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Commander's Message



Cdr Hans Meier, JN

way point and August was another great month. At the general meeting one of our own, Mary

My watch is really moving quickly. I am at the half

Stegall, put on a CPR demo and update on what we need to do. It was really great. She also offered to teach a CPR class in the fall at the Heiskell

School in our Monday night class schedule. Watch for more information on

I was also able to present one of my Lighthouse awards to Bob Leathers for all his service to my year. In addition, I presented small handmade awards to the captains of the boats that went on the Tennessee Trip: Ed Troncalli, "Sea Deck", James Dennison, "Knots"; Glenn LaBoda, "Melee", and Paul Marsal, "Uptick". Without their boats and their skill the trip would not have happened. It was a great trip and it was a lot of fun. At Saturday's [28 Aug] raftup we saw videos of the trip taken by James Dennison. James hooked up his video camera to a TV in Kevin Schoonover's boat "JAV Team" and we had a floating movie theater... no popcorn, but the show was great.

On Saturday 28 August we had another great raft-up organized by Doug and Patti Watson. The theme was the "50's." A number of watercraft came decked out for that theme and the music was right on the theme.

Patricia Price and David Crumbley had "Jamaica Lieu" decked out with records hanging from the lifelines, shrouds, stays and cabin. They were also dressed up, Patti in a Poodle Skirt and David looking like a "Grease" star.

Then came Nan Putnam on her PWC dressed in long white gloves, large navy hat with lace and a boa around her neck...a fine lady of the 50's.

Everyone is having a great time at these events and if I did my numbers right, we had 14 watercraft with over 25 people along with four deer that joined us for about 20 minutes. (Did I not say the Watson's pick a great nature location?)

Well, I look forward to seeing everyone at classes this Fall, which start 13 September. If you have not already done so, please sign up on the web so Kevin will know how many books to order.

The rest of the year looks like it will be packed with interesting and fun-filled events. The Dennison's, James and Janet, will be hosting our Annual Chili Cook-off at their home on 20 November, and word on the water is that there might even be a wine tasting at this event (I wonder if that will help attendance). The Holiday Party is scheduled at the Founder Club in Roswell on 18 December (mark your calendars!). This event will include our silent auction similar to last year.

Our squadron Secretary, Frank Taylor will be giving a presentation on the Panama Canal at the General meeting on 16 September. Don't miss this opportunity. Finally, another raft-up is planned for 18 September.

Remember the Power of one and bring a friend to these events. Thanks to all the members that have brought guests so far this year. See you at the events!



Respectfully,

Hans Meier

Cover photo: A shrimper on the ICW. Photo by Lisa Herndon

Squadron Happenings

CPR FUNDAMENTALS REVIEWED AT AUGUST MEETING

ASPS Member Mary Stegall was guest speaker at the August meeting. Bringing her nursing expertise to the membership, she gave a useful and informative presentation on the basics of CPR.

The ABCs of CPR are: Airway; Breathing; Compressions.

One hand is placed on the forehead to tilt the head back with two fingers under the jaw.

- 1) Check the airway to make sure it is clear the tongue is not back in throat
- 2) Listen for air exchange, look for breathing movements, don't worry about trying to find a pulse. If breathing is not readily apparent, pinch the victim's nose closed, administer two breaths; reassess look for movement; do this for 4 cycles. If no movement...
- 3) Administer 15 compressions to the chest, just above the sternum
- 4) Repeat 2 & 3 until help arrives.
- 5) For an adult over 8 yrs of age, the pattern is 2 breaths followed by 15 compressions; for a baby up to 8 yrs: 2 breaths, then 5 compressions.

Mary has graciously offered to conduct a CPR certification class at the Heiskell School. Look for details in the near future.

ROCKIN' AND ROLLIN' ON THE LAKE

Boaters were rockin' and rollin' on the lake on Saturday, 28 August, and it wasn't just because of rough waters. The Atlanta Squadron got

Happy Daze: Dave "The Fonz" Crumbley and Patti "Poodle Girl" Price aboard Jamaica Lieu

together in a cove near Van Pugh Park for "The Great 50s, Let's Rock and Roll" raft-up. A total of fourteen boats were part of the raft-up at one time or another throughout the afternoon.

Notable arrivals were Lts Dave Crumbley and Patti Price as a totally groovy 50's couple in motorcycle jacket and poodle skirt, and Lt Nan Putnam in her bathing suit accessorized with a boa and long white gloves. Never has a PWC looked so elegant!

