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# Flotilla Commander

## Paul Burns, FC

We recently wrapped up Safe Boating Week and I saw from the activity the boating season is off and running. We had 13 students graduated from our PE class, an All-You-Can-Eat VE boat buffet at the boat ramps, and some successful Public Affairs booths; what a great month.

Many more targets at the boat ramps are obviously needed as there are a lot of boats launching at the ramps with inadequate safety equipment which will keep us busy. We should target the Mandarin Park boat ramp at Julington Creek this month. There is also plenty of work available for new Vessel Examiners (VE). New members can easily take the VE course, take the test online, then talk to Whatley Law regarding their five completed training exams.

John Russette from Flotilla 14-5 mentioned, at our May flotilla meeting, that during their Clay County vessel examinations, children seen wearing lifejackets were given a coupon for a free Wendy's frosty. What a great idea demonstrated to Whatley and me at the Goodby's Creek boat ramp when we approached a boat for a VSC. We were asked by the kids, who wore their lifejackets, if we were giving frosty coupons. We replied, not this time, but I think we could devise something to create a similar impact.

Just in case you missed our May meeting, we also had a guest speaker from the Clay County Sheriff's Office, a Coast Guard Intelligence Officer, and a Crime Investigator, Lt. Austin Campbell. Bill Sekeres, our Division Commander rounded out our VIP guest list.

Please don't miss the June 14th, flotilla meeting. Paul Tynda has promised to tell us about his experiences with "Operation Black Swan" in the Bahamas in which he participated this past April.

Great news in the membership department; Paul Thomas, a former flotilla commander, completed his transfer from Division 12 in Charleston to our flotilla. We had visits from William Barrera, planning his to transfer to 14-8 from Green Cove Springs and Patricia Widell submitted her transfer papers to our flotilla from the Beaches. We look forward to benefiting from the talents of these individuals.



**Flotilla Commander**

# Flotilla Vice Commander

## John Hadley, VFC

What a great year it's been so far! Operations is firing on more cylinders. Whatley Law and Tom Edwards began to lead by their examples. What's next for them? Any guesses? Paul Tynda settled into an Auxiliary specialty which seems to tell us where his heart really is.

This is my subject for May; *What are your goals?*

Springtime and the National Safe Boating Week (NSBW) season brings into sharp focus all we are worked toward in the colder months. This time of year is the reason we go to long schools and endure all the program visitor qualifications. This season is why we train to do those vessel safety checks. Our flotilla meetings keep the missions in the forefront.

The Coast Guard needs us and we are answering the bell. We will hear from them directly at the June meeting. Whatever your choice, follow it up and remember, **try hard to meet the public**. Show the uniform and wear it correctly and with pride. Show your desire to serve and most of all, make our gold side brothers and sisters proud of us.

Our flotilla, I am glad to say, has grown and changed. We are taking a few delays here and there but haven't stopped; we haven't even slowed. I can hardly describe to you the differences between last year and this one. We were great last year and we are great this year.

**NEVER give up!**



# Response

## Whit Vick, FSO-OP

Great news this month! Tom Edwards and Whatley Law passed their crew qualification audit. Each confessed faux amazement the other had passed. I had no real doubts, faux or otherwise. This achievement is a testament to Tom and Whatley's commitment, sacrifice, and dedication to the Auxiliary as well as commitment, sacrifice and dedication of those involved in the Boat Crew Academy, led by Don Mooers, Jesse Stevens, and Bob Cook. With this achievement, the operations capabilities of our flotilla and division are enhanced.



This day didn't come without glitches, uncertainties, and anxieties. The day before the audit, boat fates intervened and threatened to cancel the mission; audits require two boats. Tom's boat, *Tomcat*, the second boat for this audit, developed a fuel delivery issue the afternoon before the audit and the starboard motor became inoperable. Getting a second boat for the audit at this late hour was a dim prospect. Four crew candidates, crews for two boats, and the qualifying examiners, all of whom had spent months preparing for this day, would be forced to postpone. Despite the odds, Jesse Stevens and Don Mooers remained undaunted, calling on their colleagues and generally going into full court press to procure a second boat; these two really know no other way. As I went to bed that night, the mission remained in limbo. It was not until the morning of the audit Jesse and Don persuaded the Coast Guard to allow use of one of their 25 foot *Defender* class boats for the audit. This literally saved the day for all who had put in so much time and effort; the fates smiled. The months of preparation and training paid off and all candidates passed.

