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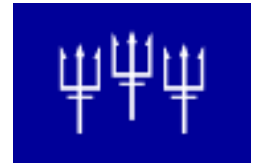


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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE FROM THE HELM

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Greetings VBPS Members, Associates and Friends —

Do you believe Spring is here? That just means we have been very busy. I must tell you this year's bridge has been working very hard to make this the best squadron ever and, also, to keep us right on top of things. A special thanks to all of them. Our meetings have been quite long this year. I guess they just like my company!!! But they hang in there and get the job done.

As your commander, I have been busy representing you in many ways. There are special dinners, Changes of Watch, Changes of Command, Nationals, Districts, Book Club, Ladies Luncheon, New Members Party and I have worn my uniform to many of the events and I do it with pride. I feel it is important to let people know about our wonderful organization and what we do for our community and America.

Recently, someone told me they talked to a member of a squadron in Connecticut and they mentioned only great things about the Vero Beach Squadron. Good news travels fast but we must all get involved.

I want to thank all members for a great job in volunteering so far this year. It is amazing what people will do for my Key Lime Pie. I always did think bribery would get you whatever you need - just ask my children!

A big thanks to P/C John Spilman, SN, Lt. Marty Ford, AP, Lt/C Al Ebstein, SN, Lt. Howard Daniels, S, Lt./C Bob Scully, AP and all others who have made our building look like new. You have been working so hard and we all really do appreciate it. Great Work!! Notice the letters behind those names. That means they have also worked very hard and are still working to learn all they can about boating safety in many ways. The courses and seminars are a great source of learning and we offer many. Please, sign up, and learn all you can. We have the best teachers who try to make it easy by scheduling appropriate times and dates. Also, I do have treats available when you arrive – yes – another bribe!

April will bring us to some very important events. There is the Vero Beach Boat Show headed by Lt. Glenn Rose, S who always does a fine job; the Hibiscus Festival, which happens to be on the same week-end, 16 & 17 April, headed by Lt/C Bob Scully, AP; our ABC Course will be on 23 & 24 April; our Southern Cruise to Banana Bay at the Marathon Key which starts on 12 April and our District 8 Spring Conference which will be held at the Marriott in Boca Raton on 29 April thru 1 May. Reservation forms will be sent out via "E" Mail.

This year we will be sharing our conference room with St. Lucie River Power Squadron. Commander John Chance, P has been in touch and we are planning a great week-end. Our hospitality room is #904 and I will be contacting you to let you know what to bring for our Friday social. Please plan to attend. We have the largest squadron so let's make it known! We also have 3 members giving sessions on Saturday to inform us of membership, Lt. Kathie Thomas, P, getting the message out from Lt/C Bob Scully, AP and a seminar on Co-Op Charting by P/C Bill Heimbaugh, S. Let's get behind them and show our support!

Thank you for being so patient with me as your Commander. By the end of my term I hope to make you "Vero Beach Proud"!

Cdr Janet L. Leh, P

# Happy Birthday VBPS Members

## April 2011 Birthdays

Alan Ebstein	04/01
Charles Pittman	04/01
Maxine Walsh	04/02
Mike Alderman	04/03
Mike Wohlstein	04/03
Jack Jordan	04/05
Dale Seiberling	04/06
Charlie Jacobs	04/07
Marty Nosal	04/08
Liz Stanley	04/08
Bill Walker	04/10
Warren Schauer	04/11
Antone Balbo	04/15
Jane Burnett	04/15
John Reed	04/15
Celia Reynolds	04/16
Edward Green	04/18
Malcolm Rowand	04/18
Karen Sobon	04/18
Judy Ward	04/19
Bruce Mitchell	04/20
Leslie Blair	04/23
Richard Barattini	04/25
Roger Breunig	04/25
Mary Wohlstein	04/26
Robert George	04/27
Maureen Albrecht	04/28
Barbara Ebstein	04/29
Neil Huber	04/29
Jim Robincheck	04/29
Jack Berrigan	04/30
Gloria Schulke	04/30



## May 2011 Birthdays

Irena Patrick	05/01
Barbara Ruth	05/03
David Hargreaves	05/04
Alice Kruiton	05/04
Harry (HB) Koerner	05/08
Glendora Morris	05/09
Perry Jeffords	05/10
Marnie Sullivan	05/10
Tim Cotton	05/11
Lee Weiler	05/12
Jim Brumbaugh	05/13
Richard Patton	05/13
Maggie Daniels	05/14
Jacques Goulet	05/14
Larry Greenley	05/14
Joe Basler	05/15
Tom Finch	05/15
Lock Rianhard	05/15
Joan Cotton	05/16
Karen Roberts	05/17
Tom Harvey	05/17
Doug Gough	05/18
Carole Joslin	05/19
Barbara Reed	05/20
Barbara Anne Oehler	05/21
Barbara Walton	05/21
Martha Cormier	05/24
Carlo Marandola	05/24
Wally Leopold	05/25
Alice Leshner	05/25
Peter Mitchelson	05/26
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Hello VBPS Members, Associates and Friends,

