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D 13 Spring Conference aboard a Cruise Liner, Long Beach to Ensenada

Next meeting is April 12th

Held as usual at the San Bernardino Elks Lodge

*Be sure to RSVP to Cdr Brett Nunnally,
no later than **Monday April 6th, 2017***

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SAFETY ON THE WATER

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USING YOUR SMART PHONE WITH AIS

As we all have been noticing recently, Automatic Identification Systems (AIS) have been appearing on more and more commercial and recreational vessels. However, many sailors still find them to be cost-prohibitive and perhaps even confusing. A simple and inexpensive alternative I recently used is a combination of a smart- phone app and AIS websites to track vessel traffic during our recent sail aboard PANDA to Avalon in early January.

Using this app, I could see where PANDA was in relation to other AIS equipped vessels. Although other boats couldn't see me on their chart plotters, I found this free service to be very helpful.

To display PANDA's AIS information, I downloaded Mobile AIS (mAIS). This is a free app from Marine Traffic, and entered my vessel's MMSI number.** Once you press the "START" button in the app it begins broadcasting your AIS information over the web using GPS and cell networks. Users are cautioned to "Use only at sea." Once activated, the app begins reporting your position, course, and speed. Periodic position updates automatically continue until the "Stop" button is pressed.

Within a few minutes after activating, I was able to view PANDA on the MarineTraffic.com web page as well as see other AIS equipped vessels in the area. In theory, since the data is shared by a number of sites, vessel information may be out-of-date. But in practice, I found it to be quite accurate. It is important to note that since this data was not being transmitted through VHF radio frequencies, our AIS information was not displayed on the chart plotters of nearby vessels, only on websites. So even though we could see our boat and nearby boats on the web, we were not visible on their AIS. That's the caveat to always bear in mind when using this app, you can see them but they don't see you unless of course they just happen to be viewing the marine.com web page simultaneously.

Commanders Note

Cdr Brett Nunnally AP

The next meeting of Arrowhead Sail and Power Squadron will be held at the San Bernardino Elks Lodge, April 12th, 2017. Speaker to be announced.

*Please RSVP by
April 10th, 2017*

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In addition to viewing AIS online, there are several apps that display it on mobile devices. Both Ship Finder and Boat Beacon display real-time AIS vessel information as well as other useful features, such as collision detection, man overboard tracking, and anchor watch. Like mAIS, Boat Beacon transmits position data over cell data networks.

By using both of these free apps, mAIS and MarineTraffic.com, I was able to use my iPhone and iPad to help navigate the busy shipping lanes. Of course, this is not a substitute for dedicated AIS, nor should it be used for navigation, but knowing the speed and distance of approaching container ships helps one to navigate a safer crossing
P?C Aarnold Row.

Using this technique, groups of racers or cruisers could also follow one another on a web site screen, something that could be especially useful for long-distance or multi-day events. Additionally, other Arrowhead Squadron members were able to follow PANDA's progress on the web on their home computers as she made her way across the San Pedro Channel

Webmaster Arnold Rowe, JN

SKIPPER BOB'S FAMOUS

(ALMOST) CUISINE

*I have had more compliments on flavors
in this recipe than any other I can remember.*

you will need :

4 large pork chops about 1 inch thick.

salt,pepper, and creole seasoning

2 Tablespoons of vegetable oil

2 Tabelspoons Butter

1 large onion , cut in thin slices.

1/4 cup all purpose flour

1 1/2 cup of chicken broth, warmed

1/2 cup of Buttermilk.

*Season both sides of the pork chops with the salt ,
pepper and creole seasoning, be liberal with it. .*

*In a large skillet (cast iron if you have
it) heat oil and butter over medium heat.
Add the pork chops and sear and brown, (about 3
minutes per side). Be sure they have a brown crusty
appearance. Transfer to a plate and tent loosely with
aluminum foil.*

*Add the sliced onions to the skillet. Stir to loosen the
browned bits left from cooking the meat. stir con-
stantly until the onions turn golden. Sprinkle the
flour over the onions, stir to coat. Continue stirring
and cook for 2 minutes.*

