

# *The* *Log*

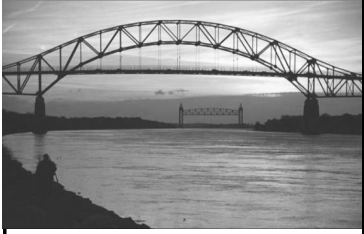
*Buzzards Bay Sail and Power Squadron*  
c/o Andrew Campbell  
PO Box 33, Woods Hole, MA 02543

The LOG is brought to you with the assistance of a grant  
from the Willett Fund of the Cape Cod Foundation.

## **United States Power Squadrons®**



**Hereschoff, Great Harbor  
(Photo by Nawrie Meigs-Brown)**



## 2024 EVENTS

### Inside this issue:

List of Officers	12
The View	
March Education Report	13
E Board Meeting Agenda	14
CG medevacs man off Nantucket	15
Leap Year	16
Avoidance Navigation	17
Latitude Announcements	18
Squadron Boosters	19
Advertisements	20-21

- On pages 3 and 4 of the Log can be found the Winter/Spring Event Planner.
- Page 5, America's Boating Course Flyer.
- Pages 6 and 7, Comprehensive On Water Training.
- Page 8, Coastal Navigation Flyer.
- Page 9, Engine Maintenance Flyer.
- Pages 10-11, 2024 Seminar Series.

## 2024 WINTER/SPRING EVENT PLANNER

[FOR CCSPS EVENTS PLEASE SEE THE CCSPS \(Americas Boating Club Cape Cod\) WEB SITE](#)

Fall 2023 Offshore Navigation (N)  
 Congratulations to Rooster Fricke and Tom Hemmendinger on successful completion of N and attaining the grade of Navigator.

Winter 2024 Boat Handling / Seamanship  
 Exam complete, sent to USPS for grading

Coastal Navigation comprehensive sequence ZOOM meetings  
 Marine Navigation (P) February 12; 19; 26 March 3; 11; 18; 25 April 1

Advanced Marine Navigation (AP) April 8; 15; 22; 29 May 6; 13; 20 June 3

April 4; 11; 18; 25 Engine Maintenance ZOOM meetings 6:30 – 8:30 PM  
 May 2.; 9; 16; 23 full length course

ABC America’s Boating Course  
 Zoom presentations February 27 March 5; 12; 19 Exam March 24

ABC America’s Boating Course  
 Zoom presentations April 2; 9; 16; 23 Exam April 28

ABC America’s Boating Course  
 Zoom presentations April 30 May 7; 14; 21 Exam May 26

ABC America’s Boating Course  
 Zoom presentations June 18; 20; 25; 27 Exam June 30

March 20 BBSPS E Board Meeting 6:30 – 8:30 PM  
 Wednesday ZOOM

### Seminar Series

#### Basic Coastal Navigation Sequence

March 6 Nautical Charts they are changing and you need to know how  
 March 13 Basic Coastal Navigation Part 1 of 2  
 March 27 Basic Coastal Navigation Part 2 of 2

#### Collision Avoidance Sequence

April 3 Nautical Rules of the Road they are to bring order out of chaos  
 April 10 AIS; RADAR; & YOU proper lookout & interpretations

#### Boat Handling Sequence

April 127 close quarters maneuvering docking with confidence  
 April 24 underway on open water  
 On Water Training by Appointment

#### Anchoring

May 1 don’t get carried away

May 15 BBSPS E Board Meeting 6:30 – 8:30 PM  
 Wednesday ZOOM

Boat Handling Series

May 8

close quarters maneuvering

docking with confidence

May 22

underway on open water

Summer Winds

May 29

NE & Cape Cod weather

Marlinspike

May 30

hands on seminar and coaching

evening meeting

pizza buffet



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

**COMPREHENSIVE ON WATER TRAINING**  
**2024 SCHEDULE**

- ***Do you fear docking your boat?***
- ***Do you think it is much easier to parallel park a car than dock a boat?***
- ***Do you have trouble leaving a dock with wind pushing you?***
- ***Is it a mystery why your boat behaves like it does?***

We have organized boat operator training into a two-part program:

- Part 1 Boat Handling - Close quarters maneuvering & docking / undocking.  
On water training uses a training boat in Red Brook Harbor and off Barlow’s Landing Pocasset. Typically, two students with an instructor.
- Part 2 Boat Handling - Review of part 1, use of twin engines, trim tabs, bow thrusters, planing speeds and operation on open waters with waves wind and currents. On water training uses your boat at it’s docking location / area. One student with an instructor.

