

THE PERISCOPE

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard news and information since 1942

July 2025

CAPT. JESSE NICE ASSUMES COMMAND



From the Commander

It has been an immense pleasure to serve by your side for the last three years. Even more so, it is humbling and a great honor to now serve you as the 88th Commander of this proud and historic shipyard. Since our founding 225 years ago, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has done great things. In 1814, we built our first ship-of-the-line, USS Washington. During World War II, we built more than one-third of the US submarine fleet, and for the last 70 years, we have served the Nation as the premiere nuclear submarine shipyard.

In today's global environment, our expertise in delivering these apex predators of the deep is needed now, more than ever. Driving safely and rapidly through the availability endgame on USS Asheville (SSN 758) and USS Cheyenne (SSN 773) will take our dedication, expertise, and focus on getting it right the first time. Our submarine force is the tip of the spear in today's Navy. As recently as a couple of weeks ago, a submarine launched multiple Tomahawk missiles into Iran, striking targets at Iranian nuclear facilities in coordination with the B-2 bomber strike.

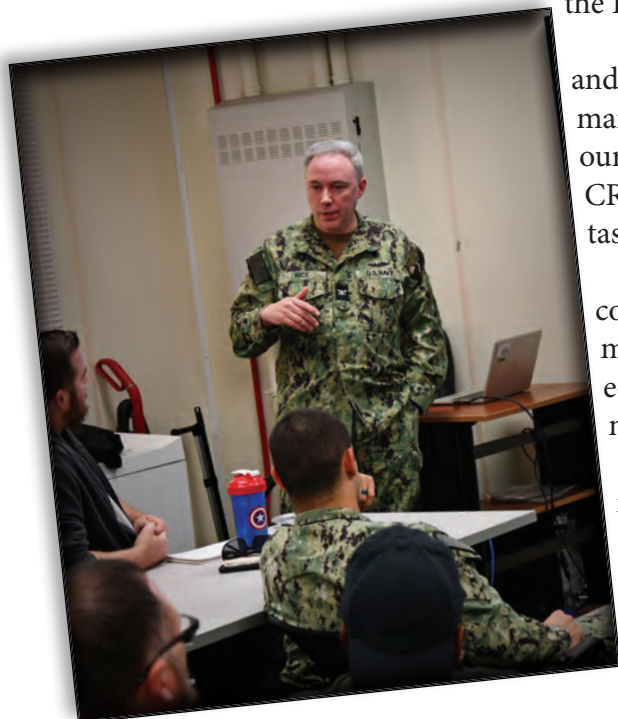
Our ability to rapidly work through roadblocks and achieve first-time quality throughout a maintenance and overhaul availability buys our submariners more time at sea- time that is CRITICAL in order to be ready for immediate tasking, and the fight ahead.

It is my commitment to ensure continuous and consistent communication with you throughout my time in command. Beginning with this first edition of "From the Commander," I will highlight my "top three."

Though I expect these to vary in scope each month, my top three will provide insight into the things that are top-of-mind for me. I will use this opportunity to highlight wins, focus areas, or update on progress of our work.

Our Nation is calling. Only together, can we meet the challenge.

**Captain Jesse Nice,
88th Shipyard Commander**



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Photos by Branden Bourque

From the Bridge: The Commander's Top Three

- ⚓ **Enhancing our emergency preparedness posture-** Our duty to our Sailors, the Public, and our teammates means that we must be able to overcome any adverse situation, at any time, in even the most challenging of circumstances. We have an exercise this month – this is our opportunity to prove to ourselves that we are ready for the fight.
- ⚓ **Asheville and Cheyenne-** We are approaching the final stages of these maintenance availabilities. Our sustained focus on seeing these availabilities through to end will drive our success. Rapidly address issues as they come up, don't wait to be asked! Remember, we are at our best when we band together to get things done, and the time is NOW.
- ⚓ **Know that we are winning-** We have faced obstacles, but we have risen to the challenge EVERY TIME. Despite repairs requiring extra work, the North Dakota team is beating all estimates for those repairs to drive to undocking this year. That same momentum is on the deckplates of Hampton, where the team is on track for a wicked early rip-out completion! Keep charging!