**Boys and Girls Fishing Day** – The event was held Feb. 19, 2011. The Captains arrived at the boat basin by the Power Squadron Building at 0900. Rob Kane and Ed Carr distributed live shrimp from shore. The boys and girls went inside the Power Squadron Building where they were fitted for PFD's and boating information for the lunch time quiz from P/C Dan Thomas. Dan gave each boat Captain a written summary of boating information to cover while fishing. Then all went out to try to catch some fish. Captains involved: P/C Woody Boarman, P/C Bill Heimbaugh, Lt. Harold Leh, Al Turner, Michael Wilson, Richard Myers, Paul Rubado, Lt. Dick Carlin, Tom Barrett, Sugie Stedham and Bob Schmidt.

**Yard Sale** – Much appreciation to all who helped with the yard sale. It was a big success and the items not sold were donated to Habitat for Humanity. There are too many names to mention but we know who was there, so once again thanks to all.

**EcoFest at Environmental Learning Center (ELC)** - I believe it was a success. Ed Carr expressed his sincere thanks to our member volunteers who responded like they always do. Cdr Janet and Lt. Harold Leh, P/C Bill Heimbaugh and Caroline Bargren, P/C John and Barb Spilman, P/C Bob White and Barbara Ruth, P/C Dan and Lt. Kathie Thomas, Laddie Kruiten and Lt. Don Helm.

**Holly Dill, Executive Director of ELC** said "The Vero Beach Power Squadron has been a partner with the Environmental Learning Center for many years. The squadron's members are firm believers in environmental education. They donate their time, talents, and dollars. Whether assisting with water safety at our fourth grade Lagoon Days program, spreading the good word about the ELC, or attending our events, VBPS has been a steadfast supporter. This year, they are going above and beyond. In the heat of the sun, they will be at EcoFest in full force, grilling and selling hamburgers and hotdogs. At the end of the day, they plan to donate all of the proceeds to the ELC. A better partnership could not be defined. ELC is truly grateful for community support like that which we receive from VBPS.

**Safe Boating Week** – The dates are 21 May thru 27 May. The VBPS is looking for members to walk the Barber Bridge at 12:00, Saturday 21 May wearing your PFD.

**Safety** - Carelessness and inattention are the leading causes of boating accidents in Florida. Pay close attention to your surroundings while on the water and you will be on your way to a safe and enjoyable outing. Follow this link to Florida boating accident information for the last several years. <http://myfwc.com/SAFETY/Safety Boat Safety AccidentStats.htm>

Regards,  
Lt/C Bob Scully, XO



## EDUCATION OFFICER

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Hello VBPS Members and Associates —

The academic year is in full swing. All advanced grades and most electives are in process and winding down as exams are being given. A second Seamanship class is in progress and as promised, will be followed by a second Piloting class. Our second ABC class is scheduled for 23 & 24 April. Tell your friends ( both members and non-members ) to come and absorb some knowledge.

To round out our curriculum, we will be offering Seminars targeted to specific topics and the needs of our membership and non-members. By the time you read this article, you will have received a brief description of each seminar along with its cost. For those of you that do not use the internet, a copy is posted on the Bulletin Board along with sign up sheets.

I am looking forward to having many of you take these seminars throughout the spring and summer months. How many seminars we give and when depends on the interest shown by our membership.

As always, we are looking for members to teach these seminars.

Please contact: Al Ebstein 772-462-0249

MARINE RADAR seminar is particularly intriguing. Just when you think you have a good working knowledge of this subject, you read the text that is included in this seminar and realize that there is a lot more you need to know to use your Radar effectively.

See you around the VBPS campus.

Lt/C Al Ebstein, SN

### CHAPLAIN'S CORNER Lt. Frank "Tom" Jones, III, S

#### RULES TO LIVE BY

1. Wake Up!

Decide to have a productive day.

3. Keep Quiet!

Say nice things and learn to listen.

God gave us two ears and one mouth, so he must have meant for us to do twice as much listening as talking.

2. Dress Up!

The best way to dress up is to put on a smile.

A smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.

4. Stand Up for what you believe in. If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything

5. Aim High and give credit where credit is due.

Check out Proverbs 3:5-6

For questions and comments:

Lt. F.T. Jones, Chaplain VBPS

**Editor's Note:** All articles and reports for the June - July Nautical News should be turned in by 15 May. **THANK YOU!!**



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Hello VBPS Members,

As I write this article, I realize that we are almost through the first quarter of the year—and, wow, what a busy year to date for our Squadron!

