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of Central Ohio

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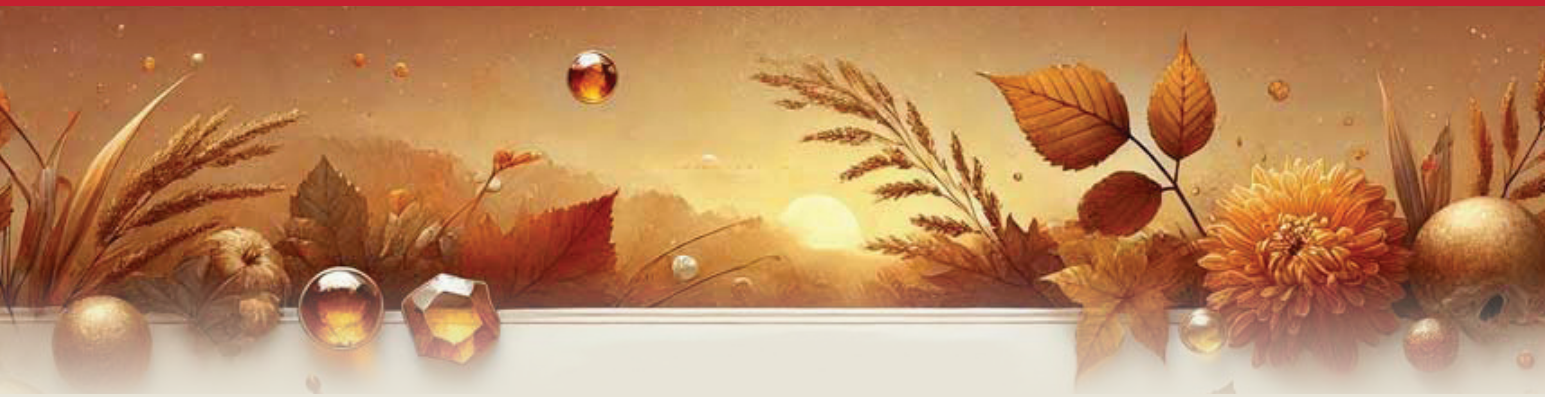


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## **It's Never Too Early to Celebrate Thanksgiving!!**

***Please join us at Brownfield Ranch***

**14888 Centerburg Road, Sunbury, OH 740-965-1825**

**Sunday, November 10th, 2024 • 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm**

**Cost: \$15 pp**

**Catered by: Dickson's Brands**

***Club will provide:* Turkey, Honey Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, Vanilla Cake**

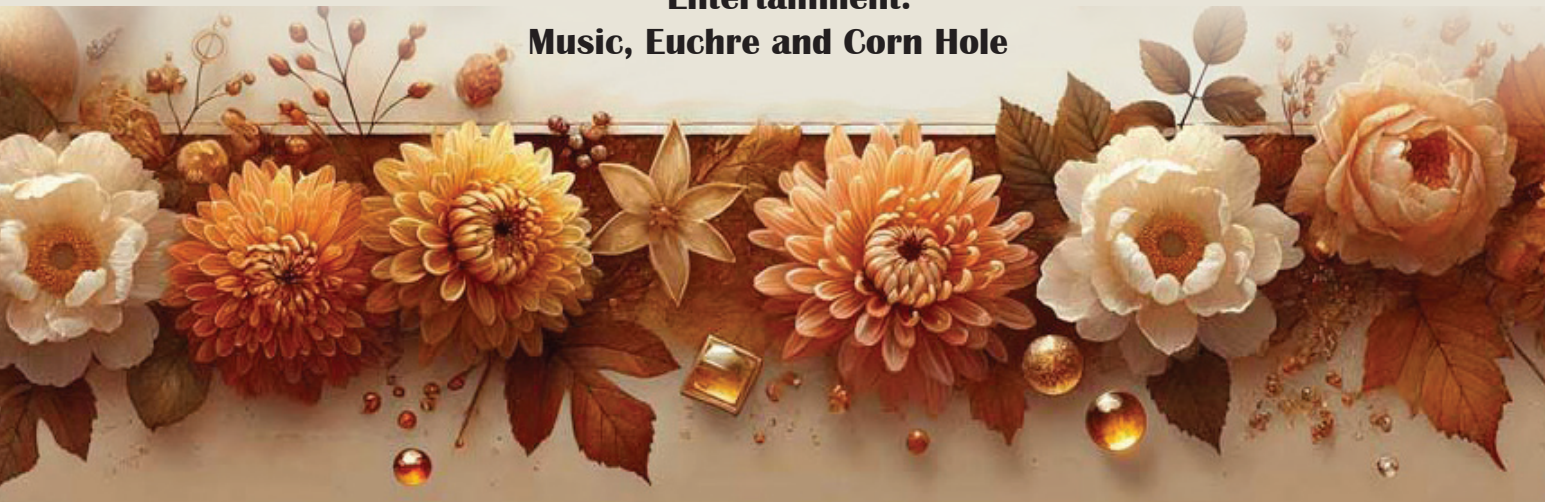
***Members:* Please bring a side dish to share and your own drinks.**

