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COMMANDERS
HAPPENING
27 October

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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

6 Smith Mtn. Lake Home Tour

8 Wine & Cheese Social in lieu of member ship meeting-see page 7 for directions

NOVEMBER

12 Membership meeting

17 Ladies Luncheon

DECEMBER

10 Christmas Party-in lieu of membership meeting

October Birthdays

2	J. Jones	McCall	25	Alexander	Wrenn
3	Paul M.	Stephens III	27	Catherine A.	Freeman
4	Sam D.	Hummel	27	Phyllis W.	Thomas
12	Fred J.	Schultz	29	William C.	Barrett III
16	Mildred K.	Wall	29	Leonard E.	Thomas Jr.
21	Dan W.	Chance	30	Ronald	Pittman
21	Jeff B.	McCain	31	Beverly B.	Armfield

Squadron Patrons

Bob & Bev Armfield
 Ken & Ann Fonville.....*Orion V*
 Chuck & Ann Freeman*Bluebird*
 Mike & Carolyn Hackett.....*Sara Kaye*
 Tom & Mary Hamlin
 Dick & Judi Howle.....*Labella*
 Chuck & Connie Kammeyer.....*Frayed Knot*
 John Lore.....*Sea Robin II*
 Woods McGinn.....*Blue Moon*
 Wayne & Zaida Newkirk.....*Invictus*

Jerry Newton.....*Petey*
 John & Sally Oberholtzer.....*Sally O*
 Al Pike
 Steve & Chris Puckett.....*Too-Tents*
 Tom & Jo-Anne Statham*Allegra*
 Jim & Frances Ward.....*Sea Star II*
 Larry Williams
 Alec & Kathy Wrenn.....*Carolina Wrenn*

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“Thank You” From *The Breeze*

The above individuals made contributions in support of our newsletter this year.

On behalf of Greensboro Power Squadron,

a special thanks to **Carolina Marina at Belews Lake** for their continued support.

Thanks to your support and that of our many Patrons of *The Breeze*, we have had an outstanding publication this year, and we encourage your continued support. If you would like to become a Sponsor or Patron of ***The Breeze***, contact Lt/C Charles W. Freeman, AP 336-288-8180



From the Commander
Tom Hamlin, AP



Our membership meeting October 8th will be a wine-cheese tasting party at Stonefield Winery. We will not meet at First Lutheran Church. See Admin Officer John Oberholtzer's article for details and reservations. The October meeting will be strictly social.

I have just returned from our National Fall Governing Board in Norfolk and most recently from our District Fall Council Meeting in Hickory. VIP seminary were held almost hourly for 2 days on most every boating subject you might want current information about. Representatives from all of the national committees were available to answer questions and listen to concerns. District meetings were held on many topics – one of the “hotter” subjects continues to be membership recruitment and retention. District Commander Mack Gordy was asked to make a presentation on membership growth as our District 27 led the nation in growth. There were also side trips and fun things to do in addition to the meetings and Norfolk was a wonderful host city with a vibrant and clean downtown area and historical and cultural importance due the largest and deepest ice free harbor in the world with headquarters for many of our military units. Norfolk is home to 5 of our aircraft carriers and three were docked at our visit. I especially enjoyed the trip to Fort Monroe, the oldest stone fort in the United States. It was interesting to see the officer quarters lived in by Robert E Lee and the holding cell for Jefferson Davis after the civil war.

Our Fall Conference in Hickory highlighted much of the information learned at Norfolk and was informative, educational, and social. It was with pride we learned that District 27 was among the top 10 in every educational achievement category. Greensboro was 2nd in the nation in members who took and passed the navigation course. Mack Gordy and Charlie Boswell were recognized for their achievements in geodetic marker recovery. Greensboro reviewed the Bowspirit Award for achievements and accomplishments in objectives of USPS. Good things are happening in our district and squadron.

Don't forget to make your reservations for the Past Commanders event October 27th in costume at the barn of Max & Shirley Kerns. See attached article and information on reservations.

Executive Officer
Lt/C Mike Hackett, P



What a great program by Dan Kelly at the September meeting. I don't know about the rest of you, but I was ready to get on the water. The BVI looked especially inviting, although, Greece looked pretty fantastic. Right now, I'd just like to get on a boat that is actually in the water.

