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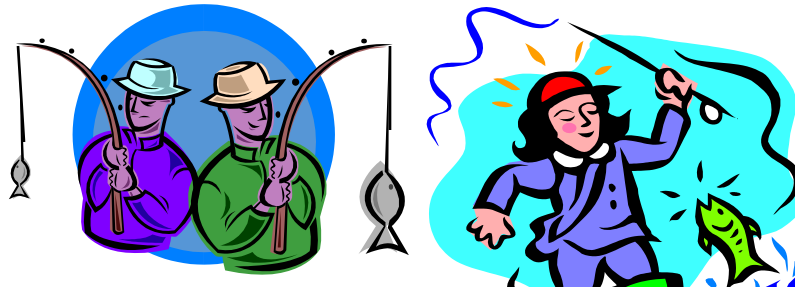
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## Calendar of Events

### September

- 3 - 6, USPS Fall Governing Board - Reno, NV
- 8 Membership Meeting - 1930
- 9 Advanced Grades Start - 1930
- 10 Boating Course Starts - Lewis Center - 1930
- 11 Elective Courses Start - 1930
- 13 Predicted Log - Smith Mountain Lake
- 15 Executive Committee Meeting - 1930
- 20 Operation Big Sweep - Carolina Marina
- 26-27 D/27 Fall Council/Conference - Charlotte

### October

- 10-12 Fishing Rendezvous - Morehead City
- 13 P/C Happening & Membership Meeting -
- 20 Executive Committee Meeting - 1930

### November

- 10 Membership Meeting - 1930
- 12 Ladies Luncheon - Place TBA
- 12 Operations Training Class - 1930
- 17 Executive Committee Meeting 1930
- 19 Operations Training Class -1930

## Birthdays

### September

2	Arnold R.	Hinshaw Jr.		11	E. Walker	Stevens
	Brenda	Rivenbark		14	Charles A.	Collins
7	David C.	Best		24	Betty R.	Canter
8	Barbara E.	Forman		25	John M.	Andrew
9	Kenneth B.	Fonville		26	Joseph N.	Deich
	Dawn	Long			Charlene R.	Green
10	John B.	Barlow Jr.		27	Karl O.	Koebberling
	Christine	Puckett				
	Arthur L.	Scheer Jr.				

## Patrons of the Breeze

Philip Andrew  
 Bob & Bev Armfield.....*September Song*  
 Gary & Karen Barker.....*Know Knots*  
 Bill & Wilma Bates.....*Karios*  
 Keith & Kendra Bulla.....*Whisper*  
 Dick & Pat Byrne.....*Peppermint Patty*  
 Charles & Rush Collins.....*Southern Life*  
 Don & Paula Elliott.....*Plastic Toy IV*  
 Joe & Natalie Freeman.....*Jeremiah*  
 Mack & Vinnie Gordy.....*Taterbug*  
 Mike & Carolyn Hackett.....*Islander*  
 Rebecca Howe & David Carpenter.....*Howe To*  
 Richard & Judi Howle.....*La Bella*  
 Sam Hummel.....*Majority of One*

Clint & Jackie Jackson.....*Blueline*  
 Ken & Punky Keller  
 Karl & M.L. Koebberling.....*K's Kradle*  
 John Lore.....*Sea Robin*  
 Betty & Jeff McCain.....*Adventure*  
 Woods & Julia McGinn.....*Friends' Ship*  
 Jerry Newton  
 Allen & Alexandra Pike  
 Swanson & Jackie Poer.....*Swan-Jac*  
 Bob & Betty Potter.....*Sand Fiddler*  
 Steve & Chris Puckett.....*Too-Tents*  
 Fred & Donna Schultz.....*Titantic Too*  
 Mike & Geraldine Stokes.....*Dad's Toy III*  
 Eddie & Leigh Yost.....*Double Agent*



**From the Commander**  
**Vinnie Gordy, P**



**Executive Officer**  
**Lt/C Julia C. Davis, P**



This is the time of year when the Squadron's Nominating Committee is working long and hard filling positions for the upcoming year. Some of you may have been asked to serve in various capacities in years past and felt you didn't have enough experience. Maybe you felt you had not been in the squadron long enough. Perhaps you were concerned that you might not get the support you feel you would need in filling a Bridge position.