**Please advise Ruthie what you are bringing so there are no duplicates.**

**Text Ruthie at 614-805-1001 to RSVP by November 6th**

**Entertainment:**

**Music, Euchre and Corn Hole**





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## CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

### NOVEMBER

- 4 Monday December 2024 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 5 Tuesday Get Out and Vote!
- 10 Sunday ABC Dinner Event – Brownfield Ranch – 2:00 pm – 6 pm
- 26 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 28 Thursday Happy Thanksgiving!

### DECEMBER

- 2 Monday January 2025 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 7 Saturday ABC Holiday Dinner Event – Morgan House – 6 pm
- 14 Saturday Toledo ABC Holiday Party – Location / Time TBA
- 15 Sunday Sandusky / Port Clinton ABC Holiday Party – Sandusky Yacht Club
- 17 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm
- 25 Wednesday Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!

### JANUARY

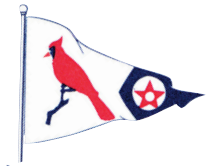
- 2 Thursday ABC Dinner Event - Place / Time TBA
- 6 Monday February 2025 *Galley Gossip* Articles Due
- 11 Saturday Toledo ABC Change of Watch – Place / Time TBA
- 26 Sunday District 29 Virtual Winter Council Meeting – Time TBA
- 28 Tuesday Executive Committee Meeting – ABC Clubhouse – 7 pm

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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Brian Crabbe, AP



Winter is just around the corner and the start of the non-boating season is here. Thank you to all of you who helped with the Fall Conference. As we move into the upcoming COW, I will be working with Glen on duties as Commander and me shifting to XO. Bob Goelz has



recommended we have the AO position by committee. I look forward to this as we all know how much work it is.

We need to fill the rest of the committees, so Glen is not left holding the bitter end of the line with no support. If you would like to get active with the squadron and assist in the operations, please reach out to the Bridge. We have many disciplines that need to be filled.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP



Hello fellow boaters and members of America's Boating Club of Central Ohio, aka Columbus Sail and Power Squadron,

I hope everyone had a great summer and boating season. Now is the time to enjoy this beautiful fall weather. We are beginning to put our boats away for the winter months and as always, it is a sad time of the year. Alas, we live in Ohio. Here are a few tips for getting your boat ready for storage:

Check the inside of your boat for fluids that may freeze during the winter months.

Change outdrives and engine oils.

Make sure your trailer tires are in good shape and the pressure is correct.

If stored outside, cover the boat with a waterproof cover. Secure it to the boat hull or trailer.

Make sure your engine, fresh water, A/C, and sanitary system are winterized. This is a very important step and one you do not want to overlook.

The batteries can be left in the boat, but make sure they are not connected to anything that can draw power from them over the winter. The other choice is to remove the batteries and store them in a warmer climate such as a basement or garage. You can also attach a trickle charger to them if you like. I personally remove my two batteries and store them in my basement.

Stabilize your left-over gas to prevent the fuel from breaking down during the winter months.

Last, but not least, give her a goodbye kiss and hug.



Use these tips, as I do, but checking your own owner's manual and speaking with your mechanic is always a good idea.

I hope you made it to the Columbus Fall Conference Oct. 18 and 19 right here in Columbus. Attending the District conference is a fantastic way to see how our squadron works within District 29.

Also, if you did not attend the October dinner meeting at Valter's at the Maennerchor, you missed a great time and meal. The venue was perfectly suited for the 28 members who socialized before and after the meal. I must thank my wife, Ruthie, our current AO, for putting in the time to find and arrange this event. Ruthie, with the help of Ruth Wilcox and Tiffany Francis, served a beautiful cake for dessert. Great job. The squadron thanks you. Members helping members is what we do!

