

Contact Information

To read (and see) more on the TSPS and its activities, visit <http://www.tspjapan.org>

Email addresses for the following officers are also available from the TSPS website:

- Commander (general inquiries)
- Membership Chairman (applications)
- Chief Instructor (Class 1 & 2 license)
- Education Officer (all courses)
- Mail List Manager (announcements)
- Japanese Liaison

Tokyo Area Sailing & Boating Waters



Annual Spring Rendezvous
in Misaki



Nippon Cup races

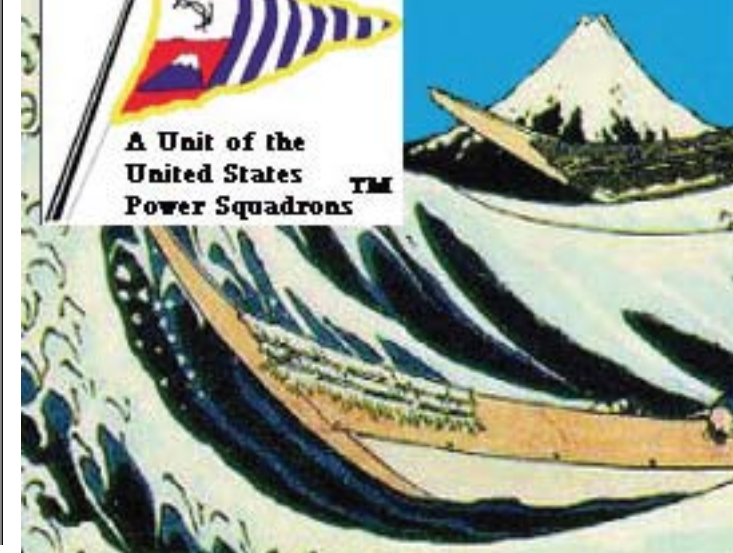
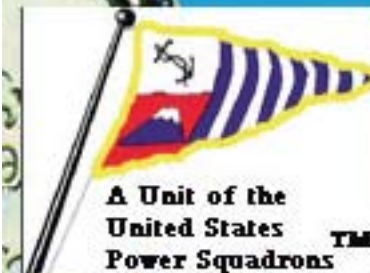
Tokyo-area sailing is blessed with generally mild weather through most of the year, infrequent fog, moderate tides and currents, and warm seas from early summer to late fall. Winds are generally good-to-strong and seas moderate when no typhoons are in the vicinity. However, brisk winds and changeable weather are always a possibility, so smart seamanship and good safety practices are *always* your best insurance!



Favorite boating destinations include Oshima, Atami, Shimoda, Tateyama, and Hota. Key marinas are Yumenoshima, Yokohama Bayside Marina, Seabornia, Hayama, and Enoshima.

TOKYO SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

Over Half a Century
of Safe Boating
Made Fun



Who We Are

The Tokyo Sail & Power Squadron is the Tokyo branch of the United States Power Squadrons, the leading nonprofit organization dedicated to recreational boating and safety. USPS teaches boating safety courses to the general public, as well as a wide variety of maritime navigation and skill courses to its own members. The TSPS has been a reliable source of English-language information on boating and sailing in Japan for over half a century.

Illustrious Members!



