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Please bring canned food to help fill empty food shelters. Help us show the community that GPS can help out in non-water matters.

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Notice to Mariners



July 8th

Membership Meeting

Hummer in the Summer

Bur-Mil Park—Shelter #2

\$5 for each adult ; \$2.50 for kids.

Arrive with your covered dish by 1830 and enjoy a drink while we arrange all the food for dining at 1900.

The sign-up sheet for your covered dish contribution will be emailed for you to check. If you have any changes or wish to add names and food contributions, please email Carolyn Hackett at

carolyn322@gmail.com.

If you have not already paid, please plan to pay at the event as our treasurer will be out of town. Your payment will cover shelter rental, beverages, ice, paper products, utensils and a meat.

Please be sure we have heard from you by **July 6th** so we can plan carefully.



July Birthdays

10	Jerry Newton
11	John Oberholtzer
15	Beverly Wright
18	Barre Burks
26	Richard Miller
30	David Schultz
31	Tracey Ring

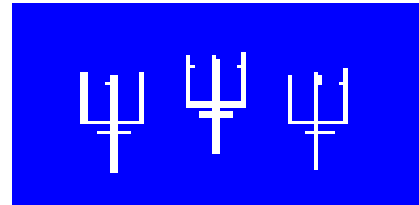
Squadron Patrons

- Larry and Pat Freeze "Pelecanus"
- Alec and Kathy Wrenn "Carolina Wrenn"
- Mike and Carolyn Hackett "Hattitude"
- Mack and Vinnie Gordy "Optional Necessity"
- John and Sally Oberholtzer "Sally O"
- Ron and Anna Pittman "Anna Bee"
- Steve and Chris Puckett "Simply Mahvelous"
- David and Sue Schultz "Iron Jenny"

If you would like to be a "Patron of the Squadron," please make a check of at least \$25 payable to The Greensboro Power Squadron and send the check to
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Commander's Log Cdr David Schultz, SN



As I see on the calendar, today is the summer solstice, marking not only the longest day of the year but also the official start of summer. This year is extra special because it falls on a full moon and a weekend, allowing me to be able to spend two days on the water. First of which helping the Freezes return their boat to their home port in Southport. and the second a nice long boat ride with squadron friends aboard the **Anna Bee**. Life is good!!!

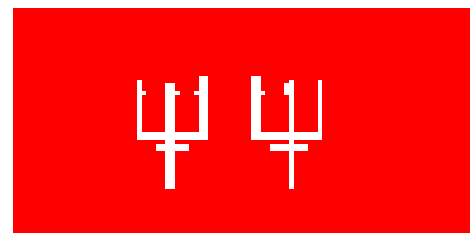
However saying this, I also heard disturbing news of a young 9 year old boy who was killed in a tragic jet ski accident on Lake Norman. Boating is fun, but I wish people would pay more attention to the safety issues associated with boating. With the two recent accidents involving lives lost, hopefully more people will take more of an interest in the safe boating classes. I would like to take this opportunity to remind all members of the United States Power Squadron that we have all at one time raised our right hand and sworn a pledge to not only operate our boats in a safe and legal manner but to also operate them in a manner in which to bring prestige to the United States Power Squadron.

In June we had our co-op charting which was another nice day on the water, even with the high winds, causing the river to be a bit rough. Hopefully we will one day be able to do the port tour. Coming up in July, is another favorite of mine, even though it is not on the water, the Watauga River Cruise. For those of you that have never experienced this event, it is very refreshing when it is so hot in Greensboro, to enjoy the cooler mountain temperatures. This is always hosted by M.L. And P/C Karl Koebberling, and this year chaired by P/C Woods McGinn. In years past, Karl has made his famous blueberry pancakes and wonderful bacon breakfast, and if you get there early this year, he will be making them again on Saturday morning. If you plan to come Saturday morning for breakfast PLEASE let Woods know so Karl can have an accurate head count.

Well that's all for now. I can't believe that the fourth of July is less than two weeks away, and that too will be an extra long week end at the beach for us. So if you happen to be in the vicinity of Holden Beach/ Southport area, give us a call. Until then, I'll "see ya on the pond".



Executive Officer Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN

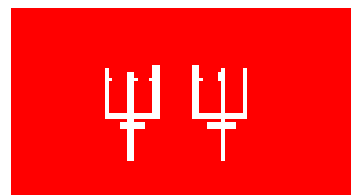


In June, two on the water events were held. Members of our Greensboro Power Squadron joined with Lake Townsend Yacht Club on June 1st and 2nd, for the Mayor's Cup races. David and Sue Schultz and Woods McGinn and Alec Wrenn enjoyed a beautiful weekend on the water and offered assistance to the sailboat racing event. David and Sue provided their boat as one of the "scat" boats. One scat boat moved the marker buoys as needed for the different races and was then anchored if assistance was needed by a contestant. David & Sue's boat provided mobility to a photographer, Kathy, for the event. All of us from GPS assisted at the docks when the races were over as all of the competing boats (no auxiliary power) arrived at the docks about the same time.

