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# Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron District 14

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### **2021 EVENTS**

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### 2021 SUMMER EVENT PLANNER

BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAINTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE CORONA VIRUS OUTBREAK, CCSPS EVENTS ARE NOT LISTED HERE. PLEASE SEE THE CCSPS WEB SITE

JULY 6; 7; 8; 9 JULY 11	ABC IIII Live virtual presentation ABC "drive in" EXAM	6:30 – 9:00 PM
JULY 5	Boat Handling & Control part 1 of 2 Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
JULY 6; 7; 13; 14	On Water Training by appointment	
JULY 14	Boat Handling & Control part 2 of 2 Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
JULY 20	Navigating & Boating With Electronics part 1 of 2 Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
JULY 27	Navigating & Boating With Electronics part 2 of 2 Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
JULY 28	BBSPS MID SUMMER COOK OUT Parker's Boat Yard / Red Brook Harbor Yacht Club Dinner IN PERSON!!!! Good Food and Good Com	npany
AUGUST 3	New England / Cape Cod Weather Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
AUGUST 2; 3; 5; 6 AUGUST 8	ABC III 6:30 – 9:00 PM Live virtual presentation ABC "drive in" EXAM	
AUGUST 10	Nautical Rules of the Road / Ropes Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
AUGUST 17 & 24	Boat Handling / Control in 2 parts Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 9; 16; 23; 30 OCTOBER 3	ABC III live virtual presentation ABC "drive in" EXAM	6:30 – 9:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 15 (pending approval)	BBSPS E BOARD MEETING Live virtual meeting	6:30 – 8:30 PM
SEPTEMBER 14 & 21	Basic Coastal Navigation in 2 parts Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 28	Nautical Rules of the Road & Ropes Live virtual presentation	6:30 – 9:00 PM



#### **BUZZARDS BAY SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON** presents

#### **AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE**

America's Boating Course (ABC) is the United States Power Squadron's primary effort toward public instruction in the fundamentals of boating. The ABC course is recognized as one of the very best in introducing people to boating.

At the national level, the ABC course meets NASBLA certification requirements. At the state level, the ABC course meets MA requirements for boat operation by 12-15 year old boaters.

This course covers the basics of operating a boat safely, including rules of the road, aids to navigation, required equipment, and boat handling techniques.

Each class is an interactive, virtual presentation on 4 weekday evenings followed by a "drive in" in person, proctored exam given the Sunday following the last class.

**EVENINGS** JULY 6:30PM - 9:00PM

JULY 6; 7; 8; 9

**EXAM SUNDAY JULY 11** 

AUGUST **EVENINGS** 6:30PM - 9:00PM

**AUGUST 2: 3: 5: 6** 

**EXAM SUNDAY AUGUST 8** 

#### ATTENDANCE ALL 4 DAYS PLUS THE EXAM IS REQUIRED

**COST:** \$60 per student

You will receive a hard copy of the USPS ABC III text book, a summary of MA boating laws, and a US Coast Guard safe boating guide prior to the class.

PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED A PRE COURSE ASSIGNMENT NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED WE MUST MEET BEFORE THE CLASS TO DISTRIBUTE COURSE MATERIALS

TO REGISTER: Send a completed registration form along with a check made payable to "Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron" to: Richard Moore PO Box 1685 Sagamore Beach, MA 02562-1685 Email: chmbrrck@live.com Telephone: 508-888-8238



# BUZZARDS BAY SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON presents

## **2021 SUMMER SEMINAR SERIES**

BBSPS will present a series of live, interactive, on line seminars on a comprehensive range of boating topics designed to make you a more confident and secure boater.

