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**THE NEWSLETTER OF THE KNOXVILLE POWER SQUADRON**  
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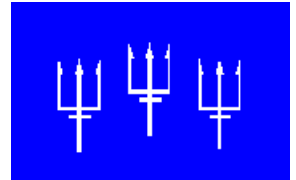
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## Commander's Comments

Cdr Margaret Edidin, P

The United State Power Squadron is America's largest and oldest non-profit recreational boating organization. It was founded at the Boston Yacht Club in 1914 and consists of some 450 Squadrons in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Japan. As a member of USPS you have access to exceptional education and the friendship of other boaters. In addition, you are eligible for discounts on boating insurance, equipment and charters and other non-boating products and services. Check it out at the USPS website at [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org).



The Knoxville Power Squadron is a vibrant group of people. We continue to attract great people who contribute their time and energy to making our club better and are just fun to know and be around. Please seek out our new members at events and make sure they feel welcome.

The boating season is a great time to let people know about the squadron. Invite people to come to events so they can see who we are and what we do. We now accept new members who have not completed the ABC Boating Course. They just need to pass the boating course test within the first year of membership to continue their membership.

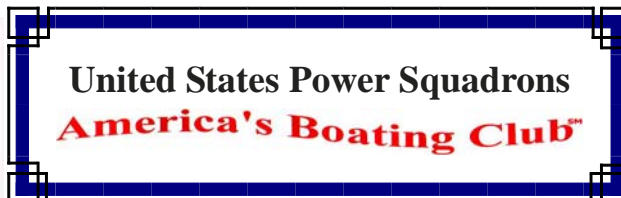
Mike Scher has arranged a way for all of us to purchase a variety of clothing items with a crossed USPS and KPS burgee insignia. The pricing is very reasonable. He will have an article about it in the next newsletter; meanwhile, keep checking the KPS website for an update on this.

Our spring series of ABC Boating Course classes are now complete. Thanks go to Tom Dietrich and Bob Bray and the other instructors for their time and energy in making these classes successful. The seminars continue monthly through September.

The 22 May Fort Loudon Dam Lock-thru and picnic were successful. We had three boats and two Sea-Doos, with five experienced KPS members and 12 students, go through the lock and 37 people at the picnic. Thanks go to Ira Edidin for coordinating the lock-thru and Vickie Smith for coordinating the picnic.

Make sure you make

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## **The LUBBER LINE\***



### **Lock Closures**

Chickamauga Lock will be closed 20 July through 16 August.

For the latest on lock closures and other Navigation Notices on local waters, visit the Army Corp of Engineers Nashville District website at <http://www.lrn.usace.mil/opn/navnotices.htm>.

### **Admin Officer Contact Information**

To contact Vickie Smith about any upcoming event, call her at 865-376-1370 or email her at [rwvgirl@gmail.com](mailto:rwvgirl@gmail.com).

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*\*A lubber line, also called a lubber's line, a lubber's mark, and a lubber's point, is a reference mark on a compass or other navigational instrument indicating the heading of a vessel. We've created this lubber line to serve as our newsletter bulletin board to post pieces of information that effect our squadron's mark and direction.*

## Watts Bar Invitation – 25-27 June

It won't be long now until the Watts Bar Invitational to be held on 25-27 June at Terrace View Marina and Resort in Rockwood, TN, on the Tennessee River. This event is a highlight of our year's events, providing an opportunity for Knoxville Power Squadron and other squadrons of District 17 to meet and compete, enjoy the company of others, and do some boating. We hope that you have made your reservations for lodging at the hotel or a marina slip as reservations for either need to have been made by 1 June. (Phone: 423-365-6060.)

### Friday, 25 June 2010

Check in (Marina or Hotel)

1830 Board vessel *Sea-Duction* for a cruise and passage to dinner. This will be a Low Country Boil with salad and dessert at the Smith's home. Cost per person is \$15. This is a BYO drink event.

### Saturday, 26 June 2010

0800-0930 District Breakfast aboard *Sea-Duction*

1000-1130 Dinghy Race, format to be determined

1230-1330 Buddy Lunch – Hotel guests join boat attendees

aboard host boats

1430-1530 Nautical Rodeo – Line Handling Competition with each squadron entering 2 person teams to compete in 3 events: Line throwing accuracy, Lasso a pole and Timed bowline tying.

Good luck

1600 Cardboard Boat Race

Saturday evening dinner: Terrace View Grill will allow ordering off their dinner menu at our pace.

Let us know if you plan to eat at the restaurant so we can provide the owner with a tentative number of diners.

**Sunday, 27 June 2010** Departure and safe journey home by all attendees

For dinner reservations, questions, offers to assist, or other – contact Vickie or Chuck Smith, 865-376-1370; Email: [rwwgirl@gmail.com](mailto:rwwgirl@gmail.com). We hope to see you there.



## Day Cruise – 17 July

On 17 July we have scheduled a day cruise to Willie's at Choto Marina. We need an event captain for this event. If you could help with this, contact Vickie at 865-376-1370; Email: [rwwgirl@gmail.com](mailto:rwwgirl@gmail.com).

