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URGENT NOTICE !!
CHANGE OF VENUE & TIME
FOR MONDAY NIGHT-10 JAN
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS

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Calendar of Events

January

8 Bridge Officer Training-Raleigh

10 1st Annual GPS Membership Meeting, Dinner & Social @ the New Darryl's-High Point Rd.

18 Ex-com Meeting-**Tuesday** instead of Monday this month-MLK day

29 Greensboro Change of Watch-O'Henry Hotel

February

5 Train Trip to Raleigh Boat Show

14 Membership Meeting-England Trip Recap

March

14 Membership Meeting-GSO Historical Museum

February Birthdays

1 Maxine Myers

2 Lt Carol Kelly, AP

June Kennedy

4 Cdr Woody McGinn, AP

16 Janet Sheffield, P

18 Warren H. Stan, S

19 James Wright, S

24 P/C Stewart Colson, JN

Squadron Patrons

Chuck & Ann Freeman*Bluebird*
 Mack & Vinnie Gordy.....*Optional Necessity*
 Mike & Carolyn Hackett.....*Hattitude*
 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"

The above individuals made contributions in support of our squadron this year. On behalf of Greensboro Power Squadron, a special thanks to **Carolina Marina at Belews Lake** for their continued support. Thanks to your contributions and that of our many members, we have had an outstanding year, and we encourage your continued support. If you would like to become a Sponsor or Patron of the Squadron, contact Lt/C Ken Fonville, JN 336-540-0610



Commander's Log Woods McGinn, AP



Executive Officer Report Tom Statham, AP



Happy New Year...

I have enjoyed a wonderful holiday season and I hope you have too. And now the year is over? It seems I've rushed through a hurried blur of events from Thanksgiving through Christmas and quickly on into the New Year. But to be honest, it wasn't just this past month. In truth the entire year has felt this way.

I was having a great time, and then, at some point, I suddenly stopped, and I asked myself... what happened? What happened to all that time I thought I had? Where did it go? I was on a roll. I was enjoying everything going on and really enjoying everyone in the group. We were all on a roll, getting things done and having a good time doing it. Can the year really be over... all ready?

Yes, the year is over. That is the undeniable truth. A year ago I looked ahead and I wondered how in the world I would get through twelve long months of squadron events? And then I envisioned the days and weeks and months that would take forever. Yes, I was sure a year was a very long time, plenty of time. Just imagine how much a group like ours can get done in an entire year.

And done we did. (How's that for a sentence? Say it out loud.) We did. We did it. Not me; we. We did accomplish a lot. And for that you get all the credit. I applaud the members of the Greensboro Power Squadron for your hard work. As the famous baseball manager said, "it ain't bragging if you did it!"

Now I realize the year went by in a blinding blur. I had been advised (by those who knew the truth) that this would be one of the shortest years of my life. They were right. It was. I don't know how it happened or how we got it all done, but "we" did. And for that I thank each one of you.

They say we are a boating organization. And we are of course. But we are so much more. Our squadron is a club, a community, a family. Yes, we like boats and boating activities, but spirit and commitment are the life blood of our squadron. I hope you'll feel the same connection with the membership I've felt these past twenty-plus years. I encourage you to become involved, to become engaged, and to look for ways you can contribute to our organization. If you'll simply look for the things you like to do in life and strive to enjoy them... you just may be surprised where it will take you. I know I have been. And for that GPS, I truly thank you.

I hope everybody had a safe and Happy New Year's celebration with your friends and family. Now, Cdr. Woody and I would like you to join your extended family (GPS) and let's celebrate our successes from 2010 and help our incoming Bridge plan for 2011. As Bridge members, we would like your input in planning additional events for the upcoming year. If you have looked at the new calendar you may have noticed we already have a few new items already scheduled for next year. We really want your suggestions and creative ideas to help expand our list of events in order to meet our member's expectations.

