



United States Power Squadrons' America's Boating Club® ABC - San Diego Sail & Power Squadron



The Ships' Mail



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Commander's Corner

Cdr Carl Schwartz, AP



Hello Boaters,

Some very exciting news! District 28 is on track to merge with District 13. This will increase

multiple opportunities for us. Our budget, membership, and fellowship will increase. In addition, our educational opportunities and boating safety for us and the general public will multiply many times. More about this soon

2025 SDSPS Calendar		
District 28 Raft-Up	La Playa Cove, San Diego	28-30 Nov
Exec Cte Meeting	Southwestern Yacht Club	8 Dec
Parade of Lights	Shelter Island	14 Dec

(Note: the calendar is subject to change)

Marine Electrical class began November 7th. This is something every boater can use. Class is being taught by our own **P/C Steven Bakalis, JN**.

December is a very busy and exciting month. This weekend SDSPS is hosting a raft-up at the La Playa anchorage, in San Diego Bay's La Playa Cove between Southwestern and San Diego Yacht Clubs. Six boats have signed up, and many non-boat owners are attending. Saturday night is a free wine tasting.

As always I can't wait for the Parade of Lights, December 14th, at Shelter Island. Every year we have a wonderful barbecue and a spectacular view of the parade. I hope to see you there.

Carl
Commander, America's Boating Club San Diego
(carls1199@yahoo.com)



Source: FaceBook



Executive Officer

(Open)



Vessel Safety Check Update (2025)

46 (as of 23 November)

DIST#	SQUAD:	NAME	TOT.CHECKS	# PASSED	LAST CHECK DATE	WKSHP
28	San Diego Sail &		DECALS SENT: 60			
		Allan T.	26	19	20250803	W
		Jonathan R.	2	2	20250709	W
		Robert	12	9	20251004	W
		Alice	4	4	20251011	
		Shaun	1	1	20241115	W
		Michael R.	1	0	20250523	W
TOTALS	San Diego Sail &		6	46	35	



Source: Lt Alice Kulikowski, "On The Hunt" for Vessel Safety Check Candidate boats in Poland!

Anyone interested in becoming a vessel safety examiner should contact **P/C Bob Gibbs, JN** at (858) 255-9527.



Administrative Officer

Lt/C Peter Oberg

Hello Fellow Boaters,

We had a great turnout for our November General Membership Meeting at Mimi's Café, the last GMM of the year!! Join our other America's Boating Club members for an evening together at our annual Get-Together for the **San Diego Parade of Lights** will be **Sunday 14 December**,

1630-1830 (approx.)



Location: Find us set up near the **Tuna Fisherman's Memorial on Shelter Island**. Come early and keep some of us who sit to hold the space company! See the advertisement on the next page for full details of this annual, albeit sometimes chilly, event. As with a day or evening out on the water, bring warm clothes to wear in several layers.

A \$5 Donation is traditional.

P/C Steven Bakalis, SN, our Squadron Education Officer will be on hand burning burgers and dogs for us all, but it always helps to bring some additional munchies for all to share. Please bring an appetizer, desert, salad, chips, or whatever. If you have any questions, send me an email or send me a text:

ptob8@aol.com or 858-883-3735.

It will be helpful to have a list of attendees for Steven's food planning (he donates this to the group every year and does not want to cart leftovers home!). Please send me a text or give me a call if you hope to attend or if you have any questions. Carpooling is a great idea if you are a "Last-minute Larry" as parking can be a challenge.

Source: **D. Botticelli**, 2024 San Diego Parade of Lights
From the USS Midway





America's Boating Club®



San Diego



America's Boating Club® San Diego

Cordially invites you to

The 55th Annual San Diego Bay Parade of Lights

Sunday, 14 December 2025

1718 Shelter Island Drive

San Diego 92106

16:00-20:00

(4:00 – 8:00PM)

Contact Lt/C Pete Oberg: ptob8@aol.com, (858) 883-3735)

Bring your favorite side dish or dessert.

