



BEACHCOMBER



Formerly known as **DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON**
A Unit of United States Power Squadrons Sail & Power Boating

November, 2023

NOVEMBER 1: Deadline to RSVP for Christmas Luncheon

4: Boat Outing from Astor to Renegades on the River

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

11: Veterans' Day

14: Lunch Bunch, 11:30, TBA

16: Squadron Dinner Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Red Lobster, Daytona.

23: Thanksgiving

DECEMBER 10: DB Squadron Christmas Lunch, Palmetto Club, Info TBA

12: Lunch Bunch

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

“There is always,
always something
to be thankful for.”

NOVEMBER

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**November reminds us to be thankful
for all the little things in life!**

General Committees

Auditing Committee

P/D/C Jeffrey T. Wise, JN
Cdr Paul S. Martines, JN
P/C Cheryl Martines, AP

Finance Committee

P/D/C Jeff Wise, JN
P/C Cheryl W. Martines, AP

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

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P/C Don Roman, AP

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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

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

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D/Lt/C Steve Becker, AP

Assistant Treasurer

D/Lt/C Sharon Neitzey

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COMMANDER

Paul Martines, JN

We had our recent dinner meeting at Houligan's Restaurant. I would like to thank Don Roman for getting our speaker, Buddy Davenport. He is the Commissioner of Volusia County's Florida Island Navigation District. His presentation was very informative in regards to getting monies for our area and economic benefits of our District Waterways. We had four new members attending who joined the squadron after meeting us at the boat show . We also had one transfer from Central Florida Squadron to our squadron. We expect get a few more.

The new iMIS system is coming out from National within the next 6 months to go live with testing & training. With this program, Districts and Squadrons can post their information on the National web site for all members to see what's happening in their area. This will encourage cooperative participation among squadrons and districts. Keep an eye out for more information coming out from National.

Plans have already begun for the annual Christmas party in December. We had the most amazing party last year and are looking to continue that this year! We will keep you posted in the Beachcomber. We need paid reservations by the next dinner meeting. See the information in Gary Foster's report and in the enclosed flyer.

P/D/C Jeff Wise is tentatively planning a boat outing from Astor to Renegades on the River on Nov. 4th. Contact Jeff at 386 299 4536 if you are interested.

Make sure you read through this issue and pay attention to the calendar of events coming up.

Respectfully Submitted: Cdr Paul Martines

Executive Officer Report

We have (6) Vessel Safety Officers and we have completed (91) Vessel Inspections so far this year.

Merit Marks Report

It's Merit Mark time. Members should look for the forms in the **Beachcomber (pages 15-18) and in emails**. Please read the explanation and complete the appropriate forms. Don't be shy. Send them to me if you have done any work for the Squadron for Outings, Meetings, Boat show, Picnics etc., so you can get credit for all the work you have done. Think about any help you have given our squadron and submit the forms by November 10. Any questions, please call or email me.

Respectfully Submitted: Cdr Paul Martines, Merit Mark Chair



Administrative Officer

Lt/C Gary Foster, P

Though our October Squadron meeting at Houligans was a bit sparse due to some of our members' fall travel excursions, we celebrated October with good food, good friends and good ICW information from Buddy Davenport. We suspended the 50/50 and the raffle but did the STAR drawing with no winner present. Sorry you missed the \$50 pot Susan Singh. November winner will be \$75 richer, but remember, you must BE THERE to win. This month's meeting will be at Red Lobster on ISB. It will be at 6:30 on the 16th, same format as always. And I'm sending the same request I've made for two years: let me know if you are attending the squadron meeting dinner by Tuesday night, prior to the meeting. The restaurant likes a little heads up on how to staff our needs. We have no speaker as of yet. Can anyone sing and dance?!

Speaking of "BEING THERE" I hope you folks who have not reserved your place at the **December 10** Christmas 12:00 Sunday luncheon will commit soon to that date. We must have a minimum of 35 paid reservations to secure the festive event at Daytona's classic Palmetto Club by DECEMBER 1. If we cannot guarantee the club that number, we will have to scratch the event and shoot for alternative squadron festivities. I personally don't want to eat our Christmas dinner at Houligan's! ***If the party falls through due to lack of participation, all checks will be returned. We currently have only 13 signed up.

November 14 at Daytona's Cracker Barrel on ISB will find the Lunch Bunch enjoying a meal at 11:30. Bon Appetite!