Captain Jesse Nice Assumes Command

Article by Alana Demo

Photos by Branden Bourque and MC1 Oliver



Capt. Jesse Nice assumed command of Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, relieving Capt. Michael Oberdorf, during a Change of Command ceremony held June 13.

In his remarks, Nice expressed appreciation for the opportunity to lead. “It is humbling and a great honor to now stand here before you as the 88th Commander of this proud and historic shipyard,” said Capt. Nice. “From our very founding 225 years ago yesterday, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has done great things. Today, the Nation calls upon us once more to do great things, to deliver our submarines back to the fleet, timely, ready, and deadly against all foes. We rise to meet this challenge, bringing our expertise, ingenuity, and steadfast determination for what is right.”

Capt. Nice reported to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in June 2022 and has since served as production officer, business and strategic planning officer, and most recently as operations officer.

U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan and U.S. Representatives Chris Pappas and Maggie Goodlander were the shipyard’s honored guests. Commander, Naval Submarine Forces Vice Adm. Robert Gaucher served as keynote speaker, and Deputy Commander, Industrial Operations, Naval Sea Systems Command Rear Adm. Scott Brown presided over the ceremony.

Gaucher praised Oberdorf’s leadership while in command of the shipyard. “As Commanding Officer, you built a unit based on taking care of your Sailors, increasing morale, retention, and advancements across your Sailor and civilian workforce,” Gaucher said. “You developed future leaders with enduring characteristics and without a doubt you left a lasting legacy with those you led and

a significant impact on the Navy through your continued leadership.”

Oberdorf reflected on his time in command of PNSY. “When I assumed command 40 months ago, I knew I was stepping into a legacy built on excellence, craftsmanship, and commitment,” said Oberdorf. “As I prepare to step away, I do so with immense pride, deep gratitude, and complete confidence in the future of this shipyard.”

During the ceremony, Brown presented Oberdorf with a Legion of Merit award. “Under Captain Oberdorf’s leadership, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has accomplished a great deal, but more importantly, he and his team have made impactful improvements that have reached beyond the island and are having a positive effect on all four of our naval shipyards.”

Capt. Nice, a native of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1996 as a Nuclear Electrician’s Mate and holds a Masters in Nuclear Engineering. He served aboard three nuclear-powered submarines: USS Kentucky (SSBN 737), USS Michigan (SSGN 727), and USS Henry M. Jackson (SSBN 730). His shore assignments include the Trident Training Facility in Bangor, Washington; an Individual Augmentation tour in Kenya, supporting anti-terrorism operations; and roles at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Yokosuka, Japan, New London, Connecticut, and NAVSEA, Washington, D.C.

As America’s leader for attack submarine maintenance, repair and modernization, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard is enhancing critical warfighting capabilities by safely delivering first-time quality service, on-budget, on time to the fleet.

87th Shipyard Commander

"This is a deeply humbling and emotional moment...

Leading Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has been the honor of a lifetime. I will carry the spirit of this place and its people with me, always."

~ Capt. Michael Oberdorf



88th Shipyard Commander

"Today, the Nation calls upon us once more to do great things, to deliver our submarines back to the fleet, timely, ready, and deadly against all foes. We rise to meet this challenge, bringing our expertise, ingenuity, and steadfast determination for what is right. Here we stand - we can do no other."

~ Capt. Jesse Nice



PNSY HOSTS OFFICER IN CHARGE OF CONSTRUCTION CHANGE OF COMMAND

Article and photo by MC1 Oliver



Captain Kenneth Sowell relieved Capt. Benjamin Wainwright as commander, Officer in Charge of Construction Portsmouth Naval Shipyard during a change of command ceremony held May 28.

