

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
ATLANTA



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Barefoot Sailing Club

Who and What is ABCA?

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What is ABCA?

America's Boating Club Atlanta: unit of the United States Power Squadron, a/k/a America's Boating Club; 501(c) 3 non-profit.

ABCA now has about 190 members, including singles and families.

USPS was founded in 1914 to focus on three fundamentals:

- **Self Education**
- **Civic Service**
- **Fraternal Boating Club**



ABC Self Education

CLASSES OFFERED TO PUBLIC ANNUALLY – AMERICA’S BOATING COURSE (our basic “Safe Boating Course” overview)

CLASSES OFFERED PERIODICALLY – (open to members and non-members)

**Boat Handling
Engine Maintenance
Marine Communications
Marine Electrical Systems
Sail
Weather
Instructor Development**

**Marine Navigation
Advanced Navigation
Offshore Navigation
Celestial Navigation
On-The-Water Classes
Cruising & Cruise Planning**



Civic Services

NATIONAL SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

- Vessel Safety Checks
- Co-op Charting
- Boating Safety Seminars (usually to new boaters)

LOCALLY SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES/CHARITIES

- Calvary Children's Home
- Atlanta Ronald Mc Donald House Charities
- Lake Lanier Association



Fraternal Boating Club

HAVING FUN WITH OUR FELLOW BOATERS

Social activities – member meetings

Social activities – on-the-water raft-ups

Social activities – parties and recognition gatherings

Short boating trips (long weekends)

Longer boating trips/charters



COVID-19 IMPACT ON ABCA

No mask or vaccination mandates, to date (members choose for themselves to participate or not)

Many activities changed from in-person to zoom (member meetings and board meetings)

Some activities canceled altogether (boat show, boat excursions like leaf tour)

Some activities held in-person at outside venues

Some activities happened as planned – attendance varied



Civic Service/Outreach



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Lake Lanier Association-- Shore Sweep and Annual Membership Meeting



Socializing and Eating!

We boaters sure know how to eat and be merry! YUM!



MORE Socializing and Eating!



**Specializing in
breakfast, lunch,
dinner, snacks and ...**



Charity Support



Ronald McDonald House, on-site visits and charity auctions, plus Calvary Children's Home youth activities

Join the fun of helping others!



More civic and charity support



On-the-water with the Calvary kids; visiting with the youngsters at Ronald McDonald House



Boating Education

Boating classes, seminars and hands-on



Boating Education

And, yes, sometimes we 'test'



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Boating Education BONUS!



Local members were instrumental in developing the USPS High-tech Boating Simulator as part of a national program of boating education and safety. We use ours at boat shows, safety presentations and community events.

Free Vessel Safety Checks

Got your required – and suggested -- equipment?



Awards and Recognitions



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www.americasboatingclubatlanta.org

**Come join in the fun!
We'd love to have you with us!**

