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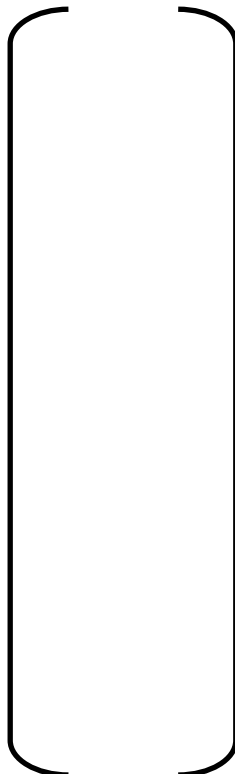
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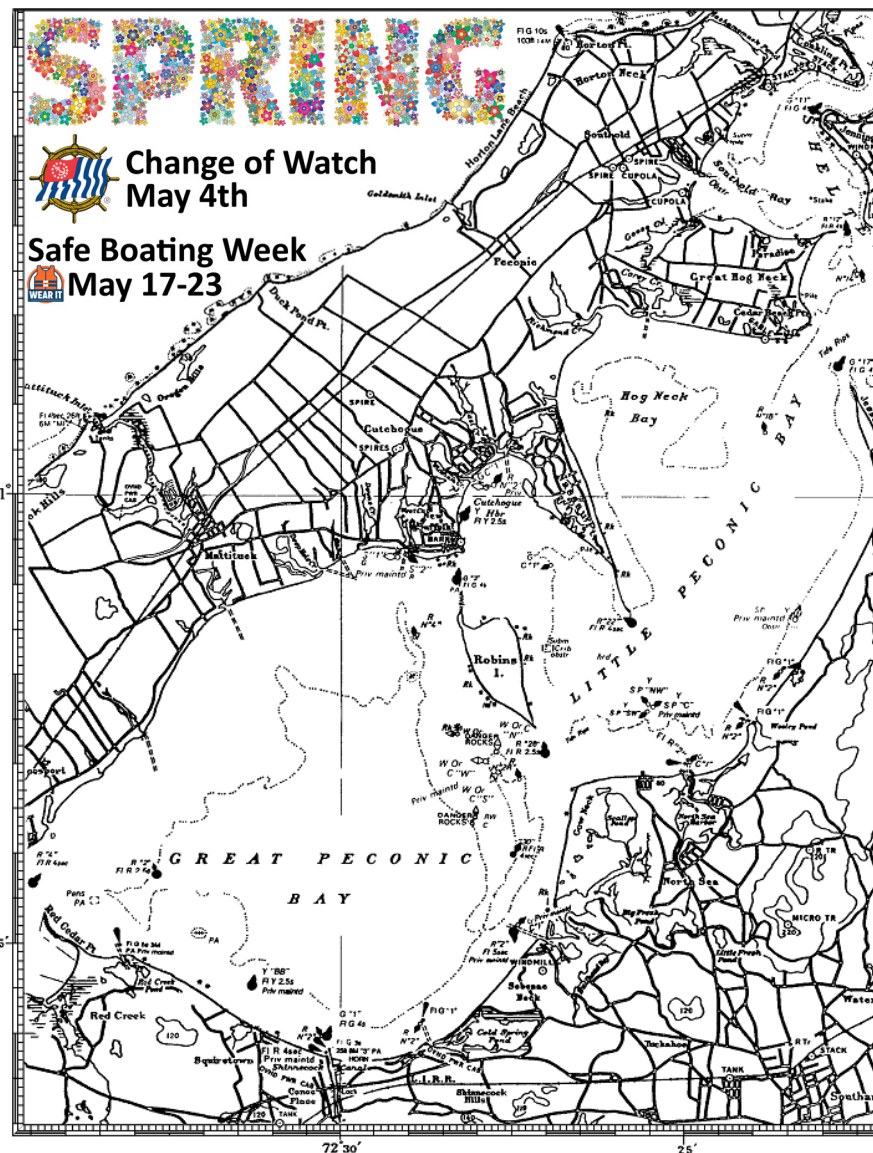
Squadron Monthly Newsletter

