THE FINE PRINT: Prices do not include a \$5 one-time Lifetime Membership fee for new players. And \$250 minimum food purchase for the 2 bay package (6 players and two spectators in each bay). Shortage will be added to final price.

Cost per person will be \$30, plus the two bays combined will need to spend \$250 on food. To view menu for Top Golf, go to

https://s3.topgolf.com/uploads/pdf/menus/Topgolf_Menu_LakeMary_Oct24.pdf

MEAL DETAILS

WESTIN/LAKE MARY

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025

BREAKFAST (Negotiated price) Charging \$26

Seasonal Fresh Fruit and Berries, Bagels with Flavored Cream Cheese, ham and cheese croissant, and Danish Pastries, Sweet Butter and Preserves

Coffee and Decaf, Ice water

\$23.00 per guest +23% SERVICE (plus \$5 per person if we don't have 25 people). \$28.29 with service charge. Regular menu price would be \$32 + 23% (\$39.36)

(We negotiated \$9 ham and cheese croissant added to buffet).

DINNER (Negotiated price) Charging \$65.

This will include 2 proteins; pulled pork and chicken, along with a vegetable, a starch, bread, salad and a dessert. It will also include iced tea and coffee.

We have agreed to \$55.00 per guest + 23% service charge (\$67.65).

(Regular Menu dinner prices range from \$60-\$79) + 23% service charge. (\$74-\$97).

We agreed to a Saturday night bartender fee (50% off) which makes it \$75.00 . Drink tickets will be \$10 + each. Alcohol \$10, non-alcohol \$5. Tickets will be cut in 1/2 for non-alcohol.

D23 2025 CHANGE OF WATCH

REGISTRATION FORM

DUE 3-5-25

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

SQUADRON _____ PHONE _____

HOTEL FRIDAY _____ SATURDAY _____

EVERY ROOM @ \$160/NIGHT TOTAL OWED _____

MEALS (SATURDAY) (INCLUDES GRATUITY)

BREAKFAST BUFFET NO. (PLAYERS) _____ X \$25= _____

DINNER NO. (GUESTS) _____ X \$65= _____

ACTIVITIES

TOP GOLF NO. (GUESTS) _____ X \$50= _____

SPEEDWAY NO. (GUESTS) _____ X \$27= _____

POLYNESIAN LUAU NO. (GUESTS) _____ X \$50= _____

TOTAL FOR ALL RESERVATIONS _____

RECEIVED BY _____ DATE _____

HAPPY **February** *BIRTHDAYS!*

*Stacy Conomos
Kimberly Schmidt*

*Bill Myers
Calvin Willard*



*Happy birthday to you.
Happy birthday to you.
Happy birthday dear squadron members.
Happy birthday to YOU!!!*

Lucky Star



Lucky Star Winner

**THE LUCKY STAR POT ROLLS BACK TO \$50.
IT WILL BE DRAWN AT OUR JANUARY DINNER
MEETING. REMEMBER, YOU MUST BE PRESENT
TO WIN. DON'T MISS OUT!**



A major component of a fun filled outing is a reliable boat which has all the necessary equipment operating properly. A free vessel safety check (VSC) is an important safe-guard, and our certified examiners will be happy to perform the check for you. There are no negative consequences if you don't pass. Our goal is simply to help make boating as safe as possible for you, your family and your friends through education.

America's Boating Club and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary are partners in this valuable program offered to the boating public. All examiners are certified and trained on the latest requirements. The Vessel Safety Check is similar to the review that is conducted by the USCG (& Sheriff) if you are boarded except a VSC is only for your benefit. It is not a "Boarding" which is a law enforcement activity. We perform a 15 point safety inspection which includes:

Display of Numbers	Registration/Documentation	Personal Flotation Devices (PFD)
Backfire Flame Control	Pollution Placard	Navigation Rules
Fire Extinguishers	Sound Producing Devices	MAR POL Trash Placard
Navigation Light	State/Local Requirements	Marine Sanitation Devices
Visual Distress Signals (VDS)	Ventilation	Overall Vessel Condition

The VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC) Decal shows Active Duty U.S. Coast Guard, and law enforcement, that you have been examined and did comply with USCG requirements at the time inspected. It indicates your efforts to comply with both USCG and State requirements, and may just avoid an active duty USCG "Boarding" (or Sheriff/ FWC boarding) which is a true law enforcement activity.

To schedule a Vessel Safety Exam, You can contact any of our Examiners Directly that work in the areas indicated:

Will Benny	386-265-5180	New Smyrna Beach/Edgewater
Tim Henke	352-483-6000	Lake Marion/Seminole County
Paul Martines	386-265-5180	Daytona Beach/Holly Hill
Ron Radford	515-236-8206	Palm Coast/Flagler
Don Roman	386-453-6456	Ormond Beach/Daytona Beach
Jeff Wise	386-299-4536	Daytona Beach
Ermit Zapata	386-279-2779	Deland/West Volusia

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

A NOTE TO OUR READERS...

As the editors of this newsletter,
we welcome your input on articles in the newsletter
or suggestions for materials that you would like to see
included in future issues.

This newsletter is one of the primary tools used by the squadron to
communicate with its members.

Please review the articles and meeting flyers included and join
us for classes and events announced.

Each of us can play an important role in the success of our squadron.
Please feel free to contact us or e-mail us.

Sharon Neitzey and Christine Zahornacky

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Please submit any information or photos for the FEBRUARY

*Publication to us by **FEBRUARY 25.***

Send info to Sharon Neitzey and photos to Christine Zahornacky.

****Members please note that .pdf files submitted to the editors are
not grammatically correctable.*

*However, Microsoft Word and Publisher files are correctable.****

Photos should be in .jpeg format.

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Navy	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	L \$34.00
Royal Blue	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	XL \$34.00
White	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	XXL \$36.00
	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	XXXL \$37.00

Includes Name to the right side of Shirt on All Shirts (\$5 extra charge): Yes No



Hats available for C913 UNIFORMING \$15.00 + C813 FLEXFIT FITTED \$15.00



New Burgee Available \$35.00 – Bridge Officers Flags \$32.00 -- USPS Ensign Flag \$42.00

Name Tags now can be ordered with new logo

(SM) Magnet \$13.95 – Power Magnet \$15.50 – (PB) Pin \$11.00

Members Name: _____ Date: _____ Total Order: _____

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Navy	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	L \$35.00
Royal Blue	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	XL \$35.00
White	S M L XL XXL XXXL	_____	_____	_____	XXL \$38.00
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VESSAL SAFTEY FLAGS \$30.00

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Pin Back\$11.00

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Power Magnet\$15.95

OFFICER FLAGS.....\$35.00

ENSIGN FLAG.....\$35.00

BURGEES\$30.00

(New members receive one name tag free with membership)

Please contact me if you are interested in getting one of our new squadron shirts with our new logo on it. We are taking pre-orders now.

CONTACT: P/C Paul Martines at Meeting or Call 386-451-4575

E-mail paulmartinesd23@aol.com