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## The positive spirit of squadron membership



Cdr Michael R Leyden, P



Commander Santa

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Happy holidays to all. This is my opportunity to thank all members who made this past year so memorable with their personal involvement, event participation and commitment to the boating education, safety and fun missions of our Cape Cod Sail and Power Squadron.

In this issue, we report on the pleasures of representing the squadron in the fall *Seaside Festival Parade*, our focus on strategic membership-building, continuing efforts in member communications to keep you well informed, unique canal cruising in Canada by our members and coming events planned for educational development, civic involvement and social pleasures. Our leading event of the year is our annual Holiday Dinner Dance at the Yarmouth House on December 9.

Whether you come for the friendship, festive seasonal music, dancing or just for the best prime rib on Cape Cod, we will be very pleased to see you with us.

And again, we request that you bring non-perishable foods for our food pantry drive. Also, be prepared to contribute to a donation for several needy Cape family charity organizations this season.

As we enter the coming year, we will be encouraging our members to find the positive pleasures of more involvement in squadron affairs. There continue to be leadership roles to fill and members who could easily fill these positions ... but only if we convince you that these opportunities are meaningful and fun to do. So more to come on this topic.

All best wishes this holiday season to you and yours.

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If you need answers to any questions, please contact one of these officers and they will be happy to help you.

**EVENTS AND PROGRAMS**

**Cdr Michael Leyden, P**

**Circle these dates on your calendar**

**December 9**

Annual Holiday Dinner Dance, Yarmouth House

**January 27**

Squadron Dinner Meeting, venue TBD

**February 24**

Squadron Dinner Meeting, venue TBD

**PORTHOLE GUARANTEED DATE**

**December 23 deadline for January newsletter**

Materials received by this 'guaranteed date' will appear, but late materials may or may not appear.

**SPECIAL HALF PRICE OFFER TO SQUADRON MEMBERS:**

**You have not taken VHF/DSC Marine Radio Seminar?**

**11 November at West Marine ... 55% discount to CCSPS members**

**Radio competence assured ... contact Dave Atwood / 508-737-5374**



**HOLIDAY GENEROSITY ALERT  
Bring non-perishables for Food Pantry**

**Food pantry drive:** Again this holiday season, CCSPS will be collecting non-perishable food items at our holiday party. They will be taken to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry at St. Francis Xavier Church, Hyannis, where long time member, Don Chase, has served as an active volunteer.



**Please bring food items to our holiday dinner collection**

**Generous cash donation:** There is an overwhelming need faced by Cape families and individuals this holiday season. And, again this year, we will pass the hat for your generous cash donations that will be split between [A Baby Center](#), serving infants and their mothers Cape-wide from their center in Hyannis and the [Hands of Hope Outreach Center](#), serving families from their location on Rt. 28 in W. Harwich. Both were important to Art Kimber and a fine way to send a holiday smile to him.



**EUROPEAN BOATING ASSOCIATION  
Bob David a representative in Dublin**

Bob David was among 31 representatives from twelve countries and four regional groups; Austria, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom and the United States being represented.

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## Why the decision now?

With the cost savings in printing and postage, CCSPS can save up to \$1200 annually, or more, by switching to a 'no cost' digital distribution recipient.

## Refocusing:

We wish to reduce these mailings to membership, beginning in January, 2011, achieve savings and refocus our mailings on building our member base ... like the coming mailings in support of January's ABC course in the "golden triangle", mentioned in the October issue.

So give us your decision now. It's easy.

With thanks from your *Porthole* staff

## FOCUSING ON MEMBERSHIP-BUILDING

### Promoting ABC in the "golden triangle"

Lt Ed Ruckle, S

CCSPS will begin the New Year with several new approaches to build interest and membership in CCSPS. As we pointed out in the October issue of *The Porthole*, we are under-serving the towns of Brewster, Orleans and Chatham ... meaning there is 'room to grow' as the ratio of members to boat registrations is well below our solid presence in the Barnstable – Yarmouth-Dennis areas.

