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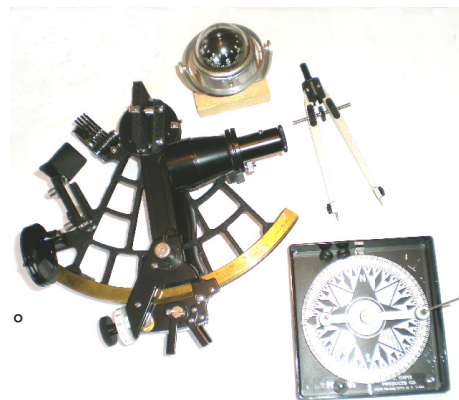
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General Meetings are usually held each month, Sept. thru June
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Ann Arbor Sail and Power Squadron

Meeting Monday 21 March 2022

5 P.M to 8 P. M.

Alpha Diner

4389 Jackson Rd. Arbor, 48103

734-780-7102

<https://www.alphadiner.com/#loc-offset>

42° 17.1' N 83° 49.0' W

Free Dinner for Members

We will meet at 5 P.M. at the Alpha Diner (formerly the "Classic Cup") in the Parkland Center, a small strip mall on the south side of Jackson Road, west of Wagner Road, west of the Suburban Outlet Car Buying Center, west of Park Road. Order from the menu. They close at 8 PM so we are meeting at 5 PM. Meals will be paid for from the AASPS treasury. Please call Ron Schwartz 734-769-3476, so we can have enough tables set up. Web site to see their menu.

<https://www.alphadiner.com/#loc-offset> They have a marvelous menu.



P/C John Barr, AP



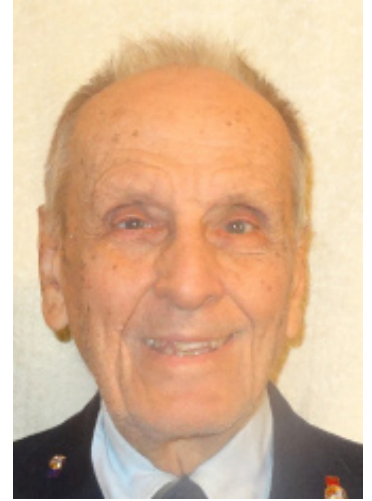
Alpha Diner

P/C John Barr, AP, will describe Camp Newton





Commander's Message Cdr. Ron Schwartz, SN



Free Dinner

After two years of no meetings due to covid restrictions we are having a meeting on March 21, 2022 and our treasury is paying for our dinners. We had to find a new place to meet because our previous meeting place changed their policy and now require a minimum of \$700 Bar bill to use their private room. The new place, Alpha Diner, is a short distance west of the old one and on the south side Jackson Rd. Years ago we met there when it was the Classic Cup. They changed ownership. They are open until 8 PM so we are starting at 5 PM. . Their private room is usually restricted to 10 or more patrons, but we can use it on Monday nights when it is available. This month on Monday March 21 we will meet in their private room and get a feel for how busy they are on Monday nights. Their menu is good with low prices. Entrays include a large salad.

Each squadron's roster is maintained in the National computer and can be viewed and downloaded via a password. The roster contains names, membership number, address, phone numbers, birthday, e-mail address, membership dates, courses passed and merit marks.

A replica of a polynesia ocean voyaging catamaran is crusing around the world. View the story and pictures at <http://www.hokulea.com/worldwide-voyage/>
The Mālama Honua Worldwide Voyage 2013-2019

During the 1979 Fastnet Race -- Several yachts sunk and crews drowned.
Page 68 of BoatU.S. September/October 2021. Page 44 Cruising World September 2021.

Sam Holmes has several solo ocean sailing You-tube videos that are interesting.

Socializing and laughter are healthy, so come to our March meeting and bring joke to share.

Boating Education

Please reply to schwartzr348@aol.com and list courses and seminars you would like to take.

Courses being offered by all local Squadrons are advertised, at <http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/cfindx.cgi?C>

USPS offers some very interesting courses to our members among our many courses and seminars. Weather, AP, JN and N are fun courses even if you don't go boating. I've taken Weather three times between 1970 and 2012 because scientists are learning new things about the weather every year.

On-Line courses and seminars can be found on the USPS web site usps.org Click on Americas Boating Club

Courses and seminars available from USPS are listed below. Courses take about 16 hours - 8 weeks . Seminars are about 2 hours long.

Seminars

Advanced Powerboat Handling AIS Electronics for Boaters Anchoring Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes Crossing Borders Emergencies on Board Fuel and Boating Radar for Boaters (RA) Hands-On Training How to Use a Chart Hurricane Preparation for Boaters Introduction to Navigation Knots, Bends, and Hitches Man Overboard Marine Radar Mariner's Compass Seminar Mastering the Rules of the Road Paddle Smart Propane Systems on Your Boat Partner in Command Sail Trim Tides and Currents Trailering Your Boat Using GPS Using VHF and VHF/DSC Marine Radios

Advanced courses

Boat Handling 2019 (BH) Piloting (P) Instructor Development (ID) Advanced Piloting (AP) Cruising and Cruise Planning (C and CP) Engine Maintenance (EM) Electronic Navigation (ENCE) Marine Communication Systems (MCS) Marine Electrical Systems (MES) Sail (Sa) 2009 Junior Navigation (JN) Navigation (N) Weather (Wx) 2012

Drone videos of ocean Inlets. <https://uspowersquadrons.sharefile.com/share/view/s446b-f9750b0743b1a3b2e4dec4196c90>

A Partial List of Events

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT AND LOCATION
21 Mar.	AASPS	Member meeting at Alpha Diner see page 3
23 Apr.	D/9	Spring D9 Conference on zoom