Join the other SDSPS members & Guests for an evening at the Parade of Lights.

Hot Dogs, hamburgers, condiments, and water will be provided.

Beer and wine will be allowed (BYOB) but NO GLASS BOTTLES!

Be sure to dress warm & bring chairs/blankets and a small table. Pre-Registration is Required.

Cost is \$5 per person.

Just a day to hang out and enjoy the Parade. Bring a potential new member.

Please RSVP your attendance and Potluck Item by December 12, 2025

to Peter Oberg ptob8@aol.com or text a message: 858 883-3735.

Burgers/Dogs served at 4pm, Parade starts at 5:30 pm

Location;

East of Tunaman's Memorial/West of Playground

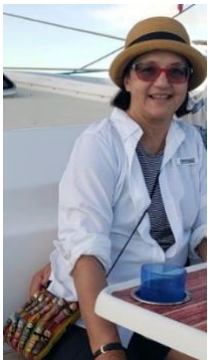
Set Your GPS to: 1718 Shelter Island Dr. San Diego, CA 92106





Yours in Boating,
Pete

Administrative Officer, America's Boating Club San Diego
Peter Oberg
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Secretary

Lt/C Paula Vance, P

Greetings fellow boat lovers,

Here are some notes I'd like to share from recent ExCom meetings.

Keep the upcoming **Change or Watch (COW)** events in mind. The next Change of Watch for **San Diego is January 10, 2026, at Southwestern Yacht Club (SWYC)** and for **Oceanside it's January 11, 2026,** and the location is the **Hunter Steakhouse in Oceanside**. For our **District 28**, the COW is **March 13-14 at SWYC**. Plans are still in the works for the District COW.

We ask for Ebbs and Flows information at each ExCom meeting, noting celebration and good times, like the upcoming Parade of Lights, and concerns requiring healing thoughts and prayers, like past Club legal advisor Michael Wales' recent surgery. If you have something to report, let one of the Bridge officers know and we'll all register concern or best wishes for you.

Annual dues for membership are \$103 for a single person and \$146 for a household membership. The check for dues can be given to Cdr Carl or any other member of the Bridge to deposit. Yes, we're still using checks. Cdr Carl and Past Commander Jerry Murphy are working diligently to get an online method of payment, like PayPal, up and running.

In the near future we hope to be able to have members register online at National and pay online via PayPal. Completed applications for new members may be sent via regular mail to:

United States Power Squadrons
Attn: Membership
PO Box 30423
Raleigh, NC 27622

The check for dues can be given to the Treasurer or Commander to deposit. The email addresses at HQ for membership questions are: hollowayd@hq.usps.org or stevensl@hq.usps.org.





As secretary of America's Boating Club San Diego, I'm happy to relay information from our monthly ExCom meetings. In addition to my duties as Club Secretary, I am also the **Membership Chair**.

Membership process:

1. Collect check w/signed membership form
2. Deposit check or send it to Cdr Carl or **P/C Carole Hallock, AP** to deposit
3. Send in the form or enter the info online.

There are currently **71 Members** (plus 4 Associate Members) in our squadron.

I speak for everyone on the Executive Committee in encouraging each or you to join us in helping to plan, set up, and run our events and classes. To learn more about these opportunities, please contact one of us at ExCom@SDSPS.org.

Paula

Secretary, America's Boating Club San Diego

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Education Dept. Report

P/C Steven Bakalis, SN

SDSPS Educational Officer

The Editor asked me to be brief, so here goes...



San Diego Sail & Power Squadron 2026 Class Schedule

- **Boat Handling (Seamanship)** – Starts February 2026 – Friday Evenings
- **Marine Navigation (Piloting)** – Starts July 2026 – Friday Evenings
- **Weather** – Starts March 2026 – Monday Evenings
- **Sail** – Starts July/August 2026 – Monday Evenings

All classes held at Southwestern Yacht Club

Watch for email announcement for exact dates and times or check or go to [COURSES – San Diego Sail and Power Squadron \(https://sdspss.org/courses/\)](https://sdspss.org/courses/)



San Diego Sail & Power Squadron 2025 Remaining Class Schedule

- **Marine Electrical Systems (In Progress)** 7 November – 16 January 13 Weeks

Fair winds and smooth sailing!