Rear Adm. Jorge Cuadros, commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command, Atlantic, and U.S. Fleet Forces Civil Engineer, presided over the ceremony.

Cuadros stressed the importance and magnitude of the level of work being performed at PNSY, including Wainwright's oversight of a multibillion-dollar construction portfolio of critical industrial infrastructure, as part of the Shipyard Infrastructure Optimization Program (SIOP). SIOP is a holistic plan that integrates all infrastructure and industrial plant equipment investments at the Navy's four public shipyards to meet nuclear fleet maintenance requirements, as well as improve Navy maintenance capabilities by expanding shipyard capacity and optimizing shipyard configuration.

"Our public shipyards represent some of the largest projects we've ever taken on as a nation," said Cuadros. "This is not business as usual, and you are not a business-as-usual team. We know what we are building here has a mission, and we are building it to support you, our shipyard partners; to provide you with world-leading shipyard facilities so that, in turn, you are able to keep these platforms ready for war."

Wainwright is the third commanding officer since OICC PNSY stood up in 2021. In his remarks, he emphasized teamwork and the resilience of his team, who never let any challenge keep them from completing the mission at hand.

"As commanding officer, I'm wrapping up a tour that was short in time, but long on complexity and long of the list of command accomplishments," said Wainwright. "The award may be pinned on me, but it represents all the tremendous achievements of the OICC team, which is easy to do when you are surrounded by superstars. On my short watch, you've delivered \$355 million in work in progress projects, we cut the ribbon on a \$98 million waterfront support facility, replaced the Dry Dock 1 East caisson, and made auxiliary seawater environmental upgrades to Dry Dock 2. That's not just execution, that's domination."

Wainwright also underscored the importance of SIOP projects to PNSY and the significant global impact they will have. He next welcomed Sowell.

Sowell thanked those in attendance, those who planned and supported the ceremony, and went on to thank Wainwright for his leadership.

"Thank you, Adm. Cuadros, for your years of mentorship and for entrusting me with this incredible opportunity," said Sowell. "Since 1842, NAVFAC has existed to support the fleet. As Navy Civil Engineer Corps officers, that mission – to support the fleet – is ingrained in us from day one. It's never been more relevant to me than it is here, where our success is so directly linked to the readiness and lethality of the submarine force. OICC will remain steadfastly aligned with your intent and we will deliver for Portsmouth Naval Shipyard."

Sowell, a native of Rolla, Missouri, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1991 and was commissioned as a naval officer through Navy Officer Candidate School in April 2004. Sowell has served in operational, contingency, and shore installation assignments of increasing complexity and responsibility throughout his career as a Navy Civil Engineer Corps Officer.



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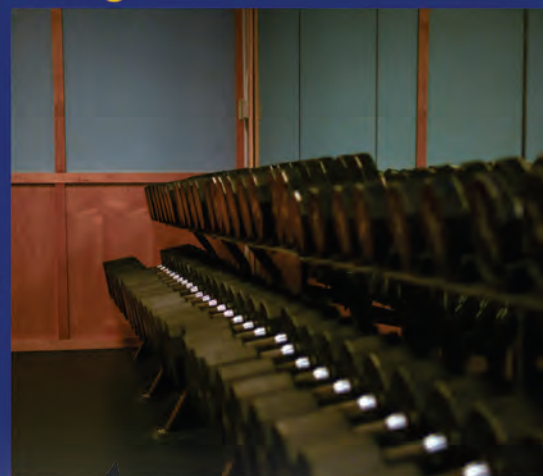
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PROFILE

John Sferes



Article and photo by Neil Boorjian

John Sferes is passionate about his role as Portsmouth Naval Shipyard's fitness director, where he is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations at Fletcher Fitness Center.