On display in this process, were some of the best attributes of Auxiliarists. Temporary frustration and disappointment were thwarted by optimism, flexibility, perseverance, and doggedness. Well done all.

Operations



# Prevention

## John Hadley, FSO-MT

This month brought big changes: Two new members qualified as boat crew, one new facility, *Tomcat*, and two Coxswain students.

Additionally, Tom Edwards completed his qualifying vessel exams and thus needs a supervising Vessel Examiner to fully get up to speed.

Paul Tynda declared his intent to work on becoming qualified in Marine Safety working towards two AUX Marine Safety packages. He has also indicated his desire to take the ICS-400 course when it's offered.

Our new members Eric and Marion Linda, are seeking their Vessel Examiner study package. They do not know it yet but they will get the Program Visitor material, too. Then, Whatley Law gets to train them.

Probably the busiest guy in the flotilla right now (after Paul Burns) is Whatley Law. He is studying to become a qualified Officer of the Deck (Inport) for USCGC *KingFisher*. Great going Whatley; you are an inspiration to us all!

We still have Auxiliary Learning Management System (AUXLM) to complete. The access to this site is: <https://auxlearning.uscg.mil> If members still want or need the original verbal class delivery, I am glad to put together a session addressing both Sexual Harrassment and Elimination of Sexual Harassment in the Workplace.

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## Member Training

# Prevention

## John Hadley, FSO-MT

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Our immediate past District Commodore, Walter Jaskiewicz has graciously offered to give a course in ISC-400. This hard-to-get class is a one-day affair which addresses the fine points of a crisis team's work and paperwork issues, as well as the means by which different organizations work together during an event such as the *Horizon* spill in the gulf. *Auxiliarists who had this training were mobilized to serve during the spill.* Anyone wanting this class please pass their name, Auxiliary number, and contact information to me as soon as possible.

Our job is support. My job is support. I intend to keep training and certification-to-remain-qualified opportunities in front of you.

## Member Training

## David Fay, FSO-PV

Let me start this month's report by thanking John Hadley for another strong month of visits. Together with Kevin and Marlene our flotilla completed 231 program visits. This month many of us will participate in Safe Boating Week activities. On a related topic, as many of you already know, *Freedom Boat Club* was selected as a *BoatUS* Life Jacket loaner site. This is great news for our partner and all involved; especially the people who benefit by keeping safe on the water.



## Program Visitation



# Prevention

## Bob Strong, FSO-PE

Our About Boating Safely (ABS) course on May 11th had 12 students and all graduated. Our next ABS course is June 15th at the Florida Tackle and Gun Club. Any help is appreciated.

Our flotilla scheduled a *Water & Kids* course at a local YMCA on May 4th. We were promised young people between the ages of 6 and 12. What we got were 23 children, ages 3 to 6 and one 9 year old! Jack Holler and I were the instructors. Jack, a retired school teacher and grandfather saved the day. He sat on the floor with the kids and worked his way through the *Water & Kids* program. The highlight of his presentation was designating a sofa bed in the room as a boat. He invited the children who were the best contributors to get in the *boat*; 13 got on the *boat* but some hung over the sides. He then told them they must get all their arms and legs inside the boat; if not they would have to get off. The kids all tried to rearrange their bodies in order to be allowed to stay in the boat but some reluctantly had to get off. Then he asked the remaining kids in the boat if they had a life jacket; none did. Life jackets were then thrown to the boaters. After a short battle to get a life jacket and get it on, those without jackets had to get off the boat.

Adults present said that was some of the best training they ever observed. Not all Auxiliary members present would agree with that conclusion but we both saw the benefit of teaching *Water & Kids* to third graders, eight years of age and older.

The flotilla needs at least one pair of members who are willing to teach this course to third grade students beginning this fall when school begins. Please let me know if you are interested in leading or helping with this course this fall.