We like growth opportunities and call this one the 'golden triangle', that elbow of the Cape that shows promise. And with the planned ABC Course starting in January, we will be concentrating our promotional efforts in these three towns through a targeted direct mail effort to registered boaters, along with poster placements across the towns.

And we measure our success in two ways with ABC sign-ups and conversion to memberships. Following on this effort, we plan a focused *Vessel Safety Check* effort with particular emphasis in this tri-town area.

A greater presence in this area expands CCSPS influence, serves a larger base ... even offers great, new venues for monthly meeting dinners!

You can personally help by poster placement (see poster on page 10, copy and post it in the tri-town area) and word-of-mouth to friends in the area.



Golden Triangle

So look for further reports on how we are doing in the "golden triangle".

CCSPS MEMBER BOAT OF THE MONTH

BACK FORTY

Barbara and Terry Wilcox

Back Forty is an express cruiser manufactured in 2000 by Rinker Boats, a family-owned company located in Syracuse, Indiana. Barb and I were introduced to this model at a boat show in Springfield, Missouri. We picked the model to trailer, to handle some heavy weather, to camp or live aboard for weeks at a time, and, at the time, we thought we would use it for some water skiing or fishing.



Our maiden voyage was exploring the islands in Lake Erie out of Port Clinton, OH. In the years since, we still feel the waves were the highest on that trip. The original freshwater trailer was replaced a year ago with a tandem-wheeled aluminum one manufactured by Venture.



Although we try to make most squadron rendezvous when we are in town and the weather cooperates, we enjoy her most in our off Cape travels. Back Forty has taken us several times to the

Fourth of July Fireworks in Boston ... we launch in Watertown and cruise down the Charles River staying several days.

On Moosehead Lake, Maine, we saw fewer boats in two weeks than in an afternoon where we launch into Lewis Bay at Englewood. Moosehead Lake is quiet, remote and beautiful.

Specifications

Length overall:	24' 5"
Beam:	8' 6"
Draft (down drive):	36"
Displacement:	5.600 lbs
Power:	250 HP

We travel with two kayaks on our bow to explore the shallow waters. So with the sounds of loons, we kayaked up a small inlet to beaver dams.



We spent another beautiful week on Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire. Most nights, we would find a quiet cove to anchor, swim and watch the sun set and moon rise with the stars so bright they filled the sky.

Our most memorable trips were through the canal systems across the province of Ontario, Canada. The lakes and rivers traversed by the system are as pretty as can be found anywhere. There are conventional



locks, hand controlled locks, hydraulic locks, and even a railroad lock. From Lake Ontario to the Georgian Bay in Lake Huron, is the Trent Severn Canal. For this roundtrip we launched

at Rice Lake.

Occasionally, we have camped in our boat on the trailer at a campground or used it as a motel room with kitchen and bath at a truck stop or rest area. We love to explore and Back Forty has met our every expectation. It received its name because it was forty years from the time we dated in college until we purchased our boat as a forever couple!

For B. O. T. M., contact editor: eruckle1@verizon.com

# S.O.S – SWEATERS OR SLICKERS

## Safety Officers Marc and Garnet Venables

Originally written by Barbara Garrett-Wilcox, this timely article is worth a new look. With her permission, we've added some thoughts to her "base", hoping that in some way it lengthens the beautiful season we have had with comfort.

Just because the weather is getting colder doesn't mean that we can't continue enjoying boating. However, it does mean that we should consider how to dress appropriately for the changing temperatures. Layering is the best method to allow for cold weather comfort and to adjust as conditions change.

The base layer should be smooth and hydrophobic, meaning it will "wick away" moisture rather than absorb it. Keeping the skin as dry as possible will avoid chilling. Polypropylene is one fabric that has a variety of weights available depending on temperature.



The middle layer is best made of synthetic fleece that provides insulation but is lightweight and dries quickly. Wool is no longer considered the best choice as it becomes heavy when wet, and then does not dry out easily.