Each part is comprised of two sections:

**Pre-training Seminar**

2-3 hour live, virtual, interactive classroom seminar and discussion session presented using Zoom with two instructors designed to prepare the students for the following on water training.

**On Water Training**

This a 3–3 ½ hour hands-on, on-water training where the student practices a sequential set of exercises all multiple times and works on their areas of concern.

**On-Water Training Requirements:**

1. Completion of pre-training seminar.
2. Completion of a NASBLA-approved basic boating course.
3. (Part 2 only) student’s boat must have a USPS/USCGA Vessel Safety Check prior to the training session.

Cost	USPS member	non member
Part 1 seminar + on water training	\$300	\$400
Part 2 seminar + on water training	\$200	\$300
Part 1 + Part 2	\$400	\$500
[2 seminars + 2 on water training sessions]		



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

**AMERICA’S BOATING COURSE**  
**2024 SCHEDULE**

America’s Boating Course (ABC) is recognized as one of the very best ways to prepare yourself for boating.

ABC meets NASBLA certification requirements, is recognized by the U.S. Coast Guard, and **meets MA requirements for boat operation by 12-15 year-old boaters.**

ABC 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 a live, interactive, virtual presentation using ZOOM on 4 weekday evenings followed by a “drive in” in-person, proctored exam given the Sunday morning following the last class.**

Month	Classes	Time	Exam
<b>FEB</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>March 24</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>5; 12; 19</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>2; 9; 16; 23</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>April 28</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>May 26</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>7; 14; 21</b>		
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>18; 20; 25; 27</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>June 30</b>
<b>SEP</b>	<b>17; 24</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>October 13</b>
<b>OCT</b>	<b>1; 8</b>		

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

**COST:** \$65 per student

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

**PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**  
**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](mailto:chmbrrck@live.com) Telephone: 508-888-823**

**\* Registration form can be found on the web site [www.bbsps.org](http://www.bbsps.org)**

**Schedule:**

<b>APR 17</b>	<b>Boat Handling close quarters</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
<b>APR 24</b>	<b>Boat Handling open water</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
	<b>on water training by appointment</b>		
<b>MAY 8</b>	<b>Boat Handling close quarters</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
<b>MAY 22</b>	<b>Boat Handling open water</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 - 9:00 PM</b>
	<b>on water training by appointment</b>		
<b>JUNE 12</b>	<b>Boat Handling close quarters</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
<b>JUNE 26</b>	<b>Boat Handling open water</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
	<b>on water training by appointment</b>		
<b>AUG 7</b>	<b>Boat Handling close quarters</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
<b>AUG 21</b>	<b>Boat Handling open water</b>	<b>seminar</b>	<b>6:30 – 9:00 PM</b>
	<b>on water training by appointment</b>		

**WHERE:** Close Quarters on-Water Training  
Red Brook Harbor/Buzzards Bay  
Parker’s Boat Yard, 68 Red Brook Harbor Road Cataumet, MA

Open Water on-Water Training  
Using the student’s boat, at the boat docking location

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED                      SPACE IS LIMITED**

**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: [chmbrck@live.com](mailto:chmbrck@live.com)                      Telephone: 508-888-8238

\* *Registration form can be found on [www.bsps.org](http://www.bsps.org)*



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

**COASTAL NAVIGATION 2024**  
**Marine Navigation (P) & Advanced Marine Navigation (AP)**

Marine Navigation and Advanced Marine Navigation are the United States Power Squadron’s courses providing you with skills needed to safely navigate coastal and inland waters.

Since most boaters use GPS, these courses provide you with what you need to successfully use GPS or a chartplotter to plan and navigate, as well as navigation software for planning using a computer. You’ll also learn how to check your navigation, and what to do if the GPS becomes faulty.

By merging the two courses, we can reduce the overall class time. If you have not taken Marine Navigation or wish to review the material take the initial sessions and be up to speed for Advanced Marine Navigation.