#### JUST WHAT YOU NEED TO NAVIGATE THE CAPE WATERS

#### KNOWLEDGE IS CONFIDENCE

all seminars are presented on-line evenings 6:30 – 9:00 PM

**Date** Subject

July 5 Boat Handling Control (1st of 2 parts)

July 7, 13, or 14 On Water Training

July 14 Boat Handling Wrap Up

**July 20 & 27 Navigating & Boating with Electronics** 

(in 2 parts)

August 3 New England / Cape Cod Weather

August 10 Nautical Rules of the Road / Ropes

August 17 & 24 Boat Handling / Control

(in 2 parts)

Join us for a fun an effective learning experience with no tests and no pressure Where the instructors are live on line with you and available to answer all your questions

## Seminars USPS member \$20 non member \$30

Optional On Water Training:
On Water segment is by appointment only
CDC COVID-19 vaccination card must be presented prior to on water training segment
USPS member \$200 non member \$300

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We will email you an on-line link just prior to the presentation.



#### **Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron**

a unit of the United States Power Squadrons... America's Boating Club



#### **Seminar Series**

Quickly gain knowledge, adding to your confidence and skills... all are live, online, interactive 2-hour sessions - starting at 6:30pm

#### Summer

**Boat Handling -** 2 parts - June 1 & 16, (optional on water\*)

Basic Coastal Navigation - 2 parts - June 22 & 29

**Boat Handling -** 2 parts - July 6 & 14, (optional on water\*)

Boating with Electronics - 2 parts - July 20 & 27

Weather for Boaters - New England - August 3

Nautical Rules of the Road & Ropes - August 10

Boat Handling - 2 parts - August 17 & 24

#### Fall

Basic Coastal Navigation - 2 parts -September 14 & 21

Nautical Rules of the Road & Ropes - September 28

**Boat Handling** - 2 parts - October 5 & 12

Weather for Boaters - New England -  ${\it October}~19$ 

**Boating with Electronics** - 2 parts - Oct 26 & Nov 2

#### **America's Boating Course**

Premier introduction to boating, approved by NASBLA and the State of Massachusetts. Recognized by the USCG.

Course includes live, online, interactive 2-hour sessions, and proctored exam, needed for Certification of youth in MA, and adult operation in many states. This is the one to start...

4 parts + proctored exam... evenings at  $6:30 \, \text{pm}$ 

July - 6, 7, 8, & 9, exam Jul 11 daytime, or August - 2, 3, 5, & 6, exam Aug 8 daytime



Free Vessel Safety Inspections



contact:
John Rossi
truckerjar71@gmail.com

contact us for a free helm guide:

navigation aids navigation rules



#### \*On-Water Training





Spend several hours on the water. Put into practice what you learned in the online classroom.

By appointment, must take Boat Handling. June - 5, 8, 9, 12, 15, or 16 July - 7, 13, or 14





#### Instructors:

Bob Sweet Senior Navigator, author, boating consultant former USPS National Educational Officer

Dick Moore Senior Navigator, USCG Master Squadron & District Educational Officer

#### **Fall Full Courses**

Seamanship (USPS Boat Handling) - 6 classes - October/November USPS Marine Electrical Systems 7 classes - October/November

for more information, registration, or membership...

visit: www.BBSPS.org

or email:

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#### **Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron**

**Presents our Mid Summer Cookout and Change of Watch** 

**JOIN US IN PERSON!!!** 

WEDNESDAY JULY 28, 2021 5:30PM - ...

RED BROOK HARBOR YACHT CLUB

PARKER'S BOAT YARD

68 Red Brook Harbor Road, Cataumet

**Dinner and Conversation** 

enjoy a meal on the shore of beautiful Red Brook Harbor

Actually meet the people you have only seen on **ZOOM!** 

a social late afternoon/evening

followed by our Election of Officers for 2021-2022

Please Contact John Rossi by July 21st if you are interested (no charge for the meal) (Phone 508-743-5105; Email truckerjar71@gmail.com)



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#### The View

Summer is here, so it's time to go boating. The weather is getting better, but it has been unusually windy. Things should settle down in July.

Our education program is continuing and busy. We have two more sessions of ABC scheduled. Attendance has been strong. There is a continuing stream of new boaters wanting to get some training, in addition to some more experienced folks returning to boating. We are offering all sorts of seminars live and online. And, a second series of on water sessions is about to begin. Three boat handling seminars are scheduled through October.