There was the usual smorgasbord of delectable hors d'oeuvres. A highlight of the afternoon was James Dennison's videos of the Tennessee River cruise.



Nan Putnasm, the Belle of the Ball

Relaxing on board and in the water: l to r at table-Margie Tompkins, Sharon Meier. Eric and Mary Harrs





Mary Harrs, Tim Tyson, Jim Jordan, Carol Jordan and guests

Squadron Happenings

CELEBRATE DISTRICT 17'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY IN NASHVILLE 22-24 OCTOBER

from Dixie District News, Fall 2004

The Music City Power Squadron is getting ready for a party, and you need to be there to join in the festivities. There are many special things planned. Here are just a few:

- A commemorative quilt to be raffled off at the conference.
- Warren Kirbo, a local artist, will have detailed pen-and-ink drawings of ships that have some significance to the squadrons of D/17. He will be there to demonstrate his art and to display pieces for sale. He also does custom work, so this might be the time to commission a Christmas gift for your favorite captain.
- Speakers on Saturday afternoon will discuss building a boat, getting a boat ready to sell, detailing a boat, places to get parts for your boat, GPS units and how to use them, narrow boating in England, and the Great Loop Trip.
- There will be an Operations Training program and a session with information and instruction about the new Piloting and Advanced Piloting courses.
- Saturday evening's entertainment will feature Barry Coggins, who has opened for Ray Charles and Willie Nelson, and who performs regularly at the Courtyard Café in Nashville. Barry has several CDs out. He is quite a wonderful song writer and singer. You are in for a treat Saturday night.
- Chief Commander Les Johnson will be the honored guest. It is quite a privilege to have the Chief, especially since this is his second visit to a conference hosted by Music City.
- A Ship's Store will be open, so if you need a new tie, belt, set
 of shoulder boards or a gift for someone, they will be available
 for purchase.
- Each squadron will have its scrapbooks on display, and some Fiftieth Anniversary contests are planned.
- And there will be some surprises! The only way you will be in on the surprises is to be there!

Put this event on your calendar now! Registration information for the hotel and for the meals is found elsewhere in this newsletter. The deadline for both meal and hotel reservations is 17 October. See you in Nashville!

The Embassy Suites Hotel always gives wonderful service and great food. Reservations can be made at the Embassy Suites Hotel for the D/17 Fall Conference by phone, fax or online. Phone and fax numbers are listed below. The hotel can be reached on line at **embassysuitesnashville.com** using the group code **MCP**. The rooms are \$109 a night. All rooms are suites, a full, hot breakfast is included, and there is a free happy hour each evening. The hotel that is near the airport, the interstate, OprylandHotel, and Opry Mills Mall. Please make your reservations early. This conference has a lot to offer, and a big turn-out is expected.

Embassy Suites Hotel Nashville – Airport/Opryland Area 10 Century Boulevard Nashville, TN 37214-3675 (615) 871-0033, Fax: (615) 883-9245

DISTRICT 17 FALL COUNCIL & CONFERENCE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

Friday, 22 October - Uniform: Blazer, tie optional

1400-1800 Registration—Hotel Lobby

Ship's Store—Ballroom Lobby

1730-1830 Social Hour – Hotel Lobby

1830-2000 Dinner – Kentucky/Mississippi Ballroom

2000- District Conference

-Call to Order D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Welcome Ed Carter, TWRA

-Commanders' Reports D/Lt/C Marshall

Herron, SN

-Recess Conference D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

Saturday, 23 October - Uniform F

0800-1000 Registration – Hotel Lobby

0800-1300 Ship's Store – Ballroom Lobby

0800-0900 Breakout Sessions

-Commanders, Executive Officers Carolina Room

-Administrative officers Georgia Room -Secretaries, Treasurers Alabama Room

-SEO's Arkansas Room

0915-0945 District Council Meeting Carolina Room

-Call to Order D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Roll Call D/Lt/C Fred Thompson, AP

-Approval Of Minutes D/Lt/C Fred Thompson, Ap

-Old Business D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-New Business D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Announcements From the Council

-Adjournment D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

0950- District Conference Reconvenes Carolina Room

-Call to Order D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Presentation of Colors Music City Power Squadron

-Pledge of Allegiance Music City Power Squadron

-USPS Pledge Music City Power Squadron

-Invocation P/D/C Norm Oien, AP

-Opening Remarks & Introductions D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Roll Call D/Lt/C Fred Thompson, AP

