

PREVAILING WIND NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDERS MESSAGE

by Cdr. Joe McDonough, P

The Governing board of the US Power Squadron will be held at the Sheraton in Greensboro, NC 17 SEP 2011 at 0900.

Cardboard Boat Race is on the 17 SEP Starting at 8 A. M. over around noon. We will have a booth primarily manned by Mike and Nancy Hall; anyone wishing to participate please let either John or I know.

We have several classes that will increase your boating knowledge, check the website for dates and locations.

Boating safety quiz:

www.boatingsidekicks.com/kidsknow/boatquizB.htm



U.S. Power Squadrons, Coast Guard Auxiliary to boost boating safety efforts

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – The U.S. Power Squadrons (USPS) and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will increase their coordinated safety efforts among America's recreational boating community under a new agreement that broadens cooperative efforts in vessel examinations, public affairs and education. The agreement was signed today at the Auxiliary's national conference – NACON 2011 – in Charlotte.



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Recreational boating is one of the most popular outdoors activities in the United States. In 2010 there were nearly 12.5 million registered boats, with many millions more that are not required to be registered by states or the U.S. Coast Guard. That same year, the Coast Guard recorded more than 4,600 accidents involving 672 deaths, 3,153 injuries and approximately \$35.5 million in property damage. The majority of these accidents happened on boats operated by individuals who had received no boating education.

The U.S. Power Squadrons and the Coast Guard Auxiliary are committed to changing this reality through increased boater education, vessel examinations and public boater safety awareness events.

“With this cooperative effort we will reach out to the growing population of recreational boaters providing needed training and vessel exams to keep them safe on the water,” said Jim Vass, Auxiliary National Commodore.

“The USPS is proud to continue our partnership with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary as we continually strive to improve the boating experience for recreational boaters,” noted Frank Dvorak, USPS Chief Commander.

The United States Power Squadrons is the nation’s largest nonprofit recreational boating organization with a presence in all 50 states plus the territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands as well as Japan. There are more than 40,000 members in 400 squadrons and 33 districts worldwide. For more information about the U.S. Power Squadrons visit <http://www.usps.org>

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is the uniformed volunteer component of the United States Coast Guard created by an Act of Congress in 1939. The Auxiliary, America's Volunteer Guardians, supports the Coast Guard in nearly all of the service's missions. For more information about the Coast Guard Auxiliary visit <http://www.cgaux.org>

August Birthdays:

James Bunch on 08/05
David Hutchinson on 08/05
Pam Pennington on 08/13
Art Rowbotham on 08/23

September Birthdays:

Wayne Gunkel on 09/04
Gale Guyer on 09/30
Stephen Jones on 09/02
John Younkens on 09/21



Happy Belated birthday to the August members and Happy Birthday to the September members!!

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A/O Message



by P/C John Valich, P

I hope everyone had a safe and fun Labor Day. We boated, along with Mike & Nancy Hall, Dave and Becky Smith, and Shelby and Arlene Adams to Twin Dolphin Marina for a restful weekend. Ben enjoyed some fishing with Mike, as did Britney, the Adam's granddaughter. Cindy took the kids on a trip through the South Florida Museum, planetarium and aquarium located across from the marina in downtown Bradenton. As always, we spent Saturday afternoon at Council's having a great hamburger and playing some pool.

Just a heads up, Roar and Soar will be coming in November, another concession fundraiser we do with the Winter Haven Nautical Club. Let's hope for good weather. More info will be coming in October.



On Saturday, Aug. 13, 2011, 5 boats and 13 people from the Lakeland Sail and Power Squadron and the Winter Haven Nautical club departed Ed Stone Park, outside Deland, and cruised north on the St. John's River to Acosta Creek Marina in Welaka. LSPS boats were "Awe\$ome Duck" with P/C David Smith and 1st mate Becky, "Mental Floss" with Lt/C John Valich, 1st mate Lt/C Cindy, Ben and Samantha, "Breezin" with Lt. David Hutchinson, 1st mate Susan, and Emily, "Double Nickels" with P/C Mike Hall and 1st mate Lt/C Nancy, WHNC members Greg and Marcy Bryan. The cruise from Ed Stone Park to Welaka was smooth and trouble free. We arrived at Acosta Creek around 1400, tied up, checked in and headed for the cool pool. It was a blistering hot day and the pool felt wonderful! Then came a strong thunderstorm and we all headed for cover. When the weather cleared, we used a previously arranged cab service to take us to dinner at "Shrimps R Us & More" where we enjoyed a decent meal at a reasonable price. On Sunday morning, we pulled away from the dock around 1000 and headed south to Ed Stone Park, loaded the boats and headed to lunch at "Five Guys" in Mt. Dora. We all agreed that we will visit Acosta Creek Marina again. The owners seemed genuinely glad that we had chosen to visit, and the prices were downright reasonable at >\$0.85/lf with a 30 ft. minimum plus \$4.00 for electric for a total of \$31.29 for the night. See you at the next meeting.