<b>WHEN:</b>	<b>Mondays</b>	<b>6:30 - 9:00 PM</b>
	<b>February 12; 19; 26</b>	<b>Marine Navigation (P)</b>
	<b>March 4; 11; 18; 25</b>	
	<b>April 1</b>	
	<b>April 8; 15; 22; 29</b>	<b>Advanced Marine</b>
	<b>May 6; 13; 20</b>	<b>Navigation (AP)</b>
	<b>June 3</b>	

**Notes:**

*We will use 2 methods for class presentations: live interactive ZOOM classes as well as in person classes. Depending on the material being presented and the students’ needs we will use both these methods. We will always make sure the students fully understand the material through in person classes and if necessary individually scheduled in person discussion/help during the week following the presentation.*

**COST:** Marine Navigation + Advanced **\$200**  
*Includes: USPS course plotter / ultra light dividers  
student manuals / Weekend Navigator*

**Non USPS member add \$100**

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**  
**SO WE CAN ORDER 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: [chmbrreck@live.com](mailto:chmbrreck@live.com) Telephone: 508-888-8238

\* Registration form can be found on web site [www.bbsps.org](http://www.bbsps.org)





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

**ENGINE MAINTENANCE COURSE**

Engine Maintenance is a 10-chapter course that stresses the diagnosis of modern systems, while also teaching the basics of engine layout and operation, and covers those repairs a person can still reasonably perform. Gasoline inboards, outboards, and diesel engines are taught in a way that reinforces the common aspects of how engines work and also covers basic mechanical systems such as drive systems, steering systems, and engine controls.

Your boat has an engine and several systems that make it go, stop, and steer. This course helps you feel comfortable and confident with these, their upkeep and use.  
**KNOWLEDGE is CONFIDENCE**

**THIS WILL BE TAUGHT USING A VIRTUAL CLASSROOM**

**WHEN:**      **Thursday Evening**                      **6:30 – 8:30 PM**  
                  **April 4; 11; 18; 25**  
                  **May 2; 9; 16; 23**

**COST:**        **\$75 USPS member**                      **\$175 non USPS member**

**PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**TO REGISTER CONTACT: Richard Moore**  
**Mail completed USPS registration form\* and 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](mailto:chmbrrck@live.com)              Telephone: 508-888-8238**

*\* Registration form can be found on web site [www.bbsps.org](http://www.bbsps.org)*



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

**2024 SEMINAR SERIES**

BBSPS will present a series of *live, interactive, online* 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	Cost	Subject
<i>USPS member</i>		
<i>/non-member</i>		
<b>MARCH</b>		
<b>Coastal Navigation Series</b>		
6	\$40/50	nautical charts, they are changing
13		coastal navigation part 1
27		coastal navigation part 2
<b>APRIL</b>		
<b>Collision Avoidance Series</b>		
3	\$40/50	nautical rules of the road
10		AIS, RADAR and YOU
<b>Boat Handling Series</b>		
17	\$40/50	part 1 close quarters & docking
24		part 2 underway on open water
<b>MAY</b>		
<b>Anchoring what you wanted to know but were afraid to ask</b>		
1	\$30/40	anchoring don't get carried away
<b>Boat Handling Series</b>		
8	\$40/50	part 1 close quarters & docking
22		part 2 underway on open water
<b>Summer Winds</b>		
29	\$30/40	NE & Cape Cod weather
<b>Marlinspike</b>		
30	\$30/40	IN PERSON / HANDS ON rope, lines & knots
<b>JUNE</b>		
<b>Boating &amp; Navigating with Electronics</b>		
5	\$30/40	using your GPS & chart plotter
<b>Boat Handling Series</b>		
12	\$40/50	part 1 close quarters & docking
26		part 2 underway on open water
<b>JULY</b>		
<b>Coastal Navigation Series</b>		
10	\$40/50	nautical charts, they are changing
24		coastal navigation part 1
31		coastal navigation part 2

**AUGUST**

**Boat Handling Series**

7 \$40/50 **part 1 close quarters & docking**  
21 **part 2 underway on open water**