Steven

Steven Bakalis, SN
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Source: FaceBook



Treasurer's Report

P/C Carole Hallock, AP
SDSPS Treasurer

Treasury Department News

As we head into the Holiday season, I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and my best wishes for a wonderful Christmas Season to you and your families.

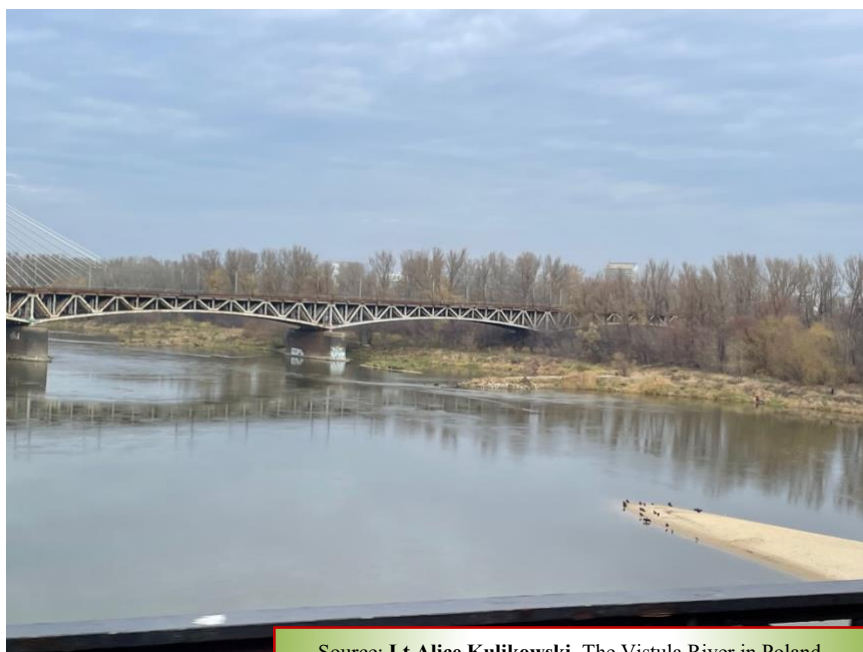
Sounds like we have some great activities coming up for the Squadron as well. Thank you, **P/C Jerry Murphy, JN**, for getting the ball rolling on the raft up at Point Loma for everyone in the district. Wish that Richard and I were in town to join you!

I am looking forward to attending our annual Parade of Lights BBQ at Shelter Island. Thank you, **P/C Steven Bakalis, SN**, for being our BBQ Master and **Lt/C Peter Oberg** for organizing the yearly event.

The Treasurer's Department seems to have come thru the current year in good shape. Thank you everyone for your support. I'm looking forward to continuing on in the coming year, and to seeing many of you at the Parade of Lights on 14 December and/or the Change of Watch on January 10, 2026.

Carole

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Source: **Lt Alice Kulikowski**, The Vistula River in Poland, heading to the Baltic Sea



America's Boating Club®



AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®

San Diego



***America's Boating Club® San Diego and
America's Boating Club Oceanside***

Cordially invite you to a

Raft-Up in La Playa Cove

Friday 28 - Sunday 30 November 2025

La Playa Cove between Point Loma and Shelter Island
San Diego Bay

Both members with and without boats are welcome!

*City Approved Anchoring Times: 0900 Friday – 0900 Monday
Most boats will probably be there Friday PM through Sunday AM*

Contact: P/C Jerry Murphy: gsmurphy@ix.netcom.com, (847) 8903-2470)



If you have a boat, please let Jerry Murphy know you plan to join the raft.

