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Be sure and attend the 8 September meeting and hear about an exciting and action packed adventure by our very own "Indiana Koebberling"

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4	A. Macauley	Aron Jr.	22	Anna Busby	Pittman
9	Kenneth B.	Fonville	24	Betty R.	Canter
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Chuck & Ann Freeman*Bluebird*
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 John Lore.....*Sea Robin II*
 Wayne & Zaida Newkirk.....*Invictus*
 Jerry Newton.....*Petey*

John & Sally Oberholtzer.....*Sally O*
 Ron & Anna Pittman.....*Anna Bee*
 Betty Potter
 Jim & Frances Ward.....*Sea Star II*
 Larry & Madge Williams.....*C'est La Vie*
 Alec & Kathy Wrenn.....*Carolina Wrenn*

“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 Squadron, contact Lt/C Charles W. Freeman, SN 336-288-8180



From the Commander
Mike Hackett, P



Executive Officer
Lt/C John Oberholtzer, AP



Thanks again to the Chabons for providing another program on their cruising adventures. Judging by the response of our members, the enthusiasm for being on the water for extended time is something many of us wish to do. The program just added to our blueberry social.

We have a lot on the calendar for the fall, so please check out the rest of the Breeze to see what's coming up. By the time you read this, there will only be a few days until Predicted Log at Smith Mountain Lake, Myrtle Beach a few weeks later and Big Sweep to follow. I hope you already have these events on your calendar, but if not, get them there if you want to enjoy time on the water.

Also, though not on the calendar, we will be having a Squadron sponsored Blood Drive on November 13, 2008. Jerry Newton is the chair of this event and I encourage everyone to sign up to donate. It will be held at the Donation center on Yanceyville road in Greensboro. More information will be in the next Breeze.

Later in the Breeze, you will see information on the Fall Boating course. The course starts on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 and we need your help. Please contact Bill Davis, Hardy Spence or Carol Kelly to volunteer for at least one of the 10 nights of the course. It is important that we show support for our instructors and the students who will be attending. This is one of the most important services we offer to the boating community.

One more little bit of info: A 2007 study found that the average Australian walks about 900 miles a year. Another study found that Australians drink an average of 22 gallons of beer a year. That means, on average, Australians get about 41 miles per gallon.

Bloody good value that!

Labor Day has come and gone, school has started and summer's unofficially over but the Greensboro Power Squadron is in full swing. September 9th the Public Boating Course kicks off and we would like a lot of membership participation in helping out with the classes. The Predicted Log contest at Smith Mountain Lake is on Saturday Sept. 13th and will be the usual test of your boating skills using just you compass, your tachometer and the infamous 60DStreet formula. The food and the fellowship will be up to the usual high standards so come out and participate.

October starts off on the 3rd with the Cruise to Myrtle Beach. We leave from Southport or nearby and enjoy a leisurely cruise to the Barefoot Resort with all its amenities. Kathy Wrenn will be only too happy to sign you up and regale you with tales of the past trips to Barefoot Resort.

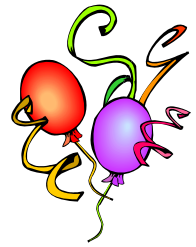
The following Saturday, October 11th, is the annual Operation Big Sweep when we assist with the clean up of the Belews Lake shoreline. Be sure to contact Craig Cooper to sign up and help out. We do a wonderful service and have a lot of fun along with doing a very good deed.

The Predicted Log and the Myrtle Beach cruise are great opportunities to get great pictures of your pride and joy (your boat, not your children) to have in the up coming Greensboro Power Squadron annual calendar. See me to pick your month and get your money in to Chuck Freeman. You don't want to miss out on this opportunity and I don't want to have more than one picture of the Sally O II to fill out unsold space.

I hope your summer has been as much fun as ours and look forward to seeing all of you at the cruises and at the membership meetings.

Ladies Night Out!

This year the former Ladies Luncheon is being replaced by Ladies NIGHT Out! The duty to plan this falls on Carolyn Hackett and she has already begun researching options. At the September meeting, Carolyn will pass out information sheets asking the ladies to vote on the activity of their choice. The option getting the most votes will be planned out for November. Currently options include a covered dish supper, dinner and play at the Barn Dinner Theater, a visit to Blandwood, Korner's Folly, or Chinqua Penn. If you have other ideas you would like to suggest, contact Carolyn as soon as possible as she will have a voting sheet ready for our September meeting.