The outer layer should be for wind and water protection, and is best if lightweight and breathable.

Waterproof slickers protect from wind and water, but generated heat and body moisture make them an uncomfortable "sauna" leaving the wearer prone to subsequent chill.

Another type is made of PVC urethane coated fabric available in several weights. These are "somewhat" breathable but will not stand a great deal of abrasion or folding before losing their water resistance. Layered, breathable fabrics such as Gore-Tex are significantly more comfortable and functional but are also more expensive. Fortunately, more manufacturers now are making more affordable garments not available even a few years ago.

Remember your hands, feet and head. Gloves, with or without the thumb and forefingers that pull aside for added dexterity, are available with "Thinsulate" for greater warmth without bulk, and can have a liner glove added. Your



feet will also benefit from layering; with a smooth inner sock and outer insulating type. A pair of boots is a good idea; if it gets wet out there, those layers of socks will need help. Don't forget your hat ... I sound like your mom, but remember how much heat leaves our body from our scalp!

Well, you're prepared for whatever mother nature hands you...remember the sun is still strong enough to burn you, so "block" face, neck, ears, and add your colorful life jacket, and you'll enjoy an extended season. Be warm, be safe.

Article feedback: [venables2@juno.com](mailto:venables2@juno.com)

## Marine App of the Month Clinometers



Are you listing to port? What's your bow rise? This clinometers application is a slope finder tool and can be applied on all edges of the iPhone/iPod.



Designed for both iPhone and iPad ... \$0.99

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## CAPTAIN'S LICENSE COURSES

### Get your 6-pack this winter two ways

The USCG approved captain's course, *Operator of Uninspected Passenger Vessels (OUPV)*, will be given at several convenient locations this fall/winter. It is commonly referred to as a 6-pack license and grants authority to operate a power-driven vessel carrying six or fewer passengers for hire, not counting the operator or crew, on any inland or near coastal ocean waters of the U.S.



The license is the most common license held by fishing and tour guides, water taxi and small passenger vessel operators carrying six or fewer passengers.

#### At West Marine, Hyannis

And in-store course is being offered this fall/winter by Capt. Jeff Fryar. For more information, contact West Marine at 800-767-4025.

#### At Massachusetts Maritime Academy

At the *Center for Maritime Training*. For more information on class content, please contact Captain James S. Jackson, a squadron member, at 508-364-3700.

## BILL COOK NEW HONORARY MEMBER

### Receives squadron burgee with history lesson

Yachtsman, [yacht designer](#), adventurer, [Cape Cod Maritime Museum](#) president emeritus, former chairman, [Mystic Seaport](#) board of trustees and local Barnstable resident, Bill Cook has made life-long contributions to the American yachting scene and to boating history.



Bill Cook listens to history lesson

Dave Atwood presented our October guest speaker with our CCSPS burgee along with an explanation of its design history ... possibly a lesson for most of the dinner audience, as well.

Bill joins the short list of Halsey Herreshoff and Lawrence Chenier in this honor.

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

### Mary Lou Walsh, AP

Congratulations go out to parade masters extraordinaire **Lee** and **Peg Johnson** on beginning a new and exciting chapter in their life. Lee recently retired from his well-known South Yarmouth dental practice and they are looking forward to having time to travel, especially for visiting grandchildren out of state. In fact, by the time this is published, they will be celebrating the latest imminent arrival.

**Marc** and **Garnet Venables** just couldn't let go and admit boating season is over for this year. So they packed up and followed it south. Marc, a veteran Lightning Class competitive sailor, participated in the *Last Blast Race* on the Hudson River sponsored by the Nyack Yacht Club, then headed further south to boating mecca Annapolis, the Holy Grail of sailing (and a fabulous destination if you've never explored it) to compete in the multi-day *Frigid Digit* races hosted by the Severn Sailing Association. In between, they rested and mini-vacationed in Ocean City, MD. Or maybe they were checking race schedules for more southern venues?