So here's the deal. We have our first meeting of the year at the newly reopened **Darryl's on High Point Road**. I know when most of us were younger; we recall the Darryl's on Church Street was SRO at times. Remember trying to get the table on the 2nd floor that was enclosed by jail bars, hanging out over bar! But I digress. We will start with a Social ½ Hour, cash bar at **1800 (6:00 PM)**, in the "Sun Porch" on the right side of the building. Then, at 1830 for those that are interested, we will order off the dinner menu. Be advised, [you do not have to order dinner](#) to attend the meeting. They will provide coffee, tea or soda at no charge.

Once orders are placed, we will begin the business portion of our meeting, including elections and budget approval. At the close of the business meeting portion, we would like to have a **Brain Storming Session** to come up with new ideas for next year. Just like Darryl's, we would like to have a Grand Reopening and get member's ideas of what YOU would like to see to make 2011 more fun and interesting. We seem to have lost some of the passion that over the years made GPS the district leader in membership involvement. Be thinking about what you would like to do with us in 2011. And if asked to volunteer this year, please accept. We need your enthusiasm and support to make this year GREAT. Oops, just heard the lunch whistle. Gotta go! **Donadagohvi (as they say in Cherokee)**

Amtrak Trip to the 2011 Raleigh Convention Center Boat Show 5 February

What a great way to shake off the winter blahs and cabin fever. Join your new Executive Officer, Ron Pittman and take the train to Raleigh. Upon arriving, you will be 1 to 2 blocks from the Convention center. Round trip is \$24.00 plus \$8.00 admission. No need to worry about traffic or weather. Enjoy a great day trip with other squadron members. Relax in the Club Car on the return trip. If the majority want to carpool instead, we can work that out too.

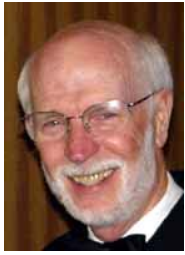


Depart GRO 9:11 Arrive RGH 10:48 (Show opens @ 10:00)
Depart RGH 4:50 Arrive GRO 6:22
Contact Ron @ 282-4555



2010 GPS Christmas Party –A Great Time Was Had By All
Ran out of room for more photos. Visit our web site for a full spread.





Ed. Officer's Guest Report
P/D/C Mack Gordy, AP



Administrative Officer
Lt/C Ron Pittman, S



Instructors are special squadron members who have chosen to give something back to the squadron. Not everyone can do this. The time they spend in preparing and teaching classes can never fully be appreciated until you see the list of passing students. A special thank you to the instructors that took time from their busy schedules to teach classes for the last two years.

- P/Stf/C Paul Long, SN – ABC & N
- P/D/C Stephen Puckett, SN - EM
- P/D/Lt/C Richard Howle, JN - ID
- P/C Karl Koebberling, SN - S & AP
- P/C Stewart Colson, JN - ABC
- P/C John Oberholtzer, AP - ABC
- P/C Charlie Boswell, AP - Kinston Squadron - ABC
- P/C Chuck Kammeyer, AP - ABC
- Lt/C Bill Davis, SN - ABC
- Lt/C Ken Fonville, SN - W
- Lt Jerry Newton, SN - JN & N
- Lt Dan Kelly, JN - ABC & CP
- Lt Carol Kelly, AP - CP
- Lt Grant Dawson, AP - ABC
- Lt Kathy Wrenn, AP – ABC
- Ken Karb, JN – W
- Lief Duvall, SN - ME
- Bill Young, SN - P & AP
- Walker Stevens, SN - Sail

To those members attending the ABC classes as proctors and graders we will forever be indebted to you. Your dedication was greatly appreciated. In the last two years we had over 135 students pass the ABC class!

See the following page for 2011 results:

Even though we are in the cold winter months it remains critical that we exercise safety and proper care of our boats. I have included some basic tips for this time of the year to consider.

