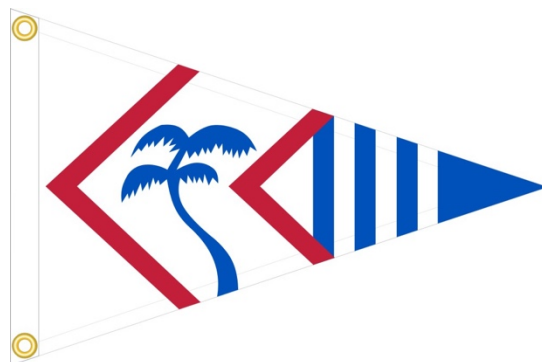




**Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron**  
**A unit of the United States Power Squadrons**

# **Welcome Aboard!**





Dear New Member,

Welcome to the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron (CCSAPS), America's Boating Club of Cape Coral. I'm very proud of our members and all that they do and I'm excited that you are now a part of our club. Boating education is important to all boaters and I hope you will take advantage of the numerous educational opportunities we offer, either in the classroom or on the water, and enjoy the many activities and events that take place throughout the year.

We are a very active group, which is run entirely by volunteers. Be sure to look at our calendar and newsletter, "The Buoys", on our website [www.ccsaps.org](http://www.ccsaps.org) for the latest information. We have fantastic dinners and entertainment events, as well as regularly scheduled rendezvous for our members to get together at sites accessible by boat or car. Much of my own boating education has come from the interaction with other experienced boaters in our club at these gatherings.

Civic service projects like boat shows, clean water advocacy, waterway clean-up, vessel safety checks, coop charting, and others are carried out by our groups. This helps our community and provides a great deal of self-satisfaction as well!

I look forward to meeting you at our functions and getting to know you better. I hope you will consider staying involved by joining in on the opportunities we provide and thank you for becoming a member of the *best* squadron in the United States!

Sincerely yours,

Marge Maciag  
Commander



# Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron

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America's Boating Club



Congratulations on becoming a member of Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron (CCSAPS). CCSAPS is a local unit of the United States Power Squadrons (USPS), America's Boating Club. It is the largest of the 347 squadrons in the US, with around 600 members. Membership in CCSAPS includes membership in USPS and provides a number of valuable benefits.

**ACCESS** to a variety of educational courses and seminars, taught by certified instructors:

- ABC
- Seamanship
- Piloting
- Navigation
- On the Water Training
- Weather
- Engine Maintenance
- Marine Electronics
- Emergencies at Sea
- Use of flare guns and fire extinguishers

**SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS** from many marine insurance companies that provide discounts to members, as well as numerous merchant discounts on other products and services. Examples include:

- BoatUS
- Sea Tow
- Various Hotels
- Avis and Budget car rental
- Office Depot and Office Max
- Various Boat Insurance Companies

**NETWORKING AND CAMARADERIE** with knowledgeable squadron members and local experts who are familiar with local waters, best anchorages, marinas, boat repair shops, boat-accessible restaurants and prime fishing spots. Shared experiences and love of boating foster long-lasting friendships.

**PARTICIPATION** in squadron and district activities. In addition to hearing engaging speakers at monthly general meetings, members may take part in:

- Lunches and dinners with friends
- Dances and parties
- 3 day cruises to local resorts
- Extended cruises
- Kayaking trips
- Scuba diving
- Fishing talks and workshops
- Boat to lunch outings

**VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY SERVICE** so you can share your time, talents and passions. CCSAPS has no paid employees and relies on volunteers for all operations, small and large. Opportunities include:

- Course instruction
- Entertainment planning
- Building maintenance
- Event set-up
- Vessel safety inspection
- Working the farmers market booth
- Cooking or serving for dining events
- Office and clerical work
- Communications
- Co-operative charting

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** about CCSAPS, or to see a calendar of events, go to [www.ccsaps.org](http://www.ccsaps.org). At the home page, click on Buoys Newsletters to see our monthly publication.