## JIM REED HONORED FOR PORTHOLE

### And leading the squadron into web presence

A grateful Commander recognized Jim Reed's good work over the past several years as editor of *The Porthole* and in developing our CCSPS.org squadron website at our October dinner meeting at *The Barnstable Restaurant*.



Jim has consistently, year on year, brought the squadron the *Distinction in Journalism Award* for both print and online communications.

He continues to contribute to developing better member communications as a member of our online opportunities subcommittee. Thank you, Jim.

# Seasoned marchers stepped off for squadron pride



Standing l. to r. Charles Burke, Peg Johnson, Wayne Richardson, Carol Hilton, Hugh Blair-Smith, Tony Gulla, Hal Petersen, John Hilton, Dave Atwood; Below: Lee Johnson and Jessie Kennedy

## YARMOUTH SEASIDE FESTIVAL PARADE Lt Lee Johnson, AP\*

Parade Sunday was clear with sunny skies ... previous days were cloudy, windy and rainy. So the Columbus Day celebration crowds, young and old, were eager for beautiful weather and they lined Route 28 from Parker's River to the Fair Grounds in South Yarmouth.



**Matt Carrick** of [Freedom Boat Club](#) provided a new 20' bow rider and trailer and it was towed by the [Allen Harbor Marine's](#) truck. **Ren Nichols** and **Craig LeBlanc** have been



the squadron's longest supporters for our display float. The truck and boat were decorated at the Crowe's Pasture staging area in West Yarmouth. We had mascot Monomoy Bear; flags and banners giving information about what our Squadron does (VSC, educational courses and having fun). The parade stepped off at noon with an abundance of music and enthusiasm.



The seasoned marchers, **David Atwood, Hugh Blair-Smith, Charles Burke, Tony Gulla, Lee Johnson, Hal**

**Petersen** and **Wayne Richardson** welcomed newcomers **John** and **Carol Hilton**.

We also welcomed participation with [Sea Scout Ship 76 of Harwich](#). First Mate **Nathan Bach** had able assistance with **MacKenzie Bach, Jessie Kennedy** (crisp white uniform) and **Whitney Tileston**. Riding in the boat were **Nicholas**

**Bach, Alyssa Bach and Dylan Bach**.

It was a long quick march to the Clarion Motel where the rig was disassembled and packed away for the winter. We are grateful for drivers **Peg Johnson** and **Mary Lou Walsh**. The former in the parade and ML shuttled the marchers back to the staging area to pick up their cars.



Your squadron ambassadors handed out 5460 Life Saver candies with smiles and reminders to wear their life jackets.

Join us next time. If you would like to display **your boat** in a parade or march – we can help. Order supplies at <http://www.ccsps.org/>. Our next event will be the Dennis-Yarmouth St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 6, 2011.

# Behind the Scenes Parade Pictorial





# SEA MANNERS AND CUSTOMS

## Waves at sea

### Editor

New boaters quickly realize that they must wave back to anyone who waves at them and must initiate waving to all boats nearby. But do we know why? Well courtesy, friendship, mutual trust and respect come quickly to mind. But there are deeper reasons.



Its roots are found in salutes at sea, the recognized courtesies paid by armed ships meeting at sea where a ship would fire its guns or would dip its topsails. As armed merchant ships went out of fashion and sail was gradually displaced by steam propulsion, a new means of saluting emerged ... dipping the ensign by lowering it halfway down the staff and not rehoisting it until the



other ship had answered the salute by dipping her own ensign. As soon as the ship rehoisted her ensign the other ship followed suit and the salute was complete. This remains a current practice today. And on recreational craft, flag dipping has been replaced by hand wave "salutes".