If you are not going to be using your boat it's best to have it winterized. This involves a few precautionary measures to protect your boat from extended periods of non-use and colder temperatures. Don't let your boat be destroyed by the environment. When leaves collect on the floor of your boat, they hold in moisture. The water will then speed up the process of deterioration. A cover will maximize the life of your boat and reduce the risk of damage to your interior.

If you keep your boat on the water make sure you inspect all lines for chafe and wear. Tie lines securely to cleats or pilings; consider chafing gear and doubling-up lines. Test your bilge pump to ensure it's working; float switches properly activate pumps; and float switches can be hindered by bilge debris. Be sure scuppers are not blocked. Close any seacocks and check propeller and rudder shafts for excessive leaks. Use an adequate number of appropriately-sized fenders. Be sure to close and secure hatches, ports and windows. Remove valuables and electronics; install a dehumidifier or moisture absorber, prop up cushions and open the boat during periods of fair weather to circulate air. I keep two 40 watt lights bulbs burning in my engine room all the time – they produce enough heat to keep the moisture low and engine block from freezing.

If you decide to make a trip on the water please dress properly for the outing. I normally take a jacket or a pullover just in case the weather changes. It can be really cold when traveling across the water. Next, make sure you have all the necessary safety gear on board. Being prepared heads off most problems. Always let someone know where you're going & when you'll be back. Take a cell phone & a spare battery or a way to charge it.

As I was putting this article together it dawned on me that I didn't close my seacocks and my son-in-law's boat is full of leaves. Since the weather is going to be nice this weekend I decided to use that as an excuse to head down to the coast and stop by Garner on the way back to clean out the leaves and put a cover on his boat!

We are trying something new this year. I hope you read on the previous page, I would like to get a group together and take the **Amtrak to Raleigh on 5 February for the Boat Show**. It lets us out about a block from the Center just after it opens. Call me and let me know if you are interested. If we decide that most would rather carpool instead, no problem. Call me! Happy New Years!

Education Department Successes 2010

Students passing Seamanship & Piloting:

**Karen Nussman, P
Wayne Nussman, P
Jed Norris, P**

Students passing Weather:

**Craig Cooper, AP
Lt Grant Dawson, AP
Lt Judy Dawson, AP
Lt Todd Ring, AP
Lt David Schultz, SN**

Congratulations are in order for P/D/C Stephen Puckett, SN. Stephen has completed the requirements and is our newest Full Certificate.

Other members having completed the requirements for Full Certificate in the last two years:

**P/C Karl Koebberling, SN
Leif Duvall, SN
Lt/C Ken Fonville, SN
Lt David Schultz, SN
P/D/C Stephen Puckett, SN**

I would like to thank P/Stf/C Paul Long, SN for the many hours he spent working with students on sight folders and opening his home at the coast to the students.

Jerry Newton's JN class currently has three students.

**P/C John Oberholtzer, AP
Lt/C Pat Freeze, AP
Lt Larry Freeze, AP**

How will I ever be able to thank the Guest Writers who contributed their articles and pictures about their adventures this year for the Educational Department's column in the *Breeze*? Over the last two years the following members have made the newsletter interesting to read.

**P/Stf/C Paul Long, SN & Dawn
P/C Max Kern, SN & Shirley
P/C Mike Hackett, P & Carolyn
D/Lt Alec Wrenn, SN & Kathy
Lt/C Tom Statham, AP & Jo-Anne
Lt/C Ken Fonville, SN & Ann
Lt Dan Kelly, SN & Carol
Lt Judy Dawson, AP & Grant
Walker Steven, SN & Blanche**

The ship's wheel will have a new pilot next year along with a new crew. I wish them the best of luck during their year and pray for calm seas while they navigate their course.

It once again has been a pleasure and honor to serve Greensboro Power Squadron as your Educational Officer. Thank you for the opportunity and for your support.

