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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB



Compo Beach Picnics

5:30pm South Beach

Bring food, drink, chair

August 16 and 30

Questions:

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



Recently as I took my daily stroll at Compo I was happy to see that the marina was full. Also, I noticed the racks were bulging with kayaks, SUP boards, and a few Sunfish. Clearly, the boating season is running at 100%. Even the Longshore Sailing School is in full swing. Wednesday nights

and on the weekends will find a full fleet of one-design and cruising class boats going at it with a great competitive passion.



Photo; Barbara Raffel, P

Remember Safety above all else requires eternal vigilance on the water, adult beverages only after the day at sea is over and PFDs worn at all times.

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. A second tier urgent communication should be preceded by?
2. To prevent critters from taking up residence in your boat during winter storage, what 2 things might be used to discourage them?
3. A 15 lb CO2 extinguisher has an effective range of approximately how many feet.?
4. Where should you aim the fire extinguisher when attempting to extinguish a flame?

ANSWERS

1. Pan Pan (pronounced Phan Phan).
2. Spearmint oil and mothballs.
- 3 3-8 feet.
- 4 At the base of the flame.

Education Report

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

Over the past year, 77 percent of fatal boating accidents were due to drowning and 75 percent were related to a failure to wear life jackets. Alcohol and drug use was the leading cause of boating re-lated deaths in 22 percent of adults and children.
Coast Guard News Release June 15

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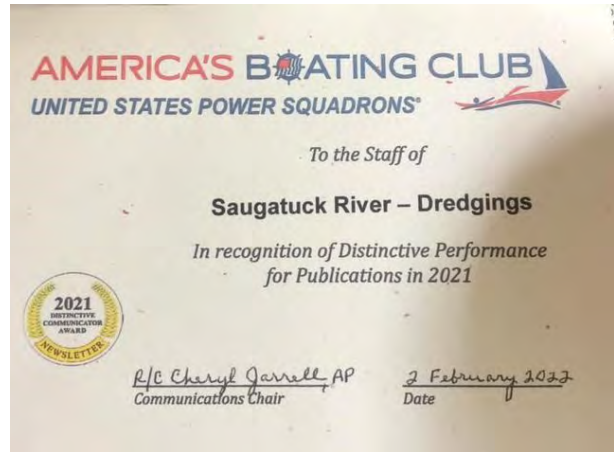


Coast Guard Cutter Campbell's Commanding Officer Anne O'Connell and two boarding officers work with a Haitian interpreter to patrol the Windward Passage off Haiti's coast.



Coast Guard Cutter Campbell law enforcement crew stopped a grossly overloaded, unsafe vessel near Turks and Caicos, May 9, 2022 .

In total Campbell's crew rescued and cared for 528 Haitians and 21 Cubans during this patrol.



Recognition from National USPS

Schooner Ladona

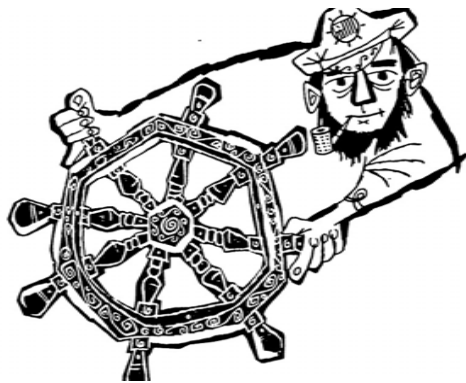


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*So we beat on boats against the
current borne back ceaselessly
into the past*

**F. Scott Fitzgerald
The Great Gatsby**

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Dates to Remember:

Compo Beach Picnic	June 21
Compo Beach Picnic	July 5 and 19
Compo Beach Picnics	August 2, 16, 30

Schedule of Meetings and Events

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

Dredgings: http://www.usps.org/d2/d2_squadron_news.html

Date	Time	Event	Location
June 21	5:30 pm	Compo Beach Picnic	Compo Beach
July 5, 19	5:30 pm	Compo Beach Picnic	Compo Beach
Aug 2, 16, 30	5:30 pm	Compo Beach Picnic	Compo Beach