



DSPS DISTRICT 2

THE TRIDENT

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Peter Kelly

Dear members,

The month of November has been very busy for me. I spent 10 days sailing from Baltimore to Annapolis to Norfolk, VA before entering the IntraCoastal Waterway (ICW). Once in the ICW we traveled from Norfolk thru the VA Cut to Coinjock then into the Albermarle Sound to Roanoke, onto Oriental and Beaufort, NC. It was an interesting trip because of the multiple types of weather we encountered: warm, cold, wet, dry, moderate winds (6 knots), high winds (25+ knots). It was a new adventure and a nice way to close the 2014 sailing season.

On Nov 2nd Michael Tougias presented Rescue of the Bounty to approximately 65 people at the Norwalk YC. It was an exciting tale of the Bounty sinking during super-storm Sandy. A special thanks to Roger Klein for coordinating the speaker and to Minnie Ingardia for handling the food and drink. See a few photos of the event at the end of this newsletter.

Our upcoming speaker on Sunday, Dec 7th will be Ralph Naranjo, a recognized expert in boating (even Dick Woods agrees). Come join us at the Darien Social (10 Center St across from the Darien train station) from 4-6:00 pm. We will combine Ralph Naranjo's "A Gateway to Cruising" presentation with our holiday party so stay and enjoy some food and drinks with your fellow members. Ralph's program is for power boaters and sailors alike. We look forward to seeing you!

We are finalizing dates for 3 additional speakers during this off season. An email and postcard with the dates will be sent out shortly once our January, February and March calendar is finalized. I think you will enjoy the programs that we have planned.

Many of you have received a membership renewal notice from USPS. If you have not paid your dues, please make your payment as soon as possible to remain on our current member list. Renewing your membership is easy. Just go to usps.org/dues with your certificate and invoice numbers or contact Frank Kemp (membership master) fkemp@optonline.net for assistance.

We hope to see you on Dec 7th !



The Bridge

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Upcoming Activities

December 7th, Presentation and Holiday Party at 4pm at Darien Social, 10 Center St

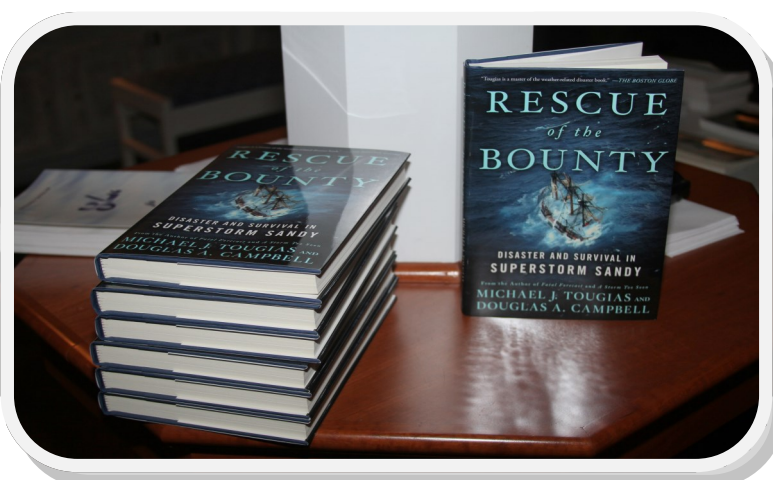
Come hear recognized boating expert **Ralph Naranjo's** five year voyage across three oceans with South Seas highlights including landfalls in Hawaii, Tonga, Fiji and a passage on to New Zealand. Ralph will also share how life aboard became the norm for his family of four. Their track would eventually reach across the Indian Ocean and around the Cape of Good Hope, and five months after departing Cape Town, South Africa they would arrive in Greenport, NY a fitting point to refocus on boating closer to home.

Ralph will explain how to fast track crew skill development and why boat handling is a blend of tried and proven skills augmented by new technology. This is a tale of adventure and preparedness. Please RSVP to Norma Gerwig nagerwig@aol.com by Dec. 1st.

Education - Our plans are to offer Basic Coastal Boating starting in late January/early February and again in late April/early May. We also plan to offer Seamanship (the next class that graduates of Basic Coastal Boating should take) and our Sail course in spring 2015. Dates and locations will be published soon.

See dsps.darien.org/Forms/consortium.pdf for the full list of classes offered.

Speaker Series- January, February, March - We will continue our monthly "off season" speakers to DSPS members. Dates of the presentations are being finalized. We should have these confirmed by our December newsletter.



Clockwise: full house at Norwalk YC for Ed Tougas presentation; Rescue of the Bounty book; Ed Tougas with Roger Klein (event coordinator); Ed Tougas handling questions from the audience.