All boats anchoring at La Playa Cove require a free permit from the city that you can get online here: https://reservations.portofsandiego.org/boating/index.asp?park_idno=32

Also, if you are bringing a boat, please consider inviting members who do not have a boat to join you.

If you do not have a boat, we will be running dinghies between the raft and Southwestern Yacht Club as needed. Contact one of the boat owners to arrange dinghy transport out to the raft. We will monitor VHF Channel 69 once anchored.

There will be snacks and libations to share. Please bring pot luck food to share. Please bring your preferred drinks. *Some boats will have the ability to cook or heat up food.*

***Be sure to dress warmly and have rain gear available, just in case.
If you are staying aboard overnight, please bring a sleeping bag and pillow.***

Times and dates may change somewhat depending upon weather.

Come for a few hours, all day, or overnight (if you have arranged sleeping space with a boat owner).

Bring a prospective member!

***Approximate Anchorage Site: Lat 32deg 43.03'N, Lo 117deg 13.95'W
Look for USPS Ensigns and SDSPS or SLRPS burgees!***



Congratulations to
R/C Allan Bombard, SN-ON on
being elected to the Boston
Navigator's Club, formed in 1948.

BostonNavigatorsClub.org





Lessons Learned from the US Coast Guard - 2025



P/D/C Adriaan Veldhuisen, SN-ON
San Luis Rey Sail & Power Squadron

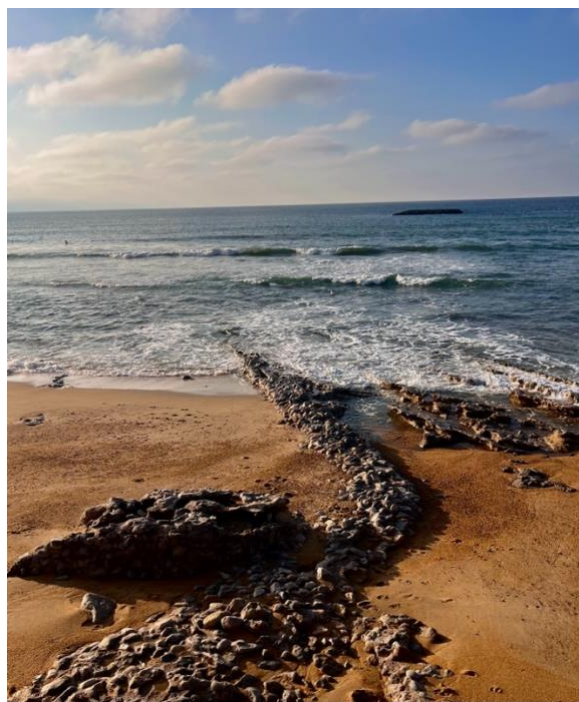
[Ed. Note: This issue of the Ships' Mail continues a regular educational column by one of our local senior USPS members, a USCG-licensed Captain, and a great instructor. This marks but one of several initiatives to bring our geographically close Squadrons closer nautically, educationally, and socially. Please thank Adriaan for his willingness to help us educate the San Diego Sail & Power Squadron boating community!]

SAFETY LESSONS FROM THE US COAST GUARD – December

The year 2025 comes to an end and it is a good time, for all, to look back and make up the balance. I cannot and should not judge your year. But with some simple questions I can assist you in judging the year from a "Boating Safety" perspective. So here it is:

- 1) did you learn anything that makes you a safer boater?
- 2) Did you apply that learning to your regular boating life?
- 3) Did you pass any of it on to your fellow boaters?

If the answer is negative in any way, what stopped you and how can we help? WE VOLUNTEER!



There are several National and Regional organizations in the field of Boating Safety. What they have in common are boating safety education and training, civic service to the boating public, and a community structure to belong to. Some are 'for profit' and some are aligned with the government. We, America's Boating Club, have been a completely volunteer, self-funded and thus independent group of like-minded people since the early 1900's. Our clubs in Southern California have been a part of this effort for the past 75 years, and we are proud of it!