**Public Education**

# Prevention

## Whatley Law, FSO-VE

Vessel examinations were completed at Goodby's Creek Marina on Saturday, May 18th and Sunday, May 19th of this year. Tom Edwards and Whatley Law passed 12 vessels. We have another vessel examination event planned in May for Mandarin Park boat ramp.

Goodby's Creek Marina was busy on both Saturday and Sunday. We could use additional vessel examiners at boat ramps to accommodate all boaters; so please let me know if you'd like to volunteer.

Exams revealed the majority of boats inspected were 16-22 feet with one exception of a 42 foot *Formula*. Most boaters received us well however two refused inspections and one couldn't start his engine thus abandoned his plans for boating.

We advised boaters, who didn't pass, the necessary tasks to bring their boat into compliance with the regulations and advised we would come back to re-inspect if they call. The majority of activity was between the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM both days.



## Vessel Examinations

# Logistics

## Paul Burns, FSO-CS

This past month, the *Florida Times Union* reported the best places online to get local boating safety information was [MyFWC.com](http://MyFWC.com) (The Florida Fish And Wildlife Commission and [SafeBoatingJax.com](http://SafeBoatingJax.com) (our own flotilla website.) That's great recognition and a clear indication what we do in our efforts to promote boating safety gets noticed. A good portion of our Public Education students list our website as the place they found our boating class schedule.

At our May meeting, we had an interesting talk from the Clay County Sheriff's department concerning derelict and abandoned boats. More information regarding this subject may be found at [myfwc.com](http://myfwc.com). Flotilla 14-8 members Rusty Gardner and Robin Herriff produced a video about the subject which can be seen on the *Public Page* of [SafeBoatingJax.com](http://SafeBoatingJax.com)



## Communications Services

## Bob Strong, FSO–FN

Dues notices will be mailed to each member in the last week of May 2013. **We need all flotilla members to submit their payment by June 30, 2013.** Dues may be paid at the June flotilla meeting.

Disenrollment letters for failure to pay dues will be mailed to members in July 2013.



## Finance

# Logistics

## John Hadley, FSO-MA

### National Safe Boating Week (NSBW) Materials And CGX Online

While our activity this month was quiet, we have to say our boating community has changed in both character and composition. It seems my contacts with marine dealer clients has grown in familiarity and congeniality. With whom? You guessed it; the paddle craft community.

Half of my vessel safety checks are kayaks and to a lesser extent small sailboats and canoes. This means you need to remember I will order the 7012a's for you. I will also order from the National Safe Boating Council those items which are free. The window is closing on these items since the National Safe Boating Week ended.

On a brighter note, the Chief Director of the Auxiliary put out a message to all Auxiliarists (ALAU) stating we soon will be able to order from Coast Guard Exchange (CGX) via the internet. However, the methods are not in place yet. Expect to see information soon in a later issue of *Eight Bells*. Members, please remember some items can't be shipped and that information will be supplied also.

Last year, as I was completing my Watchstander and Telecommunications (TCO) qualifications, I was pleased I was allowed in the CGX door. This is a great improvement with savings benefits of as much as 20% on most items. I'm looking forward to what's on the horizon.



**Materials**

# Logistics

## Kevin Koehl, FSO-PA

Public Affairs activities included boating safety articles published in the *Mandarin Newsline* and the *Resident News* in the Riverside and San Marco areas. Ralph Little contributed the article published in May in the *Mandarin Newsline*. Kevin Koehl and Whit Vick contributed to the articles published in the *Resident News*.

Marlene and Kevin Koehl worked a Children's Water Safety event at the Jacksonville Zoo on April 27th. The event was sponsored by *Wolfson Children's Hospital*. The zoo event was well attended and our display featured a new educational tool to promote knowledge and awareness of the length of time trash items take to decompose in the natural environment. Rusty Gardner led National Safe Boating events including Boating Safety and VSC events at *Academy Sports +Outdoors* and *Goodby's Creek Boat Ramp*.



