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D23 NEWSLETTER

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D23 Executive Officer



Greetings from the D23 executive department. As Roy mentioned in his report the New Year is off to a great start. Spring weather is upon us and as I cross the St. Johns River daily I am seeing more and more boating activity. This is an opportunity for us to be good ambassadors of boating safety and offer advice or help. It's also an opportunity for the squadron vessel examiners to not only ensure vessels on the water are safe but to promote United States Power Squadrons through conversation with boat owners during vessel examinations. By the way, have you had your boat examined this year? If not, contact one of your squadron vessel safety examiners.

Upcoming Events:

Mark your calendar and make plans for the D23 picnic May 9, 2015 hosted by the Titusville Sail and Power Squadron. This is a one-day event well worth the travel (even from Jacksonville). This year the Titusville Squadron will be serving breakfast for those helping set up for the event. The event begins with the cardboard boat race and games. Is anyone going to challenge Titusville or Central Florida? Following a fantastic picnic lunch, winners of door prizes and raffle items are announced.

SAFE BOATING WEEK is May 16-22. What has your squadron planned for the week to promote safe boating?

Plans are also being made for a casino cruise August 1st.

More information will be forthcoming. Watch your email and Sail Angle.

P/C Earl Gillespie, D23 "Public Relations Officer received information from Poverty Bay Squadron he wants to share with all boaters. **Kidde is recalling millions of disposable fire extinguishers with plastic valves.** Nearly 5 million Kidde fire extinguishers sold over the past two years are being recalled because a defective valve could cause them to fail when used to put out a fire. You can tell if your fire extinguisher is on the recall list: They are red, white or silver. The recalled extinguishers are either "ABC" or "BC" rated. Those ratings are marked on the right side of the nameplate. The date of manufacture will be between July 23, 2013 and Oct. 15, 2014 and is marked with a 10-digit date code on the side of the cylinder, near the bottom. Digits five through nine represent the day and year of manufacture in DDDYY format. Date codes for recalled units manufactured in 2013 are XXXX 20413 X through XXXX 36513 X and 2014 are XXXX 00114 X through XXXX 28814 X.

A full list of recalled models can be found Consumer Product Safety Commission web site:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/2015/Kidde-Recalls-Disposable-Plastic-Fire-Extinguishers/>

Yours in Safe Boating,

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