For my challenge in the previous issue, we looked at a typical Fall phenomenon in our area, restricted visibility, both in the harbor and out at sea. The key here is that, even if you know that there is another vessel nearby, you don't know what that vessel's privileges are over yours. So, I asked "if you are underway in fog and you hear a signal of one prolonged blast, and two short blasts in succession, what does that signal identify?"

Source: **The Editor**
Surf City, San Sebastian, Spain

I got a response from my friend, R/C Allan Bombard. One response is often all I get back from my audience. So, here's a suggestion: make a 2026 New Year's resolution to write me a short email sometimes with your answer, and the USCG Rule that you found. Heck, with the current state of the Internet and A.I. these are easy to find, even if you don't have a recent hardcopy of the USCG Navigation Rules.



Anyway, the correct answer is that a signal of one prolonged blast, and two short blasts in succession, indicate a fishing vessel underway. USCG Rule 35 c, and it also says that the signal is given at intervals of no more than 2 minutes. Rule 3 d defines a vessel engaged in fishing as fishing with nets, lines, trawls or other apparatus that restrict maneuverability.

For this month, let's stick a bit more with restricted visibility. Which of the following statements is **FALSE**?

1. a vessel which cannot avoid a close-quarters situation with a vessel forward of her beam shall reduce her speed to bare steeringsway.
2. a vessel which hears a fog signal forward of her beam shall stop her engines.
3. a vessel which hears a fog signal forward of her beam shall navigate with caution.
4. if a vessel determines by radar that a close-quarters situation is developing, she shall take avoiding action in ample time.



Source: **The Editor**
Port St Jean, France

Find the Rule and choose the right answer. Let me know what you think. I hope you consider our "On the Water Boating Program" with Shawn Goit as the instructor in the classroom and on the water. To see if you can join, do not hesitate to contact Shawn. <https://americasboatingcluboceanside.org/classroom/>

Of course, you don't become a safer boater by reading this newsletter, or even my regular column focused on safety. The possibilities for learning all sorts of things from YouTube, in online classes, or even by asking Artificial Intelligence, are too many to mention. However, I still believe that an actual sit-down course, taught by an experienced boater, offers the best opportunity for life-long learning. Give it a try!

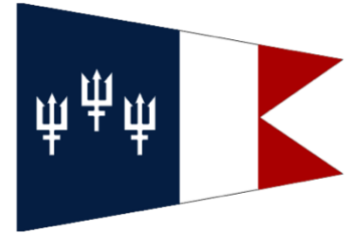
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Past Commanders' Column

P/C Jerry Murphy, AP

P/C Jerry Murphy, JN's report this issue is that of the Chair, Nominations Committee. The recommendations for the SDSPS slate of officers for 2026 is as follows:



Nominating Committee's Proposed Slate of Officers for SDSPS 2026

Executive Committee = Bridge + Members at Large (Quorum = majority)

Bridge:

Commander
Executive Officer
Education Officer
Administrative Officer
Secretary
Treasurer

Jerry Murphy, JN (*nomination from the floor*)
(*Vacant*)
Steven Bakalis, SN
Pete Oberg
Paula Vance, P
Carole Hallock, AP

Members at Large:

Director and Immediate Past Cdr
Director:
Director:
Director:

Carl Schwartz, AP
Allan Bombard, SN-ON
Bob Gibbs, JN-IN
Alice Kulikowski

Assistant Dept. Heads: *none so far*

Committee Members:

Elected by Membership (3 members required for each committee)

Audit *Dave Baer, SN; Carl Schwartz, AP; Joanne O'Neil*
Rules **Steven Bakalis, SN; Allan Bombard, SN-ON; Jerry Murphy, JN**
Nominating **Richard Cross, SN-ON; Allan Bombard, SN-ON; Bob Gibbs, JN-IN**

Appointed by ExCom

Finance *Allan Bombard, SN-ON; Carole Hallock, AP; Dave Baer, SN*
Membership **Alice Kulikowski; Amanda Sousa; Carole Hallock, AP**
Merit Marks **Paula Vance, P and Carole Hallock, AP**