**Well, let me just say this about that!**

When I was asked to serve on the Bridge, I, too, was hesitant. I was being asked to serve as Executive Officer – not having had any other previous Bridge experience. It was a huge decision on my part and one that, any member of that Nominating Committee will tell you, was neither made lightly nor quickly. But I'm truly glad I said yes.

We've had some challenges this year. We've had both successes and disappointments. But any job worth doing is going to have those elements. I, for one, have found the members of Greensboro Power Squadron are an extremely helpful group. I have been encouraged and I have been tremendously supported.

Many squadrons are recycling some of their "retired" Bridge officers. And that's not a bad thing. They've been there, they've done that, they are a wealth of information – they are our resources. My personal belief is that we have many talented people who have strengths that need to be tapped. We need people who have a willingness to follow USPS rules and regulations as well as the bylaws established at all levels. But, by the same token, we need fresh thinking. We desperately need ideas on how to grow our membership, new ideas on how to keep members active and interested with creative and exciting events.

So while the Nominating Committee may be hard at work, please let someone on the committee know if you might be interested in stepping up to the plate. Give it some thought. Give us your time and share with us your talents. You will be greatly rewarded. The one thing I have learned this year more than anything else is that "the fun is on the other side of saying yes!" As a service to Greensboro Power Squadron and to yourself, I ask you to think seriously about your commitment to the squadron. Think about what and how you can give back. Think about taking a position of leadership in this great organization.

Lt Janet Sheffield, P and Lt Betty Colson report a good response so far for our first **BLOOD DRIVE** which is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 17 at Lewis Recreation Center from 0900 to 1330**. They need a few more donors and volunteers. Please give an hour of your time as your blood type may be urgently needed that day. Call Janet at 373-0510 or Betty at 299-8067.

Operation **Big Sweep will be held on Saturday, September 20 at Belews Lake**. Lt Larry Freeze, AP and Lt Shirley Kern, S need to know how many of us are coming so that they can plan the lunch that will be ready for us when the boats return. They also need to know how many boats will be available. This is a good time to invite family or friends to come with you. This is a national event, and this day is our statewide clean-up day. Please call Larry at 996-5370 or Shirley at 643-7297.

Two members have recently been certified as **Vessel Safety Inspectors**. We congratulate **Mike Hackett, P and David Schultz**. In the current year, our inspectors have inspected 175 boats, and we rank fourth in the District. If your boat has not been inspected this year, please call one of the new inspectors or D/Lt/C Mack Gordy at 282-3870. We would like to be first in the District.

**D/27 Fall Council/Conference will be held in Charlotte on September 26 to 27 at the Hilton Hotel**. Registration forms are in the addendum to the Breeze sent last month. Copies will be available at the membership meeting. A Wine and Cheese Plus reception will be held Friday at 1800 to 2000. On Saturday a tour of the Botanical Gardens is scheduled. Meetings are expected to conclude by 1600 on Saturday. A lovely shopping area is within walking distance of the hotel so there is something for every taste. If you've never attended a District meeting, you will find it interesting, a great way to learn about USPS from a different level, and a wonderful weekend with members across the District. Please plan to join us at the District meeting.

A quick heads up from Lt Jerry Newton III, AP, concerning the **Winter Boat Show**. It will be held on **February 27 - 29, 2004**. This will be a three day format beginning at noon on Friday. Be sure and mark your calendars, as always we need volunteers to help man the GPS booth. It's a great way to help the Squadron and also get to see some really neat boats. Hope to see you there!



**Morehead to Myrtle Cruise**– Well here we are, rafting up, having lunch-Life is good. Wish you were here!



## Annual Ladies Luncheon

The long awaited event of the year is almost here. The annual Ladies Luncheon will be held at Pacific & Vine on the shores of beautiful Buffalo Lake beginning **at 11:30 a.m. on November 12, 2003**. This will be another first for GPS since D/Lt/C Mack Gordy will be hosting this event. Mack and his PC buddies will be busy working on the favors for the ladies. Don't let this years Ladies Luncheon pass without you being there. Invitations will be mailed in October and, again this year, all Past Commanders are invited to the luncheon. The cost is **\$15.00 per person**. Please make your reservations by mailing a check to Mack. It has been rumored that "Maxine" will be making a special announcement at this months meeting about the Ladies Luncheon. You won't want to miss her visit!



