

# REPUBLIC OF NANTUCKET COAST GUARD NEWS

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The USCG Woody's Tournament is again off to a slow start. At least fin fish have overtaken new-born babies as the leader, Yes, YN1/SK1 Dan "Cabin Boy" Kelliher is in the driver's seat with 2260 points; BMC Zoll (1995 pts.) and BMC Schichtel (1845 pts.) are close behind. Both Chiefs are calling STA Fort Pierce "home," and they will be too tired after those numerous 0300 hours feedings to do much fin fishing. For a copy of the rules e-mail [recess@nantucket.net](mailto:recess@nantucket.net). CWO4 Rick "Crash" Hersey was presented with his well deserved PITA Award on 20 MAR 02 by his XPO, BMC Mark Mello at an all hands meeting at USCG STA Fort Pierce/ RONCG STA Port Fierce. Along with engraved plaque "Crash" also was presented with an e-mail/picture book documenting this great honor. A few photo-copies of the book are available from [recess@nantucket.net](mailto:recess@nantucket.net). The "Crash" handle has nothing to do with the USCG - think skiing! Admirable Commodore Kathy bought a walking machine (treadmill) a month or so ago, and when last heard from she was passing Hackensack, NJ, heading south. Today she was seen climbing Heartbreak Hill in the Boston Marathon. Oh dear!

The Army MP's providing security at Nantucket Memorial Airport have been extended to 31 MAY 02, but rumors have been flying about. One is that DOT will send in a SWAT Team to replace them, and the latest is that DOT will have a civilian crew replacing them as of 01 JUN 02. I won't mention the housing situation...

A ceremony on 17 MAR 2002 was held to perpetuate a Memorial to the brave Lifesavers who gave their all on 17 MAR 1902, on a lifesaving attempt off Monomoy, Cape Cod. A total of 12 brave souls passed over the great sand bar in the sky. The crew from the Monomoy Lifesaving Station were trying to save the crew from the barge Wadena. MWR has a web site: [www.uscg.mil/hg/g-w/g-wp/l-wpx/](http://www.uscg.mil/hg/g-w/g-wp/l-wpx/). The morale unit, NANTUCKET HOUSE is included.

BMCM Craig Carter is the new OIC of the new USCGC BONITO. Cabin Boy has his new door plaque ready to go but doesn't know where to send it. BMCM Carter was the XPO at STA Moriches in the early '80's.

MCPOCG Ja Good will replace MCPOCG Vince Patton in July; can't wait until she visits the Republic and The Ring Game.

BMC John "Itallion Scallion" Sesta is the new OIC at STA Brunswick, GA. BMC Sesta was XPO on Pt. Turner and ordered overboard by a then E-3 to collect rockweed for a clam bake (he went overboard along with his OIC, an Army Major and an Arizona Judge).

The former USCGC Thunder Bay was within the 200' limit of the Republic Of Nantucket recently and LCDR Jim Andrews, CO, placed second in the Ring Game shoot out. LCDR Andrews did score one point, which is unusual for officers.. Chiefs often score one, or even two points... but still come in second. The T-Bay departed at 1130 hours on &&%^&\*& as Cabin Boy was walking/jogging/running down the wharf with a RONCG hat for LCDR Andrews. Said hat was mailed to LCDR Jim Andrews in care of care of LCDR Jim Andrews, but how was Cabin Boy to know there were two each LCDR Jim Andrews! Dad LCDR Jim Andrews USCG (ret) is now the proud owner of a RONCG hat and t'other LCDR Jim Andrews will get his RONCG hat when Admirable Commodore Kathy and Cabin Boy go down east the first week in May for the pre-pre-retirement party for YNC Izzy Keppner, RONCG, aka YN1 Izzy Keppner, USCG.

BM3 Danielle Fernicola is the new station historian at STA Brant Point. Please send her any pictures, stories, etc. that you may have about STA Brant Point.