Public Affairs



# Division 14 and Flotilla 14-8



## **Honoring the Men and Women of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary**

In June 2010 the members in Coast Guard Auxiliary Division 14 of the 7th Coast Guard District established a memorial wall honoring our fellow Auxiliarists who crossed over the bar, including many from our own flotilla. A dedication ceremony was held that year at the Coast Guard Aids to Navigation Team (ANT) Station at Jacksonville Beach, where the wall is located. Speakers at the ceremony included the Commander of USCG Sector Jacksonville; the USCGAUX 7th District Captain – North; the Commander and Vice Commander of Division 14; many members of the Auxiliary and the Coast Guard as well as spouses and families of

deceased members. The Division 14 Honor Guard presented the colors and stood guard as the Memorial Wall was unveiled.

On this Memorial Day, we pause to remember the members of Flotilla 14-8 who crossed the bar and whose service to the USCGAUX we honor.

*Written by  
Carolyn Strong  
Historian*

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# Honoring the Men and Women of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

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## Crossing the Bar

*by Alfred Lord Tennyson*

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,

But such a tide as moving seems asleep,  
Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out the boundless  
deep  
Turns again home.

Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell,  
When I embark;

For tho' from out our bourne of Time and  
Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face  
When I have crost the bar.

## Remembering Members of Flotilla 14-8

	Died
Mary "Jimmie" Anderson	1972
Dave Holland	1973
Lou White	1974
Walter "Andy" Anderson	1977
Newhall "Ace" Douglas	1984
Peter Z. Field	1984
Forrest Hillman	1985
Clare Schulz	1988
Arthur B. Mencken	1994
Elva Greenwood	1994
Earl Turpin	1995
Donn Mohrman	1997
Eunice Driesbaugh	2000
Carl Driesbaugh	2002
Arthur Dutton	2004
Wilson Robertson	2004
K. L. "Buck" Beavers	2004
Hamilton Gregory	2006
Charles "Larry" Billard	2006
Raymond W. Quarles	2008
Barry L. Candreia	2008
Blanche Norman	2009
Ila S. Beighly	2009
Charles Carlson	2010
Russell O. Alderman	2012
Jackie W. O'Brien	2012
Josephine M. Rainer	2012
Raymond R. Rainer	2012



### **HONOR Guard**

Division 14 Honor Guard with Art Tenny of 14-5 on bagpipes



### **HONOR Guard**

Division 14 Honor Guard at the Memorial Wall – June 2010

*Photos contributed by Rusty Gardner  
and Carolyn Strong*



### **MEMORIAL Wall**

Flags fly in the morning breeze over the USCG Auxiliary Memorial Wall

# Events & Fellowships

## 2013 | CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 Flotilla 14-8 Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 ABS Class 7:30 a.m.
16	17	18	19	20 Flotilla Fellowship Location: Gator's Dockside	21	22
23/30 USCGAUX 71st Birthday (23rd)  14-8 Member Dues Due (30th)	24	25	26	27	28	29

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# Events & Fellowships

## 2013 | CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Flotilla 14-8 Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.	3	4 Independence Day	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 ABS Class 7:30 a.m.
14	15	16	17	18 Flotilla Fellowship Location: TBD	19	20 Division Meeting Location: TBD
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