**Collision Avoidance Series**

14 \$40/50 **nautical rules of the road**  
28 **AIS, RADAR and YOU**

**SEPTEMBER**

**Boating & Navigating with Electronics**

11 \$30/40 **using your GPS & chart plotter**

**Anchoring what you wanted to know but were afraid to ask**

25 \$30/40 **anchoring don't get carried away**

*Join us for a fun and 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.*

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**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: [chmbrck@live.com](mailto:chmbrck@live.com) Telephone: 508-888-8238**

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

**\* the registration form can be found on [www.bbsps.org](http://www.bbsps.org) web site**

## The View

### Bridge Officers

#### Commander

John A. Rossi Jr., JN

508-743-5105

truckerjar90@gmail.com

#### Education Officer

Richard G. Moore, SN

508-888-8238

chmbrck@live.com

#### Secretary

Karen McCully Hong

508-759-7458 (H)

914-525-0533 (C)

karen3hong@yahoo.com

#### Treasurer

William Kelly

508-314-4692

bikelly@verizon.net

So far, winter has been relatively mild. Many are already getting their boats prepped for the upcoming season. Now would be a good time for a tune-up of your skills. Our 2024 educational program is well underway.

We have begun the **Coastal Navigation** course which includes what was formerly Piloting and Advanced Piloting. The new Marine Navigation (formerly Piloting) relies heavily on using OpenCPN navigation software.

We also began the first session of our 2024 **America's Boating Course** and will continue offering multiple sessions of ABC.

We will begin the Collision Avoidance Seminar series in April which includes rules of the road and using Radar and AIS.

We concluded the Navigation course with 3 individuals passing with very high marks. Congratulations to Rooster Frick (Buzzards Bay), Tom Hemmendinger (Greenwich Bay), and Pascal Miller (Beverly/Marblehead).

John Rossi is working on a series of social activities beginning with a dinner meeting in April. We also have scheduled a free seminar/night out for May 30<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for updates.

Spring starts this month. Stay warm in the meantime.

Best regards,



Bob Sweet

## EDUCATION REPORT MARCH 2024

Offshore Navigation (N) Bob Sweet & Dick Moore  
 This is the culmination of USPS navigation study and companion to Celestial Navigation (JN).  
 Congratulations to Rooster Fricke, Tom Hemmendinger, and Pascal Miller on successful completion of N and attaining the grade of Navigator!

Boat Handling (Seamanship) Dick Moore  
 Exams completed and sent to USPS for grading.

Comprehensive Coastal Navigation Sequence Bob Sweet & Dick Moore

Marine Navigation (P)  
 Mondays FEB 12; 19; 26 MAR 4; 11; 18; 25 APR 1  
 Advanced Marine Navigation (AP)  
 Mondays APR 8; 15; 22; 29 MAY 6; 13; 20 JUN 3

Engine Maintenance Dick Moore  
 Thursdays APR 4; 11; 18; 25 MAY 2; 9; 16; 23

2024 Seminar Series Bob Sweet & Dick Moore

March  
 Coastal Navigation Series 6 nautical charts, they are changing  
 13 coastal navigation part 1  
 27 coastal navigation part 2  
 April  
 Collision Avoidance Series 3 nautical rules of the road  
 10 AIS; RADAR and YOU  
 Boat Handling Series 17 part 1 close quarters & docking  
 24 part 2 underway on open water  
 May  
 Anchoring 1 don't get carried away  
 Boat Handling Series 8 part 1 close quarters & docking  
 22 part 2 underway on open water  
 Summer Winds 29 NE & Cape Cod weather  
 Marlinspike 30 Hands On pizza buffet evening meeting

America's Boating Course Bob Sweet / Dick Moore

ZOOM Tuesday 6:30 – 8:30 PM In Person Sunday AM  
 February 27 March 5; 12; 19 Exam March 24  
 ZOOM Tuesday 6:30 – 8:30PM In Person Sunday AM  
 April 2; 9; 16; 23 Exam April 28  
 ZOOM Tuesday 6:30 - 8:30 PM In Person Sunday AM  
 April 30 May 7; 14; 21 Exam May 26  
 ZOOM 6:30 – 8:30 PM In Person Sunday AM  
 June 18; 20; 25; 27 Exam June 30

Please see our 2024 Education Program pages in the LOG. Please tell us what interests YOU and we can try to schedule it!