A Cruise on the Amazon River

Like to travel or maybe hear about travel to far-away places? No, not outer space, but right here on our own planet. We're headed just a little south of the Equator. You've heard about the Amazon since early grade school. Now is your chance to see and hear about this mysterious river up close and personal.



P/C Karl Koeberling, JN, back from the blueberry patches of western NC, will present our September program featuring his recent trip to the Amazon. He will talk about the Salvation Islands, Manaus, Brazil and tell us if the Amazon really does reach 14 knots sometimes.

Karl tells me the photos alone are worth seeing and he has really had a hard time selecting just the right ones for all of us. Please come to the September meeting to learn more about this awesome river from one of our very own.





Educational Officer
Lt/C Bill Davis, N



Administrative Officer
Lt/C Woods McGinn, AP



If you are reading this, it must be September and time for starting the fall **Public Boating Course**. Which also means you have an additional place you can be on Tuesday nights starting September 9th. We will again be at Irving Park United Methodist Church for our classes. We hope you can come out and support our students. We have two new **Advanced Piloting** grade members, Hardy Spence and Craig Cooper. They actually completed the course ahead of schedule with the help of their instructor, Karl Koebberling.

Marine Electronics class is going. The class has taken two of the three exams needed, and we are close to completing the last section. David Schultz joined us mid season, and is catching up with the class. Lee Duvall, being an electrical engineer, is well versed in this topic and has a lot of good experience to offer.

Also on the agenda for the fall is an offering of **Weather** for those who would like that experience. It will help with understanding what Joe Sobel is talking about on the morning program of 600 WSJS. Details to follow. As usual you will all be getting e-mails on this offering, and hopefully you haven't put me on your spam list.

Jerry Newton will be starting the voyage with his three students in the Beta **Navigation** course. We just learned that there is a part 2 to this course that we didn't even know existed. Sometimes the loop just passes right over my head, even though I am the Assistant District Educational Officer as well. Oh well.

I know this is insulting to our very seasoned instructors, but I need the qualified instructors who have not had the refresher in the past four years to take **Instructor Re-certification**. That is on the agenda for this fall.

Last but not least, we will look into starting a new **Seamanship** class after the fall **Public Boating Course** is completed. It's about that time, and we want to start a new cycle of students through the process.

As you see we are an ambitious bunch. Will be keeping you informed.

**"When the tides of life turn against you
And the current upsets your boat,
Don't waste those tears on what might have
been,**

Just lay on your back and float."

Ed Norton (of "The Honeymooners")

Surely you remember Ed Norton, don't you? Well, my summer was better than it might have been – at least I didn't spend my downtime floating in the sewers, ala Norton, It could have been worse. So now you are asking, beyond the obvious mention of a boat, what in the world does this have to do with the squadron?

Well let me tell you. I spent my float time this summer pondering a lot of things. And time after time, the Greensboro Squadron permeated those moments. Friends from the squadron visited and sent notes. They called to check on me, to see if I needed anything? They offered encouragement and help, and a lot of car rides! All of that meant a lot to me and to my family. That could all go without saying, but it shouldn't, and it won't, because that kind of concern is the best medicine I could ever hope to receive. And I also know we hold these same concerns for all of our members.

Now let's take that to the next level. In just the past few weeks our members have also done a lot of "boating" things. We enjoyed wonderful blueberry treats at the last membership meeting and saw an outstanding slideshow of the Caribbean lifestyle. Bridge members attended an Ex-Com meeting (everyone is invited). Students have been expanding their Marine Electronics knowledge with help from the education committee. The Predicted Log Team has prepared an exciting day on Smith Mountain Lake for all who wish to join in. The Myrtle Beach Cruise is just around the corner. The list goes on.

The common element through all of this is our membership. The talents, interests and hard work of all our members contribute to our success. And success is based on teamwork, not attendance. We need you. We need your help. Will you?

