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HANDS-ON NAUTICAL KNOT SEMINAR

November 21, 2019
at 7:00 pm

McMichael Yacht Brokers
447 East Boston Post
Road in Mamaroneck, NY

Attendees must RSVP to
Fred Cronin via email at
goderf@aol.com

Light refreshments
and snacks
will be provided.

Commander's Message



Our Merit Mark report to National is due. Please let me know of anyone who has contributed to our Squadron during the past year. Tell me how many hours they worked at each task.

I want to again mention that the Squadron is in need of a person to fill the role of Secretary. Please contact me (203- 216-1301) for further information.



Penfield Sail and Power Squadron recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. Attending the event from SRSPS were left to right Bill Caldwell, Steve and Bobbie Raffel, District Commander Andy Papademetriou Diane and Harrison Valante and Don Peterson the Penfield Commander.

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.

Do You Know the Answers?

1. Why should you not use paper towels with printing on it when using acetone?
2. Where is Whaleback Light located?
3. How soon must you notify the DMV if you transfer ownership of your boat?
4. Which buoy (s) can you moor to?

ANSWERS:

1. Using printed paper towels with acetone or other solvents can make the ink rub off, contaminating the newly sanded surface.
2. Whaleback Light is Maine's most southern light near Kittery and marks the entrance to the Piscataque River.
3. 15 days.
4. Can only moor to a mooring buoy; you cannot moor to a navigation buoy or other aid to navigation.

Education Report

Engine Maintenance, Marine Navigation, Marine Electrical Systems and Electronic Navigation are courses that will be starting in the new year. Contact Karl Wagner 203-274-5550 for all details.

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This is an example of the extent the U.S. Coast Guard searched for two overdue sailboaters and their dog after they did not arrive at their destination in Norfolk, Virginia.

All were last seen aboard a white 43-foot Benneteau sailboat named Carol K. via social media post.

Coast Guard watchstanders were first notified via a phone call from one of the crew's girlfriend reporting him overdue.

Search and rescue crews include an HC-130 aircrew from Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City, North Carolina, and an HC-144 aircrew from Air Station Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

Rescue crews completed multiple searches over large areas of the East Coast of the United States covering more than 30,000 square nautical miles.

The Coast Guard will now continue its urgent marine information broadcasts on marine radio channel 16.



SRSPS Needs a Secretary



We need a secretary to serve our Squadron. This is an opportunity to work with our excellent Bridge Officers in a non-demanding position. We must fill this position due to a relocation out of town.

Contact CDR Craig Burry (203-216-1301) to discuss what is involved. We need members to step up to fill positions as they become available.

Important Information on Life Jackets

A new nine-minute video regarding inflatable life jackets has been released recently by The Corps Foundation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The video is titled "Inflatable Life Jackets: Everything You Need To Know" and is available on YouTube at

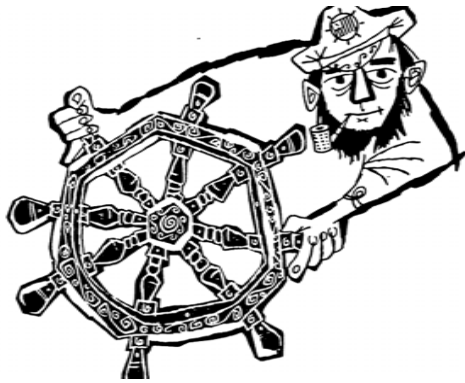
youtube.com/watch?v=g5eniRI0mXM



*Only the guy who isn't rowing
has time to rock the boat*

John-Paul Sartre

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Dates to Remember:

Knot Seminar	Nov 21
Exec Meeting	Dec 3

Schedule of Meetings and Events

SRSPS: http://www.usps.org/d2/saugatuck_river/index.html

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Date	Time	Event	Location
Nov 21	7:00 pm	Knot Seminar	Mamaroneck, NY
Dec 3	1:30 pm	Executive Committee	Westport Town Hall