



# Saugatuck River Sail And Power Squadron

## Dredgings Monthly Newsletter



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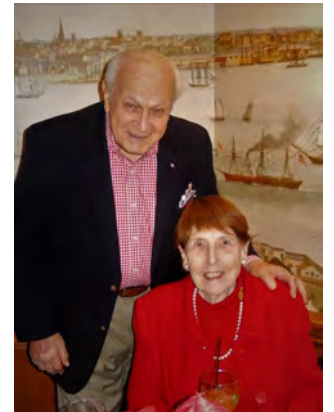


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## 2016 Holiday Party



I raced in the Stratford Shoal Race on a boat named *Crazy Horse*. Very recently this very same boat was lost at sea off the coast of the United States. A French-American sailor Guy Bernardin was planning a circumnavigation without a stop on this boat. Recently, I met a guy who

had planned to join Guy Bernardin on his circumnavigation. What a sad ending to this wonderful boat.

This is the time to submit merit mark recommendations. Please let me know who has served our squadron and exactly what they did. I must have this information as soon as possible.

We are in the process of putting together our

Holiday Party. This is always a very special event. We will have the full details in the next issue.



Also, take note of the education program soon to be offered.

The boatyards are humming this time of year. It is never too soon to do all the winter preparations. A clean hull with a coat of wax will help a lot to make your boat look its best in the spring.

Plan now to take a course and to attend our Holiday party..

Craig Burry, P  
Commander

If you aren't getting notice of *Dredgings* and other Squadron information by email, it is because we don't have your current email address. Send it to [raffel@post.harvard.edu](mailto:raffel@post.harvard.edu).

## Do You Know the Answers?

1. What special mark on a buoy would you find in an anchorage area or a cable area? What color would the buoy be?
2. When should a vessel have its lights on?
3. When backing from a dock, what sound signal should you make?
4. When unplugging a shore power cable, should you unplug the boat's end or the dock's end?

### ANSWERS:

1. Lettering on a yellow buoy
2. In restricted visibility, from sunset to sunrise and anytime deemed necessary
- 3 3 short blasts
- 4 Unplug the dock end first to avoid dropping a hot wire in the water..

## Education Report

We will soon be offering in conjunction with Norwalk Sail and Power Squadron the following courses.

Piloting, Weather, Engine Maintenance, Marine Electrical Systems, Marine Navigation Systems.

America's Boating Course and Practical on-the-Water lessons.

Please let me know which course is of interest or if you have any questions

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*Any fool can carry on, but a wise man knows how to shorten sail in time.*

—Joseph Conrad



The Coast Guard and their partner agencies searched for and recovered the body of a missing canoeist recently after his canoe tipped in Malletts Bay, Vermont.

Clinton County Dispatch notified Coast Guard Station Burlington at about 9:20 a.m., of three men who tipped their canoe and fell into the water. Two of the men swam to shore, but the third was missing.

A 29-foot response boat crew from Station Burlington and an MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter aircrew from Air Station Cape Cod launched to search the area where the missing canoeist was last seen. Members of Colchester police and fire departments, Malletts Bay fire department, and Vermont state police joined the search.

After about five and a half hours of searching, divers from the Vermont state police found and recovered the body of the missing man at about 3:12 p.m.

The air temperature was 57 degrees and the water, 46 degrees. The survivability time while wearing a life jacket is about nine hours.

***Good judgement come from experience***

***And a lot of that comes from bad judgement.***

—Will Rodgers

## **IDENTITY THEFT**

Recently as we all found out Equifax was hacked. The result was something like 143 million Americans had their credit information stolen. Identity theft will result from the bad guys getting your information.

What to do? There are 3 US credit agencies. You can freeze access to your credit information by contacting them.

Call each by phone.

Equifax: 1-800-349—9960

TransUnion 1-888-909-8872

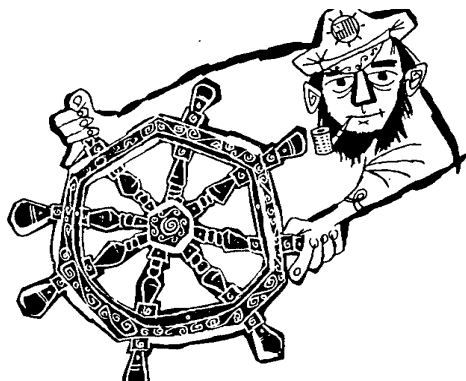
Experian 1-888-397-3742

After you successfully freeze your report, you will receive in the mail a PIN that you must use to unfreeze the report.



Fisherman's Wives Memorial Gloucester MA

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**Dates to Remember:**

<b>Ex Meeting</b>	<b>Nov 14</b>
<b>Holiday Party</b>	<b>Dec 3</b>

## **Schedule of Meetings and Events**

SRSPS: [http://www.usps.org/d2/saugatuck\\_river/index.html](http://www.usps.org/d2/saugatuck_river/index.html)

Dredgings: [http://www.usps.org/d2/d2\\_squadron\\_news.html](http://www.usps.org/d2/d2_squadron_news.html)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Nov 14</b>	7:30 pm	Ex Meeting	Town Hall
<b>Dec 3</b>	TBA	Holiday Party	TBA