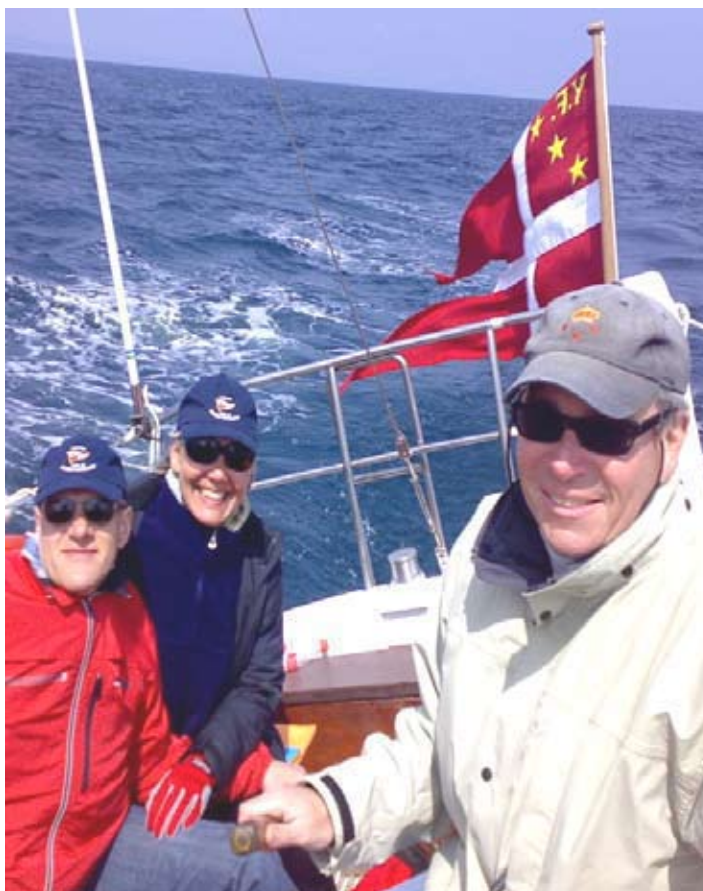
TSPS member Saito Minoru, shown on arrival back in Japan after his record-setting 7th single-handed circumnavigation of the globe, in 2005. Awarded the Cruising Club of America's 2006 Blue Water Medal and inducted into the Museum of Yachting's Single-handed Sailing Hall of Fame in Newport, R.I., Saito san holds special classes from time to time. Currently, he's planning his 8th voyage, with TSPS members' support.

What We Do

- * Public boating safety courses for new boaters or others wanting to brush up their knowledge of maritime rules and safety measures
- * Japanese Class 1 & 2 Boat License test preparation courses in English. This license is necessary for operation of small powered watercraft in Japan, including cruisers and sailboats with engines.
- * Monthly and annual boating-related Events & Activities
- * Networking with Japanese and expatriate sailors

Who Can Join?

Anyone in Japan with an interest in safe (and fun) sailing or motorboating. Potential members can be of any nationality and should understand English. After you join, sign up for one of our excellent boating courses and get involved with a great group of people. So, if you want to get into boating in Japan, now you know how...contact us today and then haul out the sunscreen!



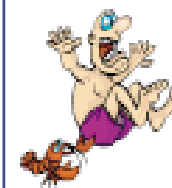
Want to Learn More?

Contact one of our officers or come visit with us every first Wednesday of the month at our monthly Keelhaul, where our members and non-member friends and associates meet to relax and talk about boating. Locations change, so ask to be placed on the "Friends of TSPS" email announcements list. (<http://www.tspsjapan.org>)

COURSE OFFERINGS

These member courses are available on a study-at-home basis, and may be offered as scheduled classes when demand warrants.	Advanced Grades	Elective Courses
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seamanship• Piloting• Advanced Piloting• Junior Navigation• Senior Navigation• Instructor Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cruise Planning• Engine Maintenance• Instructor Qualification• Marine Electronics• Sail 101 & 102• Weather

TSPS ACTIVITIES



On-The-Water

- Boating education
- Weekend cruises
- Race participation
- Crew networking
- Nippon Cup Match race assistance

Social & Other

- Monthly Keelhaul
- Spring Rendezvous
- TSPS Beach Party
- Receptions
- Special events
- Annual dinner

About the Japan Class 1 & 2 Watercraft Operator's License

The Japan Class 2 License for watercraft operation allows a skipper to pilot up to a 20-ton vessel up to 5 nautical miles offshore. A Class 1 License allows the same size vessel to go over 5 nm off-shore

The tests to obtain the license are managed by the Japan Marine Recreational Association (JMRA) and are held in English in Tokyo Approximately twice each year.

The Class 2 examination process consists of a written exam and a practical on-the-water exam consisting of carrying out a safety inspection and then maneuvering a motorboat.

TSPS offers English-language manuals and classroom instruction to pass the English version of the written test. We also provide a one-day on-the-water training course to help students prepare for the practical test.

We also direct you through the registration procedure, and will supply forms, etc. for you to submit, according to the timetable announced by JMRA.

JMRA often gives relatively short notice before offering the test in English. We recommend that you join our "TSPS Friends" mailing list to receive announcements on course availability, as well as our other functions open to non-members.

To join the TSPS Friends mailing list contact the TSPS Maillist Manager at canadayj@gol.com