Our next dinner meeting will be at the Brownfield Ranch on Nov. 10 from 2 to 8 pm. It will be a Thanksgiving celebration. This event, the same as last year, will be catered by Dickson Catering of Delaware. Be prepared to enjoy several group activities, such as euchre and cornhole. We will play a squadron Bingo game for prizes with the help of past AO, Tiffany Francis.

At the end of my newsletters, I often include the phrase, "If the water is not hard it's still boating season." A very good friend and boating buddy gave me that saying many years ago. His name was Brett Stocker. Brett was a very important part of my wife's and my boating life. We enjoyed a lot of time on and off the water with him. My good friend, Brett, lost his fight with cancer recently. Brett was a friend, a mentor, and an all-around good man. Ruthie and I will miss him very much, he will always be remembered, and forever have a seat on our boat. Godspeed, Brett. We love you.

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P



Glad to see so many of you joining us at Valter's at the Maennerchor in October. The food was good and the camaraderie even better. Check out the photos included in this issue of the GG. Please

note that the date for our next dinner event has been moved to Sunday, November 10th. You may remember the venue, Brownfield Ranch, from last year. Hope to see you there again!!



Thanks to Ruthie Kubinski and Janet Hern for submitting these photos.



Debra Cohagen  
Tom Doyle  
Eldon Hall  
David Keller

Laurie Merrill  
Karen Mesenburg  
Charlotte Mohr  
John Paulsen

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

### DISTRICT 29

Virtual Winter Council Meeting  
January 26, 2025 — Time TBA

Spring Conference  
March 28–30, 2025

Holiday Inn Express, Sandusky

### NATIONAL

Annual Meeting — February 2–10, 2025  
Orlando, Florida



The club education program is not currently active. No one registered for the Boat Handling Class and other classes and seminars are not scheduled. The Boating on Locks, Lakes, and Rivers had a small attendance but was a good learning experience for our program. The seminar was adjusted with pictures from various club rendezvous and Phil Osborne participated in the presentation. The team approach was much more effective for presenting



the information on the slides and the club rendezvous. Having two different voices and sharing experiences made for a more enjoyable program.

I am looking forward to a meeting with our instructor group to adjust our approach to the club education program. The plan is to have three ABC Classes between January and April. We should discuss content choices, training, advertising, delivery methods and other items of interest to the instructors. The key question is how we make our program more attractive to today's recreational boaters. The plan is to keep the discussion open to share ideas and efforts as we move forward.

## July 2024 Trip to Lake Cumberland

On Saturday, July 13, 2024, four boats and eight boaters adventured south to Lake Cumberland for a week of boating.

We all stopped at Buc-ee's in Richmond, Kentucky for lunch and fuel for the vehicles and boats. This is always a great stop to eat, shop and refuel.

We later arrived at the VRBO, unpacked and enjoyed dinner and a beautiful sunset.

The following day we launched our boats at Beaver Creek Marina and went up Otter Creek to swim for a while.

Later we had lunch at the Rowena Marina and after lunch we boated to Little Falls for another swim. Little Falls is another great spot to swim and watch others jump off the falls.

The following day, we boated north to Conley Bottom, a one and a half hour run. We had a good lunch and later went up Harman Creek for another swim. The water was eighty-eight degrees and after being in for a minute or two, felt like bath water.

On Tuesday, we went to Grider Hill Marina, then on to 76 Falls for a swim. While there, several other boaters began to arrive, so we left for Fish-tails, Wolf Creek Marina for lunch. After lunch, we all needed dessert, so we boated to Rowena Marina for their Ice cream. Later, after dinner, who would have guessed, we had homemade ice cream.

The following day we boated north and went to State Dock Marina for lunch. After lunch, we stopped for a swim as it began to rain. No lightning, no thunder, just a gentle rain, then it turned into a downpour.

On Thursday, we again boated north to Burnside

Marina, about a two-hour run. Some boats needed fuel, so we boated up the South River for approximately fifteen miles. This is a beautiful run with cliffs on both sides of the river. We then boated south to Conley Bottom then back to the dock arriving around 7:40 PM with a sixty-mile day.

On Friday, we boated to Jamestown for lunch and later went up Grease Creek to the end of navigable waters. We later stopped for a swim in one of the coves near the waterfalls. We then came back to the dock and loaded the boats on trailers for the return trip home the following day.

This was an awesome trip with 216.4 miles on the water and 21 hours, 48 minutes run time.

*Thanks to Phil Osborne for submitting this article.*

### NAUTICAL DECK QUERY

Originally appeared in the U.S. Coast Guard's *Proceedings* journal.