## July Dinner Meeting – 26 July

The July meeting will be held on 26 July at the Courtyard Grille in Alcoa. Details to follow in next newsletter.

## Locking isn't as scary as you may think. Second Lock-Through Training Session Planned (See page 5)

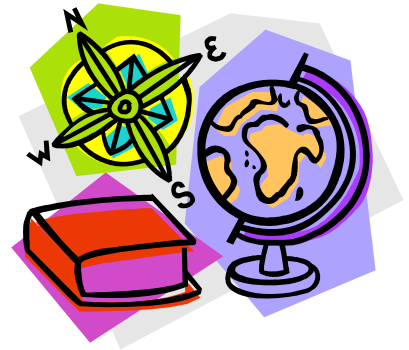
Many of our fellow boaters have never locked through a lock and think it is some big scary thing. To help them gain experience and overcome these fears, we are doing a second lock-through training session on 12 June. We need our members to recruit folks for this training, so please, pass this event information along to prospective folks who may have a need for this event. If you can please, print a copy of the flyer on page 5, and post it at your marina. Also let me know if you can be available for assisting on Saturday, 12 June.

Chuck Smith

The Sea Ray of Knoxville "ABC" class was a great success. Twenty-four people took the test and two more are in the process of self studying the course for a total of twenty-six boaters going through the course.

The piloting class got off to a good start on Monday 24 May. Six people are taking the course and four more are auditing it. This is an excellent course to teach boaters how to safely navigate coastal and inland waters they are not familiar with.

If there is enough interest we will teach a Seamanship class this fall. This is the next step in understanding boating after the "ABC" class. It teaches a higher level of boating skills, rules of the road, and marlinspike. All of the new members should consider taking this course along with older members that haven't taken it yet. Remember, the only way you can become a safe boater is with study and practice.



### “ABC 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed”<sup>©</sup> Course

(“ABC” means  
America’s Boating Course.)

#### The above four-session courses teach:

Boat Handling and Safety,  
Rules of the Road,  
Equipment and safety issues &  
**TWRA BOATING LICENSE**

#### ABC 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed<sup>©</sup> Course Costs

**Individual: \$35**

**Family of 2 (one book): \$45**

Fees are to cover the cost  
of the textbook and exam.

**To register for any class above  
or in the column at the right  
or for more information please call:  
Tom Dietrich at 865-657-9190  
Or visit our web site: [www.kps-site.org](http://www.kps-site.org)**

### SEMINAR SCHEDULE

All classes to be held on  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 1800-2100  
at **WEST MARINE, Knoxville**

**15 June: USING THE VHF & VHF/DSC  
MARINE RADIO**

**20 July: ANCHORING**

**17 August: ONBOARD WEATHER  
FORECASTING**

**21 September: PADDLE SMART**

#### The above three-hour sessions teach:

**Basic use and Safety Items  
Rules of the Road  
Required equipment and safe use**

**Seminar<sup>©</sup> Courses Cost for Individual: \$28**

Fees to cover the cost of the  
Books and any materials required.

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reservations for the 25-27 June Watts Bar Invitational if you have not already done so. It is shaping up to be a fun-filled weekend. You can come for the day or the weekend. Check out Vickie’s article for the details. Ira and I will be anchoring in the Martin Light Cove Thursday night 24 June if you would like to join us.

Be safe! I look forward to seeing you on the water this summer.



Attention All Boaters!  
**FREE** Lock-Through Assistance

The Knoxville Power Squadron (a non-profit organization dedicated to safe boating and boater education) is offering free assistance to any boater who would like to learn the fundamentals of locking through at Fort Loudoun Lock and Dam. An experienced KPS member will board your boat with you and assist you in a lock down and a return lock back up at Ft. Loudoun Lock.

Instruction will be provided in:

- Locking Rules
- Contacting the lockmaster
- Tying up in the lock

This free event will take place Saturday, 12 June at 10 a.m. Those registering for this event will be asked to have their boat (any size) at the Lenoir City Park (next to Fort Loudoun Marina) at the small dock near pavilion 1.

If you would like to participate in this event, please, call Chuck at 865-376-1370 or Rich at 865-408-9151 no later than Tuesday, 8 June. Participation is limited so call and register now.

The time it takes to lock down and back up is about 1 to 2 hours; however, remember that barge traffic has priority and could delay our event.



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"We promote boating safety and enjoyment through education and camaraderie"



### UPCOMING EVENTS... (Details see inside this or the next issue)

03 June	1900	Bridge Meeting, Ft. Loudoun Yacht Club
12 June		Lock-Through Training Session
25-27 June		Watts Bar Invitational Cruise Terrace View Marina and Resort Rockwood, TN
08 July	1900	Bridge Meeting, Ft. Loudoun Yacht Club
17 July		Day Cruise to Willie's at Choto Marina
26 July	1800	July Dinner Meeting Courtyard Grille

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