## District 27 Fall Council/Conference Meeting 26-27 September 2003

Charlotte Hilton Executive Park 5624 Westpark Drive off Interstate 77 at Exit 5, Charlotte, NC.

Room Rate: \$99.00 plus Taxes. Reservations made by calling 704-527-8000 or 1-800-HILTONS

**Be sure to ask for United States Power Squadrons Block Cutoff date for rate is 27 August, 2003**

### FRIDAY 26 September:

- 1530 – 1800: Member Registration (Lunch Tickets) and Voter Registration  
Sign up for Botanical Gardens Tour on Saturday. **(\$6.00 per person to be paid at the Botanical Gardens)**
- 1800 – 2000: Wine and Cheese Plus reception sponsored by Catawba Squadron

### SATURDAY 27 September:

#### Uniform of the Day: Blue Blazers & Squadron Knit Shirts

- 0700-0900: Member and Voter Registration. Pick up lunch tickets. (need to be prepaid for lunch)  
Sign up for Botanical Gardens Tour. Meet at 0930 in Lobby and transportation will be provided
- 0700-0830 Commanders Breakfast    0900: Council Meeting Convenes
- 1200-1320: Lunch (Pre-registered and paid)    1330: Meeting Reconvenes

-----DETACH AND SEND-----

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 18 September 03 REGISTRATION FORM and CHECK made to D27 Fall Council

To: Lt/C Paul H. Bass, AP 8932 Elrose Place Charlotte, NC 28277 704-752-7816 Email: ebbass@infionline.net

# attending the Botanical Gardens (see above) \_\_\_\_\_

# attending Council Luncheon @\$15 each \_\_\_\_\_

Rank, Name and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron: \_\_\_\_\_



**Educational Officer**  
**Lt/C Chuck Kammeyer, P**



**Administrative Officer**  
**Lt/C Sam Zealy, P**



I have had numerous questions about the order in which our advanced grade classes must be taken. This information is taken directly from the USPS Educational Department manual. “The preferred sequence for taking advanced grade courses is Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, Junior Navigation, and Navigation. Members achieve the best educational results by taking Advanced Grades courses in this sequence.

Nevertheless, there are no prerequisites for taking any course or module or its examination. Similarly, members may submit the sight folders for the Junior Navigation and Navigation courses at any time. Members have different levels of experience and different educational needs to achieve their boating goals. Consequently, members may, subject to the approval of the course instructor, take any course or module at any time, in any order.

The course instructor’s agreement is necessary because a student who has not learned the specific topics of an earlier-sequence course must not delay the progress of others in a later-sequence course. Exam scores will be disclosed to students regardless of the order in which courses/modules are taken. However, the award of a grade designator, S, P, AP, JN, or N will remain subject to completion of prerequisite courses.”

To be awarded a grade, the following requirements must be met.

- S** Seamanship
- P** Piloting
- AP** Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting
- JN** Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, Junior Navigation
- N** Seamanship, Piloting, Advanced Piloting, Junior Navigation, Navigation

Each student must understand that completion of a course means that **all** course requirements, including open- and closed-book exams and sight folder requirements have been successfully completed.

I hope this clarifies those questions as to the order in which Advanced grade courses may be taken.

There is a lot of activity right now and we hope safe boating has been a part of it for you. Many of you have been running cruises, working on Predicted Log (13 September) and getting ready for “Finding Nemo,” otherwise known as the Annual Fishing Rendezvous (11 October). Please be sure to read the articles in this issue for information on upcoming activities.

The September meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> will feature home movies starring the Coast Guard Cutter, DILIGENCE and Tall Ship, EAGLE escorted by our own members on the Cape Fear River and captured on film by Lt Alec Wrenn. Also we will view a brief but informative video by USPS and presented as a Fireside Chat by C/C Theodore H. Smith, SN.