-Approval of Minutes D/Lt/C Fred Thompson, AP

-Chief Commander's Message: C/C G. Leslie Johnson, SN

-Treasurer's Report D/Lt/C Janis Owen, JN

-Secretary's Report D/Lt/C Fred Thompson, AP

-Admin's Report D/Lt/C Tom Carey, SN

-DEO's Report & Education Awards P/D/C Jack Cook, SN

-XO's Report D/Lt/C Marshall Herron, SN

-D/C's Report D/C Glenn Cowham, SN

-Committee Reports Planning, Audit and Nominations

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Squadron Happenings

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- -Unfinished Business
- -New Business
- -Announcements
- -Retire Colors
- -Adjourn

1300-1600 See Attached Schedule of afternoon Seminars

1730-1830 Social Hour – Hotel Lobby – Uniform A

1830-2000 Dinner – Kentucky/Mississippi/Tennessee Rooms

2030- Entertainment with Barry Coggins and Friends After the entertainment there will be a drawing for the commemorative quilt and door prizes. There is also a special surprise for everyone, so don't leave early!

Sunday, 24 October

0900 N Club Meeting 0900 District Bridge Meeting

Time	Arkansas Room	Alabama Georgia Room Room		Carolina Room
1315-1400	The Great Loop Bob Duthie	GPS Info & Demo West Marine	begins at 1300 hrs Operations	Got Parts? Michael Swinea
1400-1415	Break	Break	Training	Break
1415-1500	Narrow Boats in England Tom Hudson	New P and AP Courses Jack Cook	Tom Carey Bobby George Eddie Lazaris	Building a Boat Dale Hamilton
1500-1515	Break	Break	Lazaris	Break
1515-1600	Detailing a Boat Mike Majka	Selling Your Boat Dorman Burtch		

???SEPTEMBER PUZZLER???

My wife asked me to teach her to play poker. I patiently explained to her the ranking of the cards, what made a straight, what made a flush, and the rank order of winning hands: high card, a pair, two pairs, three-of-a-kind, etc. She listed carefully, made some notes, and said, "Let's play a game to see if I've learned anything." She spread out all the cards face up on the table. She said, "Each of us will pick five cards and see who wins."

"That's silly," I said. "We'll both pick a royal flush and we'll always tie."

"Oh, there's one more thing," she added. "After we both choose 5 cards, we can then discard any or all of them and choose up to five more."

"We'll still end up tied," I argued.

"I don't think so," she said confidently. "I'll pick first."

She was right, I was wrong. What cards did she choose first to ensure she would always have the winning hand?

Fifty Years and Countin	g!
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District 17 Fall Conference 22-24 October 2004 Embassy Suites Hotel, 10 Century Blvd. Nashville, TN 37214 (615) 871-0033

Name	Spouse	
Street Address		
City, State, ZIP		
Home phone		
E-mail address		
Friday night dinner Caesar salad, with a choice of Roast pork loin encrusted w Sliced London broil with and hair and onion rings Carrot cake		piced angel
Number pork loin @ \$26 e	ach	\$
Number London broil @ \$2	26 each	\$
Saturday night dinner (with entertainment by Barry Coc Citrus salad, with a choice of Breast of chicken topped wi shrimp in a roasted garlic cr Prime rib au jus with horsers Chocolate cake with raspberry s	th julienne vegetables eam and pesto sauce adish sauce	•
Number breast of chicken	@ \$36 each	\$
Number prime rib @ \$36 e	ach	\$
Total enclosed for meals		\$
Make checks payable to: Music Please send this form and check		

Mt. Juliet, TN 37122



From the Bridge



Lt/C Kevin Schoonover, AP, Education Officer

EDUCATION UPDATE

by Lt/C Kevin Schoonover, AP

Fall Classes – SIGN-UP NOW!!!!!

It's amazing how time flies, especially when it's summer. With the approach of September, we should all be thinking about what USPS classes we want to sign-up for this fall. This season's selection, beginning 13 September at the Heiskell School, includes Seamanship, Advanced

Piloting, Navigation, and Engine Maintenance. I am sure there is something here for everyone, so please sign-up now and reserve your seat, even though it may be small, in our next semester of boating classes.

New Engine Maintenance Instructor!

I would like to announce that Bob Leathers, AP, has accepted the position as Engine Maintenance Instructor/Coordinator. Bob has been a member of the squadron since 1980 and has accumulated 23 merit marks. He is also a past District Commander.