A situation has occurred where it becomes necessary for you to be towed. What action should be taken to prevent your vessel from yawling?

- A. Shift weight to the bow.
- B. Shift weight to the center of the boat.
- C. Shift weight to the stern.
- D. Throw excess weight overboard.

***Find the answer later in this issue!***



**America's Boating Club of Central Ohio - Columbus Sail and Power Squadron  
24 September 2024**

(These minutes will be approved at the October Executive Committee meeting.)

**Old Business:** None

**Approval of November Meeting Minutes:** P/Lt/C Tom Doyle confirmed that a quorum was present, and the May and August 2024 minutes were approved.

Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ECOM Officers Present:**

Commander Brian Crabbe, AP; Executive Officer Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP; Education Officer R/C Bob Rayburn, SN-IN; Assistant Secretary P/Lt/C Tom Doyle, P; Immediate Past Commander P/C Bob Goelz, S; Lt David Keller, S; Lt Sue Goelz, S; D/1<sup>st</sup>/Lt Phil Osborne, JN-IN; P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S; Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt Janet Hern, S; Lt Bob Hern, S; Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP.

Guests: P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S; Jason Mack, S; Cheryl Mack; Charlotte Mohr.

**Commander Brian Crabbe, AP:** The District 29 Fall Conference is scheduled for October 18, 19 and 20. Hotel reservations have been extended to September 30.

**Executive Officer Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP:** No report

**Education Officer R/C Bob Rayburn, SN-IN:**

The SEO report in the GG provides details of education activities to date. Boat handling is scheduled to start on October 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Zoom seminar, *Boating on Lakes, Locks, and Rivers* on October 2<sup>nd</sup> that is free for members and non-members. This will complete the planned activities for the early fall education program.

Future planning should include an instructor meeting to discuss the new ABC Course that is now available. There will be changes in content and the test, which will be designed to cover more parts of the course. Instructors will also need to discuss the number of 1 day ABC classes to present. My thought is to complete 3 classes between January and April 2025. The meeting should also consider what other courses we will offer during the winter season.

Courses available include new versions of Piloting (now called Marine Navigation) and a Beta Test for Celestial Navigation. There could be members and non-members interested in how the stars are used to navigate on open waters. In addition, we may wish to consider providing a Sail class in the spring.

**Administrative Officer Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski,** P: Absent, the October dinner meeting will be held



at Valter's at the Maennerchor in German Village at 6:30 PM. Looking for new venue for November's dinner (possibly Villa Milano) and December's dinner will be at Morgan House.

**Secretary P/C John Seaver,** SN: Absent

**Assistant Secretary P/Lt/C Tom Doyle, P:** No report

**Treasurer Lt/C Mari Seaver,**

S: Absent

**Past Commander P/C Bob Goelz, P:** Will begin reviewing the By-Laws.

**Flag Lieutenant D/Lt/C Sherri Haring, P:** Absent

**Members at Large Reports:**

**Lt Sue Goelz, S:** National is re-configuring their roster which is causing considerable confusion. One problem stems from the fact the lifetime members are not currently included in their roster. As a result of these discrepancies, there are only eighty-four members listed for our Central Ohio squadron.

**Lt Michael T. Hughes, AP:** Michael requested additional information concerning the Orange Township Fire Department open house. Tom Doyle responded that our squadron's involvement in that event has been canceled this year. Tom asked the fire department to keep us in mind in the future and he will reinforce that request when he meets with the fire marshal later this year.

**D/1<sup>st</sup>/L Phil Osborne, JN-IN:** Four squadrons attended our spring Tackle Box rendezvous.

**P/Lt/C Ruth Wilcox, S:** On all the trips this year, everyone was very safety conscience. We should freely pass out our new glasses with our logo on them.

**Lt David Keller, S:** David had hoped to do another Tackle Box trip this fall, but it will have to wait until spring. David and Janet Hern suggested that we have meet-ups during the winter months. These would simply consist of picking a place or event and time to meet. Those interested could participate in these social events. Wild Lights at the zoo was one of the events suggested.

**Lt Tom Francis:** Absent

**Lt Bob Hern, S:** The Columbus Boat and RV show is scheduled for January 2025. Bob needs help with Coastie on January 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19 from noon to 4 PM.

**Lt Janet Hern, S:** Many people have expressed interest in our squadron and given us their email addresses. We should email them copies of our *Galley Gossip* and let them opt out if they do not want to receive it. Also see David Keller's report.