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# Events & Fellowships

## 2013 | CALENDAR DETAILS

### FLOTILLA 14-8 REGULAR MEETING

#### **Tuesday, June 4**

7:00 p.m. | Fellowship & Refreshments – Florida Tackle & Gun Club

7:30 p.m. – Meeting

### JUNE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### **Saturday, June 15**

7:30 a.m. | Public Education – ABS Class | Florida Tackle & Gun Club

#### **Thursday, June 20**

6:30 p.m. | Flotilla Fellowship | Location: Gator's Dockside

#### **Sunday, June 23**

USCGAUX 71st Birthday

#### **Sunday, June 30**

Flotilla 14-8 Membership Dues Due

### JULY EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

#### **Tuesday, July 02**

7:00 p.m. | Fellowship & Refreshments – Florida Tackle & Gun Club

7:30 p.m. – Meeting

#### **Thursday, July 04**

Independence Day

#### **Saturday, July 13**

7:30 a.m. | Public Education – ABS Class | Florida Tackle & Gun Club

#### **Saturday, July 20**

Division Meeting

#### **Thursday, July 18**

6:30 p.m. | Flotilla Fellowship | Location: TBD



# Events



**JESSE Stevens, TOM**

**Edwards, and WHATLEY Law**

May 9, 2013 Patrol aboard Don Mooers' boat for QE



**TOMCAT - USCGAUX Facility**

*Photo by Tom Edwards*



*Photographer Whit Vick*



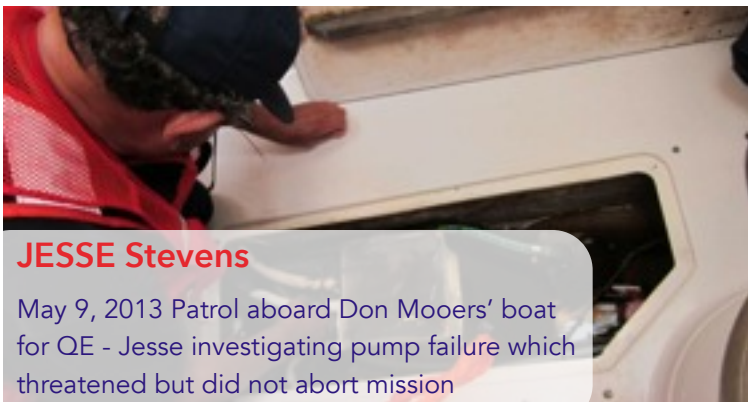
**TOM Edwards and WHATLEY Law**

May 9, 2013 Patrol aboard Don Mooers' boat for QE

*Photographer Whit Vick*



*Photographer Whit Vick*



**JESSE Stevens**

May 9, 2013 Patrol aboard Don Mooers' boat for QE - Jesse investigating pump failure which threatened but did not abort mission

*Photographer Whit Vick*

**TOM Edwards and WHATLEY Law**

May 11, 2013 QE on the CG25 Defender class boat



# Events



## **TOM Edwards**

Safe Boating Week event at Academy Sports +Outdoors, May 19, 2013 examining a boat



## **PAUL Burns & RUSTY Gardner**

Safe Boating Week event at Academy Sports +Outdoors, May 19, 2013

*Photo by Rusty Gardner*



*Photo by Rusty Gardner*



## **TOM Edwards & KEVIN Koehl**

Crew Training Practice aboard Tom Edward's boat, April 26, 2013

*Photo by Whit Vick*



*Photo by Whit Vick*

## **KEVIN Koehl**

Crew Training Practice aboard Tom Edward's boat, April 26, 2013



## **WHATLEY Law**

Crew Training Practice aboard Tom Edward's boat, April 26, 2013

*Photo by Whit Vick*

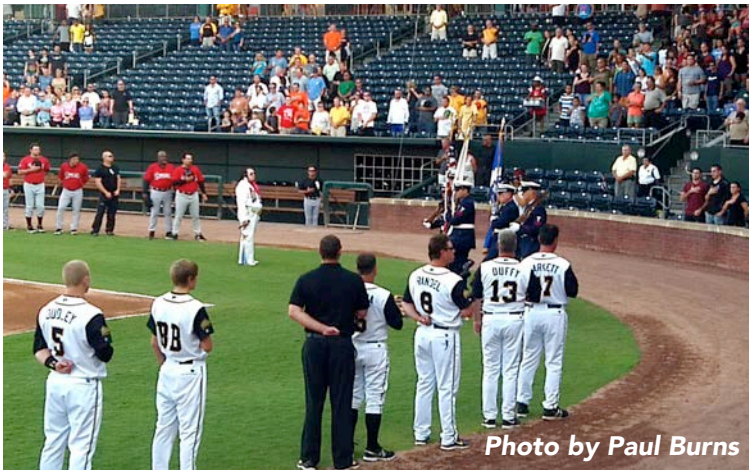


# Flotilla Fellowship Jacksonville Suns Baseball



## PICNIC Buffet

Prior to the game, a picnic buffet was enjoyed by 87 members and guests of the Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary and US Power Squadron.



## A Fun Night of Baseball With The Jacksonville Suns

This was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate National Safe Boating week, and have fun, and fellowship with our own flotilla members, our partners in boating safety, the United States Coast Guard, and US Power Squadron, a group with similar interests in serving our community in the name of boating safety.