Our course offerings are all planned using live “virtual” presentations using ZOOM, with group in person sessions and 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. Help us develop our schedule of classes and seminars and join us....learn something.....have fun..... and have some person to person interaction, both virtually and in person.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Moore SN IN  
 Education officer

## MARCH E BOARD MEETING AGENDA

ZOOM meeting                      6:30PM                      Wednesday March 20, 2024

Reports:

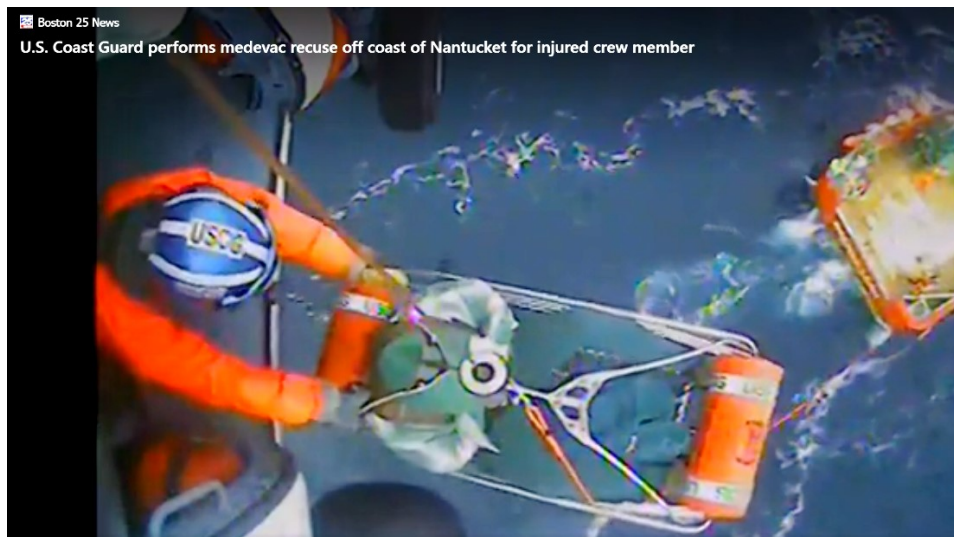
Secretary	January E Board meeting minutes	
Treasurer	Bill Kelly              quarterly reports	investment
Education	Richard Moore 2024 program	
	Seminar presentation AHYC May 11 / 18	
	Add Kayaking program John Rossi / Dave True	
BBSPS social events	John Rossi              2024 plans	
	Change of watch      April / May	
	Towne Tavern              Speaker	
	Ropes seminar / meeting May 30 Towne Tavern	
	Cookout Summer	
	Spaghetti Dinner Fall	
Re write/simplify BBSPS by laws	Bob Sweet	
	publish ?    member vote ?	
Change of Watch	Richard Moore              officers slate	
Vessel Safety Check	John Rossi, VSC chairman	Bill Gedraitis
	Safe Boating Week    May 18 – 24	
Website	Updating                      social media?	
BBSPS Roster	Richard Moore / Andrew Campbell	
	PDF sent to members for confirmation / update	

Date and Time of next meeting              Wednesday May 15              6:30 PM

Richard Moore SN IN  
Education Officer

## Coast Guard medevacs man far off Nantucket, fishing crewmember transported to Massachusetts General Hospital

Story by Rick Sobey, Boston Herald



A fishing crewmember was injured off of Nantucket on Thursday, according to the Coast Guard, which conducted a medevac and helped get him to Massachusetts General Hospital.

A 50-year-old crewmember on the fishing vessel Rachel Leah reportedly sustained facial injuries about 150 nautical miles off of Nantucket.

“It was reported that the 50-year-old crewmember sustained a large laceration on his face after a tight line was released and struck him,” the First Coast Guard District for the Northeast posted. “First aid was reported to be administered.”

A USCG Air Station Cape Cod MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew responded to the scene. Also, a HC-144 Ocean Sentry was launched due to the distance offshore.

“The patient was transported to the Mass. General Hospital Trauma Center in stable condition,” the First Coast Guard District posted.

©2024 MediaNews Group, Inc. Visit at [bostonherald.com](http://bostonherald.com). Distributed by Tribune Content Agency, LLC.