***Whether you are a sailor, power boater or kayaker, or just love being on the water, there is a place for you at CCSAPS. Welcome aboard!***

## ***WELCOME ABOARD!***

Congratulations on joining Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron (CCSAPS) and the United States Power Squadrons (USPS), America's Boating Club. With around 600 members, the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron is the largest of 347 component squadrons of the United States Power Squadrons.

USPS has a three-part mission for boaters: learn, engage, connect!

Membership gives you opportunities to connect with others interested in boating. The educational program endeavors to promote a high level of skill and confidence in handling all types of watercraft. Courses ranging from seamanship through advanced ocean navigation enhance the learning of boaters seeking to improve their knowledge and expertise. Engagement in civic service aims at improving boating safety in the community through public education, boat inspection, and co-operative charting.

**SQUADRON HEADQUARTERS:** We are located at 917 SE 47<sup>th</sup> Terrace in downtown Cape Coral. Our phone number is 239-549-9754. Our office hours are Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Free parking is available across the street and behind the building.

**MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS:** Each new member is assigned a membership number (E number) by USPS. The number appears on the membership certificate as well as on the membership card issued to each new member. It is necessary to have the membership number available when enrolling in educational courses.

**PIN NUMBERS:** USPS also assigns each new member a PIN to use in logging onto the USPS website, [usps.org](http://usps.org). Please keep this PIN in a safe place. You can change your PIN to a preferred password if you like.

**PARTICIPATION:** Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron is an all-VOLUNTEER organization. Nothing gets done unless someone donates their time and energy to do it. If you want more done or something done better, offer to help. We need your assistance and will be grateful. You will get more out of your membership and everyone will profit from your participation.

**MERIT MARK:** This is a yearly recognition for the service hours you provided to Squadron activities. Earning a Merit Mark is based on your cumulative volunteer efforts on Squadron committees and activities over a year's time. One Merit Mark is awarded each year for 20 or more hours of service. The Commander hosts a recognition dinner at the beginning of each year to say "thank you" to all who earned a Merit Mark during the previous year.

**DRESS:** With the exception of the Change of Watch (usually in the spring), casual or informal dress is acceptable.

**DINNER MEETINGS:** There is a calendar on the website and in the Buoys newsletter which shows General Meeting dates, typically the second Thursday of each month, except July and August. Dinner, called Lite Bites, is held at 6:00 p.m. and costs \$5. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

Meetings include a speaker or activity, followed by reports from bridge officers outlining the various activities, projects and priorities of the squadron. General meetings are very informative and provide a great venue for meeting fellow members and learning how the club operates. At each meeting, members are encouraged to wear their name tags.

**ON-THE-WATER ACTIVITIES:** We are fortunate in Cape Coral to be able to boat year-round. We regularly organize social outings at popular boating destinations. Most destinations are accessible by car, as well as by boat. They may include boating to a local restaurant, staying overnight in a marina, or kayaking in our beautiful natural paradise. Like everything else in the Squadron, on-the-water activities are organized by volunteers. Please help when you can. We welcome new ideas for locations and activities.

**OFF-THE-WATER SOCIAL ACTIVITIES:** We have dinners and parties almost every month, and occasionally dances and other fun activities. Examples include indoor mini golf, rain gutter regatta, western BBQ and line dancing, wine glass painting and Jeopardy game night. The Entertainment Committee loves new ideas so speak up or consider joining the committee!