In terms of boating safety, we see the initial wave, and returned wave, as a clear sign of self-protection ... that we acknowledge each other sharing a waterway and will safely pass. Further, there is an assurance that we are not alone on a body of water and, presumably, will come to each other's aid in case of distress ... as mandated by ancient rules of the sea. For friendship, tradition or safety, keep following this *rule of the sea* and be the first to wave!

**Footnote:** Our U.S. Navy dips the U.S. ensign only in return to the dip rendered by another ship.



**SPOILER ALERT: Commander Santa revealed**

# ARE YOU MISSING "WHAT'S UP"?

## Possibly lost in spam filters

### Hal Petersen, AP

We occasionally hear from a member who has not received email announcements of rendezvous, parade, dinner, or other squadron events. The cause can be an "overactive" spam or junk email filter.

The technical aspects of what constitutes spam or junk email can be confusing. The important thing is to ensure that squadron mailings from [WhatsUp@CCSPS.org](mailto:WhatsUp@CCSPS.org) don't get lost in your spam or junk email filters!



Just for the record, five announcements were sent during September and four during October. If you believe that you've missed some or all these announcements, please contact Hal Petersen ... [hpetersen@imagineitnow.us](mailto:hpetersen@imagineitnow.us). Or (508) 815-4334.



**Editor's note:** *What's Up?* eblasts are the "two punch" of a "one-two punch" to keep CCSPS members informed on a frequent basis. *The Porthole* covers the month while the *What's Up* covers immediate opportunity. Your involvement in opportunities is always your call, but we aim to help you make timely decisions. As always, it is a volunteer effort and we collectively thank Hal Petersen for his technical knowledge and journalistic acumen.



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# AMERICA'S BOATING COURSE®

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**508-737-5374**

or pre-register on-line at **[www.ccsp.org](http://www.ccsp.org)**

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## CCSPS RETAIL OUTREACH

### Pilot Seminar at West Marine in November

CCSPS and West Marine, Hyannis store location, have agreed to a pilot test of our seminar series in-store.



On 11 November, at 1830, **Dave Atwood** will lead a *Marine Radio Seminar* in this boating retail environment ... just feet away from a broad selection of the latest in marine communications gear.

We are promoting our seminar to West Marine customers through a store display and check-out flier hand outs, as well as communication to our membership in this issue.

Along with the Marine Radio Seminar in-store, we are also promoting the next *America's Boating Course* and our connection with the [Cape Cod Marine Trades Association](#).

## EDUCATION NEWS

### P/C Dave Atwood, AP\*

Help post the *America's Boating Course*® flyer, page 10 in this *Porthole* issue, by placing at your local public locations such as: post office, library, marina, boating supply store, or other convenient location. Thank you for helping to publicize the course in our communities.

### Fall courses

*America's Boating Course*® wrapped up with the exam on 26 October with 16 students successfully completing the course. Many students will continue on and take the *Introduction to Coastal Navigation* supplement. Thanks to **P/C Hugh Blair-Smith, SN, Charles Burke, AP, Capt Tony Caputo, AP, Marshal McStay, AP, Ken Molloy, SN** and **Chairman Lt Walt Penczar, N**.

### Marine Radio Seminar

The VHF/DSC Marine Radio seminar is scheduled for 11 November sponsored by and at [West Marine](#) from 1830 to 2030. If you would like to register, please

contact **Dave Atwood** at 508-737-5374 or at [edu@ccsps.org](mailto:edu@ccsps.org).

### Boat Operator Certification

Four members, **Michael Crook, AP Jack Fox, S, Lt Lee Johnson, AP, and Marshall McStay, AP**, completed their Fire Extinguisher Skill Demonstration recently at the Cape Cod Mall. The Hyannis Fire Department conducted the training.



Jack Fox faces the heat



Lee Johnson takes aim

### Winter course

#### America's Boating Course®

The course is scheduled to begin 11 January at the [Orleans Yacht Club](#) on Cove Road in Orleans.

#### **Proctors please put the dates on your calendar.**

This is our first offering that includes a trial membership in USPS® as announced in the *Ensign*.