Alongside his dedicated team, Sferes focuses on strength and conditioning programming, submitting work orders, and maintaining the equipment maintenance log. His attention to detail and commitment to excellence help ensure the highest standards are upheld while providing a safe and positive environment for individuals on their fitness journey.

Sferes values the variety his job offers. “We provide support, education, training and a variety of programs to assist those who support the mission. This constant exposure to diverse levels of fitness and backgrounds enables me to develop programs on strength and nutrition for the individual,” said Sferes.

As the director, Sferes treats safety as a critical aspect of his job. “Safety is extremely important for me,” said Sferes. “The fitness specialists at FFC have nationally accredited fitness licensees and are certified in CPRAED through the American Red Cross.”

Sferes and his team are focused on the importance of being essential and supporting the fleet's mission to enhance stability, promote security, deter aggression and win any conflict. “We are dedicated to help the men and women of the shipyard stay healthy and fit to ensure mission readiness,” said Sferes.

PROS ON THE MALL



CELEBRATING



OF DELIVERING



Article by Hanna Lanoie
Photos by Branden Bourque

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard held a special PROs on the Mall event June 12, 2025, to recognize significant milestones achieved through the hard work and dedication of the PNSY workforce, including work on USS Cheyenne (SSN 773), USS Hampton (SSN 767), USS Washington (SSN 787), USS Asheville (SSN 758), and the early-delivery of USS Texas (SSN 775). The event coincided with the celebration of 225 years of delivering excellence to the Navy and the Nation.

PNSY's 87th Shipyard Commander Capt. Michael Oberdorf took to the podium to honor the incredible dedication and hard work of all our shipyard workers. "It's an honor to stand here at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on our 225 birthday to celebrate with you all," said Oberdorf. "Portsmouth has served its country in every conflict from [1800] to now, and has done so exceptionally - supporting our Navy and our Nation - ensuring that the Sailors who are put in harms way can come home to their loved ones - by delivering Portsmouth quality."

From decades of craftsmanship to innovative progress, the commitment of the skilled PNSY workforce keeps its legacy strong and its mission sailing forward.



225 YEARS G EXCELLENCE

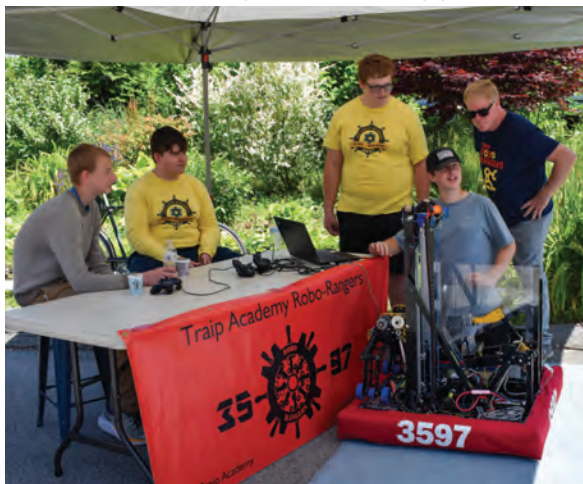


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PNSY's STEM Outreach Joins the Party to Celebrate the 225th Anniversary of the Shipyard

Article by Libby Hite
Photos by Alana Demo



Portsmouth Naval Shipyard STEM Outreach Program brought STEM to life at this year's Kittery Block Party (KBP)! Thousands of local Kittery residents and visitors come together on the third Saturday of June each year to celebrate everything local to Kittery - including Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. As part of three children-focused areas, PNSY STEM Outreach Program led hands-on activities to engage with local youth (and the young at heart!). Volunteers facilitated robotics and building-block activities, giving young minds a chance to get curious and creative.

New to KBP this year was a display celebrating the 225 Birthday and rich history of PNSY. "Advances in technology are a huge part of the shipyard's history," stated shipyard historian Joe Gluckert. "There is an incredible story to tell, and the Kittery Block Party provided a great venue to engage with our local community and show how far the shipyard has come from its early days of shipbuilding to today's mission of submarine overhaul and repair."

