



BEACHCOMBER



Formerly known as DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

A Unit of United States Power Squadrons Sail & Power Boating

March 2025

- MARCH 5: RSVP deadline for D23 Council Mtg., p.8
7: RSVP Deadline for D23 Conference p. 13
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.—p.6
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.



In this issue:

- Bridge and Committees
- Squadron Officers' Reports
- Activities
- Member Birthdays
- Vessel Safety Check Info
- Photo Gallery
- Calendar

THE BRIDGE

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"I wanted freedom, open air, and adventure. I found it on the sea." - Alain Gerbault

General Committees

Finance/Audit Committee

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN
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

Administrative Department

Asst. Administrative Officer

1/Lt Kathleen Foster, S

Membership Committee

Cdr. Paul S. Martines, JN
Lt/C Gary Foster, P

Treasurer's Department

D/Lt/C Steve Becker, AP

Assistant Treasurer

D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey

Executive Committee

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1/Lt Kathleen Foster, S

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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 few Officers to fill vacancies on the Bridge. Please contact P/D/C Jeff Wise at 386-299-4536 or me at 386-451-4575 if you might be interested in one of the positions.

We have a lot of events planned by 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.

ASEO Don Roman checked on the status of the Daytona Boat Club building in reference to our group occasionally renting their little building at Halifax Harbor Marina. The following is his report.:

Halifax Harbor's new Manager is not aboard yet. However, the office staff have said that the Marina wants to take over the Boat Club Building. Trying to get City approval is very slow. Neither they or the Facilities Manager of HRYC are aware of any interest by the Yacht Club in that building. I did not ask directly about any event deal, but I did have a good chat with event coordinator Angela and will see her again soon to check on updated information.

Respectfully Submitted: Cdr/. Paul Martines, JN



Executive Officer

Lt/C Greg Zahornacky, P

Our Squadron reported 4 Vessel Safety Checks so far in 2025. We have just received the actual stickers, so we can start some weekend cruises to the islands to perform VSC's.

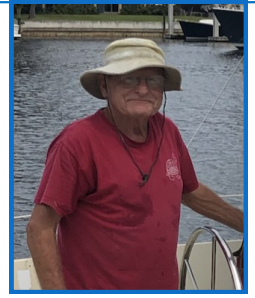
Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C₄Greg Zahornacky, P.



Education Officers

SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN

ASEO P/C Don Roman, AP



ABC3 Boating Safety Class is scheduled for 22 February and 01 March. It will be a Two-Day Class that runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 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. Executive Committee is listed on p. 2.

Respectfully Submitted: ASEO P/C Don Roman, AP



Lt/C Gary Foster, P

Administration Officer

The third Thursday of March falls on the 20th. At 5:01 AM Spring officially begins with days and nights roughly equal in length. Hence, the spring equinox.

On the evening of that day at 6:30 PM there will be another transition: CHANGE OF WATCH for our squadron's bridge. Red Lobster on ISB will host the festivities. Unlike our normal monthly dinner meetings it's a bit more formal. I will actually wear a tie.

Our dinner plan is also a bit different. Red Lobster has extended us a limited menu with three options. For \$27.00 you will get your choice plus designated sides and a beverage. Taxes and gratuity included. Find details of choices and the required reservations form in this BEACHCOMBER. **PAGE 6**

We look forward to you as a special member making a special effort to attend this special occasion where our squadron's leadership will be installed.

See you there.

Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C Gary Foster, P



*America's Boating Club Daytona Beach
invites you to their
Change of Watch*

*March 20, 2025
6:30pm*

*Red Lobster
2625 W. International Speedway Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL 32114*

\$27 per person
RSVP and payment by March 13, 2025*

*Send reservations to:
Gary Foster
1553 Poplar Dr.
Ormond Beach, FL 32174*

please include this portion with your payment

Name(s) on Reservation and entree Choice:

Entree Choices for Change of Watch:

side items and drink orders on night of event

- 1. Shrimp your way Choose 2 types of shrimp: Garlic Shrimp Scampi, Walt's Favorite Shrimp (fried), Grilled Shrimp, Coconut Shrimp (2 sides)*

please list 2 shrimp choices on your reservation.

- 2. Atlantic Salmon (2 sides)*
- 3. Chicken Linguini Alfredo (1 side)*



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The following members have agreed for following bridge for the 2025 – 2026 year.

