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Visit by District 8 Commander Al Furtado, Opportunities to Volunteer, ABC Class September 10, 2 new members, and Save the Date ~ *Cmdr. M. Wohlstein*

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Commander - Cdr Mary Wohlstein, S



HELP WANTED, that's right, Vero Beach Power Squadron needs your help. The VBPS is an all volunteer organization and every member needs to do their part to make the Squadron successful.

THE BAD NEWS: We are 2/3 of the way through 2016 and less than 100 of our 400 members have the required minimum of 10 hours volunteer service to the Squadron to be submitted for a merit mark.



THE GOOD NEWS: There are still plenty of opportunities for you to volunteer to help you achieve your 10 volunteer hours. Volunteers are always needed to set-up, run, assist at the bar, or clean up at the Friday Night Socials (FNS). Several parties are planned for the remainder of the year that need volunteers to run the event. They are Labor Day Picnic on September 5, Halloween Party on October 30, Pork Roast Dinner and VBPS 60th Birthday Party on November 6, and the Casual Christmas Party on December 17.

The 2nd Boys and Girls Fishing Outing of the year is scheduled for November. Volunteers are always needed to provide boats for use in the event, assist on the boats, or assist in preparing lunch for the boys and girls after the event.

The Vero Beach Christmas Land Parade is scheduled for December 3. Volunteers are needed to assist in the planning and decorating of our float in the parade.

Additionally 3 key positions need to be filled by the end of the year:

America's Boating Course (ABC) Program Chair replacing Larry and Judy Lott. As Chair, this member will be the coordinator...organizing and executing 6 ABC training courses during the year. The course has been divided into 5 sections and there is a certified instructor to actually teach each section. The Chair (when certified) may teach as well. For more information on this position, please contact our Squadron Education Officer, Doug Jacoby.

Public Relations Chairman replacing Bob Scully. This position is responsible for all internal and external public relations matters to include local newspapers, Ensign, radio interviews, photographing of events, and public relations reports to the District. For more information on this position please contact Bob Scully or myself.

Webmaster replacing Bob Borelli. This position is responsible for maintaining the VBPS website. For more information on this position please contact Bob Borelli or myself.

The District 8 Fall Conference is scheduled for Friday September 23 to Sunday September 25 at the Embassy Suites in Palm Beach Gardens. All members are encouraged to attend the meeting.



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September

Labor Day Dinner - Monday 5th @ 5PM--Larry & Bonnie Ebstein

America's Boating Course - Saturday 10th @ 9 to 4:30P-- Larry Lott

Executive/General Membership Meeting - Monday 12th @ 6 & 7:30PM-- Mary Wohlstein

Bowling Group at Vero Bowl - Tuesday 13th @ 6:15 PM-- Nora Lichty

Friday night, the VBPS will have a hospitality room, several informative sessions will be held on Saturday morning, the General Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, followed by a buffet dinner on Saturday night. Come for the day or come for the weekend, it is a great place to meet members of other Squadrons in our District.

SAVE THE DATES: The holidays are closer than you think so here are a few dates to put on your calendar now.

VBPS Annual Meeting - Monday December 5 at 7:30pm - the 2017 Bridge will be voted on in this meeting

VBPS Christmas Party at the Vero Beach Yacht Club - Sunday, December 11 at 5:30pm

61st Annual VBPS Change of Watch (COW) at Vero Beach Yacht Club - Sunday, January 15 at 4:30pm - the 2017 Bridge will be sworn in at this event

5th Annual Ladies Luncheon and Fashion Show to benefit the VNA at the Vero Beach Yacht Club - Saturday, February 18 at 11:30am

Please consider volunteering for one of the activities listed above and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your support to the Vero Beach Power Squadron.

We are Vero Beach Proud!

Commander, Mary Wohlstein, S

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Executive Officer - Lt/C Tamara Smith, S



Summer is almost behind us with Fall bringing cooler temperatures for boating enjoyment!

The United States Power Squadron D8 Summer Rendezvous Conference was well attended by Vero Beach with around 10 boats and many others arriving by car, the weekend of July 15-17 at the Hutchinson Island Marriott in Stuart. Golfing, museum tours, shopping, hospitality rooms, dock parties, swimming and dinners were just some of the activities available to members. It was a great time and opportunity to meet members from our neighboring D8 squadrons.