Your national organization is encouraging squadrons to use this trial membership as a way to attract these students as permanent members in our squadrons.

Spread the word!

## CALLING ALL ADVANCED PILOTS

### Junior Navigation Program

Bob David is planning to offer this first of a two-part program of study in offshore navigation early next year. It is designed as a practical, how-to course. Subject matter includes: basic concepts of celestial navigation; how to use the mariner's sextant to take sights of the sun; the importance and techniques of accurate time determination; use of the Nautical Almanac; how to reduce sights to establish lines of position (LOPs); and the use of special charts, plotting sheets and other navigational data for offshore positioning and passage planning.

Contact Bob to enroll: [rpdavid@capecod.net](mailto:rpdavid@capecod.net).

Or 508-394-5670

## **A Visit from St. Nicholas**

*With apologies Clement Clarke Moore*

*T'was the night before Christmas and all through the boat, the bilge pumps were hustling to keep us afloat. The children were nestled all snug in their berths, (we sleep here most nights to get our money's worth). As Ma read Jackie Collins and I guzzled a beer, she said "you've had enough, now come to bed dear".*

*Then out on the dock there arose an uproar, as I reached in the cooler to get just one more. So up went my head out of the hatch, (though I should have thought first to undo the latch). I saw stars for a moment and as quick as a blink, my wife yelled, "see you've had too much to drink!"*

*The moon on the water lit the marina up bright, (which was good, since the kids had lost my flashlight). Then what with my wondering eyes should I see, but a fat, fuzzy old guy in a Bayliner Capri.*

*Instead of an outboard hung on the rear, tied to the bow were eight tiny reindeer. More rapid than Reggie, these coursers they flew, and on each of their hoofs was a Topsider shoe. With crashing and bashing and banging and knocking, I knew in an instant they must be docking.*

*"No, Dasher! hold it, Dancer! damn you, Prancer and Vixen! Stop, Comet, grab a line, Cupid, get bumpers, Donner and Blitzen! Look out for that boat! Watch the seawall! Now fend off, fend off, fend off you all!"*

*He was dressed in a red cap ringed with fur trim, along with a Speedo that covered just a fraction of him. I was shocked and astonished, but what could I say? I also go boating dressed exactly that way. He then grabbed a bag, a bulging huge sack, and hoisted it up onto his back. He also had sponges and a mop in his grip, as he waddled his way o'er to my slip.*

*He said "my name's Nick, and, my friend, I can tell that your gelcoat needs buffing and your teak looks like hell. Your vinyl needs cleaning, your lockers arranging, your holding tank pumping, and your oil a-changing!*

*You've put off these jobs for too long and you know it, so here's all that you need, this time just don't blow it." Then quick as he came, he was back on his boat, his reindeer revving and eager to tote.*

*"Merry Christmas!", he called, as they cruised through the night, "and regarding the beer, pal, your wife she is right!"*

*From Capt. Don Pray*



# YO HO HO

The squadron holiday dinner dance is upon us.

## Yarmouth House

335 Route 28, West Yarmouth, MA

9 December, 2010



### Splice the main brace 1800

Cheese, crackers, fruit, veggies  
All favorite beverages available



### Dinning 1845

House salad and clam chowder  
Choose: prime rib or baked stuffed shrimp  
Served with mixed vegetables  
and baked potato  
Dessert: chocolate surprise



**Music and dancing** with DJ Reggie O'Keefe  
who was such a hit last year, really knows  
how to put on a show and his enthusiasm  
insures a great time.



I (we) plan to attend the 9 December, 2010 dinner dance at the Yarmouth House

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_  
Baked stuffed shrimp \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations by 24 November, 2010 with check payable to CCSP.