This annual event highlights the shipyard's strong community partnerships. Holly Curtis, local business owner and chair of the KBP planning committee stated, "The PNSY STEM area is always a crowd favorite, especially for my own kids. We appreciate the volunteers who make this day possible and bring the joy through enriching STEM activities!"



Let's Talk

Command Conversations

Article by Alana Demo

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Every Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. , in the National Association of Superintendents (NAS) conference room, in building 22, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard employees can attend a series called Command Conversations.

Developed by NAS and Command University, Command Conversations focuses on improving PNSY through fostering a deeper understanding of Portsmouth PRO's history, the Declaration of Excellence, and the shipyard's core values.

"The immediate impact of Command Conversations is to increase awareness and understanding of the challenges across departments," said Lifting and Handling Department Director Ricky Powers. "Each session also aims to reinforce the importance of our work by highlighting PNSY's impact on the Navy's mission. Longer term, the series aims to cultivate personal commitments which will result in shipyard improvement."

This series, facilitated primarily by NAS was created to enhance communication with the workforce. It aims to proactively strengthen lines of communication between shipyard leadership and the workforce to develop a more collaborative and cohesive relationship to identify and resolve challenges as a team, resulting in a better working environment.

This opportunity provides insight into how the workforce's essential work to the overall mission fits into the landscape of PNSY, its rich history, and its alignment with the Navy's values. The series also provides an opportunity for the workforce to provide feedback that can assist in making their work more efficient and safe in order to focus on getting the Navy's nuclear-powered attack submarines back out into the fleet with first-time quality.

These weekly sessions are open to all shipyard employees.





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AWARDS

During the month of May, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard issued 1,935 awards:

1,637

On The Spot Awards

101

Time Off Awards

39

Special Act Awards

154

Special Act Awards for Qualifications

4

Safety Awards

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

During the month of May, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard issued 47 disciplinary actions including:

Non-Bargaining Unit Employees (Supervisors)

2
2

Letters of Reprimand

Suspension (14 days or less)

Bargaining Unit Employees (Non-Supervisors)

11
27
5

Letters of Reprimand

Suspensions (14 Days or fewer)

Terminations/ Removals

Shaping the Future of PNSY: Clearing Henderson's Point

Article by Joe Gluckert

In the early 20th century, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard began to take on a new role. As America expanded its influence on the global stage, the U.S. Navy needed more robust facilities to support its growing fleet. Portsmouth responded by making key infrastructure improvements, one of the most important being the removal of Henderson's Point.

Located on the western edge of Seavey Island, Henderson's Point had long been a navigational hazard. Named after William Henderson, who settled there in the early 1700s, the rocky ledge jutted into the Piscataqua River and created difficult passage for larger ships. As battleships grew in size, the Navy recognized that removing the point was essential.

The removal process officially began August 1902 and continued for nine years. The Massachusetts Contracting Company oversaw the work, which at times involved up to 300 laborers. It was a dangerous and complex operation. The crew drilled lift holes as deep as 80 feet—some of the deepest ever attempted at the time, and used more than 200 tons of dynamite over the course of the project.

The most dramatic moment came on July 22, 1905, when a single detonation involving 50 tons of dynamite leveled the bulk of the ledge. Residents of Portsmouth and Kittery watched the event from nearby islands and shorelines. The next day, the New York Times ran the headline, "50 Tons of Dynamite Destroy Wicked Ledge."

