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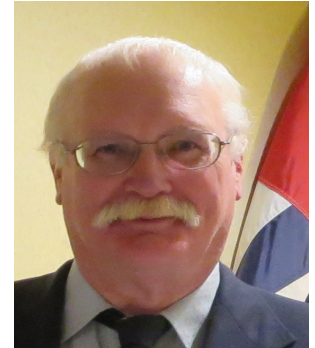
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Commander's Message by Robert Rondou, AP

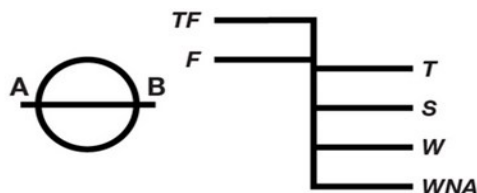
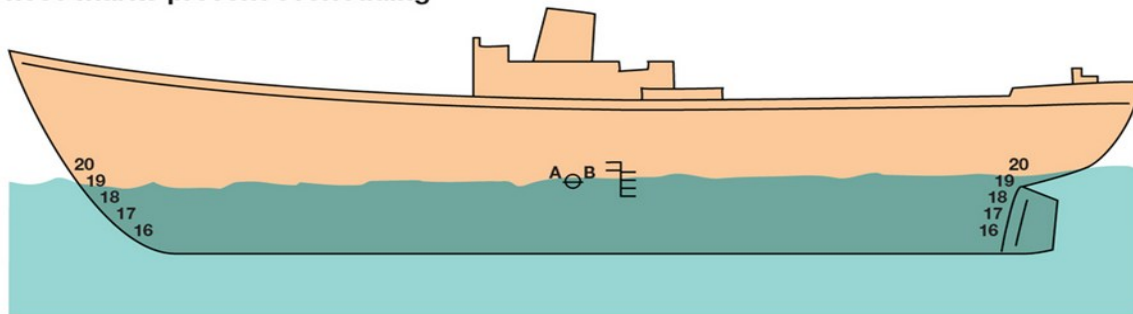
As spring arrives and a new boating season starts we can look forward to a number of Squadron events upcoming in the next few months. The Get-together on March 27, and the Fitting Out Dinner on April 11. From April 4 to 6 is the D-10 Spring Conference in Eau Claire. Safe Boating Week is from May 18 to 24. We will be conducting VSC's in both Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay. In June will be the Summer Picnic, TBA. We are also attempting to set up an ABC Class for this year, and In late spring a Survey Marker Recovery day.



We have a number of new members transferred from the Door County Squadron,. WELCOME ABOARD! Robert DeNoto will continue to run the Sea Scout program in Door County. Some volunteered for the Boat Show. Unfortunately we could not get a free booth this year and had to cancel.

The Bridge discussed to have the Get-togethers on Wednesday or Thursday nights. We would like the members input. Please call me (920 468-5893) or email at bron42@att.net.

These marks prevent overloading



- AB** American Bureau of Shipping
- TF** tropical freshwater load line
- F** freshwater load line
- T** tropical zones load line
- S** summer load line
- W** winter load line
- WNA** winter North Atlantic load line

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ALL members are invited to contribute. Send articles and/or photos for consideration to the NL Editor. Deadline for the next *Ship's Log* is the 25th of the preceding month.

Education Officer Wayne Dunbar



Advanced Course Strategy

Currently, our advanced courses include Boat Handling, Marine Navigation, and Advanced Piloting, which when completed achieves an Advanced Piloting (AP) grade. Later this year, Advanced Marine Navigation will be offered as a successor to the Advanced Piloting course. Beyond the AP grade, there are two legacy courses—Junior Navigation (JN) and Navigation (N)—that offer a path to the Navigator grade. There are also two new courses—Offshore Navigation (ON) and Celestial Navigation (CN)—that offer new distinct path to the Navigator grade. Offshore Navigation and Celestial Navigation are now available in eBook format.

Later this year, we will also be introducing a new Inland Boater course, which will offer another path to the Senior Navigator grade. Future of the Junior Navigation and Navigation Courses: We have decided to retire the Junior Navigation and Navigation courses due to the evolving nature of boating education and the need to provide more comprehensive and up-to-date courses. Junior Navigation will be removed from the catalog on April 1, and Navigation will be removed on July 1 (at the start of the new educational year). Some instructors may feel more comfortable teaching these old courses, and that's all right. Act now, so your students can still finish the JN/N path. As of March 1, we had 40 JN and 59 N student manuals in stock. Buy the books before our stock is depleted and teach the courses sometime in the next 2 years. NOAA no longer provides the raster charts previously used in the JN/N courses. Errata sheets are available for each course to guide students in obtaining ENC charts. These are available on the Educational Department web page: click Navigation Committee, then either Junior Navigation or Navigation. We will support JN and N exams for 2 years from the date of course retirement. Sight folders can be submitted any time in the future with copies of the relevant pages from the Nautical Almanac. Stf/ C Doug Durfee, SN, will be the contact for these courses.

Grade Progression Policy

The question on everyone's mind is how students can attain the Senior Navigator grade. Effective February 25, 2025 there is a new policy, Go to [AG-Strategy-Grade-Progression-Policy.pdf](#) at www.usps.org/images/eddept/. You will need to log in and select department Education to get here.

Fitting out Meeting

Friday, April 11, 2025

Green Bay Yachting Club

100 Bay Beach Road



Speaker, Wayne Dunbar. The history of the Grassy Island Range Lights as prepared for the Green Bay/De Pere Antiquarian Society meeting.

Dinner options: Chose from below menu choices:

Perch Plate— small \$23 / Double \$30

Baked Cod—Small \$13.00 / Double \$16

Shrimp Plate \$16.00

Beer Battered Walleye \$20.00

All include Baked Potato, Creamy Coleslaw and Rye Bread

Addons: Clam Chowder—Cup \$5 Bowl \$8, Garden Salad \$6

You will need to pay when you arrive, cash or check Payable to Green Bay Sail & Power Squadron, no credit card. Tip included.

RSVP to Wayne Dunbar on or before Tuesday April 8. Email Wayne at yeaboats@yahoo.com or leave a message at (920)468-5121. Be sure to give your name and number of people attending and menu choice(s).



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Calendar of Events for 2025

- D-10 Spring Conference; April 4-6
- Bridge; April 7, 2025 @ GBYC
- Fitting Out Dinner April 11, @GBYC
- Get-Together, April 24, 2025
- Sea Scout Recruitment Day, May 12
- Safe Boating Week, May 18-24
- Picnic TBA

Green Bay Squadron Apparel

Check at next meeting.