BMCS Sheila Lucey, OIC, ANT Woods Hole had her Change of Command on 05 APR 02 at GRU Woods Hole, with about 300 people and others present. YN1/SK1 Dan "Cabin Boy" Kelliher broke security and placed a new door plaque for BMC Janes Bobrich, a native of Wallingford, CT, on his new office door as the ceremony started and placed BMCS Lucey's retired door plaque on her almost retired desk. Cabin Boy was lucky as he didn't get caught or shot, and since he was late for the Ceremony he didn't have a seat. The people who sat down got up with grey streaks across their backs; the chairs had not been dusted!

The first daffodil at BMC Jesse the Dog's headstone bloomed on 07 APR 02, and many more will be in bloom by the Change of Command on 26 APR 02. To all the people who told Cabin Boy that you can't transplant daffodils in the spring (: (; ;

CDR John Dooley, CO, NAVFAC, 1975, at last told Cabin Boy that his computer considered Nantucket.Net as SPAM, and would bounce any messages from same. For many years CDR Dooley thought that Cabin Boy had stolen his flag pole from Gouin Village A-1. Well, the YN1 Steal Keeper didn't have his eye on CDR Dooley's flagpole at Gouin Village A-1 but he did have his eye on the one at NAVFAC. The flagpole at NAVFAC went to the VFW so Cabin Boy grabbed one from Nantucket Memorial Airport.

A long epic came about: Hang down your head John Dooley, Hang down your head and cry, Hang down your head John Dooley, Your flagpole has gone bye, bye..... If any old Navy guys would like a copy, let recess@nantucket.net know. CDR Dooley can be reached at (opps, I can't open my address list at this time, let me know).

The door/desk engraved brass plaque for BMC John Sesta is enroute to STA Brunswick, GA. BMC Sesta will fly his fishin'/catchin' flag from the proper yardarm as required. Chief Sesta is the odds on favorite to win the Woody's Tournament.

BMCS Sheila Lucey arrived on Nantucket yesterday at 1700 hours with her sidekick Shackle. They took a 1.5 hour tour of Nantucket, coast to coast, (read: lost) before arriving at Gouin Village A-1. Today the moving van unloaded multiple boxes of stuff and two US Army friends helped to put things in shape. They reached the point where they needed picture hangers and a stud finder (being PC I went home to find an upright supporting wood finder). I went back with the upright supporting wood finder, and they were all gone. I shortly received a call from Admirable Commodore Kathy that Senior Chief Lucey and her two Army pals were at the Anglers' Club practicing the Ring Game! Practice, practice, practice! You'll never beat me.

If anyone has a HP printer with a grey cord go to [www3.hp.com/home1/](http://www3.hp.com/home1/) for a possible recall and a free replacement cord. *(They replaced two of mine post haste – Jack)*

29 MAR 84: Great Point Lighthouse fell down upon itself in a violent NE storm; as the watchstander, I turned my key back to CAPT Nolan a few days later. CAPT Nolan, you are the greatest!

BMC Jim Bobrich, OIC, ANT Woods Hole is a nice guy, and his wife is a teacher (she is great, one teacher to another). Chief Bobrich has a new door plaque (Heh, heh) and he is a native of Wallingford, CT. While the door plaque was being mounted (who would do that?) everyone sat down at the Change of Command and when Cabin Boy showed up, all the seats were taken, so he stood in the back of the room. When it was all over, everyone that sat down had grey stripes across their backs from the dusty chairs.

Next week, 26 APR 02, BMCS Bob Tallman will retire and pass on the Command of STA Brant Point to BMCS Sheila Lucey. BMCS Lucey is a "student" of BMCM Jack Downey and is one

hellofa young lady. She and her dog "Shackle" are more than welcome at STA Brant Point.  
Fair winds and following seas,

YN1/SK1 Dan "Cabin Boy" Kelliher, USCG (Hon)