Bridge Nominations (1 or 2 year term)

Commander – Cdr. Paul Martines, JN

Executive Officer - P/C Don Roman, AP

Administrative Officer – Open

Education Officer – P/C Will Benny, SN - Ass't Education – P/C Don Roman, AP

Secretary – D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey

Treasurer – Luc Labreche

Executive Committee Nominations (1 or 2 year term)

At-Large Members

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN

Financial Review Committee

P/C Sherry Martines, AP

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN

Rules Committee Member

Cdr. Paul Martines, JN

D/C & P/C Jeff Wise, JN

Nominating Committee

P/C Don Roman, AP

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN

*Submitted to Executive Board February 2025 for approval by Nominating Committee

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN



**Treasurer
D/Lt/C Steve Becker, AP**

Our Squadron account is up to date and all bills and fees are paid. Please remember to send any dues payments directly to National to be processed. The address is United States Power Squadron Headquarters, 1504 Blue Ridge Road, Raleigh, NC 27607. Thank you.

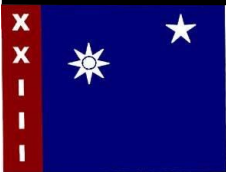
Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Steve Becker, AP



**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 April Beachcomber by March 25.

Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey



District 23 News

Our D23 Council Meeting is coming up 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: Sharon Neitzey, 386-290-1243 ASAP. Both D23 and our local Daytona Squadron are looking for new Bridge and Committee Members. Contact Jeff Wise at 386-299-4536 if you are willing to serve our Squadron or D23. We need help with a few positions. Let's share the load.

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 are on pages 8-12 of this newsletter. Please register ASAP. Final deadline for hotel registration is March 7. Read flyer for more details. You can bring the form on p.12 to me at the D23 Council Meeting if you attend or mail it to the address listed. Come join the fun!

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.

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reservation-link.mi?](https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?)

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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

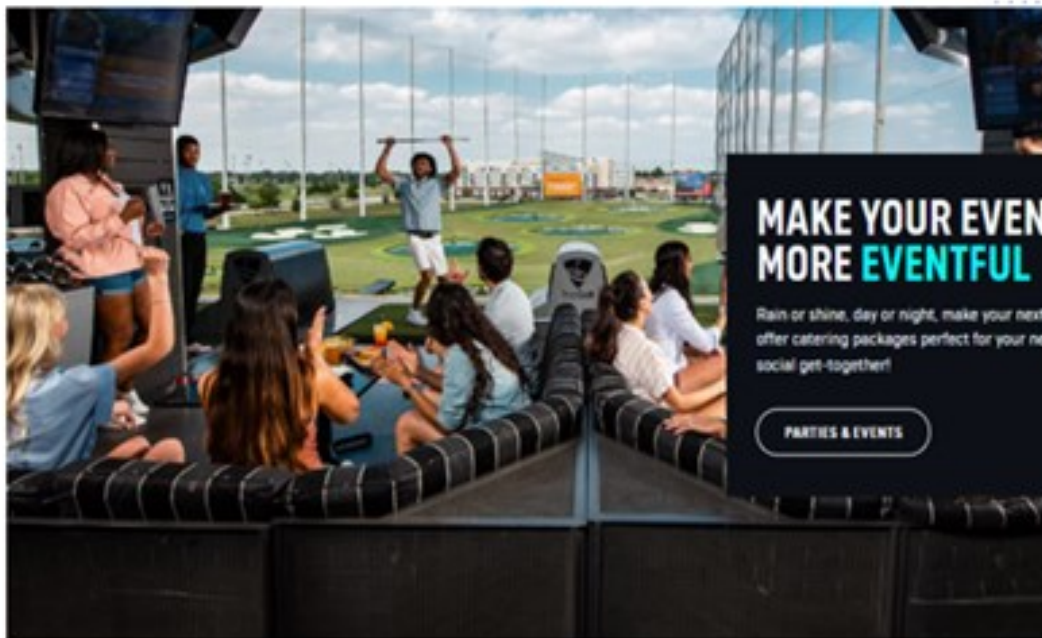
PRICING

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) **PLUS**

(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 \$30 (+FOOD)= _____

WALKING TOUR NO. (GUESTS) _____ X \$10 = _____

ST. JOHN'S CRUISE No. (age 13-64) _____ x \$36 = _____

ST. JOHN'S CRUISE No. (age 65+) _____ x \$30 = _____

TOTAL FOR ALL RESERVATIONS _____

HAPPY



BIRTHDAYS!

Joe Lockett

Leon Jones

Ron Radford

Frank Neitzey

Robert Ray

John Demaye



Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday dear squadron members.

Happy birthday to YOU!!!

Lucky Star



Lucky Star Winner

**CONGRATULATIONS TO GARY FOSTER,
WHO WON THE FEBRUARY LUCKY STAR.**

THE POT REMAINS AT \$50.

**IT WILL BE DRAWN AT OUR MARCH DINNER.
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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A big shout out to Aaron Kilman Jewelers, who generously supports our America's Boating Club. Thank you for your recent donation.

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 April

*Publication to us by **March 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.