Bob is eager to get going and wants to see a full classroom of excited students when classes begin on 13 September. Engine Maintenance is an excellent Elective Grade course with much practical information. The course will also be using all new curriculum just developed by National. A review of the material looks great! Sign-Up Now!!! (Am I starting to sound like a broken record??)

Boat Smart Begins with a New Format

Yes, all the planning and course development work is complete and we are ready to begin the new format Boat Smart program. Beginning 13 September, Boat Smart will be offered every Monday night that we have classes at the Heiskell School. There will no longer be any good excuses for not being able to attend since students are permitted to attend as many and as often as they like. This new semi self-directed format will provide greater flexibility to our potential students and future members. Make sure you tell all your friends about the New Boat Smart! And the good news is they don't even have to sign-up, just show up!



Lt/C Frank Taylor, P Secretary

From the Secretary: Check Your Roster Entry

Please check your listing in the roster and send all corrections to Lt/C Frank Taylor at frank.taylor@boatfanatics.com, or 770-843-2494. Please identify any errors or missing info,



Lt/C Jeff Wise, N Executive Officer



Lt/C Margaret Sherrod, JN Administrative Officer



Lt/C Sheryl Laboda, S Treasurer



Lt/C Frank Taylor, P Secretary



Lt/C Kevin Schoonover, AP Education Officer

???AUGUST PUZZLER Answer???

Puzzler: In the Podunk Power Squadron, there are 14 power boaters and 8 sailors. Of those members, 5 are women, and half are on the ExComm. Of these 14, only 2 are both female ExComm members, neither of whom are sailors. If 6 power boaters are men and not on the ExComm, and 3 sailors are on the ExComm, how many power boaters are women? How many sailors are men and not on the ExComm?

Answer: 2 power boaters are women and 2 sailors are men not on the ExComm.

Given:

14 power boaters + 8 sailors = 22 total members

5 members are women

half the members are on the $ExComm => 22 \times 0.5 = 11 ExComm$ members 6 power boaters are men not on the ExComm =>

8 power boaters are women or men on the ExComm

2 are female power boaters (not sailors) on the ExComm

3 sailors are on the ExComm => 11 total ExComm -3 sailors on ExComm

= 8 power boaters on ExComm

If there are 8 power boaters are on the ExComm, and if 2 of these are women, then there must be 6 male power boaters on the ExComm. That means that the power boaters consist of 6 male power boaters not on the ExComm (given) + 6 male power boaters on the ExComm + 2 female power boaters on the ExComm. Since there are only 14 total power boaters, the 2 female power boaters on the ExComm represent all of the female power boaters in the squadron.

There are 14 members who are women and on the ExComm. That means 8 members (22-14) who are men not on the ExComm. It is given that 6 men are power boaters not on the ExComm. Thus, 8 total men not on ExComm – 6 male power boaters not on ExComm = 2 male sailors not on ExComm.



USPS EVENTS: SEPT 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Labor Day	7	8 USPS Natl Gov Brd	9 Ex- Comm Meeting	10	11
12	13 Fall classes begin	14	15	16 Gen'l Mem- bers Meeting	17	18 Raft- up
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

General Membership Meeting at the Foghorn Grill, 3230 Medlock Bridge Rd, Norcross, GA

ExComm Meetings at the Hickory House, 5490 Chamblee-Dunwoody, Rd, Dunwoody, GA

USPS EVENTS: OCT 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Ex- Comm Meeting	15	16 Okto- berfest Raft-up
17	18	19	20	21 Gen'l Members Meeting	22 D17 Fall Conf	23 D17 Fall Conf
24/31 D17 Fall Conf	25	26	27	28	29	30



Life on the Water

A BOATER'S BLESSING

... from Days of Yore

May there always be water under your boat,

May she always be seaworthy and ever afloat,

May your bilge pump work all night and all day,

May your compass and charts always show the safe way,

May you find gentle harbor as every day ends,

May you lower your anchor amidst peace and good friends.

. . from Nowadays

May your outdrive be saved after hitting that rock,

May your bow be rebuilt after ramming your dock,

May you find your new watch that fell overboard,

May your neighbor quit stealing your shore power cord,

May Lysol mask the musty smell in your berth,

May you someday owe less than the boat is worth!!!

