



# Saugatuck River Sail And Power Squadron



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## Compo Beach Picnics

5:30pm South Beach

Bring food, drink, chair

June: 21

July: 5, 19

August 2, 16, 30

Questions:

Diane Valante 203-226-1301

No glass on the beach



## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Compo Marina is open and boats are mostly in the slips. Spring has obviously arrived and the marina looks very much like it should as we approach the summer. Even the kayak and sunfish storage racks are almost full. While the water is still very cold extra caution is necessary not

only for the big boats but especially for the kayaks, sunfish and standup paddlers.

Another sure sign of spring is the Compo Beach picnics have started. The dates are listed on page 1. Remember these are a very informal gatherings. Beach stickers are required to get into the beach. If you don't have one, tell the guard you are attending the SRSPS picnic.

It is with great sadness we must report the passing on May 15 of P/C John Luscombe, SN.



John served not only as Squadron Commander, but also as our SEO and Treasurer. We shall greatly miss his warm smile and overall kindness.

Craig Burry, P  
Commander

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## Do You know the Answers?

1. What is the difference between a ship and a boat?
2. Sea Tow maintains an Automatic Radio Check service. What 3 channels are available locally?
3. If a line is dropped when mooring or approaching a slip, what should be done immediately?
4. When leaving a slip, what sound signal should be used before leaving?

### ANSWERS

1. Ships carry boats. If a vessel is large enough to carry its own boat (s), it is then a ship.
2. Captains Cove Channel 24, Port Jefferson Channel 27, Huntington Channel 28.
3. Stop the propellers to avoid the line being wrapped.
4. One prolong blast

Correction: last month we asked whether a boat would float higher or lower in salt water. The correct answer should have been "higher". As Charlie Jacobs pointed out, salt water is denser therefore the boat would float higher.

## Education Report

We hope to offer an on-the-water boat handling course in August. Details are still being finalized and will appear in the next issue of *Dredgings*.

Russell Levine, P  
SRSPS SEO

**U.S. Department of  
Homeland Security  
United States  
Coast Guard**



Watchstanders at Coast Guard Sector Boston received a call at approximately 7:15 p.m. Thursday, reporting six people, two adults and four children, had fallen in the water while fishing on Deer Island.

Two people, an adult female and one child, were recovered by a Good Samaritan and transferred to emergency medical services for treatment and taken to Anna Jacques Hospital.

Three people, an adult male and two children, were recovered by Amesbury Police Department and transferred to emergency medical services for treatment and taken to Seabrook Emergency Room.

The adult female was recovered unresponsive and later declared deceased. The body of the six-year-old boy was recovered on Sunday..

## Compo Marina



Photo Barbara Raffel, P



## Swim Across the Sound

Each Summer, swimmers cross the Long Island Sound from Port Jefferson to Captain's Cove Seaport in Bridgeport. The 2021 Swim raised approximately \$250,000 to support oncology programs and provide financial assistance to cancer patients and their families so they can focus on their health and healing. Contact Captain's Cove to register as a swimmer, a boat captain or a general overall volunteer.

## Stamford Boating Accident

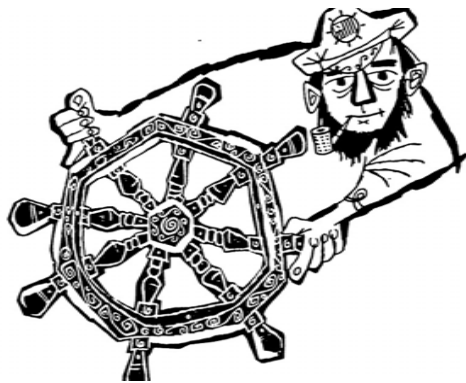
On Easter Sunday two men tragically drowned when their small boat flipped over in strong winds and very cold water temperature. Neither man was wearing a PFD. The men were both Guatemala nationals.

## Crossing the Bar

*Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning of  
the bar,  
When I put out to sea,*

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

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**Dates to Remember:**

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## **Schedule of Meetings and Events**

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

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