For those of you who attended the Squadron meeting in September, you heard Everett Thomas give a thoughtful and compelling reminder of why we participate in Big Sweep. By the time you read this, Big Sweep will be over, but I trust all who attended will feel rewarded by their participation and efforts. A big “Thank You”, to Everett and Phyllis Thomas for putting the event together and making it a special day.

The Ladies Luncheon will be held on Saturday November 17 at the home of Mary Hamlin, wife of the Commander. This year it will be ladies only and Mary has a special luncheon planned. Ladies, be sure to mark your calendars for this special event. Remember, even though 2008 is just around the corner, if you still need your vessel checked for safety requirements, please contact Woods McGinn and he will be able to put you in touch with a Squadron Vessel Examiner. It's never too late to be safe on the water.

We have a great organization. The more you get involved, the more fun we all have. If you would like to be more involved, give someone on your Bridge a call. We can always use help. Speaking of help, I noticed at the last boating course session that I continue to see the same faces of Squadron members each week. This is just a reminder, but the Boating Course is one of the ways the Squadron meets our commitment to boater education and safety on the water. It is the responsibility of each member to be involved in that mission. Remember our Pledge?? If you have not helped with grading, greeting students, helping students who need it or helping to put the tables and chairs away at the end of the session, call Bill Davis to let him know that you will be there at least one of the 10 nights. For those who are always there, THANK YOU!!



November Program



It is our privilege to have P/R/C Ed Summers, JN of the Goldsboro Squadron present our program in November. Ed joined IBM in 1956 and has worked throughout the US in various USAF facilities, installing and maintaining computers as a Systems Engineer. He was assigned to Kennedy Space Center to work on the Apollo program. He and his team

developed the operating system for the Apollo launch support computers. He was a member of the Apollo launch team and left there for a short tour in the Miami branch office as Systems Engineer and Marketing Rep in the medical field. Ed later returned to Kennedy supporting the Air Force Shuttle program. When that program was dropped, he moved to the Spacelab design team. Ed spent much of his time in airplanes commuting to Europe. After a year in Germany working on Spacelab testing and acceptance check, he returned to the U.S. to support the pre-launch Spacelab configuration and check out, prior to it being place in the shuttle. Spacelab flew 10 missions. Ed retired in 1989 after 33 years with IBM.

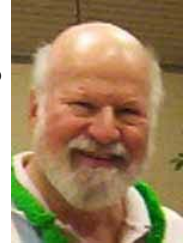
Ed joined USPS in 1967 and many of you may have seen him at District and National meetings. He has spent many hours working with the Cooperative Charting program. Ed has a vast knowledge of NASA along with some beautiful pictures of the space program. This will be a program you will not want to miss.

More pictures from Predicted Log- 25 August





Educational Officer
Lt/C Bill Davis, N



Administrative Officer
Lt/C John Oberholtzer, AP



May I start out with “it’s the fall of the year, Halloween is around the corner, and Greensboro Power Squadron classes are in full swing”? No, I don’t think I will. I will say that since it has cooled off, I will forgo the lesson in air conditioning I promised in last month’s Breeze.

And for some really important news, 5 students who took the **Piloting** exam all passed and with 90 or above grades. They are: **Barre Burks, Elizabeth Crosby, Mike Hicks, Jeff Inman, and Craig Cooper**. Good work everyone! They obviously had very good instructors. Thanks, Al Pike and Dan Kelly.

In September Julie and I attended the National Governing Board meeting in Norfolk and the District Fall Conference in Hickory. There were a lot of things going on in Norfolk. Somebody did a lot of planning for that event. I will report on Hickory next month.

I know everyone knows the Public Boating Course is in progress. The new location at the Irving Park United Methodist Church is an improvement over the Lewis Recreation Center, but we have thoughts on improving the event. One issue is finding the place. I think one key is to include the instruction that it is on the corner of West Cone Blvd. and Lafayette. It is not on East Cone Blvd., and one needs to look for the intersection sign of Lafayette. We will evaluate the situation for other improvements after the classes are over. For our squadron members, please come out and support our students.