**SMALL GROUPS:** Members can become involved in small groups, making it easier to meet new people and share common interests (see fact sheets in this packet). Our small groups include:

- Fishing – Whether you like to fish offshore, inshore or inland, this group will expose you to the best fishing spots and techniques, while meeting other fishing buddies. Monthly speakers often include local guides who aren't shy about sharing local knowledge
- Kayaking – Paddlers can join this great group of friendly folks for leisurely paddles in beautiful surroundings. No kayak? No worries! You can rent a kayak at many locations or possibly borrow one from another member of this group.
- Weekend Boaters – This group likes to boat to lunch! We have numerous restaurants with boat access and dock space, but sometimes they are tricky to get to. This group meets monthly to choose a restaurant to visit. They use a "follow me" approach to helping members navigate to some of the best food and views in the area.
- Weekday Boaters – During high season (winter for northerners) the waterways and restaurants can become very busy on weekends. For boaters looking for a more laid-back boat-to-lunch experience, this group offers weekday excursions.
- Cruise and Rendezvous (C&R)– This group takes extended voyages to local marinas. Most trips are 3-4 nights, and once a year they do a 2-week trip. While this group is primarily for folks with sleep-aboard boats, others are also welcome as there are often hotel accommodations at or near the marinas.
- Co-operative Charting – This group provides an important public service, while learning more about our local waters and making new friends. Their mission is to keep our waterways safe by surveying over 800 Aids to Navigation (ATON) along 100 miles of channels and reporting any missing or defective markers to local authorities. This is fun group, very welcoming to newcomers, and no previous experience is needed to join.

**WHO'S WHO:** Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron is managed by a "Bridge" of officers elected by, and responsible to, the membership.

The elected officers are:

- Commander (Cdr) – the top-level leader
  - The commander may appoint Aides to assist with certain duties
- Executive Officer (XO) – responsible for all things external to the organization
- Squadron Education Officer (SEO) – responsible for all educational programming
  - Assistant Education Officer
- Administrative Officer (AO) – responsible for all things internal to the organization
  - Assistant Administrative Officer
- Secretary – responsible for recording meetings, conducting correspondence, maintaining office functions
  - Assistant Secretary
- Treasurer – financial officer
  - Assistant Treasurer

The Executive Board handles routine Squadron business. The Executive Board consists of the Commander, other elected members of the bridge, the immediate past commander and eleven members elected from the general membership. The Executive Board meets the first Thursday of each month. Board meetings are open to all members. The names of Assistant Bridge Officers, Aides to the Commander, and Executive Board Members can be found on the website, <https://www.ccsaps.org/leadership>

The officers are assisted in their duties by committee chairs who carry out the programs, functions and activities of the Squadron. Each elected officer is responsible for several functions and is an ex-officio member of each committee in his/her department. The officer/committee list is found in the Buoy.

**RANK:** What is it? Who has it? Rank is the Squadron's way of recognizing the commitment of our volunteer leaders. The Commander's rank is Cdr. The other elected bridge officers have the rank of Lieutenant Commander (Lt/C). Appointed officers have the rank of Lieutenant (Lt).

**THE MEMBER DIRECTORY** is updated 2-3 times a year and is accessible to members only via the Squadron website. In it you will find a list of all Squadron members. Please be certain you are correctly listed. Errors or changes should be noted and sent to the Secretary. To access the roster, go to [ccsaps.org](https://www.ccsaps.org). Under About Us, click Member Directory. The Username is [ccsaps](https://www.ccsaps.org).

**THE BUOYS NEWSLETTER** is our award-winning monthly newsletter and primary means of communication. We encourage you to read it thoroughly. On the inside of the cover is a list of current officers and how to reach them. Of special interest will be announcements of future educational classes, including start date, location, instructor and cost. Watch for this information in the SEO's report. In addition, announcements and reservation forms for on-the-water and other social events, as well as volunteer opportunities, are included to help you plan participation in the Squadron's upcoming activities.

The Editor is always looking for newsworthy articles, so please write and submit any you think may be of interest to the squadron. The deadline for submission to the Buoy is the Monday after the monthly dinner meeting.