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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

According to Boat U. S., the ten most popular names for boats this year are:

1. Happy Hours

- 6. Summer Wind
- 2. Carpe Diem
- 7. Aquaholic
- 3. Reel Time
- 8. Serenity
- 4. Sea Biscuit
- 9. No Worries
- 5. Freedom
- 10. Mental Floss

ANYONE FOR "CRUISE PLANNING"?

Just a few questions for a simple review. The following questions relate to emergency situations. Answers can be found at the end of the quiz.

the :

- 1. If a person is washed overboard, in heavy seas, his chances of being recovered are the best if
 - A. He is a swimmer.
 - B. Has a loud voice.
 - C. Has a strobe light and whistle attached to a life jacket.
 - D. Can float on his back.
- 2. A basketball thrown overboard in 6 to 10 foot seas will be visible for
 - A. 10 minutes.
 - B. 5 minutes.
 - C. 3 to 5 waves away
 - D. 15 waves away.
- 3. If it becomes necessary to perform overboard repair, what is the *most* important precaution to take?
 - A. Assign one person to watch the overboard crew member at all times.
 - B. Limit the time the crew member remains in the water.
 - C. Wear a wet suit.
 - D. Properly secure the person in the water by a tether attached to a harness or a line around the waist.
- 4. One of the greatest dangers in abandoning ship is. . .

- A. Forgetting food.
- B. Forgetting water.
- C. Forgetting navigation equipment.
- D. Losing the life raft.
- 5. To stop a kerosene stove fire. .
 - A. Throw water on it.
 - B. Shut off the fuel and smother the fire.
 - C. Throw the stove overboard.
 - D. Throw the fuel tank overboard.
- 6. If you run hard aground, you should first. .
 - A. Check the bilge for water.
 - B. Take down the sails.
 - C. Try to motor off.
 - D. Call for help.
 - E. Take doen your power squadron burgee and/or ensign

Answers: 1. C.; 2. C.; 3. D; 4. D.; 5. B, 6. A.

FACES AND PLACES FAVORITES FROM THE FILES

Waterlog issues sometimes get so full that many pictures have to be left out. In this issue, we are including some opportunities to review



The squadron helps tie up the Quintessence at Fernandina Harbor Marina



Captains discuss proper raft-up techniques at the Beach Party



Life on the Water

FACES AND PLACES FAVORITES FROM THE FILES

Continued



Nan Putnam adds floral accents to the Beach Party



Sheryl and Glenn LaBoda at Euchee



Lisa Herndon, Margaret Sherrod, Nan Putnam, Dave Herndon, Genie Troncalli, Hans Meier, Ed Troncalli, Glenn LaBoda and Faith Olsen entertain their Knoxville colleagues with Rocky Top"



Cdr Hans Meier provides service with a smile to Frank Taylor, Mary and Eric Harrs and Doug Watson



Off into the sunset



Cumberland Island adventurers: Danny and Margie Tompkins, Tim Tyson, Ed and Genie Troncalli, Roger Bernot, Doug Watson, Margaret Bernot, Paul Marsal, Carol Jordan, Bob Ginsberg, Patti Watson, Kevin Schoonover, Sheryl and Glenn LaBoda



Afterthoughts

I'm not sure how this happened, but I discovered last week that summer is over. I promised myself I'd pay attention this year and not miss an entire season as happened to me in the past. Somehow though, the long, lazy, golden days of summer have flown by like a thunderboat going past our cruiser.

The realization really hit home a couple of weeks ago when I was moving my youngest daughter into her dorm room to begin her freshman year. I was standing outside the dorm trying to catch my breath after lugging most of her earthly possessions up ten flights of stairs to her room on the third floor. (They apparently use a different numbering system in North Carolina—third floor rooms are actually five floors up, and there was no elevator. I thought I was going to die...but I digress.)

As I stood there under a maple tree, a leaf fell onto my shoulder. The leaf was a beautiful composite of fall colors with reddish edges fading to orange, then to yellow and finally to green in the center.

It will be only a few weeks until all the tress look like that, and another season will have passed.

This has been a great season for us: the ICW and Tennessee River cruises, the raft-ups, the evenings we anchored out and watched the sun set. These memories are primarily what define the passage of time for us. It's not the routine events and stresses of life and work that mark the seasons in our minds, but the pleasures of being on the water with family and friends.

To me, that's the difference in a boat owner and a boater. A boat owner owns a boat, but a boater depends on the boat as an integral part of his or her life.

From one boater to another: Happy Fall Boating!

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