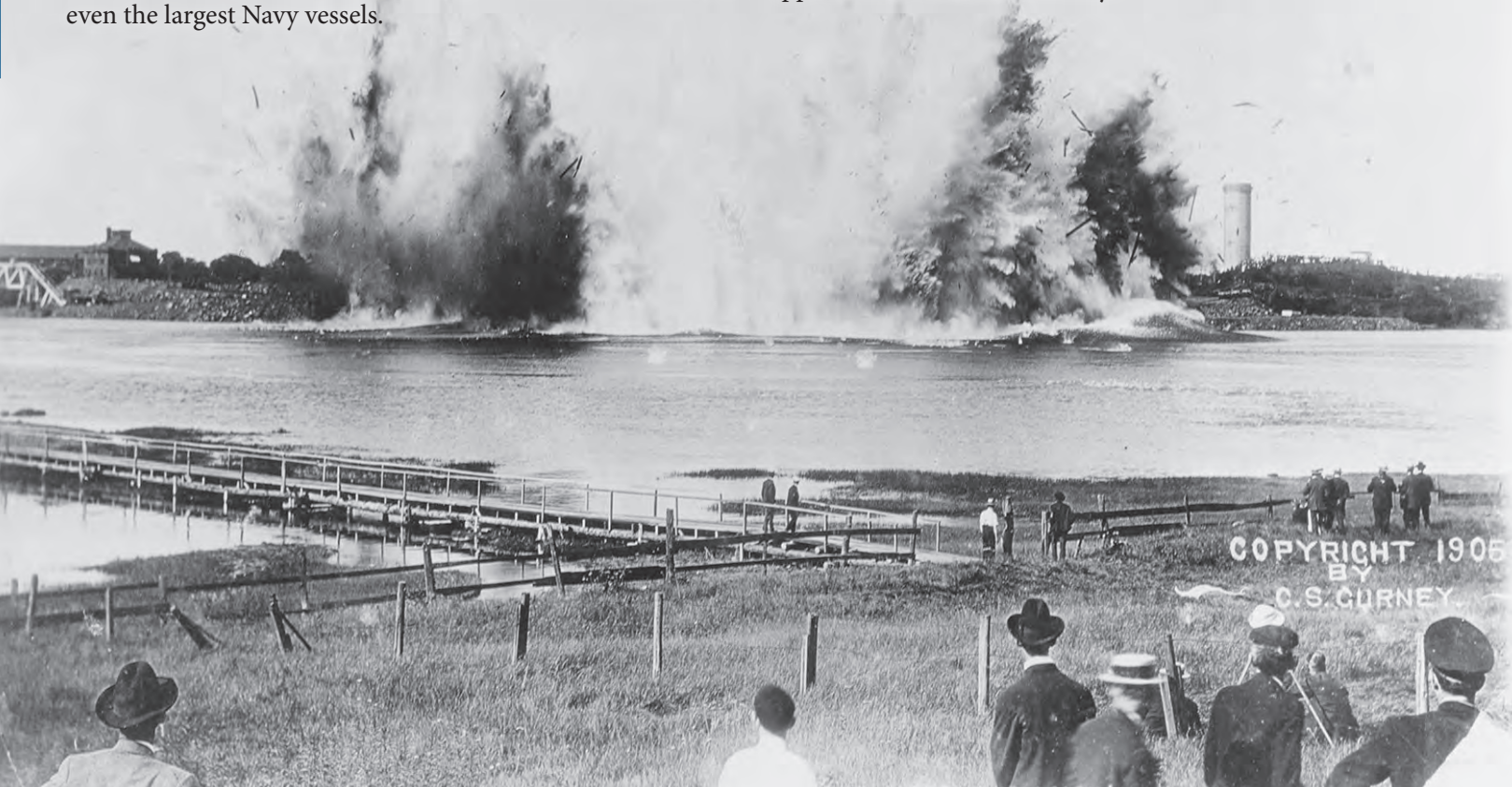
The explosion successfully removed the point, leaving a clean line with the edge of Seavey Island. Dredging crews followed, clearing away the debris and widening the channel by 350 feet. Once complete, the passage had a uniform depth of 35 feet at mean low tide, allowing for easier navigation by even the largest Navy vessels.