**THE ENSIGN NEWSLETTER** is a quarterly publication of USPS, sent to all members via email.

**WEBSITES** The website for CCSAPS is [www.ccsaps.org](http://www.ccsaps.org) Our website is mobile optimized for easy reading on smart phones and tablets, as well as desktops. It is a wealth of information about what's happening and what we are all about. Need another member's contact information? Look under About Us, Member Directory. Need to know when the next fishing group meeting is? Open the calendar on the front page. Want to look something up in the Buoys? It's right there at the touch of a button.

The website for USPS is [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org). This website is enormous and offers much valuable information. Some is available to the public through the America's Boating Club and America's Boating Channel sections. Other parts are for members only. So, hang onto your E number and PIN. You will need them to access these parts. Depending on your role in the Squadron, you may need to get to some of the member-only parts.

**FACEBOOK** If you are a Facebook user, you can Like us from the website [www.ccsaps.org](http://www.ccsaps.org) or by searching Facebook for "ccsaps" or "America's Boating Club Cape Coral". Follow us to get the latest posts, pics and updates. You may also like to join the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron Fishing Group on Facebook.

**ABBREVIATIONS** Every organization has its own language, or code, right? We are no exception. As you become involved and engaged in the activities of the squadron, you will hear or see a number of abbreviations that you may not have seen before. Some of the more common ones are listed here. Surely there are more, so we have provided space here for you to record them as they present themselves.

Ranks	Cdr – Commander Lt/C – Lieutenant Commander Lt – Lieutenant P/C – Past Commander	Found before the name of an officer or appointed assistant
Grades	S – Seaman P – Pilot AP – Advanced Pilot JN – Junior Navigator N – Navigator SN – Senior Navigator	Indicates the highest level of education completed. Follows the name of the person.  Also used to refer to the course, i.e. on a calendar
Groups	C & R – Cruise and Rendezvous Weekenders – Weekend Boaters Weekdayers – Weekday Boaters Co-op Charting – Co-operative Charting	

Misc.	VSC – Vessel Safety Check ATON – Aids to Navigation ABC – America’s Boating Course MM – Merit Mark OTW – On the water	
Organizational	USPS – United States Power Squadrons CCSAPS – Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron D22 – District 22	CCSAPS is in District 22 of USPS

**APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES** are available for purchase. Our Ship’s Store carries a variety of charts and flags (ensigns and burgees) for purchase through the Squadron office. For CCSAPS apparel, we use a local company, Proamar America Corp. located at 1113 SE 47th Terrace, Unit 2, Cape Coral. Go in, check out the great shirts and hats, tell the owner which embroidery you would like, and pick up your new apparel in a few days. The website is <https://emprintpac.com/> or contact the owner directly: Cell: 786 406 9857, Business: 239 205 5967, or email: [elamberti@emprintpac.com](mailto:elamberti@emprintpac.com) USPS merchandise is available through [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org)

**NAMETAGS** may be ordered for \$9 using the form in this packet. They are plastic and magnetic, and the default style is white with the America’s Boating Club logo. Alternatively, you may order a black one with the CCSAPS burgee by so noting on the order form.

**DAN BOATER** worldwide travel safety benefits are now available to members through a partnership between United States Power Squadrons, America's Boating Club, DAN Boater. Beginning in January 2020, all current members and their families are eligible for a host of valuable safety resources designed to help you when you travel — whether it's by boat, plane, car or rail. From 24/7 assistance with serious medical emergencies, to simple questions about travel-related health issues, professional help will be just a phone call away.

Your new benefits will include a 24/7 emergency hotline, medical information line, worldwide medical evacuation, medical repatriation, search and rescue expenses and other travel assistance services. Get full details including updated opt-out information at [danboater.org/abc](http://danboater.org/abc).

When renewing your annual membership online, you can choose to continue these valuable travel safety benefits as part of your individual or family membership for only \$25 per year or decline them at checkout.