Respectfully Submitted: Lt/C Gary Foster, P



Treasurer

D/Lt/C Steve Becker, P

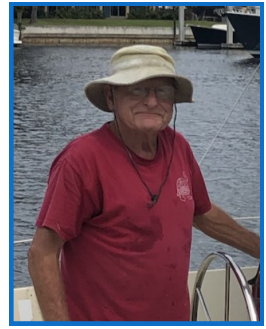
The treasury had revenue of \$251 in October. The sale of the ABC3 course textbooks accounted for \$160, and \$91 was the squadron's share of the proceeds from the silent auction at the D-23 Conference. Expenses for the month have yet to be finalized but are the results of costs for the hospitality suite at the D-23 Fall Conference and renewals of software contracts for our website. I have a receipt from Weebly for \$144 for renewal of the management of our website (paid by Don Roman). I paid \$28 to Associated Printing and Graphics for business cards ordered by Paul. I have an outstanding receipt to Gateway for \$291.66 for Boat Show trinkets which hasn't cleared yet. I also have receipts for items charged on our card (\$43) for the hospitality suite. It is estimated that the monthly expenses will total about \$600.

Respectfully Submitted: D/Lt/C Steve Becker, P



Education Officers
SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN

ASEO P/C Don Roman, P



We need additional help in the Education Department. Thanks to Tim Henke, who helped Don with the last ABC3 class.

Respectfully Submitted: SEO P/C Will Benny, SN-CN and ASEO P/C Don Roman, P



Jeff Wise took two students from the recent ABC3 class out for a boat ride to practice their newly learned skills.



Secretary
D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

Please contact me (sneitzey@aol.com or 386-290-1243) with any corrections or questions regarding the minutes that were sent last week. Also, let me know if you have photos or items of interest that you feel should be included in our newsletter. I will need all information for the December Beachcomber by November 26. Thank you.

Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

DISTRICT 23 NEWS

Start planning now to attend our Spring Change of Watch, which will be held February 23-25 in Jacksonville Beach at the Hampton Inn Beachfront. Get to know the members of our nearby squadrons and share ideas, experiences, and a common purpose. More information will follow as soon as plans are finalized. Save the date!


Respectfully Submitted: D/L/C Sharon Neitzey

NOVEMBER 16 DINNER MEETING
RED LOBSTER, DAYTONA, 6:30 P.M.
2625 W. INTERNATIONAL BLVD.

COME JOIN US. BRING A FRIEND



RESERVATIONS REQUIRED! An ACCURATE count of persons committing to attend is still required by the deadline so the venue can efficiently staff and serve our group. Please RSVP to Gary Foster before the **November 14, 9:00 p.m. deadline.** You can email him at: garyeugenefoster@gmail.com OR Text or Call Gary at (706) 255-3007. Let's have a huge turnout for our dinner meeting. You can bring payment for the Christmas Luncheon to this dinner meeting, which will eliminate the need to mail it. Se luncheone flyer on P 8.



You Are Cordially Invited

America's Boating Club's

Holiday Luncheon

December 10, 2023

*Palmetto Club
1000 S. Beach St. Daytona Beach, FL 32114*

Join us for a seated luncheon, cash bar, white elephant gift exchange, door prizes, music, and fun!!!!*

**Please bring one gift per family to participate in the White Elephant gift exchange. Something around \$25.*

Entree Choices

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|---|-------------|
| <i>1) Prime Rib</i> | <i>\$40</i> |
| <i>2) Spinach/Artichoke Stuffed Chicken</i> | <i>\$35</i> |
| <i>3) Pasta Alfredo Primavera</i> | <i>\$35</i> |

all entrees served with small salad, sides, bread, dessert, tea/coffee

RSVP by December 1st

Text 706 255-3007 or email garyeugenefoster@gmail.com

Please list entree choice(s) in your email.

HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!



William Benny Kathleen Foster

Paul Martines Richard Schmidt

Lisa Smith



Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday to you.

Happy birthday dear squadron members.

Happy birthday to YOU!!!

Lucky Star



Lucky Star Winner ...

Sadly, Susan Singh was not there when her name was drawn to win \$50 at our October Dinner Meeting. The pot rolls over for the next Lucky Star drawing, which will be held on November 16 at our next regular dinner meeting. The pot will be \$75 at that time.

Remember... you must be present to win!

YOUR BUSINESS AD COULD
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See p.11 for details.



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Jeff and Cathy Wise

Paul and Sherry Martines
Steve and Judy Becker

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See p. 10 for details.