**Lt Joe Huffman, P, Boating Activities:** The



Ohio River trip consisted of 3 days and 2 nights. We stayed at a hotel in Moundsville and saw a WWII Army ship docked in Wheeling. The Lake Cumberland trip was great with perfect weather. We were there for 8 days and 7 nights.

### General Committees:

**Nominating:** P/C Dick Sorensen, SN, P/C Sherri Haring, P, P/C Bob Goelz, S: Bob has talked to four members that indicated they may be interested in serving in some capacity on the Executive Committee. No specifics were discussed.

**Audit:** Lt Doug Jackson, SN; Ralph Newman, N: Absent

**Rules:** P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN; P/C Robert Van der Wissel, AP: Absent

### Standing Committees:

**Finance:** Open

**Housing Committee:** P/Lt/C Tom Doyle, P; No report

**Law Officer:** Open

**Merit Marks Committee:** P/C Bob Van der Wissel, AP: Absent.

### Special Committees:

**Technical Committee:** P/C John Seaver, SN: Absent

**Investments Committee:** Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt Tom Francis: Joe gave a brief report on the Morgan Stanley account. As of September, we had a 21% gain in the account so far this year.

**Boat Show, Coastie:** See Bob Hern's Member-at-large report.

**ABC Class:** P/Lt/C Tracy Garrett, S: New postcards will be made up. Janet Hern suggested that they not contain any dates, but refer people to our web site instead.

**Marketing:** Cdr Brian Crabbe, AP: Brian continues to advertise on Facebook. Bob Rayburn said we should also investigate advertising on Google. David Keller continues to communicate the squadron's activities to his contacts at Alum Creek.

**Boating Activities:** P/C Phil Osborne, JN-IN; Lt Joe Huffman, P; Lt David Keller, S; Lt Bob Hern, S; Lt Janet Hern, S; Lt/C Glen Kubinski, AP; Lt/C Ruthie Kubinski, P.

### COMPLETED 2024 TRIPS

June - Trip to Tackle Box – 6 boats, 19 people, 4 squadrons

July – Lake Cumberland – 4 Boats – 8 people

September – Ohio River – 4 boats - 7 people

September – Lake Cumberland – 6 boats – 13 people

### AUGUST 9-17, 2025, NEW YORK RENDEZVOUS

We presently have four boats that will be leaving Port Clinton on Saturday, August 9, 2025, en route to Alexandria Bay, NY. Alexandria Bay is on the American Canadian border on the Saint Lawrence River. We will boat in the area for three days amongst the castles and scenic views around the area. This will

be approximately an 8½ hour tow, depending on the number of stops.

We will then load the boats onto trailers and drive to the Adirondack Mountains to Tupper Lake where we will boat for three days. This will be a 2 to 2½ hour tow from Alexandria Bay.

After enjoying Tupper Lake and loading the boats on trailers, we will tow to the Finger Lakes where we will boat for two or three days on Seneca Lake, Cayuga Lake and possibly the Erie Canal before towing home. The tow to Geneva at the Finger Lakes will be approximately 4 hours from Tupper Lake. The tow from Geneva, NY to Columbus is about 6½ hours.

Anyone who feels they are interested in this rendezvous, please call to get on the list. As arrangements are made, we will keep everyone that signs up in the loop as we get reservations at various locations. You will have until July 2025 to cancel your reservations if you later find you cannot make the trip.

If you plan on making the trip, check your GPS to see that you have the charts. If not, you may need to purchase a chip of the area for your GPS.

**Safety Checks:** Lt John Pruitt, AP – Absent

**Sea Gals:** Lt Martha Beidel; P/R/C Harold Beidel, SN: Absent

**New Business: Bob** Goelz is working with National to get our By-Laws updated. He wants to get a committee together to bring our By-Laws up to date. He also intends to review our Standard Operating Procedures.

### Action Items:

Order up-to-date material for our classes.  
Develop new postcard.

**First Horizon:** Nolan Barrett McDaniel (Debbie and Matt Murphy's grandson)

**Last Horizon:** Christine Clay

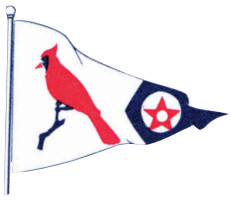
### Announcements:

Next ECOM meeting is October 22, 2024

**Meeting Adjourned: 20:45**

## NAUTICAL DECK QUERY

C. A small boat in tow should be trimmed by the stern; trimming by the head causes (the vessel) to yaw. In a seaway, this condition is aggravated and it is increasingly important to keep the bow relatively light



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