Predicted Log is being chaired by 1/Lt Tom Statham and is always a very enjoyable event at Smith Mountain Lake and the home of D/Lt/C Steve & 1/Lt Chris Puckett. This is not unlike other events where you get to fellowship with other members and not get your feet wet. You don’t need a boat to join in, but if you can bring a boat you will really love the deep, clear Smith Mountain Lake. And being just around 1 ½ hours away, it is a very manageable trip. The fun really begins Friday night, 12 September, with a potluck dinner.

At our August meeting, we were thrilled to welcome two new members, Dennis Sink and Penny Brown. Dennis and his wife Kay live in Asheboro and have a 19’ powerboat – Sea Chaser. Dennis took the Boating Course through GPS this past spring. Penny actually is not a new face in the Squadron. Wife of Eddie Brown, Penny has actually been active in the Squadron for some time, and we welcome her into membership. Please be sure to introduce yourself and welcome our newest members in true Power Squadron fashion.

# BREEZE ADVISORIES

This section is to provide information to GPS members. If you have a boating related item for sale, list it here. If you are looking for a partner to charter a boat, post it here. Did you run across a new marina or restaurant on the coast that you think other's might enjoy, let us know. Contact Tom 852-8411 or if possible TSTAT@AOL.COM



## GPS BLOOD DRIVE – WED, SEPT 17 9-1:30 LEWIS CENTER

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE. Please contact Betty Colson or Janet Sheffield if you and/or your friends would like to donate blood but have not signed up. Also **call us if you can help with the canteen**. We will contact all donors to schedule appointment times.



Thanks for your support of this lifesaving project.

Betty Colson 299-8067

Janet Sheffield 373-0510

**URGENT**

## BIG SWEEP

**It's coming soon! Are you? Mark your calendar , 20 September 2003**

**BIG SWEEP** is a statewide effort to clean up our lakes and waterways. Each year we, the Greensboro Power Squadron, do our part by cleaning an area of Belews Lake. Not only do we do an important community service, **but also we have a lot of fun**, and then follow it with a **COOK-OUT** (**did we mention that it's FREE!**). As Big Sweep is a community event, this is a good time to invite friends or relatives to come and help out, meet the group, and join us for the cookout.



We will meet at Carolina Marina at 0830 for assignments. **Everyone should be on the water by 0900** and return around 1200. By 1300 Richard Haggerty S will have some fine eats coming off the grill. We need to know who will be bringing boats, and who will be attending, so we will know how many people to plan for. **Please RSVP, ASAP. Contact Lt Larry Freeze, AP @ 996-5970 or Lt Shirley Kern, S @ 643-7279.**

According to Alec Wrenn, the "Parade of Sail" adventure was a delight to the senses! This event was a prelude to the D/27 Rendezvous in Wilmington the weekend of July 25 - 27. Alec has a short "home video" to show us of this adventure beginning with the assemblage of 40 to 50 boats keeping station on the Cape Fear River waiting for the parade to begin and concluding with the docking of the US Coast Guard ship Eagle.



Commander Gordy will also be sharing with us a short video from Chief Commander Ted Smith.

**'85 SEA RAY 21' Bow Rider. Excellent condition, 5.7 L engine with 300 hours. Stainless steel prop, tandem trailer with brakes. Inspected 2002, professionally winterized each year, used primarily at Smith Mountain Lake ready for water. \$6850. Contact: Lt/C Chuck Kammeyer, P 292-9625 email [kammevc@mindspring.com](mailto:kammevc@mindspring.com)**

**SAIL BOAT PARTNERSHIP AVAILABLE-** The Orion V, a like new (2000) 38' Catalina is docked at Whitaker Creek in Oriental, NC. Fully equipped w/auto helm, heatpump, CD, cockpit RAM VHF mike, etc. Contact Lt Dan Kelly, JN @ 288-9552.

**The squadron is still missing three sextants from the physical inventory. If you have one, or know of someone who has one, please let me know ASAP. Thanks, 1/Lt Jerry Newton. P at (336) 784-4626 or [JLNewton3rd@aol.com](mailto:JLNewton3rd@aol.com).**

## ANNUAL FISHING RENDEZVOUS (a.k.a.) Finding Nemo

You are cordially invited to attend any and all of the festivities of this years' fishing rendezvous.

**October 10, Friday, PM: Cocktail party at P/C Bob and Betty Potter's home at 113 Pond Drive, Atlantic Beach, NC.** Wine, beer and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring an appetizer to share.