We are gathering for a mid-summer event at Parker's on the 28<sup>th</sup> of July. Mark the date and make sure to join us for burgers, dogs, and a chance to meet each other for a live, face-to-face chat. It has been a long time.

Remember, we are here to help with your boating. John Rossi, Dick Moore and I are available to help you with boat handling, gear, or just some thoughts that may make your boating better.

Stay safe on the water and enjoy our summer.

Best regards,

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**Bob Sweet** 

#### **EDUCATION REPORT JUNE 2021**

June Edition 2021

ABC classes

MA has approved live, virtual classes with in person proctored final exams through December 2021.

May 27 June 7; 10; 17

Thursday evenings 6:30 - 9:00 PM

"drive in" exam Sunday June 20

7 students took and passed the final exam on Sunday June 20

ABC July 6; 7; 8; 9 evenings 6:30 – 9:00 PM

"drive in" exam Sunday July 11

August 2: 3: 5: 6 evenings 6:30 – 9:00 PM ABC

"drive in" exam Sunday August 8

If someone wants to take an ABC class but is not concerned about issuance of a MA boating safety certificate, which is only presently required for students 12-15 years they may take the USPS ABC II class on line through the USPS website. This is not a live presentation and has no proctored exam, hence it is not approved by MA, but it does present the same material.

Seminars **Bob Sweet** Dick Moore

Our 2021 Seminar Summer Series with re imagined presentations and some exciting new topics for us all to learn from will be presented through the entire Summer. These will all be presented using a live virtual format which allows for the participants to question and discuss the topics with the presenters. Join us!! The great thing about seminars is that you learn a lot and there is no homework or exam!!

Piloting & Advanced Piloting Bob Sweet Dick Moore

Five students, all of whom just joined BBSPS, are taking the comprehensive coastal navigation sequence (Piloting & Advanced Piloting) which started April 17. All have completed their P exams and soon will be working on the AP exam.

**Bob Sweet** On Water Training I Dick Moore

Five students have completed the boat handling seminar and on water training.

On Water Training II **Bob Sweet** Dick Moore

We are offering a second on water training program with the introductory seminar on Monday July 5 followed by on water training sessions and the wrap up seminar the following week.

It is a challenging time for presentation of education programs but BBSPS has risen to the occasion and transitioned our offerings to an on line format.

Our Summer offerings are all planned using a live "virtual" presentation followed by individual in depth sessions with each student as necessary.

We are striving to bring our members and the boating public high quality, comprehensive, boating education opportunities. Look at our schedule of classes and seminars and join us....learn something.....have fun..... and have some person to person interaction, even though in a virtual format.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Moore SN IN Education officer

#### What's Up with Charts

#### **Bob Sweet**

Charts are essential for boaters, whether they are printed or electronic. There is a lot happening at NOAA that will impact you. Here is a quick summary.

Late last year, NOAA announced the sunset of paper charts. This is a five-year program that will remove all of the presently available paper charts, and the raster navigation charts that match them. This is a big deal! NOAA is also changing the electronic navigation charts (ENCs – vector charts).

To replace the official NOAA printed charts, they are developing the NOAA Custom Chart (NCC) application. This is an on-line program that will enable you to create a PDF file for a chart of your choosing, assuming you have the means to get it printed. Certainly, private companies that have been printing charts will be gearing up to help, but a lot needs to be sorted out.

What is an NCC? NOAA has issued version 1.0 as of May of this online application. What you get is a print file for a vector chart equivalent for your area of interest. You can enter the desired paper size, select chart scale and depth contours, and whether you want soundings in meters (the default) or feet or fathoms. You then position an outline for that chart (either portrait or landscape format) on the area you want charted. Finally, you click an icon to generate your custom chart.

So what do you get? The chart accesses the ENC data files related to the chart scale you have selected and adapts that data into the print file. Fortunately, NOAA has decided to use the traditional NOAA symbology on the chart rather than the international symbols used on the ENCs as seen on chartplotters. That means buoys continue to look like what we have become accustomed to seeing.