## EDUCATION

It makes sense to get involved in our boating education! One of the best ways to have an enjoyable boating experience is to “know before you go”. The primary goal of CCSAPS is to promote safe boating, and an educated boater is a safer boater. CCSAPS provides many skill building opportunities to the general public through a variety of courses, seminars, and marine-related guides. Some courses are designed to be taken in a prescribed sequence, while others are elective and can be taken in any order. Our instructors are certified and use modern instructional techniques.

### OUR EDUCATIONAL COURSES (Prescribed Sequence)

AMERICA’S BOATING COURSE (ABC)	This is the basic public course available to everybody in the District 16 area. Passing the boating exam is necessary to qualify for membership. We can always use your help in proctoring or teaching the boating course.
SEAMANSHIP	Seamanship is the first of the Advanced Grades courses for members only. The course covers boat handling, knots, splicing and working rope; as well as Rules of the Road, trim and stability, docking, anchoring, towing, marine emergencies, living aboard, etc.
PILOTING	Piloting follows Seamanship and introduces you to safe navigation of your boat. It teaches dead reckoning positioning by calculating time, distance and speed and includes charting a position by taking bearings. It also includes compass use and how to plot and label estimated positions and fixes.
ADVANCED PILOTING	Advanced Piloting picks up where Piloting leaves off with review of compass use, chart work, plotting courses, and determining position using bearings. It also covers danger angles, tides and tide tables, current prediction, and piloting in currents.
JUNIOR NAVIGATION	Junior Navigation introduces offshore plotting techniques using celestial navigation, time, the nautical almanac, heavenly bodies, and the sextant.
NAVIGATION	Last of the Advanced Grades, Navigation will supplement, extend and deepen your knowledge of celestial navigation, teach you three methods of sight calculation and link navigational concepts of time, compass, movements of sun, moon, planets and stars. All of this incorporates simple arithmetic that you use every day.

## ELECTIVE COURSES (No Prescribed Sequence)

CRUISE PLANNING	Cruise Planning is a broad ranging course covering all aspects of planning. Whether organizing an overnighiter or the extended offshore cruise of your dreams, you will be prepared.
ENGINE MAINTENANCE	Engine Maintenance helps you foresee mechanical troubles and pinpoints them if they do happen. It covers operating principals, maintenance and repair of gas and diesel engines, cooling, lubrication and fuel systems, plus clutches, shafts, props, and common-sense safety measures.
INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT	ID has less to do with boating than any other USPS course. ID shows you how to be a better teacher and to organize your thoughts for any kind of public speaking.
MARINE ELECTRONICS	Don't wait! Suppliers are turning out more and better electronic equipment than ever before. Marine Electronics will give you an understanding of depth sounders, radio telephones, radar, loran, GPS, plus proper wiring, etc. It is better to learn about them in a classroom than at sea on a dark and stormy night!
SAIL	Sail provides valuable information about handling, piloting, anchoring, mooring, docking, stability, and true and apparent wind. It also covers rigs, hulls, sailing theory, Rules of the Road, and points of sailing.
WEATHER	Where will you ever find a better lab than our beautiful area for studying classic weather patterns? Learn to read the weather and interpret cloud formations and sequences, make observations while afloat, and prepare to deal with the unexpected. Be a weather expert on land or sea.

## COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

What you, and the community get out of membership can give a lot of enjoyment and satisfaction. Your enthusiasm and your involvement will have a lot to do with the degree of your enjoyment and satisfaction.

There are several committees and volunteer opportunities within the Squadron. Some jobs involve a one-time commitment. Others involve an ongoing effort. Major committees and their chairs are listed in the Buoys newsletter. Take a look. You'll get more fun out of your Squadron membership if you participate in a committee, and the Squadron will benefit. Please select one or more areas that interest you and contact the committee chair to volunteer your help.