**Related video:** U.S. Coast Guard performs medevac rescue off coast of Nantucket for injured crew member (Boston 25 News)

## Leap Year

2024 is a leap year, which means we have one extra day added to the month of February.

Really!

Why would we do that? The short answer is to keep our yearly calendar correct. Our calendar is based on it taking the earth 365 days (one year) to complete its orbit around the sun. Yes...the earth does in fact revolve around the sun, and it is round, more or less, and not flat. BUT Does it really take the earth 365 days to complete its solar orbit? Actually...NO. It really takes 365.242190 days, or 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 56 seconds for the earth to complete its solar orbit. That means our calendar is off by the amount of time greater than 365 days every year. OR January 1 of the next year should not happen until 5 hours 48 minutes and 56 seconds after midnight on December 31. Well....we know we do not do that!

So....what to do?

The calendar is off by 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 56 seconds every year. That means over the course of 4 years we accumulate an error of 23 hours, 15 minutes, and 44 seconds. The calendar is ahead of where we actually are in the year by that amount. That is very close to 1 day so every 4 years we correct our calendar by 1 day by adding one day to the month of February in what we call a leap year, which brings the calendar back closer to where it should be in the year.

But

We are not quite correct because we made a correction of one whole day, or 24 hours, but we really only needed to make an adjustment of 23 hours, 15 minutes, and 44 seconds so we are off by 44 minutes, and 16 seconds. That means we do not want to make this adjustment at every 4 year interval, but we want to skip one every once in a while to make sure we do not create an error in the opposite direction. In order to do that we do not have a leap year in any year that is divisible by 100 but not divisible by 400, meaning we skipped leap year in 1700; 1800; and 1900 but in 2000 we had a leap year. The next time we skip a year will be in 2100.

Richard Moore  
Education Officer Buzzards Bay Sail & Power Squadron



## Avoidance Navigation

### Bob Sweet

What in the world is avoidance navigation? When we instruct navigation, generally the focus is on how to get safely from point A to point B. However, as recreational boaters we often are not going somewhere specific, but just enjoying being out on the water. So how do you stay safe on these occasions. The answer is avoidance navigation.

Now, what is important is where NOT to go. Garmin GPS units offer a feature called “proximity waypoints.” Any waypoint has a selectable radius called proximity. Upon entering that circle, an alarm will sound. If you select an area of isolated danger and place a waypoint at its center, you can boat freely until the alarm warns you that you are approaching something you need to avoid. You should give the waypoint a danger name, so you don’t accidentally navigate to it.

Today, Garmin offers a feature called “Boundary” on its chartplotters. Using the boundary mode, you can define a line, a circle, or an area. You can set the alarm to sound upon entering, or leaving. So, it is possible to define a safe area and boat freely until leaving – the alarm sounds. Or, you can define an area to avoid. It is possible to convert a route or track into a boundary. To select a boundary area, you select waypoints surrounding the area and create a route. Then convert the route to a boundary. The boundary will show on your chart screen, and you can access your saved information by scrolling to the boundary.

Other chartplotter manufacturers offer similar functions. Most of them offer a line boundary, and a depth alarm. Almost all offer a crosstrack error alarm if you deviate too far from an active course line. You can actually use the crosstrack error alarm to set a safe area to boat by placing two waypoints, one at each end of the safe area, and activating that as a route. By setting the crosstrack error to a large enough distance to just clear obstacles to either side, you can boat freely in that box. An alarm will sound if you exceed the sides of the box.

If you use navigation software as your chartplotter, most software will enable you to create a boundary as a circle or a polygon of whatever shape you select. You can alarm the area on entry or departure.

By carefully studying the area in which you boat most, such as Nantucket Sound, or Buzzards Bay, you can create a safe zone and isolated dangers and enjoy your day on the water knowing that you will be alerted if you drift too far from safety.

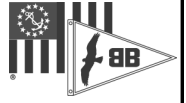
Stay tuned for more tips.

Regards,





# Latitude Announcements



## **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**

**FREE**

The business must be a BBSPS supporter and provide assistance to BBSPS in presenting its programs and/or events.

Up to 1 Page Ad

## **MEMBER ADVERTISING**

**FREE**

BBSPS member AND LOG Booster

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

Ads are limited to 1 page 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(s) is(are) sold so the ad(s) can be removed.