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We are renewing Beachcomber Sponsorships for the remainder of the 2023 & 2024 publication year. We ask DBPS members and friends to support our group by becoming an advertised SPONSOR of our organization. Your name will be published on the SPONSOR page each month in the BEACHCOMBER newsletter from now through February **2025**. Cost for this is a suggested donation of \$25. Return the form and your donation ASAP to: **Sharon Neitzey, Assistant Treasurer, 724 Central Park Blvd., Port Orange, FL 32127.** Thank you for your support.

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DATE _____

NAME (as you want it to appear) **Please Print**

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DAYTONA BEACH SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

Beachcomber Advertising

December 2023 thru February 2025

Dear Advertiser, **50 % Discount**

Our advertisers for the Daytona Beach Sail & Power Squadron's monthly publication, The Beachcomber, are important to us. Please won't you help? The following information includes the yearly rates (March 2023 thru February 2024) and a contract form for ads. All must be paid at time of contract. Make checks payable to the (DBSPS) Daytona Beach Sail & Power Squadron. Mail with contract to **Sharon Neitzey, 724 Central Park Blvd. Port Orange, FL 32127**. Please include your business card or camera-ready ad. We would like all contracts in as soon as possible.

50% Off Annual Rates

Business Card Ad \$ 20.00

1/4 Page Ad \$ 40.00

1/2 Page Ad 80.00

Full Page Ad \$150.00

ADVERTISING CONTRACT

Date: _____ **Telephone:** _____ **Fax:** _____

Advertiser _____

Address _____

Authorized by: _____ **Title:** _____

Signature: _____ **E-mail:** _____

Authorization is hereby given to place a (size) _____ advertisement in the DBS&PS Beachcomber for one year (twelve months) at the annual rate for the year 2023-2024 of \$ _____. All advertising copy and artwork will be furnished by advertiser. E-mail or mail your camera-ready artwork or business card to Sharon Neitzey: sneitzey@aol.com . Mail check and contract to address listed above or bring to next meeting.

Paid by
Check# _____ **Cash** _____ **Date** _____

Advertisement solicited by: (Member)

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

sneitzey@aol.com gandczee@gmail.com



Please submit any information or photos for the November

Publication to us by November 26.

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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PAUL MARTINES AND PETER SINGH, AS THEY
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PONCE INLET AND ST. AUGUSTINE INLET.

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VESSEL SAFETY CHECK (VSC)



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.

The United States Power Squadrons 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 performed by the U.S. Coast Guard if you are boarded, except that it is the results.

Our Vessel Safety Examiners will perform a 15 point safety check which includes:

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

To schedule a Vessel Safety Exam, you may contact any of our Daytona Beach Squadron examiners in any of these area's:

Jeff Wise	386-299-4536	Daytona Beach
Paul Martines	386-451-4575	Daytona Beach / Holly Hill
Don Roman	386-453-6456	Ormond Beach / Daytona Beach
Will Benny	386-265-5180	New Smyrna Beach / Edgewater
Ron Radford	515-236-8206	Palm Coast / Flagler
Tim Henke	352-483-6000	Lake / Marion / Seminole Counties





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MERIT MARKS

The following is an excerpt from the USPS Operations Manual:

A “merit mark” (MM) is awarded by the chief commander to a member for substantial personal effort in furthering the interest, programs and objectives of USPS, its districts and squadrons. It is a coveted award; it is by and large the only official recognition members receive for their efforts. Only one merit mark may be awarded in a year to a member, no matter how extensive the contribution. A certificate is issued, and a special insigne may be worn on USPS uniforms.

Recommendations for a merit mark are made by squadron, district, or rear and vice commanders to the chief commander. Active, family, and apprentice members may be recommended. Merit marks earned by family and apprentice members shall not count toward senior, life, or emeritus status. Five merit marks are required for Senior Member, 25 for Life Members who are dues- exempt for life.

In a few short weeks our Commander will be forwarding his merit mark recommendations to National for the year 2023. As with all commanders, he will have that nagging fear that he might overlook a member’s worthy contribution. Since none of us is blessed with the “all seeing eye”, we ask that any member who has contributed time and effort to our squadron, please call Cdr Paul Martines, JN, Chairman/Merit Mark Comm. There are forms you can fill out to report the information needed. Forms can be mailed to Paul at 1020 Oaks W, Holly Hill, FL 32117, e-mailed to paul-martinesd23@aol.com or brought in person to the next dinner meeting. **These need to be sent to Paul by Nov. 10, 2023**, so he can get them to National.