To top the night off, The Jacksonville Suns delivered a great game and 5-3 victory over their opponents from Birmingham.





## **FLOTILLA NIGHT OUT**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 20TH AT GATOR'S DOCKSIDE ON  
BAYMEADOWS**

**6:30 P.M.**

**BAYMEADOWS**

**8650 BAYMEADOWS ROAD**

**JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256**

**904-448-0500**

**GATOR'S DOCKSIDE**



# Nautical Naledge



## Boating Superstitions

I was aware of some superstitions and traveling the sea but in performing some research, I found a plethora of superstitions.

Ever wonder where the superstition of throwing salt over your left shoulder derived? Well, supposedly sailor's would do this at sea to keep the bad spirits at bay.

Most consider a black cat crossing in front of your path bad luck however British and

Irish sailors considered adopting a black cat as the ship's cat, good luck. The cat would eat the rats on board which would damage ropes and such and the cat created a sense of home on long voyages. I've always thought of them as good luck myself.

Many sailors got tattoos on their body to bring good luck. For example, the North Star symbol was considered lucky because it would help them to find their way home.

Those are just a few superstitions. As I stated earlier, there are a whole lot of them out there. If you'd like to read more about boating superstitions you might find these sites interesting:

[Sailors' Superstitions](#)

[Myths and Superstitions of Pirates and Sailors](#)

[Maritime Superstitions and Customs](#)



# Flotilla 14-8 News



## From the Classroom to the Boat Ramp

Orlando and Estrella Rodriguez took our ABS class on May 15th taught by Bob Strong and Paul Burns. We ran into them again at the Goodby's Creek boat ramp during National Safe Boating Week. Whatley offered a Vessel Safety Check (VSC.) They passed with flying colors and earned their VSC sticker. Orlando mentioned he uses [SafeBoatingJax.com](http://SafeBoatingJax.com) to get

weather information before heading to the launch ramp.

*Written by  
Paul Burns, FC*



# Wordsearch Wonderland

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TILLER  
WAFT  
BARGE  
HELMSMAN  
LIFERAFT

MASTHEAD  
WHEEL  
FLOTILLA  
TOWING  
TRANSOM  
GANGWAY  
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SIREN  
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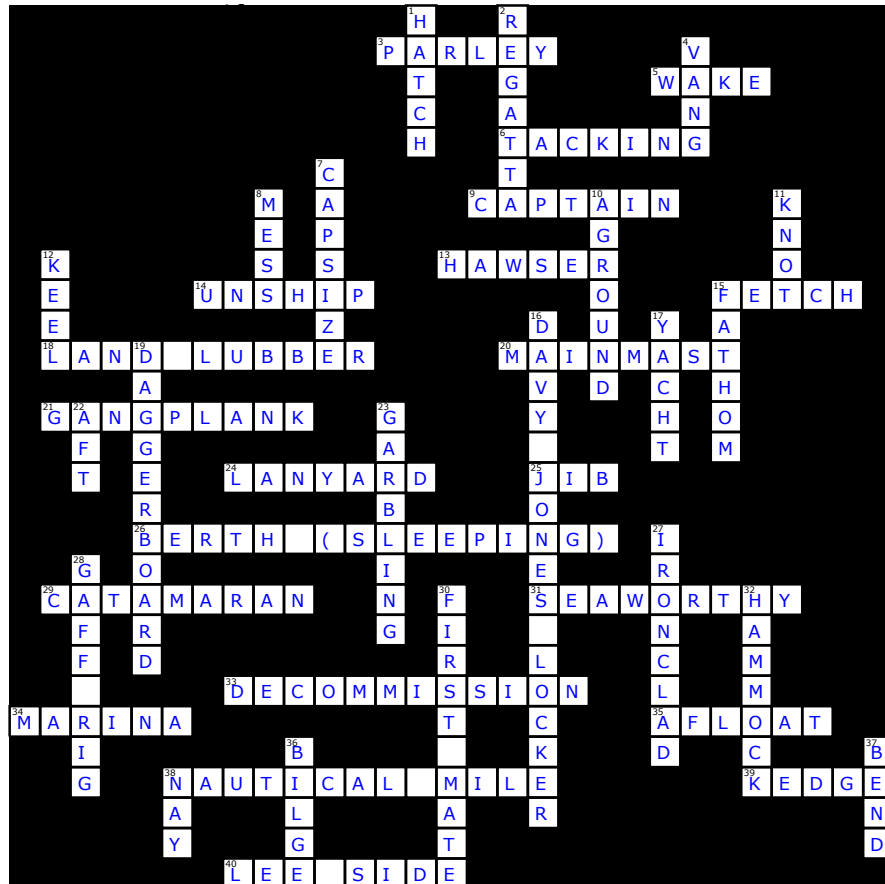
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*Look for the answers in next month's newsletter*