Other Important Positions:

Web Master **Louis Swanepoel, P**
Editor Ship's Mail **Allan Bombard, SN-ON**



Vessel Safety Checks	Bob Gibbs, JN-IN ; Allan Bombard, SN-ON; Alice Kulikowski; Jon Coats; Mike Phibrook, AP
Membership Chair	<i>(Vacant; acting Jerry Murphy, JN)</i>
Boat Show Committee	Carl Schwartz, AP; Pete Oberg; Amanda Sousa
Ship's Store/Property Officer	<i>(Vacant; acting Jerry Murphy, JN)</i>
Sail Fleet Captain	Bob Gibbs, JN-IN
Sea Scout Liaison	Mike Philbrook, AP
Chaplain	Duane Leathers, AP
SWYC Liaison	Carole Hallock, AP ; Allan Bombard, SN-ON; Steven Bakalis, SN;
On the Water Activities	Jerry Murphy, JN
Historian	Alice Kulikowski
USCG Auxiliary Liaison	<i>Carl Schwartz, AP</i>

[Key: **BOLD** = Member has agreed; *Italics* = Provisional, not yet asked; **Bold + Italics** = Chair]

Instructors

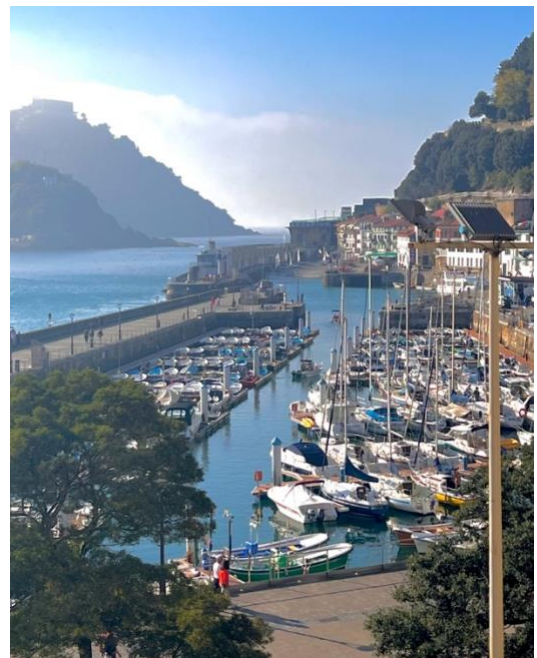
- Steven Bakalis
- Doug Bass
- Mike Phibrook
- Ted and Claudia Bowler
- Bob Gibbs
- Jean-Jacque Bellier
- Allan Bombard
- Jerry Murphy
- Colleen Cooke

Jerry

Jerry Murphy, JN
 Immediate Past Commander
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Professores Emeriti

- Dave Baer
- Bob Hubbard
- Shelly Bakalis
- Richard Cross



Source: **The Editor**
 Port of San Sebastian, Spain



News from District 28

D/C Doug Bass, **SN-ON**

Over the years we've noticed a drop in participation and membership in our local squadron, and the same for the district. Every year there are fewer volunteers for board and committee positions, and a lack of participation at district events.





With this in mind our district (District 28) has been discussing over the last few years how to address this situation. Several solutions have been proposed including eliminating districts completely, creating a regional district, or merging districts. Recently the District 28 convened a conference to address this situation and passed a motion* to merge our district into our closest neighbor District 13 (based in Las Vegas). We are still arranging the final details but it's likely that within a couple of months District 28 will be no more. It is with sadness that I see it go, but we must accept the realities of this new world where lack of participation is a fact of life.

For the squadrons in District 28 (San Diego, San Luis Rey, and Balboa) there will be no visible changes when we become part of District 13.