P/C Mike Hall, AP

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Education

Lt/C Nancy Hall, P, SEO

Four LSPS members have attained the grade of Seaman recently. They are Emily Hutchinson, David Hutchinson, Frank Dorbert and Wayne Gunkel.

Advanced Piloting class begins 12 September at Old Salt Marine, from 7-9 PM. It is not too late to sign up for this class. Give Mike hall a call.

Our last scheduled ABC one day class will begin 24 September at Kelly Recreation Complex, 404 Imperial Blvd., Lakeland. Help to get the word out and make contact with Nancy Hall to sign up.

We graduated 6 students on 21 August from the ABC class. Welcome to our new 6 month members - Richard and Pat Gathers, Florence Deaner and Stephen Jones.

Past Commander's Message

P/C Dick Littrell, JN

USPS's National Trial Membership has started

On December 1st, 2010, Squadrons were given the option of offering a free 6 months membership to all students who pass the ABC 3 exam. The program applies only to those students who take the ABC course after Dec.1, 2010.

All students who wish to take advantage of this free membership must sign an application form and have their ED-26 (class answer sheet) sent to National by the SEO. As of May 1, 2011, students only have a 30 day window after completing a course to take advantage of the free trial membership.

This is a giant step forward for National to take this bold step in trying to get the membership going in the other direction. This allows a new member to try the Squadron "on" for six months, before he or she makes their first dues payment.

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Events

From 9/1 to 10/30/11

September 2011							October 2011						
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Thursday, September 1

- No Entry

Friday, September 2

- No Entry

Saturday, September 3

- No Entry

Sunday, September 4

- No Entry

Monday, September 5

- All-Day Events
- 9/5 Labor Day

Tuesday, September 6

- No Entry

Wednesday, September 7

- No Entry

Thursday, September 8

- No Entry

Friday, September 9

- No Entry

Saturday, September 10

- Events
- 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM ABC preregistration
Location: Kelly Recreation Complex, Lakeland
Invitees: Lakeland Sail & Power Squadron

Sunday, September 11

- No Entry

Monday, September 12

- Events
- 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, September 13

- Events

- 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Member Meeting
Location: Old Salt Marine, Lakeland, FL

Wednesday, September 14

- No Entry

Thursday, September 15

- Events
- 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM ABC Preregistration
Location: Kelly Recreation Complex, Lakeland, FL
Notes: Preregister for the one day class held on Sept. 24.

Friday, September 16

- No Entry

Saturday, September 17

- Events
- 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM Info Booth – Cardboard Boat Challenge
Location: Lake Hollingsworth, Lakeland, FL
Invitees: Lakeland Sail & Power Squadron
Notes: Info Booth at the Cardboard Boat Challenge

Sunday, September 18

- No Entry

Monday, September 19

- Events
- 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, September 20

- No Entry

Wednesday, September 21

- No Entry

Thursday, September 22

- No Entry

Friday, September 23

- No Entry

Saturday, September 24

- Events

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8:30 AM to 5:30 PM ABC Class
 Location: Kelly Recreation Complex. Lakeland

Sunday, September 25

• No Entry

Monday, September 26

• Events

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, September 27

• Events

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Bridge Meeting
 Location: Old Salt Marine, Lakeland, FL

Wednesday, September 28

• No Entry

Thursday, September 29

• No Entry

Friday, September 30

• No Entry

Saturday, October 1

• No Entry

Sunday, October 2

• No Entry

Monday, October 3

• Events

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, October 4

• No Entry

Wednesday, October 5

• No Entry

Thursday, October 6

• No Entry

Friday, October 7

• All-Day Events

10/7 to 10/9 D 22 Fall Conference – Sarasota Hyatt

Saturday, October 8

• All-Day Events

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Sunday, October 9

• All-Day Events

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Monday, October 10

• All-Day Events

10/10 Columbus Day

• Events

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, October 11

• Events

6:30 PM to 8:00 PM Chili Cook Off , Member Meeting @McDonough's home
 Location: 7530 Gunstock Dr, Lakeland, FL

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Member Meeting
 Location: Old Salt Marine, Lakeland, FL

Wednesday, October 12

• No Entry

Thursday, October 13

• No Entry

Friday, October 14

• No Entry

Saturday, October 15

• No Entry

Sunday, October 16

• No Entry

Monday, October 17

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Tuesday, October 18

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Wednesday, October 19

- No Entry

Thursday, October 20

- No Entry

Friday, October 21

- No Entry

Saturday, October 22

- No Entry

Sunday, October 23

- No Entry

Monday, October 24

- Events

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM Advanced Piloting Course

Tuesday, October 25

- Events

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM Bridge Meeting
Location: Old Salt Marine, Lakeland, FL

Wednesday, October 26

- No Entry

Thursday, October 27

- No Entry

Friday, October 28

- No Entry

Saturday, October 29

- No Entry

Sunday, October 30

- No Entry