April/May 2025



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Calendar of Events 2025

Sun 6 April 1530 D3 Memorial Service Cross of Christ Church, Babylon
Thurs 10 April 1900 PBPS ExComm Mtg. Riverhead Moose Lodge
Sunday 3 & 10 May ABC COURSE Port Of Egypt Marine, Southold
Sun 4 May 12:15 PBPS COW Cooperage Inn, Baiting Hollow
Thurs 8 May 1900 PBPS ExComm Mtg. Riverhead Moose Lodge
Sat 17 May 0900 Safe Boating Week Event Mitchell Park, Greenport
Sun 1 June Riverhead Mosaic Festival Info Table Main St, Riverhead
Sat 7 & 14 June ABC COURSE Clearwater Yacht Club, East Hampton
Thurs 12 June (Time TBD) PBPS ExComm Mtg. Venue TBD
Sat 21 June 10-Noon Paddle Smart Seminar West Marine, Riverhead
(Plus extra On-Water Time @ Riverhead Town Dock)
Thurs 10 July (Time TBD) PBPS ExComm Mtg. Venue TBD
Fri/Sat 25 & 26 July D3 Summer Rendezvous - FUN FOR ALL !!!
(WestHampton Beach Town Marina)
Sat 9 August 9am Riverhead Cardboard Boat Race Town Dock



Good and Welfare

Continued Prayers for Healing and Health to:

**Pat Blanchard, Steve Burke,
Jeff McArthur and John Martinelli**

Remembering:

Our Members & Friends Who Crossed The Bar in 2024

Donald Alfano, S P/C Joan Brill, SN

Ellen Wiederlight, AP

Deborah Zettl, S

MaryAnn Matlak & Barbara Rollins



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Lt. Robert Smith, P

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Did you see the Article in **THE SUFFOLK TIMES** on March 6, 2025 Titled “**BOATING SAFETY PART OF CURRICULUM ON NORTH FORK**” ??? It Highlights our Southold Middle School classes, taught by Jason Wesnofske and Matt Pfister and includes a photo of our own Fred Smith !!!

SHIP'S LOG

HAPPY BIRTHDAY To:

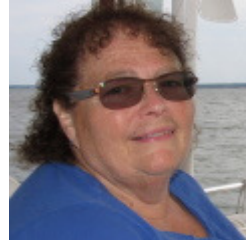
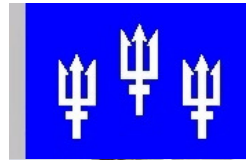
APRIL

MAY



**Mark McDuffee 6th
Gerry Giustra 15th
Steve Burke 18th
Vinnie Daddino 19th**

**Tony Kryl 1st
Glen Sherman 16th
David Cheshire 19th
Richard Ehlers 29th**



Commander's Report

As I write to you, Glen and I are once again, preparing for the District 3 Spring Conference, being held at the Melville Marriott. We'll get to spend the week-end with some of our Long Island Squadron family, we'll hear from our National Law Officer, representing the Chief, we'll witness the Change of Watch for 3 Squadrons, as well as our District and we'll beam with pride as our Secretary Jenny Gilmore receives her Life Member plaque, with 25 Merit Marks.

CONGRATULATIONS JINNY!!! It's an Honor and a Joy to represent you. You are ALWAYS welcome to come and join us—we encourage and support you all, and our squadron pays for your Lunch at these District events. As I continue at the Helm, I am hopeful, because many of you are willing to continue to assist our squadron in the trenches. On March 20th, along with 18 Members and Guests, we elected our new slate for 2025-2026, at MYLES ON MAIN. A delicious Dinner and fellowship was shared by all.

Our team of Instructors have been Busy Bees with 3 classes already this year. We have our ongoing classes at **Southold Junior High School**, thanks to Jason Wesnofske & Matt Pfister. We've had 55 graduates between our March classes at **Port of Egypt Marine** and the **Riverhead Moose Lodge**. Both venues were welcoming and grateful to our TEAM of 10 Instructors and Proctors. We have 2 more classes already scheduled in May and June, with more on the horizon.

