

Coast Guard Auxiliary

In 1939, United States Coast Guard established a uniformed service called the Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCG AUX). The Boy Scouts of America has a Memorandum of Understanding with the USCG AUX in support of Sea Scouts. Our new Ship is proud to be supported by the USCG Flotilla 24-09, based in Bowie, Maryland.



USCG AUX
Flotilla 24-09
Bowie-Davidsonville

The USCG AUX plays a key role in Sea Scouts, including: training (e.g. first aid, seamanship); vessel safety checks; USCG vessel access; and by providing technical experts and consultants.



Community Partnerships

Our new Sea Scout Ship presents a tremendous community opportunity. There are currently no other active Ships in Annapolis and only four in the Baltimore Area Council (BAC). To capitalize on this opportunity, we seek partnerships with various types of public and private organizations.

Ship Leadership

Youth Leaders

Sea Scout Ships are led by youth leaders, including a *Boatswain*, several *Boatswain's Mates*, a *Purser*, *Yeoman*, and *Crew Leaders*. In addition, Sea Scouts have four advancement ranks, moving from Apprentice Seaman, Ordinary Seaman, Able Seaman, to Quartermaster. Sea Scouts may also earn the rank of Eagle if they earn the BSA rank of First Class prior to joining.

Adult Advisors

Adult Advisors facilitate youth leadership. The *Skipper* is the senior adult advisor, and is supported by two *Mates* (Mate: Program and Mate: Administration), a *Ship Committee*, and a roster of *Technical Advisors*.



2017-2018 National Sea Scout Boatswain,
Mercedes Matlock of Frederick, Maryland

Ship 1959 "Commitment"

Our Sea Scout Ship is numbered 1959, the year the Seafarers Yacht Club was founded, and named "Commitment" in honor of the vessel piloted by Captain William Pinkney during his solo global circumnavigation.

<http://seafarersfoundation.org/seascouts>

Seafarers and Sea Scouts

A Community Partnership



Seafarers Foundation, Inc.

301 Chester Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403
website: www.seafarersfoundation.org

<http://seafarersfoundation.org/seascouts>

What is Sea Scouts?

Sea Scouts is a co-ed scouting program for boys and girls aged 13-21. Founded in 1910 by Lord Baden-Powell, Sea Scouts is an extension of the scouting program. It was adopted by Boy Scouts of America (BSA) in 1912, with a purpose to foster seamanship, citizenship, leadership, personal fitness, and community service. We promote a love of the sea both as a lifelong hobby and a career.

<http://seascout.org>



All other photos are from the BSA Sea Scouts video

For a free Sea Scout Manual, please go to:
<https://seascout.org/manual-resource-center/>

What will you learn in Sea Scouts?

Marine Safety

- First Aid
- Communication
- Aboard Vessels
- Marinas and Docks

Sailing & Navigation

- Charts and Piloting
- Boat Handling
- Weather
- Knots and Lines

Galley Skills

- Meal Planning
- Provisioning
- Fishing
- Cooking

Fellowship & Fun!

- Long Cruises
- Regattas and Racing
- Sailing Competitions
- Travel Opportunities



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Sea Scout Seamanship

"Welcome aboard - to the fun and adventure of Sea Scouts, a program combining the traditions of the past with the technology of the future. Whether you look to the sea for a career or lifelong hobby, Sea Scouts is for you.

The element of water makes Sea Scouts unique. Sea Scout units use a variety of boats, from outboard motorboats to large sailing yachts....

The water is not a place for the unwary, and the Scout motto, 'Be Prepared,' is imperative. The challenge is taking a vessel from point A to point B while being ready for whatever may be encountered along the way." - **Sea Scout Manual**



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Seafarers of Annapolis



In 1959, the Seafarers Yacht Club, Inc. was founded in Annapolis, Maryland (<http://seafarersyc.org/>). It is one of the oldest historically African American yacht clubs in the country. Located in the historic Eastport community, the clubhouse for Seafarers is the former two-room schoolhouse for African Americans in Eastport. In 2008, the Seafarers Foundation, Inc. 501 (c) (3) was formed as the philanthropic arm of the Seafarers Yacht Club. The Seafarers family is organizing a new Sea Scout Ship in Annapolis, chartered with BSA by the Seafarers Foundation. For applications and more information, please go to: <http://seafarersfoundation.org/seascouts>