Merit Mark Report



Daytona Beach Sail and Power Squadron

Please provide the following information and return as soon as possible as there is a **deadline** of **November 10th, 2023**, for submissions.

Contact P/C Paul Martines, JN if you have any questions at 386-451-4575

Members Name: _____ Certificate No: _____

Phone number: _____

1. Classes taught (course titles and many) _____
Sessions Taught _____ **Hours** _____
2. Classes proctored (course titles and how many) _____ **Hours** _____
3. Presentations or reports at Squadron or Executive Board Meetings and Conferences:
 - A. Time preparing the report _____ **Hours** _____
 - B. Time presenting the report _____ **Hours** _____
4. Booth watches (Boat Shows) _____ **Hours** _____
 - A. Number of watches _____
 - B. Total time for watch _____ **Hours** _____
 - C. Boat Shows Set up/Break Down _____ **Hours** _____
5. Number of meetings attended for which you helped set up Executive, Dinner, Cruise Outings _____
- A. Total time for above _____ **Hours** _____

Merit Mark Report



6. Co-Op charting

A. Number of reports _____

B. Time gathering and preparing the reports _____ **Hours** _____

7. Phone committee Number of phone calls and time _____ **Hours** _____

8. Articles for the Beachcomber

A. Number of articles _____

B. Time preparing articles _____ **Hours** _____

9. Presentations at District and National Meetings

A. Number of presentations _____

B. Time preparing articles _____ **Hours** _____

10. Committee jobs

A. What committees _____

B. How many jobs _____

C. Total time spent on all jobs _____

_____ **Hours** _____

11. Officer jobs (Commander NOT included)

A. Time spent _____ **Hours** _____

B. List of tasks _____

Merit Mark Report



12. Any other job(s) Poster Contest, Boats Shows, Dist.& Squadron Meetings etc.

A. Name or type of job(s) _____

B. Total time spent including preparation _____ **Hours** _____

13. Vessel Safety Checks

A. Number of vessel Safety checks _____ **Hours** _____

14. River clean up _____ **Hours** _____

15. Any Jobs or Positions not Listed please list here _____

_____ **Hours** _____

16. Total Hours of all Jobs Done _____

Please fill this out and return it to P/C Paul Martines, JN. Please email by **November 10, 2023**, to receive credit for merit mark.

Thank You

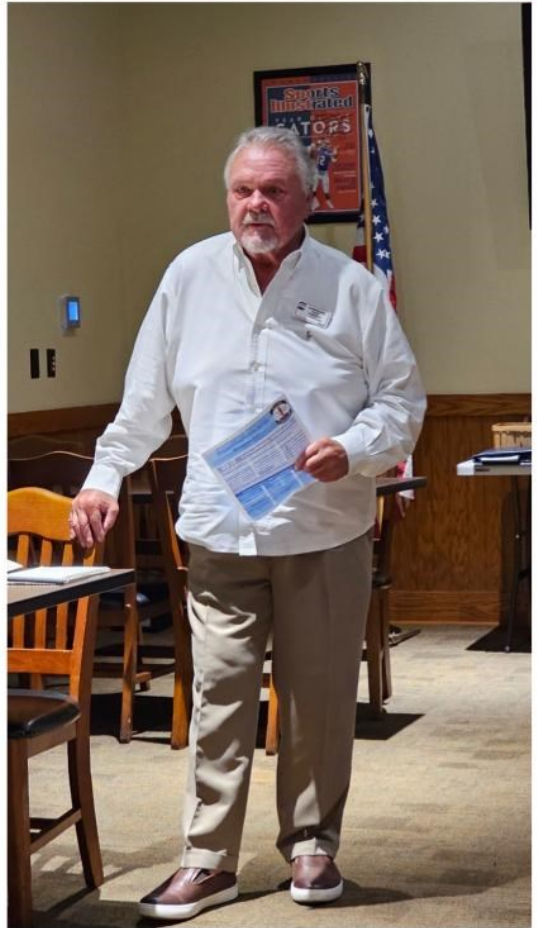
Merit Mark Chair: Cdr.Paul Martines, JN

Email - paulmartinesd23@aol.com



OCTOBER SQUADRON DINNER @ HOULIGAN'S, DAYTONA BEACH

GUEST SPEAKER: BUDDY DAVENPORT



Daytona Beach Power Squadron Tentative 2023 Calendar of Events

- NOVEMBER 4: Boat Outing from Astor to Renegades on the River
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25: Merry Christmas
31: Happy New Year