The project also brought other changes to the area. Prior to the removal of Henderson's Point, Quarters S—a structure that had served as a light station—was relocated from the southern tip of the point to a new position on Seavey Island. In addition, rock and soil

removed from the ledge were used to expand the shipyard's land area, adding more than 25 acres to the southern shoreline.

The work concluded on August 10, 1911, with a final cost estimated at \$850,000. Two workers lost their lives during the nine year effort, a reminder of the risks involved in such large-scale engineering projects. Divers also played a key role, assisting with underwater operations throughout the job.

The removal of Henderson's Point marked a turning point for PNSY. With improved access and expanded facilities, the shipyard was better prepared to meet the demands of a modern Navy. Today, shipyard workers and guests interested in this history can explore more at the PNSY Heritage Center, which is open every Thursday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and by appointment on other weekdays.



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Sanford/Wells - DELISLE VANPOOL: Sanford seats available, non-smoking 15-passenger van, M-F 0700-1530. Biddeford/Wells Park & Ride seats available, non-smoking 12-passenger van, M-F 0700-1530. Vans are very dependable, clean, and safe. Out-of-pocket cost: \$0 Call Matt work cell phone (207) 468-5280, personal cell (207) 289-8556.

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Sanford/Springvale/Berwick - COUSENS VANPOOL: 1st shift, comfortable, new 15-passenger van. Non-smoking. TIP participant. Space available, contact Mike: (207) 651-7411.

Sanford/Springvale/points south - TURNER VAN POOL: Arrives 0545 am, departs 1500, 8-hr shift. Contact Herv: cell (207) 432-3779, email herveyturner@gmail.com

Waterboro/Alfred/Sanford/Wells - AB VANPOOL: 1st shift. Clean, comfortable, and reliable. Arrives on yard around 0615. No out-of-pocket expenses for TIP participants once enrolled. For more information, contact Cory: ext. 1442 or (207) 651-1526.

Dover - J.R.'s VANPOOL: 1st shift. Departs from Exit 9 Park & Ride at 0540. Large comfortable van, space available. Contact J.R.: ext. 1123 or (603) 749-1409.

Manchester/Epping - QUEEN CITY AND EPPING VAN POOL: Commute for free, picks up in Manchester and the Epping Park & Ride (Exit 7, Rt-101) First shift (0630-1530). 15-passenger van. No smoking or out-of-pocket costs, fees covered by TIP program. Call or text Pete, cell (603) 505-5508, home (732) 397-0429.

Wells/Sanford/Alfred/Waterboro - SLICK VANPOOL: 15-passenger van looking for riders. For more info call or text: Jack Howard (207) 251-9292.

Springvale/Sanford/Wells - KGR RIDESHARE: 1st shift. Rt. 109 to Rt. 95, flexible stops. 10 passenger limit in 15-passenger van, never overcrowded. No out-of-pocket cost for commuters participating in TIP. Openings available. Contact Michael: (207) 651-2712 or soccergod007@yahoo.com for more info.

Rochester/Somersworth/Dover - PLATT VANPOOL: 1st shift 4/10s, 0600-1630. Main pickups are Rochester Park & Ride and Tuckers off Exit 9 in Dover/ Somersworth. Route starts from Parsonsfield, ME; Newfield, ME; and Wakefield, NH; so if you are in the north country, call for details. Contact John Platt ext. 2912; text or call (603) 923-3979; email jpe.john@gmail.com.

Rochester/ East Rochester - COPPS TRANSPORTATION 1st Shift 0630-1500. Leaving out of Rochester, stops in East Rochester and Lowes. Arrive on yard 0550, home by 1545. No out-of-pocket cost. Call Jesse: 207-451-0973.