AMATEUR RADIO	The Squadron has a ham radio station. Interested members can become certified operators and communicate with people all over the world. This service could be one of the only means of communication in the event of a disaster.
ASSISTANTS	Assistants are appointed by the Commander, to augment his/her service to the squadron. They carry out special assignments and contribute special skills or knowledge of USPS and squadron procedures.
AUDITING	The Auditing Committee audits the Treasurer's records and verifies the financial status of the Squadron. A bookkeeping background is helpful.
BOAT SHOW	The Executive Officer recruits members to man exhibit booths at boat shows and greet show visitors to promote public Boating Courses. This is a great place to serve and meet new people.
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	Since our Squadron owns the headquarters building, maintenance is regularly needed. This committee is for you if you are a handyman (or woman), painter, plumber, contractor, electrician, etc. We do as much work ourselves as we can, but when we need to call in an outside contractor, we need help gathering and reviewing bids and overseeing work.
CHAPLAIN	The Chaplain offers prayers at Squadron meetings and ceremonies.
COOPERATIVE CHARTING	Any member can share in this fine civic service. Report damaged, missing or deteriorating navigational aids, marine features that disagree with chart data, changes in landmarks, etc.
CRUISE AND RENDEZVOUS	This is a fun committee! If you like to check out those good food-and-drink sites at nautical destinations, plan and promote good times, shop for door prizes or handle tickets, join this congenial group. If that is not for you, share in the cruises and rendezvous anyway --- a great way to participate in the fun-loving element!
ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE	If you have a flair for showmanship or booking talent, THROWING PARTIES or organizing games, sign up for this committee!
FACEBOOK MONITORING	Our Squadron has a Facebook page. This committee posts events and safe boating tips, advertises classes, and monitors the site. If you are a regular Facebook user, why not sign up for this committee? The time commitment is minimal, one week per month.

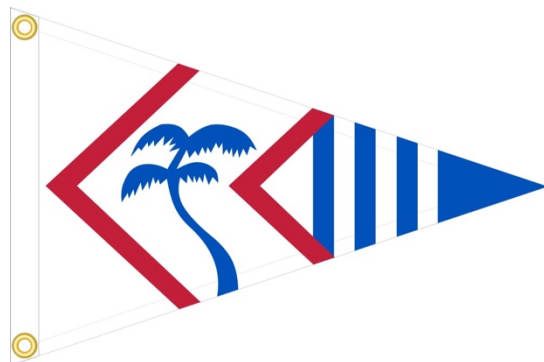
FARMERS MARKET	We have a booth at the Farmers Market behind the Squadron every Saturday where we talk about the squadron, recruit people into our boating classes, sell charts, hand out free material and recruit new members. If you like to interact with people, this is for you.
BUDGET AND FINANCE	The Budget and Finance Committee team works closely with Treasurer, as well as other Bridge Officers and the Executive Committee to plan the Squadron's financial year. This is a good way for finance-oriented people to help.
FLAG LIEUTENANT	The Flag Lieutenant is appointed to assist the Commander with a variety of details. He/she is responsible for the display of flags at Squadron functions.
HISTORIAN	The Historian prepares an annual history report and records Bridge and committee officers, Past Commanders, members serving District 22 and USPS, Education Department achievements, special awards given or received, cruises, other social events, and other significant items.
KITCHEN CREW	This group of dedicated volunteers keeps our kitchen clean and up to health department standards. It does not require a large time commitment, and the group always has fun!
MEMBER INVOLVEMENT	The Member Involvement Committee insures that new members understand how the Squadron works and encourages members and leaders to welcome new members at Squadron functions. They help new members navigate the organization, and stimulate member interest and participation in the work and functions of CCSAPS and USPS.
MEMBERSHIP	The Membership Committee is responsible for membership growth. They work closely with the SEO in recruiting new members from America's Boating Course graduates and processing their applications. They work closely with the Member Involvement Committee to make sure that new members have the opportunity to participate.
MERIT MARKS	Every member is encouraged to earn an annual Merit Mark through Squadron volunteer activities. Squadron leaders and committee chairs collect data about individual members' service and make sure each member gets full credit for his or her efforts.
NOMINATING	The Nominating Committee weighs qualifications of members being considered for elective officers. They select and recommend candidates for nomination.