## **UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS WEBSITE**

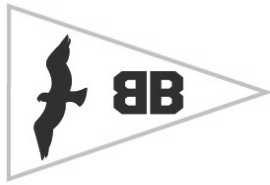
The USPS public URL has been changed from "usps.org" to <https://americasboatingclub.org>.

## **BOOSTERS**

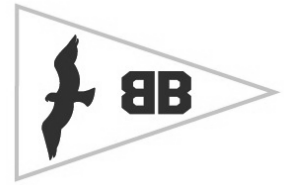
Our Boosters list is still a bit small at the moment. Please re-up your membership if it has recently expired or feel free to join if you have not recently, or never, been a member. It is a cheap way to support the Squadron and in particular the Log.

## **LOG EDITOR**

**Andrew Campbell** [andrewriggscampbell@yahoo.com](mailto:andrewriggscampbell@yahoo.com)



## *Squadron Boosters* 2024 - 2028



**Dates reflect booster expiration**

<b>Willett, Herbert III Estate Continuing Support</b>	<b>Buzzards Bay</b>	Kerr, Louie 10/31/24	Buzzards Bay
Bellingham, Duane 10/31/24		Lingard, Frank & Bobbie 5/31/28	Buzzards Bay
Campbell, Andrew 2/28/25	Buzzards Bay	Meigs-Brown, Nawrie 2/28/25	Buzzards Bay
Dane, Alan & Barbara 10/31/26		Moore, Richard & Ellen 8/31/24	Buzzards Bay
Diekmann, Werner 4/30/24		Rossi, John 2/28/24	Buzzards Bay
Fricke, Rooster 12/31/24	Buzzards Bay	Scavotto, John & Eleanore 11/30/26	Buzzards Bay

### Enjoy the LOG? Become a Booster!

Annual Booster memberships are being accepted for the 2024 and 2025 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 BBSPS Member (\$10) \_\_\_ Non\_BBSPS (\$15) \_\_\_ Squadron \_\_\_\_\_

**Checks made out to:**

**Buzzards Bay Sail and Power Squadron with an annotation Log Booster**

**Addressed to: William Kelly, Treasurer BBSPS,**

**19 Katelyn Hills Drive, Falmouth, MA 02540**



*Full-service yard for maintenance, repairs and yacht brokerage*

Launch Service • Shower Facilities • Full Marine Store • Gas • Diesel  
Pumpout • Ice • Sunset Dining Nearby

**Transient and Seasonal Moorings and Slips Available**

68 Red Brook Harbor Road | Cataumet, MA 02534 | VHF Channel 69  
508.563.9366 | [www.parkersboatyard.com](http://www.parkersboatyard.com) | [info@parkersboatyard.com](mailto:info@parkersboatyard.com)



**Private Elegant Charters  
on a 34' Sabre Express**

**FLICKA**

*Licensed Master Captain*  
Over 10 years experience around  
Buzzards Bay & Cape Cod Canal waters



For more information and reservations  
**508-524-9561**  
[canalcreativecharters.com](http://canalcreativecharters.com)

## Canal Creative Charters

Whether you're looking for a few peaceful hours on the water through the Cape Cod Canal or a day with your family and friends celebrating a special occasion and/or a day of shopping in Onset Village, lunch at the Chart Room – Captain Pam will make your day on the Buzzards Bay waters a delight.

Choose morning, afternoon, sunset or full-day charters:

- **Let's get Nauti – Full-Day Charter**  
6 hours - Includes lunch stop for up to 6 persons
- **Anchor & Relax – Half-Day Charter**  
4 hours - Suggested Destinations: Bassett Island, Phinney's Cove, Cleveland's Ledge Lighthouse, Cape Cod Canal/Round Trip
- **Coffee & Coastal Calmness**  
Sunrise Charter - 3 hours
- **Red Sky at Night – Sailors Delight**  
Sunset Charter - 2.5 hours
- **A Celebration of Life**  
Scattering of Ashes at Sea, call for details
- **Departure Location**  
Monument Beach Marina,  
Phinney's Harbor, Bourne, MA



**41°43'10.38"N 70°36'43.11"W**