Join us as we honor our members at the D/3 Memorial Service on Sunday, 6 April in Babylon. Continue to check our website for all updated classes, seminars and events. We will celebrate our squadron's 86th anniversary on Sunday May 4th this year. PUT THAT DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR! See the Flyer and send it in **NOW to Helen Horton**, seating is limited !!! We are joining forces with the Southold Flotilla of the Coast Guard Auxiliary to celebrate SAFE BOATING WEEK, on Saturday May 17th at Mitchell Park in Greenport. See Larry Hynes' article for the details. Lots of chances to be together Friends ! ⚓

Be a Beacon - Let Your Light Shine !!

Cdr Diane Sherman, P



Education Officer's Report

Happy April & May to all PBPS members & families.

Brianna's Law is in full effect. As of 1 Jan 2025 all operators of a power-driven vessel in NY must have successfully completed a NYS approved Boating Safety Course, currently offered by many boating organizations, mainly us. Completed so far this year, our ABC course successfully graduated students at Port-of-Egypt Marine in Southold, at the Moose Lodge in

Riverhead and at the Southold Middle School. ABC classes coming up, will be at Port-of-Egypt again in May and the Clearwater Yacht Club in East Hampton in June. See the MAY FLYER and watch for further details in our Tell-Tale AND on our website. We're all associated with a marina, yacht club, community boating organization. Would yours like our ABC course offered? Please advise with the facility name and contact person. We'll take it from there.

Our next seminar, will be Paddle Smart, Sat Jun 21, 2025 10 am – 12 pm at West Marine, 1089 Old Country Rd, Riverhead, NY 11901. After a two hour power point presentation, we all move to the Town of Riverhead public put-in location, the Peconic River Park Canoe Kayak Access on Peconic Ave, the East side, just Northeast of the traffic circle.

The map link to this location is:

<https://www.google.com/maps/@40.9152261,-72.6626281,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!11m1!2s9yOqOXI50CdXUH7ih39BD4G77EtzxA?authuser=0&entry=ttu>

Have your own kayak, canoe or paddle board? Bring it and your own required life jacket. Rental kayaks available. ⚓

My contact info is on the inside back cover. As always, for education info, visit Peconic Bay Power Squadron at <http://www.pbps.us/education/schedule>.

Safe Boating Through Education

Lt/C Helen Horton, AP, SEO



Top, Above and Right: Vince, Helen and Fred along with Diane & Glen (not pictured), were the instructors for the ABC class at Port of Egypt. *Photos by Glen Sherman*

Below and Lower Right: We had 50 students for the ABC class at the Moose Lodge in Riverhead. The Moose provided Coffee & Bagels at the start of the day and later, a buffet lunch. Many shared the instructional/admin duties for the long one day class including: Vince, Helen, Fred, Debbie, Glen, Peter, Jinny and we even got help from Ann (& Tom) Peltier of Oyster Bay Squadron (Right). Many Thanks! *Photos by Glen Sherman*





Above: D3 members at the 70s theme dinner dance during the national meeting in Orlando.



Left: Cdr Diane and Stf/C Glen at the dance.
Photos by Tammy Brown

Below: Did you see the Ensign Magazine's coverage of Peconic Bay's participation in the Riverhead Cardboard Boat Race?

Screen Shot courtesy of the Ensign



TOP: SOME BOATS LINE UP FOR THE START OF ONE OF THE HEATS.
MIDDLE: THE BOATS AND THE COSTUMES ARE CREATIVE.
BOTTOM: GLEN SHERMAN IN A RESCUE BOAT

PECONIC BAY | Putting the 'craft' in paddlecraft

► As it has done in years past, America's Boating Club Peconic Bay/3 helped with the annual Riverhead Cardboard Boat Race. The event included heats for children, teens, adults, single paddlers and groups with additional land-based pre- and postrace events. Every year, all boats are inspected to ensure they comply with construction rules and limitations, and PFDs are a must. Spectators pack the waterfront, cheering on all the participants, not just the winners. —Glen and Diane Sherman