On July 23rd, the Waterway Clean Up was at Riverside Park attended by thirteen members of the Vero Beach Power Squadron. It was amazing the amount of trash and items brought back in the short amount of time. This demonstrates a huge problem our community is faced with on our Indian River waterways!



Pirate Fest was Friday July 29th thru Sunday July 31st. The Vero Beach Power Squadron was solely responsible for one of the beer trucks during the entire event, receiving a salary and tips for our efforts. Many "Thanks" to the thirty three members who committed their time and hard work to make this a very successful event!

Looking ahead, Friday September 23rd thru Sunday September 25th is the District 8 Fall Conference at the Embassy Suites in Palm Beach. Plan to attend one of the many talks and hospitality rooms. Dinner/Entertainment Saturday night arranged by Janet Leh D8 Administrative Officer/ VBPS PC.

Thanks,
Tamara Smith
Executive Officer

Education Officer - Lt/C Douglas Jacoby, AP



Recently we challenged members to achieve a grade rating as a member of the Squadron. To facilitate that, the Education Department has added Advanced Grade Courses this summer. I am happy to report that we have enrolled 11 members for the summer series. Seamanship... 5, Piloting... 5, Junior Navigation...1. This past winter we had 18 members complete courses, so at 11 for the "summer" courses...this is a terrific result.



We begin enrollment for the winter courses in late October... the sign up form will be posted in the Squadron building at that time. You may also enroll by contacting the

Raft-up -Saturday 17th @ 11:30 AM-location TBA -- Hugh Aaron

Book Club Group @ VBVC - Wednesday 21st @ 12:30pm -- Carole Brubaker

District 8 Fall Conference @ Embassy Suites PGA-Fri 23rd to 25th --District Event

Boat "Beach Up" - Saturday 24th-location SL2 @11 AM--Joe Troiano

Ye Olde Frie ds Social - Monday 26th @ 5:30PM- - Nancy Husbands

October

Paddle Group-Sat. 1st-Round Island @ 9AM--Toby Jarman

October Fest-Sunday 9th @ 5PM--a volunteer is needed to host this event--contact Dick Myers.

Executive/General Membership Meeting - Monday 10th @ 6 PM/7:30PM-- Mary Wohlstein

Bowling Group @ Vero Bowl -- Tuesday 11th @ 6:15 PM-- Nora Lichty

Boat Cruise --starting Mon. 17th--Location TBA-- Hugh Aaron

Boat "Beach Up" - Saturday 29th -Location SL2 @11AM--Joe Troiano

Halloween Pot Luck Party- Sunday 30th @ 5 PM--Host TBA

Ye Olde Friends Social - Monday 31st @ 5:30PM-- Kathie Thomas

Boat "Beach-Up" - Sat 30th -Ft. Pierce Inlet @ 11AM--Joe Troiano

Birthdays

September

SEO or ASEO (Jerry Casey)directly during the enrollment period. Stay tuned, we expect a full slate of course offerings.

We are also scheduling four seminars in the October, November months.... How to Use a Chart, Basic Weather, Using GPS and Using VHF/DSC. Each seminar will be two hours in length. Consider signing up later this year... these four seminars are excellent basic topics and are required as part of the qualification for our Boat Operator Certification, Inland Navigator program.

Lastly if you are thinking about the "Squadron Member Grade Challenge", I encourage you to check the USPS HQ website... www.usps.org/eddept/main. Look up the Advance Courses and consider the content, and think of each as a next step to earn a your Grade rating !

Lt/C Douglas Jacoby, AP
Education Officer

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Administration Officer - Lt/C Richard Myers, JN



OK, so what does the Administration officer do? Fair question, when I was asked to be your A.O., I really had no idea of what my responsibilities would be. It turns out that the A.O. position is multi-faceted, with a lot of responsibilities, a lot of directions, obligations, and help. I find myself not worrying too much about anything, this is after all a volunteer position, my pay can't be docked, and sometimes I almost wish I could get fired. This position only requires you to do the best you can, try to keep everyone happy, or at least 90% of the people happy. Our squadron has a system of checks and balances; we have a board of directors that must approve just about everything that goes on. I can make a suggestion as to what I would like to do or see happen, but the final authority comes from the board.