OPERATIONS TRAINING	A program to train members on the organizational structure and procedures of USPS, District 22 and CCSAPS. This program is helpful training for officers, committee chairpersons, or anyone thinking of moving into a leadership role.
PORT CAPTAIN	Any USPS member arriving or passing through the Cape Coral area will get answers to most questions about local boating by calling our Port Captain.
PUBLICATIONS	The Squadron's monthly publication needs news-writers, reporters, editorial artists, and other assistance. This is a great spot for would-be journalists.
PUBLIC RELATIONS	The Public Relations Officer deals with every aspect of external promotion -- media news releases, posters and flyers, merchant-paid ads, and public events. Heavy emphasis is placed on promotion of boating courses for the public. This is a primary factor in obtaining new members. If you have a promotional flair, join in!
RULES	The Rules Committee prepares wording of bylaws and rules and recommends new bylaws or changes to maintain conformity with the policies of USPS.
SETUP CREW	We rent our facilities to outside groups for meetings, weddings, baby showers, and other special parties, classes and events. Rental of the space includes set up of tables and chairs according to the customer's needs. Crews are assigned set up for a week at a time, several times a year. If you can spare some time to move table and chairs around, you're hired!
SUPPLY OFFICER (SHIPS STORE)	What do you need? If it's authorized by USPS, our Supply Officer has it or can tell you where to get it --- insignia, name tags, burgees and more.
VESSEL SAFETY INSPECTORS	This group of individuals provides a valuable public service by providing free vessel safety checks congruent with US Coast Guard requirements. These checks help ensure that boats have all required safety equipment in good working order. If you join this group you get to meet lots of people AND check out a lot of very cool boats!



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# Small Groups



# ***CRUISE AND RENDEZVOUS (C&R)***

**We are a group with sleep-aboard boats. We take 3-day/2-night trips each month to area marinas. In May, we take a two-week trip staying in four different marinas. We also meet for lunch one Friday per month at a waterfront restaurant, and host three theme dinners per year at the Squadron: Clam, Shrimp and Lobster. We are a busy group! Watch the Buoys for notice of upcoming events.**

**We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 to plan cruises and dinners. Come join the fun! To be added to the mailing list, contact Delores Buhner, [delphi1937@yahoo.com](mailto:delphi1937@yahoo.com)**





# ***WEEKENDERS***

**We are members of the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron who take lunch trips on Saturdays to the various on-the-water restaurants. Our follow-me trips are a great way to learn your boat, the local waters, and practice safe boating.**

**The Weekenders meet on a Monday night to plan their outing the following Saturday. Check the calendar at [ccsaps.org](https://ccsaps.org) for exact dates each month. For questions, call Doug Brenton or Scott Steele. To be added to the mailing list, email us at [ccpsweekenders@aol.com](mailto:ccpsweekenders@aol.com).**





# WEEKDAYERS

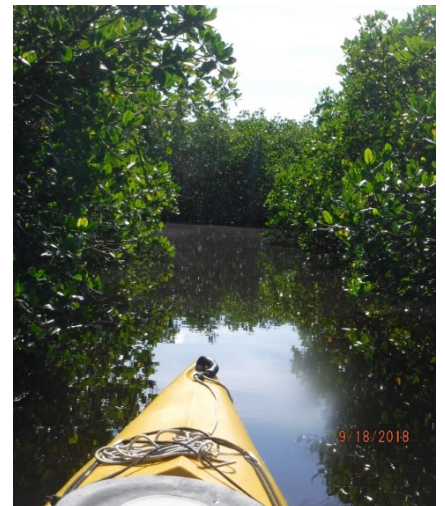
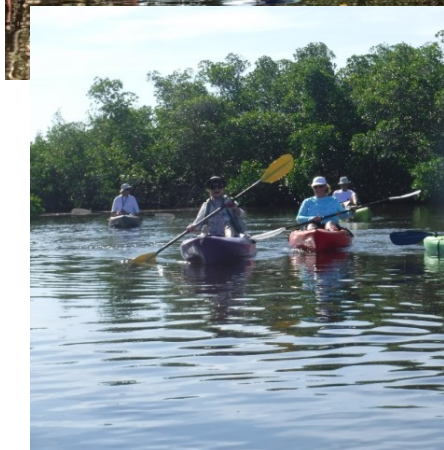
We are the in-season group that goes out on boat adventures just for the fun of it! Operating from December through April, our outings occur any day, Monday through Friday, to avoid the weekend congestion on the water, at the docks and at the venues.