**Mack Gordy
SEO
Greensboro Power Squadron**

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

10 January Membership Meeting, Dinner & Social @1800 Something Old-Something New

Help Us Celebrate The Past And Start 2011 With A Bang!
Join The Current And Incoming Bridge At One Of Greensboro's
Oldest, But Newest Watering Holes-

The Newly Reopened *Darryl's* On High Point Road

1800: Social Half Hour-Cash Bar

1830: Business Meeting And Dinner (Optional)

1900: Planning For 2011-Member Input Needed

2000: Meeting Adjourns

2030: Optional- BCS Championship Game-Oregon vs. Auburn

Greensboro Power Squadron Change of Watch 29 January

O'Henry Hotel

622 Green Valley Road

Beginning Sharply at 1812

Be sure and join us for a fun evening as Woods gets chopped, sanded, gouged and buffed! Formal invitations will be mailed soon. Any questions, contact Cdr Woods McGinn, AP



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NOMINATIONS 2011 BRIDGE

The Nominations Committee presents the following candidates who have all agreed to serve:

Commander –Lt/C Tom Statham AP

Educational Officer – Lt Hardy Spence AP

Executive Officer – Lt/C Ronald Pittman P

Administrative Officer – Lt David Schultz SN

Secretary – Lt/C Pat Freeze AP

Treasurer – Lt/C Kenneth Fonville SN

Elected Members – Lt Michael Gunter,
Lt Karen Nussman P,
Lt Todd Ring AP

According to our bylaws, candidates for office to be voted upon at the annual meeting may be nominated (1) by the Nominating Committee as herein provided or (2) by petition in writing signed by at least five active members in good standing and filed with the secretary at least 15 days before the date of election.

Nominating Committee
PC Tom Hamlin, Chair
PC Mike Hackett
PC John Oberholtzer

The following is the proposed 2011 budget for the Greensboro Power Squadron

USPS		Greensboro Power Squadron				2011
	2010 Budget		Proposed	2011		CHANGES
income:						
101 Dues	(underestimated 2010)	4,200.00			4,800.00	*
107 Breeze		300.00			300.00	
108 Interest Checking						
109 Interest CD		850.00			850.00	
110 Ship's Store						
111 Education		5,600.00			2,000.00	*
112 Calendar		700.00			700.00	
Fund Raiser		1,500.00			1,000.00	*
113 Miscellaneous		200.00			200.00	
114 Socials		0.00			1,050.00	*
TOTAL INCOME:		\$ 13,350.00			\$ 10,900.00	
EXPENSES:						
201 Dues		250.00			250.00	
202 USPS Edu. Fund		135.00			135.00	
203 church facilities		2,200.00			2,200.00	
204 National Meeting		1,250.00			1,000.00	*
Commander:						
205 Miscellaneous		100.00			100.00	
206 Awards		600.00			600.00	
Executive Officer:						
207 Miscellaneous		50.00			50.00	
208 Big Sweep		200.00			200.00	
209 High Rock Lake		250.00			0.00	*
210 Co-op Charting		100.00			0.00	*
211 Kid's Day At Lake		250.00			0.00	*
212 D/27 Hospitality		350.00			350.00	
Education Officer:						
213 Miscellaneous		50.00			50.00	
214 Education		3,465.00			2,000.00	*
Administrative Officer:						
215 Miscellaneous		50.00			50.00	
216 Boat Course Soc.						
217 New M'ber Mat'l		25.00			25.00	
Boating course Adver		1,000.00			200.00	*
218 New M'ber Soc. Belews		0.00			415.00	*
Secretary:						
219 Miscellaneous		50.00			50.00	
220 Breeze		100.00			100.00	
221 Roster		150.00			150.00	
222 Computer Misc.		50.00			50.00	
223 Photography						
224 Web Site Fee		75.00			75.00	
Treasurer:						
225 Miscellaneous		50.00			50.00	
226 Ship's Store						
227 calendar		300.00			300.00	
228 Change Of Watch		600.00			600.00	
229 Socials		800.00			1,050.00	*
230 Reinvest CD Int.		850.00			850.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES:		\$ 13,350.00			\$ 10,900.00	\$ (2,450.00)

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