What is not so good is many of the navigation aids lack labels and adequate information. Heights are in meters, even if you select soundings in feet. Depth contours suffer from the original conversion of our paper charts to electronic in meters, and then a reconversion of meters back to feet if that is what you have selected. And the other major difference from the paper charts we know, is the almost total lack of information about what is on land.

NOAA says they are working on most of those issues, but they also declared the end to the RNC viewer and tile service in October 2021, and seamless RNC services in January 2022. They have stated that they will identify charts to be removed at least 6 months before doing so.

In my view, the recreational boater, of which there are millions, rely heavily on the ability to identify navigation aids and landmarks in order to stay safe on the water. These are two areas where the present NCC's are severely lacking. I suggest you go to the NCC site and try one for yourself and offer your comments. I believe these new charts could be very good, but much work is needed before they get there. Perhaps NOAA should slow down the sunset until everything works! Google "NOAA Custom Chart."

Meanwhile, Safe Boating to all!



The Log

# AMVER vessel rescues 81-year-old sailor from disabled sailing vessel 400 miles south east of Long Island, New York U.S. Coast Guard sent this bulletin at 06/16/2021 02:30 PM EDT

# News Release

#### **U.S. Coast Guard 1st District Northeast**

Contact: 1st District Public Affairs Office: (617) 223-8515 After Hours: (617) 717-9609 1st District online newsroom







Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron The Log District 14 www.bbsps.org Volume 60 Issue 6 June Edition 2021 BOSTON — The crew of a good Samaritan vessel rescued an 81-year-old sailor aboard their disabled 36-foot sailing vessel approximately 400 miles south east of Long Island, New York. Coast Guard 1st District Command Center watchstanders received a report at approximately 4:52 a.m., Tuesday, that the 36-foot, German-flagged sailing vessel, Katharina, was disabled due to a broken mast. A Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod HC-144 Ocean Sentry aircraft crew immediately launched to assist. Once HC-144 crew was on scene, they established communication with the Katharina, and queried all automated mutual-assistance vessel rescue (AMVER) vessels within the area. Upon making contact with multiple AMVER vessels, the crew of the Mare Picenum, an 898-foot Italian flagged oil tanker, less than 25 miles away, accepted the request, and diverted to assist. The Mare Picenum crew received notification at approximately 9:30 a.m. and safely rescued the sailor at 12:54 p.m. The sailor reported no medical concerns or injuries. He was the only person aboard the Katharina. "Seafarers are force multipliers in any search and rescue case," said Benjamin Strong, AMVER director, for the Coast Guard. "The heroic efforts to rescue the German yachtsman are in keeping with the highest tradition of mariners helping mariners. The actions taken by the crew of Mare Picenum reinforce the relevance and importance of the Coast Guard AMVER system, and the role it plays in global search and rescue." The AMVER system, sponsored by the Coast Guard, is a unique, computer-based, and voluntary global ship reporting system used worldwide by search and rescue authorities to arrange for assistance to persons in distress at sea. On any day there are over 7,000 ships available to carry out search and rescue services. Weather on scene was reported as 35 mph winds with 5 foot seas.

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### Coast Guard and Northeast partners team up for Operation Dry Water amid increase in boating accidents

U.S. Coast Guard sent this bulletin at 07/02/2021 08:18 AM EDT

# News Release

**U.S. Coast Guard 1st District Northeast** 

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BOSTON — The Coast Guard and Northeast partner agencies are scheduled to participate in Operation Dry Water, a national campaign aimed at preventing boating accidents resulting from boating under the influence.

The campaign, which runs from July 2-4, comes during a noted increase in boats on the water and boating fatalities.

The Coast Guard released its 2020 Recreational Boating Statistics Report Wednesday, revealing that there were 767 boating fatalities nationwide in 2020, a 25.1 percent increase from 2019.