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®



Peconic Bay Power Squadron Change of Watch Luncheon Sunday 4 May 2025



at
the Cooperage Inn
2218 Sound Avenue, Calverton (631-727-8994)

Cash Bar 1215 and COW at 1245

Delicious sit down meal: Includes Salad & Fresh Breads
Choice of:

Chicken Francaise, Marinated Grilled Thick Cut Pork Chop,
Pan Roasted Fresh Scottish Salmon, Penne A La Vodka,
Marinated Grilled Flat Iron Steak or Vegetarian Paella,
Plus Dessert, unlimited Coffee, Tea & Soft Drinks

\$55.00 per person including gratuity

Seating is Limited and **Advanced Registration is ABSOLUTELY Required**
Uniform "A" or appropriate attire

Raffle, Camaraderie and Fellowship

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Make checks payable to PBPS so we **receive** your RSVP by 18 Apr.
to:

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Call: 631-779-3236 Text: 631-523-7889 or email: hahbreeze@gmail.com

Rank Name Grade Squadron

Amount Enclosed _____ Phone _____

Preferred Seating with (persons, squadron, group) _____
4 May 2025 Cooperage



Safety Report *P/C Larry Hynes, SN*

Now that the long winter months have ended, it's time to take the shrink wrap and covers off and get ready for a 2025 boating season. We hope that you, your family and friends had a great winter. First thing I'd like to add in preparing for the upcoming season, is check your safe

boating equipment. Make sure that your VHF Radio is working, your flares are up-to-date and all the safety equipment is in good working order.

Next month, the month of May is the kick off for SAFE BOATING WEEK. This year Peconic Bay Power Squadron will be partnering with the Coast Guard Auxiliary. We are planning an event at Mitchell Park in Greenport, on Saturday 17 May. Starting time will be approximately 9AM to probably around 2 or 3PM, with our usual Large Group Photo at NOON, wearing PFD's. We will be demonstrating how to correctly use Flares, Fire Extinguishers and PFD's, maybe even trying your hand at knot tying. More information will be sent out through our Commander Diane Sherman. We're looking forward to our partnership with Flotilla 18-8 (Southold) Coast Guard Auxiliary and their Flotilla Commander Robert (Bob) Martinez. Many thanks to Member Steve Burke for helping us arrange this wonderful event. As you know, over the years, we've teamed up with them on Education and Festivals. So, we'll be looking for volunteers to help us out, by setting up our Tent and Booth, giving out information about Boating Safely, upcoming Classes and the Current NYS Law regarding the 8 hr. course, test, card and certificate. If you have the time and can help us, we would appreciate it. We can use as many hands as possible. I look forward to seeing everybody. We are a TEAM, and without your help, we couldn't get it done.

Everyone is working hard to keep our Squadron together for the betterment of SAFE BOATING. If you have any questions at all, please call me and again, if you can volunteer, that would be great. Our Squadron is going to have a number of events and classes this year. We not only deal with safety, but we do a lot of civic work to assist the Communities we Live and Boat in and get the word out on safe boating. Again, thank you for giving me your time and getting involved.

Larry Hynes, SN
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CONGRATULATIONS

Peconic Bay Power Squadron Elected Slate 2025-2026

The following are the Officers, Executive Committee Members and Standing Committee Members Elected for the positions indicated for the Squadron Year 2025-2026 for the Peconic Bay Power Squadron. These positions become effective on Sunday 4 May 2025 at the Change Of Watch Ceremony being held at The Cooperage Inn, Baiting Hollow. We thank everyone who has come forward to fill positions. Elections were held Thursday March 20, 2025. PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE !!! (Contact any Bridge Member, if you are interested in filling an open position)

Squadron Bridge

Commander: (one year term): Diane M. Sherman

Lieutenant Commanders: (one year term)

Executive Officer: Peter Young, SN

Education Officer: Helen Horton, AP

Administrative Officer: **(OPEN)**

Treasurer: John Martinelli, S

Secretary: Virginia Gilmore, S

First Lieutenant: (one year term)