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



Predicted Log

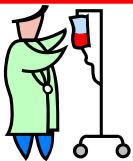
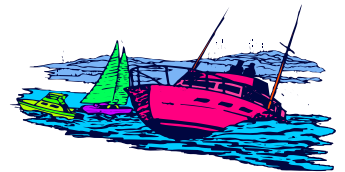
September 13, 2008.

Mark your calendars for another great weekend at Predicted Log.

Dick and Pat Byrne have invited squadron members to come to their home on Smith Mountain Lake again for this year's contest. A boat is not required to participate in this fun filled event and new members are encouraged to attend. Dick and Pat along with Chris Puckett will be preparing the lunch and dinner meal this year. The cost is \$18.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child. The event starts at 0900 on Saturday and will test your piloting skills along with your ability to run a compass course while using a tachometer to maintain speed. The winners will be announced prior to dinner on Saturday evening and trophies will be presented at the October meeting.

A Captain's packet containing a chart, this year's course and rules will be given to each Captain two weeks prior to the event. All charting work should be completed prior to arrival on Saturday morning. The captains will select their own Navigator. The committee will assign an Observer to each boat at the event. Saturday morning Captains will make a speed run, return to the dock, finish their computations and then run the course. After running the course the rest of the day is free to boat ride, swim or just kick back prior to dinner.

Make checks payable to: Greensboro Power Squadron and mail to:
P/C Chuck Kammeyer, 4 Chesapeake Court,
Greensboro, NC 27410
Reservation cut off date is: **September 5, 2008.**



The GPS Blood Drive will be on Thursday, November 13, from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Red Cross Center at 1501 Yanceyville Road, Greensboro. There will be refreshments for our members. We urge all eligible members to donate since there is no substitute for this type of charity. Bring your friends too.

"Cooks Night Off"

Please join us at the K & W at Friendly shopping Center each Monday between 6:00 – 6:30 P.M. for dinner and conversation before the Monthly Squadron Meeting. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Look for familiar faces in the eastern front corner of the dining area. This is a terrific way to get to know your fellow squadron members on a more up-close and personal level. Lots of laughs, great conversation, and no one has to cook!! See you there!

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

2003 Grady White 282 Sailfish, 28' with cabin. Twin Yamaha 225 Four Stroke Engines with only 200 hours. Lots of extras. \$82,000. Call Pat Wright 336-317-0219 or e-mail wrightpbjs@aol.com

Myrtle Beach Cruise
October 3-5, 2008
Barefoot Resort and Marina

Mark your calendars for our return trip to Myrtle Beach in
October.

- Departures from Carolina Beach, South Port and Oak Island on Friday morning Oct. 3
- Raft-up for lunch at Little River
- Arrive at resort mid-afternoon
- Friday evening cocktails/heavy hors d'oeuvres/dinner at resort
- Saturday shopping/boating/relaxing
- Saturday evening activities yet to be determined
- 3 bedroom/3 bathroom condos available for \$532.80 for 2 night stay (that's only \$178.00 per room if you share)
- Slips available at marina \$1.50 per foot for Boat US members
\$2.00 for non members
- GPS members will make their own reservations for condos and slips and several have been blocked out under GRS name



So put together your 3 couple sets and call to make your condo reservations. If you are bringing a boat, call the marina to make slip reservations.

Condo Reservations: Barefoot Resort 877-237-3767 ask for Wendy Poole #7008
First night deposit needed at time of reservation \$266.40 balance due at check-in

Attention Greensboro Members: A registration form and agenda to the following meeting will be sent out as an e-mail. If you require a hard copy, let me know and I'll get you one in the mail.

District 27 Fall Council Meeting

October 31- November 2

The Fort Macon Squadron has planned a very much fun filled social weekend. Your D/27 Bridge has planned an interesting meeting agenda for you. Our National Representative is none other than our own P/C/C Ernie Marshburn, SN. He will be holding a Town Hall Meeting in the afternoon. Have your questions ready for him!!! We have two programs planned for you during the morning. The DB2000 breakout is not just another breakout we have P/R/C Dan Bartell one of the originators of this program presenting.

When the meeting is finished we will have a chance to go play on the beach and see if we can build a sandcastle that is outstanding as well as play some games!

This is going to be a fun meeting - make your hotel reservation by 1 October and return the event registration no later than 14 October and come on down and let's enjoy a weekend at the beach!

D/C Ann T. Bailey, AP District 27

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