Under the leadership of Lt. Kathie Thomas, P and her team, our membership continues to grow. Since 1 January, we have increased our membership by 28 new members and another 8 who either transferred from other Squadrons, or were reinstated, bringing our membership total to 366. Thanks to Kathie and her team: Lt. Sandy Raynes, AP, Lt. Toby Jarman, Lt. Judy Ward and 1st Lt. Mary Lichty-Nelson, S.

The attendance at Friday Night Socials continues to increase and the energy in the room is amazing. Thanks to Cdr Janet, P and Lt. Harold Leh, AP and Lts. Fred and Liz Finney for chairing the socials during January, February and March and the many members who happily stepped forward to host by providing the great food. Chairs for April will be Lts. John and Mikki Powers, and Lts. Bill and Jan Price have May and June covered. If you haven't hosted as yet this year, please sign-up for an upcoming FNS.

During February and March, members enjoyed two dinners—The Founder's Day Steak Dinner and the St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Attendance was more than 100 members and guests at each of these tasty dinners. Many people enjoyed playing Bocce ball prior to the St. Patrick's event. Thanks to Chairs P/C Dan, SN and Lt. Kathie Thomas and the many volunteers who helped with the St. Patrick's Day event. I want to thank all of you who helped me make the Founder's Day dinner such a great success. Coming up on 10 April is the annual Pot Luck dinner, chaired by Mary Lichty-Nelson. This is an opportunity to bring your favorite appetizer, entrée or dessert. And on 7 May, you can enjoy the Derby Day/Cinco De Mayo dinner that will be chaired by our own Commander Janet Leh and her first mate, Harold.

In January more than 50 people enjoyed the lunch cruise to Squid Lips, some arrived by boat and others by car. Even the weather cooperated. Many members participated in the first raft-up in February at Hole-in-the-Wall. The boaters who participated in the March mini-cruise to the Marriott on Hutchison Island had fabulous weather. The annual Southern Cruise begins on 12 April, and there is another raft-up on 23 April. Thanks to Boating Activities Chairman, Lt. George Scott, AP, for organizing these events.

The annual Poker Run, chaired by P/C Bill Heimbaugh, S was a big success with 81 members participating. Thanks to Bill and everyone who helped make this such a fun outing.

At our monthly general meetings, many of you were fortunate to hear two very interesting speakers. Sandra Rawls talked about what's happening at the Vero Man site and what the local landscape was like during the Ice Age. In March, Stephen McCulloch, founder and program manager for marine mammal research and conservation at Harbor Branch Oceanographic Research Institute, talked about the current state of Dolphins in the Indian River Lagoon. In April, member Tom Jones will talk about horse racing.

Dan Thomas presented the first session of Operations Training—watch for a date for the next session.


Thanks to so many of you who help make my job as AO easier.

Lt/C Judy Peschio, S

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**COMING EVENTS (subject to change)**

DATE	APRIL EVENTS	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/C Judy Peschio
Monday 4	Executive Committee Meeting	1900	Cdr Janet Leh
Saturday 9	D/8 Boarman Poster Contest Awards Ceremony - VBYC	1130	P/C Woody Boarman
Sunday 10	Pot Luck Dinner	1700	Lt. Mary Lichty-Nelson
Monday 11	General Membership Meeting	1930	Cdr Janet Leh
Tuesday 12	Southern Cruise to Banana Bay on Marathon Key Begins	N/A	Lt. George Scott
Saturday 16	Hibiscus Festival	TBA	Lt/C Bob Scully
Sat. 16 - Sun. 17	Vero Beach Boat Show	0900	Lt. Glenn Rose
Sat. 23 - Sun. 24	America's Boating Course	0900	Lt. Howard Daniels
Saturday 23	Raft-Up at Faber Cove, Fort Pierce	1100	Lt. George Scott
Fri.29,Sat.30,Sun.1	District 8 Spring Conference (Marriott Boca Raton)	N/A	Cdr Janet Leh
DATE	MAY EVENTS	TIME	CONTACT
Every Friday	Friday Night Socials	1730-1930	Lt/C Judy Peschio
Monday 2	Executive Committee Meeting	1900	Cdr Janet Leh
Saturday 7	Derby Day/Cinco de Mayo Dinner	1630	Cdr Janet & Lt. Harold
Monday 9	General Membership Meeting	1930	Cdr Janet Leh
Wednesday 11	Lunch Cruise (Location TBA)	1130	Lt. George Scott
Sat. 21 - Fri. 27	National Safe Boating Week	N/A	Lt. Don Helm
Saturday 21	Walking the Barber Bridge Wearing Your PFD's	1200	Lt/Cdr Bob Scully
Fri.20,Sat.21,Sun.22	Northern Mini Cruise to Cocoa Village	N/A	Lt. George Scott
Monday 30	Past Commanders Memorial Day Breakfast	1000	P/C Dan & Lt. Kathie