Since I am in charge of the Friday night socials, one of my duties is to keep track of volunteer hours. In order to get a merit mark you need to volunteer ten hours a year. There are probably many of you out there who do volunteer but don't really care about getting a merit mark. This is very apparent on Friday nights, no one has signed up, yet everything is cleaned up and put away. Thank you all for that, but if you put your name on the signup sheet, I can give you credit toward your merit mark. Getting a merit mark helps our squadron look good; it shows that we have an active squadron with a lot of our members taking time to get involved.

Speaking of Friday nights, considering that we are in the summer months, attendance has been good, everyone seems to be enjoying the evening, and I haven't had too many complaints about the soda price going up to \$1. This was done for a few reasons; one, of course, was that we were not really breaking even at 50 cents. If you take into account the cost of cups, ice, napkins and bar snacks, then \$1 works well. I have also tried to have a higher quality of snacks, and the soda is being served cold.

All in all I have been enjoying my stint as your Administration Officer, and unless I get lucky and they fire me, I will look forward to continuing on to be your executive officer next year.

Lt/C Richard Myers, JN
Administration Officer

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Kane, Robert A., N	09/03
Zielsdorf, Robert L.	09/04
Cormier, Anne M.	09/05
Longmire, Margaret C.	09/05
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October

New Members



Kay and Mike Cambell

Please welcome the following new members who joined the Vero Beach Power Squadron since January 2016:

Laurence Herman (transferred from Michigan)
Ron Ruggiero
Gina Johnson
Walter and Kathleen Locke
Ken Simone
Tom & Diane Neligon
Ella Castle (daughter of Paul and Caroline Castle)
Robert Bath
Stoney Powers
Frank & Deirdre Hinline
Bob & Nancy Prizito
Phillip, Allyson & Matthew Barth
Herb Henricks
Rose Marie & Bill Knickman
Michael & Kay Campbell
Tim & Susan Fenstermaker
Dan & Catherine Noonan (transferred from Milwaukee)
Kay & Mike Cambell

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Chaplains Corner

Many of you know that my summer job is a 'Story Teller' at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Michigan. In this issue, rather than mounting the pedestal of Chaplaincy pontification I thought I would share some 'nautical' Henry Ford information with you.

Early on, Henry Ford asserted himself as an automotive leader by getting involved in car racing, but he was also interested in boats and ships - having worked at a ship building center, Detroit Dry Docks, when he was young. Then in the early 20's, his son Edsel became attracted to powerboats - not a surprise, as Edsel's early home was near Belle Isle on the Detroit River. Each year the famous Harmsworth Gold Cup races took place on the River near Edsel's home. Both



Henry Ford

of their lives.

Henry and his son decided to create their own fleet of speedboats for racing. They commissioned John Hacker to design the wooden hulls and Henry had the Ford Motor Company work on fitting the boats initially with Liberty V-12 engines. As Henry and Edsel had requested certain design and engineering features be added, his 33-foot woodcraft runabouts sported the unmistakable Hacker design. Edsel moved the boats to many racing locations including Miami Beach. In the final production run his boats were upgraded to 24-cylinder engines producing 555 horsepower with a top end of 70 MPH. Always a bridesmaid and never a bride, the Fords retired from competition after a series of accidents. Ford liquidated his fleet in 1924 but both men continued their interest in boating the rest

How was that for a change of pace!

SGM F.T. Jones III
The Great American Storyteller
United States Army, Public Affairs (Ret)

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This edition of the Nautical News is about getting involved and volunteering. All non-profits, like the Power Squadron, survive because of the commitment of their volunteers. In the past couple of years, we as an organization, have had some big programs to rally around. The building lease & Save the Lagoon, to name a couple. Now some of the dive has abated and with new leadership needed in almost every corner of the Squadron, some new blood needs to stand-up and take center stage.

Thanks,
Ron Miller
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