The report also shows that in 2020:

- The fatality rate was 6.5 deaths per 100,000 registered recreational vessels, the highest in the program's recent history. This rate represents a 25 percent increase from last year's fatality rate of 5.2 deaths per 100,000 registered recreational vessels.
- Where cause of death was known, 75% of fatal boating accident victims drowned. Of those drowning victims with reported life jacket usage, 86% were not wearing a life jacket.
- Property damage totaled about \$62.6 million.
- Operator inattention, operator inexperience, improper lookout, excessive speed, and machinery failure ranked as the top five primary contributing factors in accidents.

There is evidence that boating activity increased significantly during the pandemic, from reports of an increase in boat sales, insurance policies taken out, insurance claims, and calls for towing assistance. With the increased exposure, there was greater risk of deaths, injuries, and accidents.

Alcohol continued to be the leading known contributing factor in fatal boating accidents in 2020, accounting for over 100 deaths, or 18 percent of total fatalities. Boaters should never operate a vessel or paddle craft under the influence of drugs or alcohol, and should always wear a life jacket.

As part of Operation Dry Water, the Coast Guard and partner agencies will have an increased presence on the water over the Fourth of July weekend to enforce boating laws and to ensure quick response in the event of maritime emergencies.

For more boating safety information, visit USCGBoating.org.



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### Coast Guard rescues 3 fishermen 72 miles southeast of Montauk, New York

U.S. Coast Guard sent this bulletin at 06/28/2021 01:28 PM EDT

# News Release

#### U.S. Coast Guard 1st District PA Detachment New York

Contact: Coast Guard PA Detachment New York Office: (212) 514-4291

After Hours: (917) 703-0983

PA Detachment New York online newsroom



The Log Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron District 14 www.bbsps.org Volume 60 Issue 6 June Edition 2021 NEW YORK — The Coast Guard rescued three fishermen 72 nautical miles southeast of Montauk, New York, Sunday evening. Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound watchstanders received a VHF radio call at approximately 9:30 p.m., Sunday, from the 44-foot commercial fishing vessel Nite Nurse crew, reporting that the vessel was taking on water and sinking. The Coast Guard issued an Urgent Marine Information Broadcast and dispatched a Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew, a HC-144 Ocean Sentry airplane crew, and Coast Guard Cutter Kingfisher to the scene. The Nite Nurse crew was advised to don life jackets and ensure they had an Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) with them prior to abandoning ship into their life raft. The helicopter crew arrived on scene and located the life raft. All three fishermen were safely hoisted into the helicopter and transported to Coast Guard Air Station Cape Cod, where emergency medical services personnel were waiting. "This case was a success because these mariners did everything professional mariners should do to be found," said Lt. Banning Lobmeyer, the HC-144 Ocean Sentry pilot who flew on this case. "They reported the problem early which led to a quicker response time from our crews. They stayed with their boat as long as possible before getting into their life raft, took and used flares and an EPIRB, and they were dressed appropriately in survival suits."

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# **USCGC** Eagle arrives in Iceland, hosts U.S.-Iceland meeting

U.S. Coast Guard sent this bulletin at 06/14/2021 03:14 PM EDT

# News Release

U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area

Contact: Coast Guard Atlantic Area Public Affairs Office: (757) 398-6521 After Hours: (757) 641-0763 Atlantic Area online newsroom













**REYKJAVIK, Iceland** — USCGC Eagle (WIX 327), "America's Tall Ship," arrived in Reykjavik Wednesday and proceeded to host tours and senior officials through the weekend.

Aboard Eagle moored in the harbor, Vice Adm. Steven Poulin, commander U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area, joined by Jonathan Moore, principal deputy assistant secretary, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, met with Commadore Asgrimur Asgrimsson of the Icelandic coast guard, Chargé d'Affaires Harry Kamian, and Byrndis Kjartansdottir, director of security and defense directorate in the Icelandic Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

"I congratulate Iceland on a successful Arctic Council and Arctic Coast Guard Forum chairmanship, and I thank them for their persistent and reliable partnership in the Arctic Council and Arctic Coast Guard Forum. Maintaining a strong, rules-based order in the Arctic remains a top priority, both for my command and the U.S. Coast Guard. Steadfast partners like Iceland

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enable and enforce this," said Vice Adm. Steven Poulin. "It was a great pleasure to discuss the challenges we share with such dedicated colleagues learning more about our partner agencies and their operations."