# Crossword Corner

## Nautical Terms [May 2013] Chrystal Wickline



### Across

- 3 A discussion or conference, especially between enemies, over terms of a truce or other matters.
- 5 Turbulence behind a vessel. Not to be confused with wash.
- 6 Zig-zagging so as to sail directly towards the wind (and for some rigs also away from it).
- 9 The person lawfully in command of a vessel.
- 13 Large rope used for mooring or towing a vessel.
- 14 To remove from a vessel.
- 15 The distance across water which a wind or waves have traveled.
- 18 A person unfamiliar with being on the sea.
- 20 The tallest mast on a ship.
- 21 A movable bridge used in boarding or leaving a ship at a pier; also known as a "brow".
- 24 A rope that ties something off.
- 25 A triangular staysail at the front of a ship.
- 26 A bed or sleeping accommodation on a boat or ship.
- 29 A vessel with two hulls.
- 31 Certified for, and capable of, safely sailing at sea.
- 33 To formally take (a naval vessel) out of active service, after which the vessel is said to be out of commission or decommissioned. Sometimes used less formally to mean taking a commercial ship out of service.
- 34 A docking facility for small ships and yachts.
- 35 Of a vessel which is floating freely (not aground or sunk).
- 38 A unit of length corresponding approximately to one minute of arc of latitude along any meridian arc. By international agreement it is exactly 1,852 metres (approximately 6,076 feet).
- 39 A technique for moving or turning a ship by using a relatively light anchor known as a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 40 The side of a ship sheltered from the wind (cf. weather side).

### Down

- 1 A covered opening in a ship's deck through which cargo can be loaded or access made to a lower deck; the cover to the opening is called a hatch.
- 2 A series of boat races, usually of sailboats or rowboats, but occasionally of powered boats.
- 4 A rope (line) leading from gaff to either side of the deck, used to prevent the gaff from sagging.
- 7 When a ship or boat lists too far and rolls over, exposing the keel. On large vessels, this often results in the sinking of the ship.
- 8 An eating place aboard ship.
- 10 Resting on or touching the ground or bottom (usually involuntarily).
- 11 A unit of speed: 1 nautical mile (1.8520 km; 1.1508 mi) per hour.
- 12 The central structural basis of the hull.
- 15 A unit of length equal to 6 feet (1.8 m), roughly measured as the distance between a man's outstretched hands. Particularly used to measure depth.
- 16 An idiom for the bottom of the sea.
- 17 A recreational boat or ship.
- 19 A type of light centerboard that is lifted vertically; often in pairs, with the leeward one lowered when beating.
- 22 (1.) The portion of the vessel behind the middle area of the vessel. (2.) Towards the stern (of the vessel).
- 23 The (illegal) practice of mixing cargo with garbage.
- 27 A steam-propelled warship protected by iron or steel armor plates of the period from 1859 until the 1890s (when the term "ironclad" fell out of use).
- 28 The spar that holds the upper edge of a four-sided fore-and-aft mounted sail.
- 30 The second-in-command of a commercial ship.
- 32 Canvas sheets, slung from the deckhead in messdecks, in which seamen slept.
- 36 The compartment at the bottom of the hull of a ship or boat where water collects and must be pumped out of the vessel.
- 37 A knot used to join two ropes or lines.
- 38 "no"; the opposite of "aye".

# Name that Location



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Destin, Florida

Can you guess where this is?

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