Saco/Biddeford/Wells - WISE MAN TRANSPORTATION: 10-hour days, 0600-1630, 5 days a week, non-smoking, 25-passenger limo bus from the Park & Rides with no out-of-pocket fee after TIP reimbursement. Pick up **Saco-0450**,

Biddeford-0457, Kennebunk-0505, Wells-0515 arrive at shipyard-0545. 2nd bus running 8-hour shift, 0630-1500, in a non-smoking 32-passenger bus with no out-of-pocket fee if signed up on TIP. Pick up at Park & Rides **Saco-0520** and **Biddeford-0530**. Contact Brad: ext. 1228, (207) 219-2474 or nascardriver_39@hotmail.com

Shapleigh/Sanford/Wells - TRIPLE C&K TRANSPORT: 1st shift. Participates in the Transportation Incentive Program (TIP). No out-of-pocket expense for riders once enrolled in TIP. For more information contact Darrell: (207) 752-7886.

Sanford/Lebanon/Berwick/South Berwick - SPR TRANSPORTATION: 15-passenger van working 10-hour shifts (0600-1630) free with TIP. Contact Rich (207) 608-3906

Hooksett/Candia/Epping/Exeter - CAPITAL CITY TRANSPORTATION: Commute for FREE with TIP debit card, servicing I-93, exit 11 and Rt. 101, exits 7 & 11, 1st shift (0600-1500) no overcrowding, 15-passenger van with bench seats, non-smoking. For more information call, text or on Facebook - Jeff (603) 682-6124.

Springvale/Sanford/Wells - FROMMIES FREIGHT LLC: 15-passenger van, 8-hour work days 0600 to 1430. Clean, comfortable and reliable. No out-of-pocket expenses once enrolled in TIPS program. Contact Mike: 207-608-9964 and/or frommiesfreightllc@gmail.com.

Springvale/Sanford/Wells - DAVID BOMBARO TRANSPORTATION: 1ST shift. Departs Springvale Public Library 0505, Guerrero Maya (formerly Back Street Grill) 0515, Wells Park 'n Ride 0530. Will pick up anywhere along Rt. 109. No more than 2 riders per seat. Nothing out of pocket when registered with the TIP. Seats available. Call or text David: 207-210-2626

Shapleigh/Springvale/Sanford/South Berwick - S.S. TRANSPORTATION: 1st Shift. 15-passenger van. 1st pickup at Pine Springs, Shapleigh 0445; Boonies 0500; foot of Mousam 0506; stops at Springvale Courthouse, Sanford Hannaford, Mardens, North Berwick Hannaford, South Berwick Town Hall. Contact Shawn (207) 459-9536.

Southern NH/Berwick/Kittery - COAST Bus Public Transit Bus System - First arrival Gate 1 is at 0600, then 45 minutes past the hour every hour from 0745-2045. TIP-registered. Contact: COASTBUS.ORG, or call/text (603) 743-5777.

For more commuter information or information on the TIP, check out the 'Rides and Riders' section under the Resources tab on the PNS Intranet or contact the TIP coordinator at ext. 1586, or via email: PNS_TIPS@us.navy.mil

For posting, removing, or editing vanpool ads, email: submit_periscope@navy.mil



Transit Service to PNSY from Sanford, Springvale, and Wells

York County Community Action Corporation (YCCAC), in partnership with Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission, has received grant funding for a new transit service from MaineDOT Workforce Transportation Pilot Program.

This new weekday transit service is based on recommendations from the ongoing Joint Land Use Study effort that has been supported by Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (PNSY) and the town of Kittery. The transit service will serve workers commuting from Sanford, Springvale, and Wells, Maine, to PNSY for 0600-1430 and 0630-1500 shifts.

This is a 'worker-driver' program. YCCAC will employ interested shipyard workers as part-time drivers. The service is registered with the shipyard's Transportation Incentive Program (TIP) for eligible employees.

Any PNSY employees who live in the Sanford, Springvale, or Wells, Maine, area who are interested in exploring this new service should contact Kim Engel at 207-459-2928 or kim.engel@yccac.org.

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