Mail to: David Atwood, 9 Upton, South Yarmouth, MA 02664 Phone: 508-737-5374

**RESERVE:** Click [HERE](#) to reserve and pay at the door!





## Calendar of Meetings and Events

### November 2010

- 11 VHF/DSC Marine Radio Seminar, West Marine, Hyannis
- 13-14 D /14 Fall Conference, Whites Restaurant, Westport, MA
- 18 Executive Committee Meeting, venue TBD

### December 2010

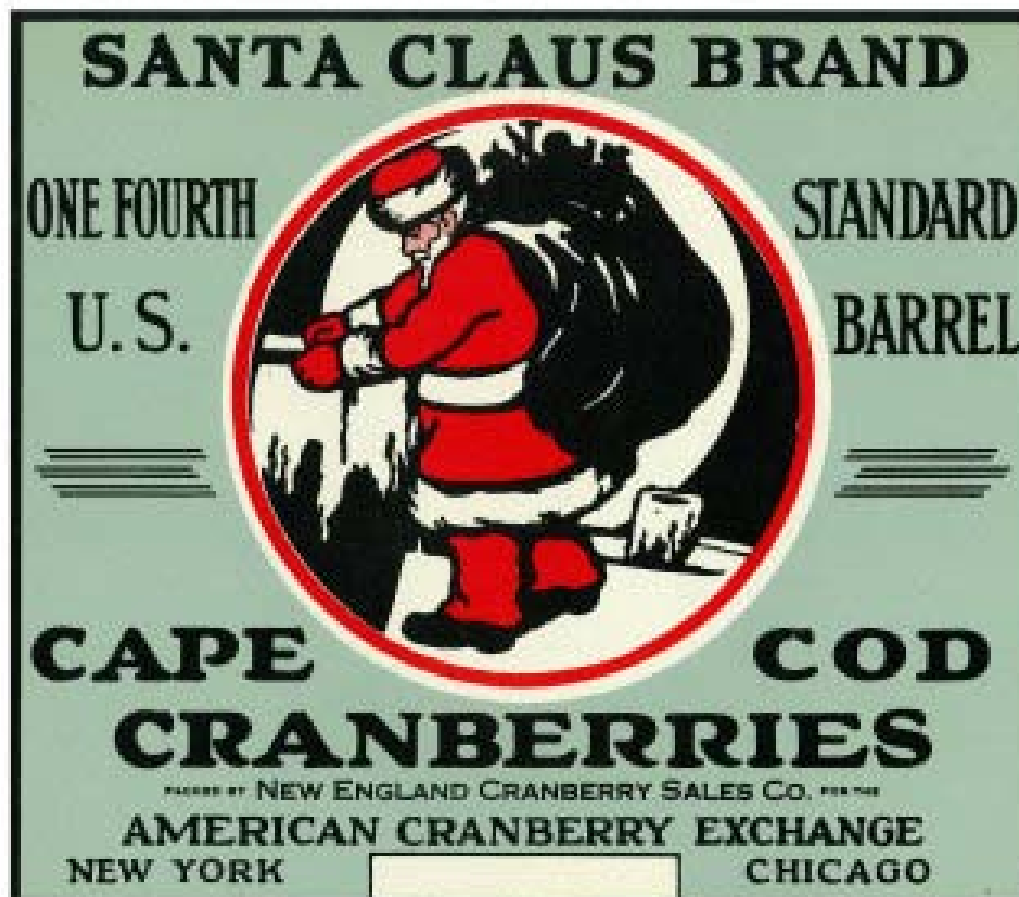
- 9 Annual Holiday Dinner Dance, Yarmouth House, W. Yarmouth
- 23 *Porthole* guaranteed date .... for January, 2011

### January 2011

- 11 America's Boating Course, Orleans Yacht Club
- 13 Executive Committee Meeting, venue TBD
- 25 *Porthole* guaranteed date
- 27 Squadron Dinner Meeting, venue TBD

### February 2011

- 2-5 Annual Meeting at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort
- 10 Executive Committee Meeting, venue TBD
- 24 *Porthole* guaranteed date
- 24 Squadron Dinner Meeting, venue TBD



*Happy Holidays!*