*Add broth in slowly. stirring constantly. until the
gravy begins to thicken.*

*Add the buttermilk and stir to incorporate, reduce
heat and stir until thick.*

*Return chops to skillet pushing them into the gravy
mixture.*

*Simmer until chops are cooked thru (165 degrees in
the center of the chops)*

Serve and wait for the applause.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER P/C Hal Gayer, SN

FERRY BOATS AND THE RULES OF THE ROAD

A few years ago, I wrote an article for the Log about an incident with a Catalina ferry boat. I have forgotten the exact headings, but for simple statement here, assume I was going north, and the ferry was going east. The captain of the ferry would not yield to me and there would have been a collision if I had not yielded my right of way.

I wrote to the U.S. Coast Guard in Washington DC, gave them the headings in issue, and asked them if there was some exception in the rules for ferry boats. The Coast Guard took the time to write back and said that "No, there is no exception for the ferry." The letter went on further to state that, of course, we all have the obligation to avoid any collision and that I did the right thing.

A couple of weeks ago, Carri and I were out, enjoying just cruising Long Beach and San Pedro harbors and I had another such incident. I was going from Long Beach to San Pedro; the ferry was coming in, going to a berth in San Pedro somewhere. Again, the captain of the ferry refused to yield to my right-of-way, and again, I stopped and let the A__H__ go in front of me, so as to avoid the collision. About 2 hours later, on returning to Long Beach, the same ferry cut off another boat, this time, as he was going out. This will only stop if we all do what I should have done, and will do in the future: Hail the ferry boat and ask the guy if he knows the rules of road, and/or has some sort of emergency and note his response; call the Coast Guard and report of incident; and write to the ferry company giving the details.

P/C Mark Gunn,



April 2017

*Squadron Education Report
Submitted by
P/C John Walker, SN*

*Come for the Boating Education...
Stay for the FriendsSM*

The ABC Boating class is scheduled to begin May 11 at Tony Wiley's Scuba Locker in Riverside. We had eight inquiries for classes from the last boat show.

Last month we had a weather seminar at the Walden building at Fairmont Park in Riverside. Twelve people attended. April 20, we will have a seminar regarding "Emergencies On Board" also at the Walden Building at Fairmont Park. It isn't just the skipper who needs to be prepared with tools and first aid provisions but so should the passengers. It may be that the skipper is the one who needs assistance. The crew should know where emergency supplies are located on the boat and how to be of assistance. The purpose of the seminars is to develop interest in non-members and call attention to the Arrowhead squadron and the Riverside Sailing Club.

Please let me know if you are interested in taking a class. We have instructors and classrooms ready to go. The Weather class is scheduled to start August 24th.

Fair winds and smooth sailing

SEO John Walker, SN

SEA SCOUTS SHIP "Changing Tides"

The Ship has several events in the immediate future:

- Officer's Induction Training and Ceremony for 2017 Sea Scout Bridge
- o To be conducted with the new Ship 2, Riverside
- 2nd Yard Sale - date TBD
- Sea Scout Shooting Award weekend March 31-April 2 at Camp Emerson
- Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser shared with Ship 2, Riverside
- Venture/Sea Scout weeklong Summer Camp session
at Camp Emerson, 6/28-7/3

Pat "Peaches" Rogers,
Sea Scout Commodore
California Inland Empire Council, BSA

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District 13 Change of Watch Cruise

On Sunday, March 19, 2017, about 50 Power Squadron and Hollywood Yacht Club members boarded the Carnival Imagination to celebrate Arrowhead's own Ronnie Mann as she became the new Commander of District 13. Barry and I boarded about 1:30, unloaded stuff in our room and headed off to eat lunch and explore the ship.

We had dinner in the dining room and our table mates were Mike and Ronnie Mann, Ken and Lorna Voight, Frank and Rosemary Radomsky and Jan and Debbie from Ventura Power Squadron. The tables around us were full of other members from different squadrons and included a National Officer and his wife and our travel agent Dawn Eckhart and her husband who are members of a squadron in Florida. Dawn surprised each couple with a bottle of wine with our dinner that first night.

