

# Full Speed Ahead!

Flotilla 01  
Division 30  
8 Western Rivers 085  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

**- Class time again -  
We've completed one ABS class and  
are in the middle of BS&S course.**



**Rich Hubbard, FSO-PE**



**Classroom discussion**

Gene McCallister and Rich Hubbard discuss the BS&S lesson for the evening with student, Cara.

Our first Boating Skills and Seamanship class began on April 1, 2008. We had eight students enroll, with two more showing up at the next class.



**Study time !**

George Hurlburt and Rich Hubbard were instructors on March 15, 2008 for our first ABS class of the year. We had six students that all passed the final exam and were awarded completion certificates.

## **Smithville Lake water temperature**

When the water temperature is below 60 degrees, Anti-Exposure Suits and Boat Crew Survival Vests shall be worn. Additional protection may be worn at the crewmembers discretion.

When the water temperature is below 50 degrees, Dry Suits with Layer 1 or/and 2 (Bunny Suits) undergarments, Type III PFD and Boat Crew Survival Vests shall be worn.



## **The rabbit goes which way around the tree ?**

The knots and line handling lesson are always the most interesting. Debi Marlott instructs the students how to fasten the bow line to a cleat and tie a bowline knot.

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### **Nautical Trivia Question**

A vessel made fast to the bottom using a single anchor is said to be 'anchored'. If two anchors are used, the boat is said to be \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. hooked
- B. buoyed
- C. moored
- D. warping

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## Upcoming Events

### May 2008

- 3 Raintree Lake VE
- 10 Raintree Lake ABS
- 10 VE Little Platte
- 9-10 DSAR Kimberling City, MO
- 13 Flotilla 30-01 Meeting, Clay Co Annex
- 17 ABS Clay Co Annex
- 17 Bass Pro Fit-to-Float
- 17-23 Nat'l Safe Boating Week

### June 2008

- 10 Flotilla 30-01 Monthly Meeting & Picnic party
- 14 VE Little Platte
- 28-29 KC RiverFest

### July 2008

- 4 July 4 fireworks
- 8 Flotilla 30-01 Meeting, Clay Co Annex
- 12 VE Little Platte
- 15 MO340 Canoe Race
- 19 Amelia Earhart Festival

### August 2008

- 9 VE Little Platte
- 12 Flotilla 30-01 Meeting, Clay Co Annex
- 15-17 Shooter's 21 Lake Ozark
- 21-23 KC Air Show downtown

# National Safe Boating Week Campaign May 17-23



## THERE'S NO REASON NOT TO WEAR IT!

It's too hot! It doesn't look cool. I know how to swim. Nothing is going to happen to me. These are just some of the many reasons people claim that they do not wear their life jackets. But with approximately 700 people drowning each year from recreational boating accidents, it is imperative for you to wear your life jacket at all times while you are on the water. Life jackets are no longer the orange, hot and bulky vests that are commonly associated with on the water safety gear. New innovations and developments in life jackets have produced a smaller, sleeker, and much more comfortable version of a life jacket, leaving you with no reason not to WEAR IT!!

Much like a helmet to a biker or skate boarder, life jackets are an essential part of your boating safety equipment and should be worn at all times while on the water. In 2004, of the 676 recreational boating fatalities, 90% of those victims not wearing their life jackets. Life jackets are now lighter, less obtrusive and more attractive than ever before. The new inflatable life jackets allow you the mobility and flexibility that you need when boating, fishing, paddling or hunting and are much cooler in the warmer weather. There are many different varieties of inflatable jackets ranging from those that inflate instantly when you hit the water to those that are manually inflated. All are designed to be more comfortable and wearable than the traditional life jacket.

Accidents can happen at an alarming speed any place or anytime you are on the water. Although many boaters stow life jackets on their boat, very few choose to wear it. There just isn't time to grab a life jacket and put it on properly before you are in the water. If you are faced with a strong current or unfavorable weather conditions, you will not only have trouble making sure you are safe and secure in your life jacket, but you will be unable to help your friends, relatives, children or passengers that have accompanied you in your boat. Wearing your life jacket will allow you to be safe in case of an accident and will also allow you the ability to assist others that may be in danger

This year during National Safe Boating Week, and throughout the boating season, remember to practice safe and responsible boating, always wear your life jacket, and be alert and aware while on the water. By practicing these simple steps, you can save your life as well as the lives of the people boating with you. Life jackets are now more comfortable and lightweight than ever with many new styles to fit the style you want. Safe boating saves lives so for this year's National Safe Boating Week and throughout the boating season, remember to Boat Smart. Boat Safe. WEAR IT!

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Nautical Trivia Answer: C. moored