Our adventures have taken us to many great restaurants and through the Franklin Locks. Come and join us for local knowledge and just plain fun. To be added to the mailing list, contact Vern Seaton at [vern@seatonsunrooms.com](mailto:vern@seatonsunrooms.com) or text 519-996-5716.



# KAYAKERS

We are a good natured, fun loving group of paddlers who enjoy gliding through mangroves and along creeks and rivers looking for interesting wildlife. We meet most months on the third Tuesday and drive to a favorite kayak launch where we help each other get settled in the water. With our multi-colored boats, we look like Skittles on the water! We paddle for a while then raft up for a picnic lunch and fun conversation. Then we paddle back to our launch site together. All skill levels are welcome! If you don't own a kayak, you can often rent one. Call Dee Wilzoch at 239-573-1295 and she will put you on the e-mail list.





# ***FISHING GROUP***

**We are anglers who like to gather once a month to share information about what fish are biting, where to find them, and how to catch them. It's a good place to meet other anglers with similar interests. We bring in guest speakers to talk about inshore, offshore and fresh water fishing strategies. Local guides are our regular guests, and they are ready, willing and able to share their vast knowledge of our local waters. We have a Facebook group, as well: go to Facebook and search Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron Fishing Group. We meet at 7:00 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month and our meetings are open to everyone. If you would like to join this group, contact Rob Smith.**



## **Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron**

### **Coop Charting**

**We examine over 800 navigation aids covering 100 miles of channels. The examinations are split into 13 on-the-water surveys of about 3 hours each.**

- **We make sure the aids are where they are supposed to be and are in good repair.**
- **For 2018 improvements we have made include:**
  - **Giving more people a way to participate.**
  - **Introducing valuable tools to participants.**
  - **Giving participants specific responsibilities on surveys.**
  - **Reporting discrepancies directly to those who maintain them.**
  - **Reporting discrepancies to the Coast Guard, who advises boaters on the condition of navigation aids via the *Local Notice to Mariners*.**
  - **Putting classroom training into practice on the water.**
  - **Sharing local knowledge.**
  - **Getting members better acquainted with each other.**
- **You do not need a boat, nor do you need extensive knowledge of boating or the waterways. You can learn with us as you go!**
- **If this interests you, come join us! We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 10AM - Hope to See You Here!**



# ***VESSEL INSPECTIONS***

**Have your boat inspected by a U.S. Coast Guard approved Vessel Examiner for FREE and at your convenience. Vessel Safety Checks include vessel documents, personal flotation devices, emergency equipment, navigation lights, federal and state rules and overall vessel condition. In addition, recommended items such as marine radios, anchor and line, first aid kits, distress signals and other general items are reviewed.**

**Complete a free vessel safety check request card and turn it into the office. An examiner will contact you to schedule an appointment at your convenience. The examiner will come to you, and will inspect your vessel in the water, on a trailer, on a lift, or at a marina. Vessels include power boats, sail boats, paddle boats and personal water craft. Vessels that pass inspection are issued a sticker to display. If you are interested in becoming a vessel examiner, contact Bob Meier, [rmeier5157@yahoo.com](mailto:rmeier5157@yahoo.com)**



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