We left Long Beach Sunday around 5:30 pm and spent all day Monday at sea, cruising south off Tijuana and into warmer weather. The ship was full of lots of people having lots of fun. There were lots of activities for everyone. About 25 members came together for the installation of our new officers and stayed for the Tom Cod ceremony. That was truly an unforgettable event. Ken Henry started it off by coming in to the room in a long floral skirt and shirt, blowing on a conch shell. He was followed shortly by Darrell Allison who also had on a long skirt but no shirt. It was a sight I wish I could forget. They inducted past District Commanders Ray Paul and Lad Phillips into our esteemed order of the Tom Cod while we all tried to sing along.

Monday night Dawn hosted a private cocktail party for all of us which was a lot of fun. Monday night was also the formal dinner night on the ship so it was nice to get dressed up and meet before dinner to enjoy each other's company.

Tuesday morning we woke up off Avalon in Catalina. There were several tenders that came out to the ship to take people ashore. Most of our group stayed on the boat and found stuff to do. A few of our group went ashore to explore. The weather was cool and cloudy and it sprinkled a little bit. I could tell Avalon did a booming business in sweat shirts as I saw hundreds of Catalina Island sweat shirts on the ship that night and all day Wednesday.

Wednesday we awoke tied up to the dock in Ensenada. Barry and I went ashore to explore a little and do some shopping and to visit Hussong's and Papas and Beer. A few of our group went on a wine country tour and others went out to see La Bufadora. The weather was cloudy and eventually it started to rain. The street merchants in Ensenada are very enterprising, as soon as it began to rain, they produced umbrellas for sale. Amazing!

We were back in Long Beach early Thursday morning. Barry and I were off the ship by 8:30 in the morning. I think everyone had a good time in spite of the weather. It was a good way to meet and greet members from other squadrons and a great way for Ronnie to kick off her year as District Commander.

Congratulations Ronnie!

P/C Jan Freeman,, AP

Boat Operators certificate On January

1, 2018, a seven-year phase-in of the California Vessel Operator Card (CVOC) requirements will begin. See below for the phase-in schedule. By 2017, the California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (SBW) will begin issuing the CVOC to boaters operating motorized recreational vessels on California waterways who can show proof of passing an approved vessel operator examination.

The new law (SB941) promotes boating safety education for California boat operators. Once issued, the CVOC remains valid for the boat operator's lifetime.

Where can boaters take exams?

Boaters will be able to choose to take approved boating safety courses or challenge exams online, in the classroom or through home study. To learn more and for a list of exemptions visit www.dbw.parks.ca.gov/CVOC.

How will the CVOC be phased in?

<i>January 1, 2018</i>	<i>Persons 20 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1, 2019</i>	<i>Persons 25 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1, 2020</i>	<i>Persons 35 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1 2021</i>	<i>Persons 40 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1 2022</i>	<i>Persons 45 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1 2023</i>	<i>Persons 50 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1 2024</i>	<i>Persons 60 years of age or younger</i>
<i>January 1 2025</i>	<i>All persons regardless of age</i>

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| April 12 | Arrowhead Dinner Meeting
Location: TBA:& program TBA | Cdr Brett Nunnally 951-773-6043 |
| April 20 | Copy deadline for LOG monthly newsletter | P/CDarrell Sausser, SN 951-780-2694 |
| April 28-29 | Newport - Ensenada sailrace
S/V Insouciant | |
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| May 10 | Arrowhead Dinner Meeting
Location: TBA & presenter TBA | Cdr Brett Nunnally 951-773-6043 |
| May 20 | Copy deadline for LOG monthly newsletter | P/CDarrell Sausser, SN 951-780-2694 |
| May 26-29 | Newport Beach Raftup at anchorage on East end of Lido Isle. This is a Marina Yacht Club event, Arrowhead has been invited to participate. Contact Darrell for further info. Vice Commodore Darrell Sausser, home) 951-780-2694, cell) 951-990-2176 | |
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| Jun 14 | Arrowhead Dinner Meeting
Location, San Bernardino Elks Lodge, speaker TBA | Cdr Brett Nunnally 951-773-6043 |
| Jun 20 | Copy deadline for LOG monthly newsletter | P/CDarrell Sausser, SN 951-780-2694 |



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