Our second event, Coop Charting, was held the following weekend in the Wilmington area. Tropical Storm Andrea forced the cancellation of the Wilmington Port Tour on Friday, but the weather was nice on Saturday for the coop charting activity. Six boats were signed up and as boating goes, only three actually did the coop charting. Weather and mechanical issues forced the adjustment. The charting work was not only successful, but it was great boating day. On Friday and Saturday evenings, we all gathered at the Waterfronte Community and enjoyed good eats and beverages and told lots of boating stories, MANY of which were TRUE !



Administrative Officer
Lt/C Grant Dawson, AP



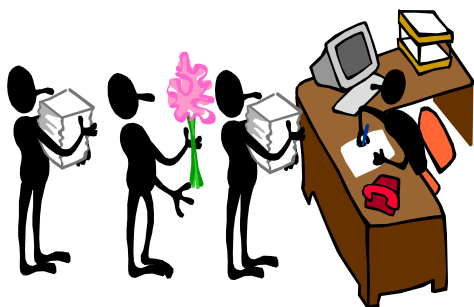
Summer has officially arrived – Judy and I are enjoying our summer place at Belews Lake – the sunset is visible right off of the deck – boat not too far away – water temperature in the 80’s – ah, the warmth of summer.

Mother Nature brought Andrea through the NC coast on the week-end that we had planned a port tour in Wilmington NC. I understand as it turned out it was a little “breezy” but not gale force winds and driving rain as was predicted. All the other events went as planned. Thanks to Kathy Wrenn for all her hard work in organization. Maybe next year we will get to see Wilmington’s “port operations.”

Unfortunately our squadron members no longer have trailer boats so we will cancel the Belews Cruise again this year. Our next meeting, July 8, will be the Hummer in the Summer at Bur Mil. Our chairs for this meeting will be Mike & Carolyn Hackett. See you there!

July 13 will be the annual blueberry picking. Woods McGinn is chair and our hosts will be Karl & ML Koebberling.

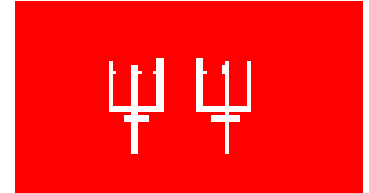
Important Notice to All Committee Chairman



Merit Mark recommendations are due within two weeks after each event.
Send to P/D/C Mack Gordy, AP at mgordyjr@triad.rr.com.
Call Mack if you have questions.



Education Officer's
Lt/C Karen Nussman, JN



I begin this article on the first day of Summer with the boating season already in full gear. If you have been on the water this year, you may have noted, as I have that in their efforts to have fun, people do careless things. I have seen parents, pulling their children on the big rubber rafts cut in front of boats, go at speeds that launch the rafts into the air, among other frightening moves.

USPS is all about safe boating and education. That is why I joined GPS as I know most, if not all of you joined for the same reason. Most of our squadron members have completed the progression of member courses and taken many of the elective classes available. However, we have not taken advantage of the short seminars offered by USPS.

We have a large number of qualified instructors with tremendous knowledge and experience. My wish for the remainder of this year is to take advantage of the offerings and make our courses available to as many as we can. I would like your feedback on the seminars which interest you. They are only 1 day, 1 ½ to 2 hours long. Listed below are the available seminars:

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| <i>Advanced Powerboat Handling</i> | <i>Anchoring</i> |
| <i>Basic Coastal Navigation</i> | <i>Basic Weather and Forecasting</i> |
| <i>Boat Handling under Power</i> | <i>Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes</i> |
| <i>Emergencies on Board</i> | <i>Fuel and Boating</i> |
| <i>How to Use a Chart</i> | <i>Hurricanes and Boats</i> |
| <i>Knots, Bends and Hitches</i> | <i>Man Overboard</i> |
| <i>Marine RADAR</i> | <i>Mariner's Compass</i> |
| <i>Mastering the Rules of the Road</i> | <i>Paddle Smart</i> |
| <i>Partner in Command</i> | <i>Practical On The Water Training</i> |
| <i>Sail Trim and Rig Tuning</i> | <i>Tides and Currents</i> |
| <i>Trailer Your Boat</i> | <i>Using GPS</i> |
| <i>Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio</i> | |

Please give me your feedback as I very much appreciate you sharing your knowledge with me as I continue to learn more myself.

Nautical Tidbit for July – “Friday Sail. Friday Fail” – The seaman’s belief of old that it was very unlucky to set out on a sail on a Friday, probably because Christ was crucified on Friday. The belief is still prevalent among sailors today.

Upcoming Courses to be offered by GPS – ABC on July 20th. Weather, - date to be confirmed for early fall, Navigator, to begin the last week on September. ABC – October, if interest is sufficient. Seminars as requested.

Drowning Doesn't Look Like Drowning

In many child drownings, adults are nearby but have no idea the victim is dying. Here's what to look for.

By [Mario Vittone](#)



A lifeguard keeps watch on opening day of the newly renovated McCarren Park Pool on June 28, 2012, in Brooklyn, New York.