***Motion to Merge District 28 into District 13 – District 28 Fall Conference on 16 November 2025**

WHEREAS, District 28 of the United States Power Squadrons has experienced diminishing membership over recent years, resulting in reduced capacity to fulfill its mission and serve its members effectively; and

WHEREAS, District 28 has encountered increasing difficulty in identifying and recruiting qualified members willing to assume leadership roles and administrative responsibilities necessary for the effective governance and operation of the district; and

WHEREAS, the declining membership and leadership challenges have placed unsustainable burdens on the remaining active members and threaten the viability of District 28 as an independent organizational entity; and

WHEREAS, District 28 and District 13 have maintained a long-standing relationship characterized by mutual fellowship, collaborative activities, shared educational initiatives, and regular interaction among members of both districts; and

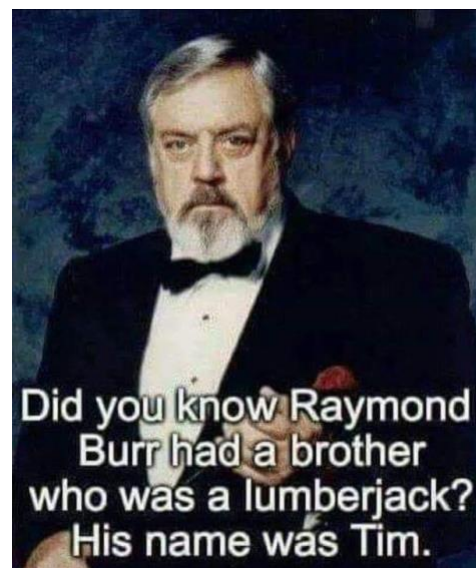
WHEREAS, District 13 of the United States Power Squadrons is incorporated as a Limited Liability Company (LLC), providing organizational structure, legal protections, and administrative frameworks that would benefit the combined membership; and

WHEREAS, District 28 is not incorporated, lacking the formal legal structure and protections that incorporation provides; and

WHEREAS, merging District 28 into District 13 would consolidate resources, strengthen leadership capacity, preserve member services, and ensure the continued delivery of educational programs and fellowship opportunities to all members; and

WHEREAS, such a merger would honor the historic bonds between the two districts while positioning the combined organization for greater effectiveness and sustainability in serving the boating community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that District 28 of the United States Power Squadrons hereby moves to merge into District 13 of the United States Power Squadrons, with District 13 as the surviving entity;



Source: Facebook



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that before the merger, the majority of funds held by District 28 shall be distributed to the three District 28 Squadrons (Newport Beach, Oceanside, and San Diego Sail & Power Squadrons) in amounts proportional to the number of current active members in each Squadron;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all assets remaining after distribution of funds and payment of any indebtedness, the records and any remaining assets of District 28 shall then be transferred to and be assumed by District 13 upon completion of the merger;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all current members in good standing of District 28 shall become members of District 13 with all rights and privileges appertaining thereto;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the officers and Bridge of District 28 shall work cooperatively with the officers and Bridge of District 13 to ensure a smooth and orderly transition, including the transfer of all property, funds, records, and administrative responsibilities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this merger shall become effective upon approval by the required governing bodies of both districts and the United States Power Squadrons in accordance with applicable bylaws and regulations.

Please contact me with any questions about the proposed merger.

Regards,

D/Cdr Doug Bass, SN-ON

[District 28](#) Commander

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<https://www.facebook.com/sdpsorg>



News from National

R/C Allan T Bombard, SN-ON

By the time you read this issue of The Ship's Mail, you likely have received the Call to Meeting Notice from Headquarters, citing the recommendations of the USPS National Nominating Committee to be voted on at the upcoming USPS/ABC National Meeting 11-14 February 2026.



The recent Fall Governing Board meeting held at the Grand Amway Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids, MI was not only packed with new information and updates, but also a lot of fun. The full minutes of the meeting are available at <https://www.usps.org/php/DHinders/natsec/minutes.php>. I recommend that you ... cruise to... the Secretary's page on the USPS.org website and read about the activities of the meeting.