The United States was the first country to recognize Iceland's independence in 1944. In addition to being founding members of NATO, the United States and Iceland signed a bilateral defense agreement in 1951. Cooperation and mutual support are the foundation of the U.S.-Icelandic relationship. Visits such as Eagle's allow opportunities to further effective partnerships, collaboration, and interoperability for various issues that can occur in the Arctic.

For more than a century, the U.S. Coast Guard has been the visible U.S. surface presence in the Arctic, ensuring adherence to the rules-based order. We work with High North nations to safeguard and enable the uninterrupted flow of maritime commerce throughout the entire Marine Transportation System, including the burgeoning Arctic and ensure responsible stewardship of its resources. Allies and partners like Iceland are integral to protecting the United States' enduring interests, preserving our mutual interests, and upholding the rules-based international order supporting good maritime governance.

On approach to Iceland, Eagle's crew conducted a wreath-laying in memory of the Treasury-class USCGC Hamilton (WPG 34), torpedoed by German submarine U-132 on January 30, 1942, patrolling the Icelandic coast near Reykjavík. Hamilton capsized and sank 28 miles (45 km) from the Icelandic coast on January 30, at the cost of 26 of the ship's 221-person crew. In 2009, divers discovered the wreck in over 300 feet of water, and in 2013, a memorial plaque was placed in honor of those lost.

Eagle is currently conducting summer U.S. Coast Guard Academy cadet training in at-sea leadership and professional development. Their first port call was Portugal in late May. Eagle has served as a classroom at sea to future Coast Guard officers since 1946, offering an at-sea leadership and professional development experience as part of the Coast Guard Academy curriculum.

Eagle is a three-masted barque with more than 6,797 square meters (22,300 square feet) of sail and 9.7 kilometers (6 miles) of rigging. At 90 meters (295 feet) in length, Eagle is the largest tall ship flying the stars and stripes and the only active square-rigger in United States government service. For information about Eagle, including port cities, tour schedules, current events, as well as cadet and active duty crewmember photographs, follow the "United States Coast Guard Barque EAGLE" Facebook page or on Instagram @barqueeagle. All U.S. Coast Guard imagery is in the public domain and is encouraged to be shared widely.



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### USCGC Tahoma returns from 79-day counter-narcotics patrol working with Allies, partners

U.S. Coast Guard sent this bulletin at 06/21/2021 11:32 PM EDT

# News Release

#### U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area

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KITTERY, Maine — The crew of the USCGC Tahoma (WMEC 908) returned to Kittery on Friday after a successful 79-day counter-narcotics and smuggling patrol in the Eastern Pacific.

The Tahoma's crew interdicted two vessels, seizing 7,300 pounds of cocaine, worth a combined total of roughly \$105 million, and detained eight suspected drug smugglers.

The crew also coordinated operations with U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment deployed aboard the Canadian Kingston-class coastal defense vessel HMCS Saskatoon (MM 709). The collaboration supported the seizure of an additional 4,000 pounds of cocaine and the detention of four suspected smugglers.

A flight crew and aviation detachment from the Coast Guard's Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron deployed aboard the Tahoma for the patrol. HITRON crews are the Coast Guard's airborne sharpshooters, specializing in disabling the engines of vessels that refuse to stop with precision rifle fire.

The Tahoma's crew participated in Operation Orion VI, an international naval campaign to combat drug trafficking. During the operation, Tahoma patrolled in coordinated areas with the Colombian coastal patrol vessel Arc Punta Ardita (CPV 147) and rendezvoused for a formation steaming exercise.