I have ordered sample books of Instructor Development for review. I intend to offer that elective this winter, probably after Christmas. Of course I will be sending out notices, but if anyone has input or interest in the course, please let me know.

And the beat goes on.

The **October 8th** membership meeting will be a **Wine & Cheese Social** to be held at the **Stonefield Cellars Winery**. The winery is at the junction of Rts. 68 & 65, 1.7 miles north of the intersection of Rts. 68 & 158 in Stokesdale. Robert and Natalie Wurz opened the winery two years ago and are producing some of the finest North Carolina wines I have tasted. Robert has a PHD in Wine Technology and he seems to be putting his education to very good use. They have an interesting facility with lots to see and a very nice variety of gift items based on a wine theme.

We will be tasting 7 wines, two whites, four reds, and one sweet desert wine. We will have a selection of cheese paired to the various wines. There will be crackers and some other snacks as well. **All this for \$10.00 per person.**

We will have a short business meeting and balance of the evening will be tasting, snacking, and socializing. We hope all of our members will turn out for what should be a delightful evening. Guests are more than welcome.

Please contact me at 336-931-1204 (business line) and let me know how many to expect. **Please send you checks to me at 3102 Solara Trace, Greensboro, NC 27410.** We accept moneys at the door but it will help to have the monies in advance.

If anyone needs additional directions or would like to car pool to the meeting let me know and I’ll see what can be arranged. We look forward to seeing you there.

BREEZE ADVISORIES



This section is to provide information to GPS members. **POST UPCOMING EVENTS HERE.** 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. If you run across a new marina or restaurant on the coast that you think others might enjoy, let us know. Contact Tom 852-8411 or if possible TSTAT@AOL.COM



Fancy Dress Carousing (for you folks from up Nawth, that's costume party)



Big-Wigs: This slang term for men in high positions gathers its meaning from the fact that senior officers in the old British Navy actually did wear huge wigs. Well enough naval history. Maybe some of you will be wearing wigs as part of your costume. Whatever you are wearing, time is drawing nigh for the party on **Oct 27, 2007**.

The Past Commanders Group is planning a great night for you. You pick the theme for your costume. Judges will be there to pick the best or worst or most unusual costumes. Remember your costume can be a simple face mask or very elaborate. We don't care, but you must be in costume to gain entrance to the party.

The social gathering will **start around 1600**, give or take., with chow served at 1800 sharp. Just think, this may be the only chance you get to give the district commander an order. He will be serving BBQ pork & chicken with all the trimmings, beer and wine included. Yes John Lore, there will be sweet tea.

Directions to Max Kern's barn. I figured everyone could find Battleground North and go from there. Good luck.

**Go out Battleground Ave 5+ miles
Turn LEFT (southwest) onto SR-150 / Oak Ridge Rd
Bear LEFT (south) onto Brookbank Rd
Arrive at 6815 Brookbank Rd, Summerfield, NC. 27358**

Remember, adults only, but you can bring guests. You will need to bring your lawn chairs. And last but not most important, send P/C Chuck Kammeyer, AP, 4 Chesapeake Ct, Greensboro, NC, 27410, a check for \$12.00 for each person in your party attending, by Oct 8th, 2007.

GOOD TIMES TO BE HAD BY ALL

You can become a sponsor or patron of the Breeze to help off-set the cost of the newsletter. Contact Lt/C Chuck Freeman, JN for more information.

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Greensboro Power Squadron's
Wine & Cheese Tasting
At 1930, October 8th



Stonefield Cellars Winery
Route 68 at Route 65
Stokesdale, NC

Stonefield Cellars Winery is 1.7 miles north of the intersection of Hwy. 68 and Hwy 158 on the right hand side of Hwy. 68 at the junction with Rt. 65. Bear right onto Rt. 65 and the gravel drive is about 100 feet on the right.

From Greensboro take 220 N (Battleground Ave.) to Hwy. 158. Turn left past overpass and go west to the intersection with Hwy. 68 in Stokesdale. Turn right, on Hwy 68 and go north 1.7 miles to Rt. 65 and bear right to the winery entrance on right.

Or go east to Hwy. 68 (from the airport area) and follow it north to the winery.



District 27
Fall Council/
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Hickory
21-23 September



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