Asst. Executive Officer: **(OPEN)**

Asst. Educational Officer: Fred Smith, JN-ON

Asst. Administrative Officer: **(OPEN)**

Asst. Treasurer: Peter Young, SN

Asst. Secretary: **(OPEN)**

Members at Large – Executive Committee (one year term)

1st Lt. Vince Mauceri, JN P/C Larry Hynes, SN Stf/C Glen Sherman, P
P/D/C Fred Smith, JN-ON Lt. Robert Smith, P

Auditing Committee

1st Lt Vince Mauceri, JN
Robert Walther, P

Rules Committee

Lt. F. Marc Wiederlight, AP
P/C Larry Hynes, SN

Nominating Committee (one year term)

P/C Fred Smith, JN-ON P/C Larry Hynes, SN

P/C Robert SanAngelo, SN



In Memorium

This month, we remember P/C Joan Brill, SN who crossed the bar on March 15th 2023, in East Hampton. She was 92 years old and a 40 year member of the United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club, with 25 Merit Marks. Joan first joined East Hampton Power Squadron with a Woman's Certificate in 1973. On July 1, 1988, she was able to join the ranks as a Full Active Member. She took Seamanship in 1973, followed by all courses to achieve a Full Certificate in 1988. Joan and husband, fellow member Paul Kallmeyer loved sailing, loved East Hampton, and especially loved music.

Joan grew up in Southold, and began playing the piano at an early age. She went on to study at Julliard. For 35 years, she enjoyed a professional Music Career, playing with the Brill-Gaffney Trio. Joan and Paul enjoyed the friendship and support of the members of both East Hampton and Peconic Bay squadrons through the years. She served as Commander of East Hampton.

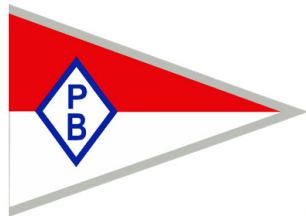
We fondly remember Joan. We ask you to keep her, Paul and their families in your prayers and in your hearts. We will miss you Joan. God Bless you, Cdr Diane M. Sherman, P

Below: PBPS Lt/C Jinny Gilmore was honored in Orlando, becoming a Life Member (25 MM's), she received her award at the D3 Spring Conference. Photo by Glen Sherman

New Life Member



Peconic Bay
Power Squadron,
District 3



Virginia C. Gilmore, S



Enjoy the 2025 boating season and
meet the new state regulations, by taking

America's Boating Course

Under the new law, ALL operators of motor boats must have completed a state approved safety course, regardless of age, beginning in 2025

Failure to comply could result in a fine of between \$100 and \$250. The new law does not apply to operators of sailboats under sail, rowboats, canoes or kayaks. America's Boating Course is the most comprehensive course that meets the law.

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The course will cover:

Boating law

Safety equipment

Safe boating practices

Boating emergencies

Personal watercraft

Navigation

Charts

GPS

Trailing

& much more

Students receive an America's Boating Course manual,
and after passing an exam,
a completion certificate and wallet card.

Many insurance companies offer discounts to boaters with completion certificates.
(Students must be at least 10 years of age on or before 5/10/25)

When: Saturday May 3rd (continues on 5/10) 2025
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM
(Students must be present for entire instructional time & exam)

Where: Port of Egypt Marine
62300 Rt-25, Southold, NY 11971

Cost: \$65.00 per person (class size is limited)
Register & pay on line before 4/25/25 using
PayPal at www.pbps.us/education/schedule
(Advance registration IS required)

Contact: Fred Smith @ 631-298-1930
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Above and Below: Good food and good friends at our election meeting held at Myles on Main in Riverhead. Photos by Glen Sherman



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District 3

Annual Memorial Service



Cross of Christ Lutheran Church
576 Deer Park Ave, Babylon, NY 11702

6 April, 2025

1600 Hours

All Squadron Members and Guests Welcomed

Your attendance will honor and remember those members of District 3 who have passed during this last year.

Uniform "A" with Cap or appropriate attire

Commanders will arrived 1500 hours (3:00PM)

Squadron Members arrive 1530 hours (3:30PM)

Always check the website or call the Bridge to check on Dates/Times