Mark Your Calendars

As noted above, the **2026 Annual Meeting** will be 11-14 February 2026. The meeting will be held in **Myrtle Beach, NC** (8-15 February 2026) at the **Embassy Suites Kingston**. Nice change of venue! Paula and I plan to attend, along with several of our fellow sailors from the San Luis Rey Sail & Power Squadron (I've not heard who from SDSPS will be attending).



Its beach front, every room is a suite, every room has a view of the ocean, and complimentary breakfast is included!

Reserve a room here: <https://www.usps.org/memb-home/1749-nmc-current-hotel-information-15?layout=edit>

Allan

*Assistant National Secretary
Cdr, Cyber Squadron & District 50
District28ABC@gmail.com*



Source: The Editor

**Boating on La Seine, Paris
Along Ile St Louis**



New Members:

If you would like to join our Squadron, please print the application below, fill it out, and send it to the Secretar, P/C Paula Vance, P at 230 W. Laurel St; Unit 304; San Diego, CA 92101. Our annual dues are currently \$103 for a single and \$146 for a family membership.



Membership Application

Primary Active Member Information <i>Please print or type</i>			<input type="radio"/> Active 18+	<input type="radio"/> Apprentice (age 12-23)
Name (First, Middle, Last)			DOB	
Mailing Address			Gender	
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Spouse Name		
City, State, Zip			Spouse Name	
Email Address			Have you ever been a member of USPS/ABC? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
Personal Skills willing to share			SeaScout <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	
Do you own a boat? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	Boat Length	Boat Name	Boat Type (Power, Sail, etc.)	

Additional Active Member(s) *(Primary and Others must live in the same household)*

Name (First, Middle, Last)	Cell Phone	Have you ever been a member of USPS/ABC? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	DOB
Email Address	Personal Skills		Gender
Name (First, Middle, Last)	Cell Phone	Have you ever been a member of USPS/ABC? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	DOB
Email Address	Personal Skills		Gender
Name (First, Middle, Last)	Cell Phone	Have you ever been a member of USPS/ABC? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	DOB
Email Address	Personal Skills		Gender

Volunteer areas: Areas I/we are willing to help the squadron succeed *Please check all that apply*
 Hospitality Membership Education Communications Photography
 Newsletter Public Relations Community Service Boating Activities
 Programs for Youth Other _____

Signature 1 _____ Signature 2 _____

Signature 3 _____ Signature 4 _____

Referred by _____ Date _____

Squadron Name		District #	Squadron Code
ExCom Approval Date	Authorized Signature (Membership Chair or Cd)		Authorized Signers Certificate #



AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS



Districts 28 and 24



France in 2026

WITH US

28 May - 04 June 2026

Escorted by D/Lt Jill Powell, AP



Add 3 nights in Paris and visit Notre Dame and Giverny as a pre-cruise delight

PRICED AT 2 for 1!!

BALCONY \$3,999.00 PP OR \$7,998 PER CABIN

- English speaking expert guides
- All balcony suite accommodation quoted
- Local Foods and Wines
- Touring as mentioned in itinerary
- Complimentary superior drinks package
- Complimentary WiFi

DEPOSIT BEFORE 1/31/2025 TO QUALIFY FOR THIS OFFER

Negotiated at \$300.00PP

CALL/TEXT 1-760-716-1675

jill.powell@traveledge.com
james.ferguson@traveledge.com



TRAVEL EDGE NETWORK

ENJOY

- Cruise with friends. Meet new ones.
- Accompanied by a dedicated tour director
- Guided tour around Lyon - *gastronomic epicenter of France*
- Sample delicious wines in Beaune - *wine capital of Burgundy*
- Visit Palace of the Popes in 14th Century Avignon
- Explore the Ardaches Gorges' outstanding landscapes
- Marvel at the Pont du Gard aqueduct
- Visit the iconic Roman amphitheatre in Arles

STOP and SMELL the lavender!

CST #1006676-10

ensemble



AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

America's Boating Club San Diego
San Diego Sail & Power Squadron: 2023-2024 Bridge

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