**October 11, Saturday**

Fishing begins at any time after sunrise. Weigh in at 1500 (3:00 PM) at 70 West Marina located in Peletier Creek.

Dinner will be at a local restaurant.

**Please RSVP by September 15** to Jim Friedrichs via phone, fax, Email or snail mail to:

Jim Friedrichs                      C/O Resco Products      3514 W. Wendover Ave.      Greensboro, NC 27407

Telephone 336-299-1441 x27      Fax 336-854-5916      Email Jim.Friedrichs@RescoProducts.com

Please advise as to which of the activities you can participate and if you can bring a boat or if you wish to participate as crew.

Thanks, The Two Jims, Chandler and Friedrichs



## PREDICTED LOG CONTEST- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

The Predicted Log Contest will be held at the home of Chris and Steve Puckett on Smith Mt. Lake, VA. Bring your boat, your dividers and calculator and plan to participate in a fun event.

Predicted log is not a speed contest. A predicted log contest consists of running a prescribed course with several legs, wherein you predict, in advance, the time required to run each leg of the course and the overall time for the entire course. The winner is the boat with the closest actual time

vs. the predicted time. Each boat needs a navigator and a timekeeper and passengers too. Plan to attend, even if you don't have a boat.

Charts and instructions will be provided on the morning of the event. Plan to arrive early and bring your own lawn chair.

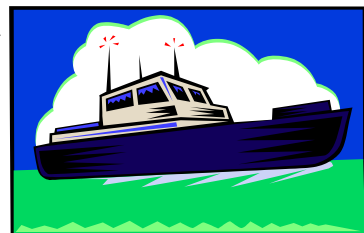
Smith Mt. Lake is about 2 hours and twenty minutes from Greensboro. The boats will start out at 11:30, **but try to be there by 10:00**, if possible, for instructions. You will need time to calculate and plot your time. The Lake Inn, one of the few motels at the lake, is about 15 miles from the Puckett's. Phone 888-466-5253 or 540-721-3383.

Lunch and supper (your favorite London Broil) will be provided at a cost of \$17.00 per person. **Please send your checks**, (made out to GPS) to Tom Statham, (see back cover for address) event coordinator, **by September 6th. Please advise 1) Names of those attending 2) If you are bring a boat & how many it will comfortably (legally) seat. Champion chefs will once again be Chris Puckett, Pat and Dick Byrne.**

If you plan to come to the lake on Friday evening, plan to join us at the Pucketts for supper. **Please bring a covered dish, hor d'ourve, dessert or main course. DIRECTIONS TO THE LAKE VIA 220 NORTH:** Take 220N from Greensboro. At Martinsville, take the 220N bypass to Roanoke. Continue on 220N to the Ferrum College/Smith Mt. Lake exit -{Route 40} right on to Route 40 and go about 1 mile (4th stop-light) and turn left on to Route 122. Signs will say to Smith Mt. Lake State Park. Stay on Route 122 approximately 30 minutes. You will cross over the lake. Several miles further, turn right on to 608 at Moneta. Follow 608 until it dead ends, then turn right on to 626, Smith Mt. Lake Parkway. Go only about 1/4 mile and turn left back on to 608 again, Tolers Ferry Road. Stay on 608 for several miles until you come to the Trading Post store on 734. Turn right on to 734 and follow this to a planter sign on the left that says "Forest Cove, Mountain View Shores" Turn left here. At Lochwood, turn left and follow this road, bearing right at the top of the hill on to Deerwood Drive. Go to the cul-de-sac at the end of the road. Chris and Steve's house is 305 on the right. Look for the Power Squadron burgee.

There is a boat-launching ramp at Mountain View Shores. Call Chris or Steve for instructions. To call the Puckett's at the lake only, 336-210-9825 or 292-5653 in Greensboro. You can also go to the lake via 29 North. Call Chris or Steve for these directions.

## LAST CALL



1st /Lt Tom Statham, P  
218 Kemp Rd. East  
Greensboro, NC 27410



**FIRST CLASS**

Please deliver to:



FEATURED BOAT  
OF THE MONTH

***FRIENDSHIP***