The Log Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron District 14 www.bbsps.org Volume 60 Issue 6 June Edition 2021 "It's been an extremely successful deployment for us – the crew demonstrated great resilience and perseverance with each challenge, and I am proud to serve with each and every one of them," said Cmdr. Eric Johnson, commanding officer of Tahoma. On April 1, U.S. Southern Command increased counter-narcotics operations in the Western Hemisphere to disrupt the flow of drugs. Numerous U.S. agencies from the Departments of Defense, Justice, and Homeland Security cooperated to combat transnational organized crime. The Coast Guard, Navy, Customs and Border Protection, FBI, Drug Enforcement Administration, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and allied and international partner agencies play a role in counter-drug operations. The fight against drug cartels in the Eastern Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea requires unity of effort in all phases from detection, monitoring, and interdictions, to criminal prosecutions for these interdictions by United States Attorney's Offices from the Middle District of Florida, the Southern District of Florida and the Southern District of California. The law enforcement phase of counter-smuggling operations in the Eastern Pacific Ocean is conducted under the authority of the Coast Guard Eleventh District, headquartered in Alameda. The interdictions, including the actual boardings, are led and conducted by the U.S. Coast Guard members. Tahoma is a 270-foot cutter homeported in Kittery. The vessel and 100-person crew execute maritime law enforcement, homeland security, and search and rescue missions supporting U.S. Coast Guard operations throughout the Western Hemisphere.

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### **Latitude Announcements**

District 14



#### **CONTENT**

We are always looking for articles, stories and photographs to include in the LOG that would be of interest to our members. Please send them to the LOG editor.

#### **COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING** 1 year

Full Page Ad \$100 1/2 Page Ad \$60 Business Card Ad \$25

Discount 20% BBSPS member AND LOG Booster

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BBSPS member AND LOG Booster

Ads are limited to boating related items (not your lawnmower)

Ads are limited to 50 words maximum

Ads will run for 4 consecutive months

All Ad submissions should be made to Andrew Campbell using a Microsoft Word attachment for the desired ad.

Please notify the LOG editor if your item is sold so the ad can be removed.

#### **United States Power Squadrons Website**

The USPS public URL has been changed from "usps.org" to https://americasboatingclub.org.

#### **BOOSTERS**

Our Squadron Boosters list has gotten very small. Those of you who have recently had their Booster membership expire or are about to, I hope you will re-up your membership. New members are always encouraged.

#### LOG EDITOR

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Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron

# Squadron Boosters 2020 - 2023



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#### **Dates reflect booster expiration**

Willett, Herbert III Estate Continuing Support	Buzzards Bay	Moore, Dick & Ellen 4/30/22	Buzzards Bay
Campbell, Andrew 1/31/23	Buzzards Bay	Offinger, Catherine 10/31/22	Buzzards Bay
Church, Ron & Nancy 8/31/21	Buzzards Bay	Richmond, Charles 4/30/23	Buzzards Bay
Daly, Jerry & Joan 3/31/23	Buzzards Bay	Rossi, John & Rose 1/31/22	Buzzards Bay
Diekmann, Werner 2/28/22	Buzzards Bay	Schofield, Robert & Penny 11/30/23	Buzzards Bay
Lingard, Frank 5/31/23	Buzzards Bay	Taylor, Bill & Marjorie 10/31/22	Buzzards Bay
Meigs-Brown, Nawrie 1/31/22	Buzzards Bay		

**Enjoy the LOG? Become a Booster!** Annual Booster memberships are being accepted for the 2020 and 2021 seasons. Members of BBSPS can become a booster for \$10, non-BBSPS, \$15 (Adds you to our mailing list). So show your support by becoming a Booster today!

#### YES! I want to become a Booster NOW!

Name	E- Mail		
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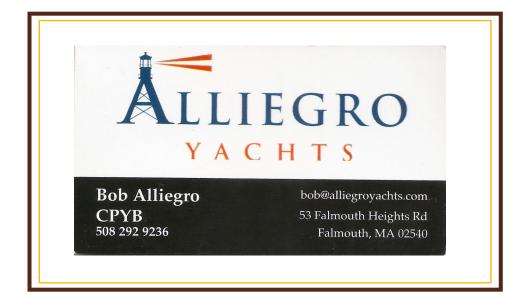




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