Photo by Mario Tama/Getty Images

The new captain jumped from the deck, fully dressed, and sprinted through the water. A former lifeguard, he kept his eyes on his victim as he headed straight for the couple swimming between their anchored sportfisher and the beach. “I think he thinks you’re drowning,” the husband said to his wife. They had been splashing each other and she had screamed but now they were just standing, neck-deep on the sand bar. “We’re fine; what is he doing?” she asked, a little annoyed. “We’re fine!” the husband yelled, waving him off, but his captain kept swimming hard. “Move!” he barked as he sprinted between the stunned owners. Directly behind them, not 10 feet away, their 9-year-old daughter was drowning. Safely above the surface in the arms of the captain, she burst into tears, “Daddy!”

How did this captain know—from 50 feet away—what the father couldn’t recognize from just 10? Drowning is not the violent, splashing call for help that most people expect. The captain was trained to recognize drowning by experts and years of experience. The father, on the other hand, had learned what drowning looks like by watching television. If you spend time on or near the water (hint: that’s all of us) then you should make sure that you and your crew know what to look for whenever people enter the water. Until she cried a tearful, “Daddy,” she hadn’t made a sound. As a former Coast Guard rescue swimmer, I wasn’t surprised at all by this story. Drowning is almost always a deceptively quiet event. The waving, splashing, and yelling that dramatic conditioning (television) prepares us to look for is rarely seen in real life.

The Instinctive Drowning Response—so named by Francesco A. Pia, Ph.D., is what people do to avoid actual or perceived suffocation in the water. And it does not look like most people expect. There is very little splashing, no waving, and no yelling or calls for help of any kind. To get an idea of just how quiet and undramatic from the surface drowning can be, consider this: It is the No. 2 cause of accidental death in children, ages 15 and under (just behind vehicle accidents)—of the approximately 750 children who will drown next year, about 375 of them will do so within 25 yards of a parent or other adult. In some of those drownings, the adult will actually watch the child do it, having no idea it is happening.* Drowning does not look like drowning—Dr. Pia, in [an article in the Coast Guard’s *On Scene* magazine](#), described the Instinctive Drowning Response like this:

1. “Except in rare circumstances, drowning people are physiologically unable to call out for help. The respiratory system was designed for breathing. Speech is the secondary or overlaid function. Breathing must be fulfilled before speech occurs.
2. Drowning people’s mouths alternately sink below and reappear above the surface of the water. The mouths of drowning people are not above the surface of the water long enough for them to exhale, inhale, and call out for help. When the drowning people’s mouths are above the surface, they exhale and inhale quickly as their mouths start to sink below the surface of the water.
3. Drowning people cannot wave for help. Nature instinctively forces them to extend their arms laterally and press down on the water’s surface. Pressing down on the surface of the water permits drowning people to leverage their bodies so they can lift their mouths out of the water to breathe.
4. Throughout the Instinctive Drowning Response, drowning people cannot voluntarily control their arm

movements. Physiologically, drowning people who are struggling on the surface of the water cannot stop drowning and perform voluntary movements such as waving for help, moving toward a rescuer, or reaching out for a piece of rescue equipment.

5. From beginning to end of the Instinctive Drowning Response people's bodies remain upright in the water, with no evidence of a supporting kick. Unless rescued by a trained lifeguard, these drowning people can only struggle on the surface of the water from 20 to 60 seconds before submersion occurs."

This doesn't mean that a person that is yelling for help and thrashing isn't in real trouble—they are experiencing aquatic distress. Not always present before the Instinctive Drowning Response, aquatic distress doesn't last long—but unlike true drowning, these victims can still assist in their own rescue. They can grab lifelines, throw rings, etc. Look for these other signs of drowning when persons are in the water:

- *Head low in the water, mouth at water level
- *Head tilted back with mouth open
- *Eyes glassy and empty, unable to focus
- *Eyes closed
- *Hair over forehead or eyes
- *Not using legs—vertical
- *Hyperventilating or gasping
- *Trying to swim in a particular direction but not making headway
- *Trying to roll over on the back
- *Appear to be climbing an invisible ladder

So if a crew member falls overboard and everything looks OK—don't be too sure. Sometimes the most common indication that someone is drowning is that they don't look like they're drowning. They may just look like they are treading water and looking up at the deck. One way to be sure? Ask them, "Are you all right?" If they can answer at all—they probably are. If they return a blank stare, you may have less than 30 seconds to get to them. And parents—children playing in the water make noise. *When they get quiet, you get to them and find out why.*

Thanks to Michael Gunter for submitting this article to the Breeze.

A Very Special THANK YOU to our Friends at the O HENRY HOTEL for Their Support





Progressive Dinner

On Saturday evening **August 17th** we will host our progressive dinner, and we promise a very pleasant evening for all in attendance. We do not plan to have any charge for the evening as everyone who attends is expected to provide some part of the menus.

The evening will start at 5:30 with a cocktail party at a member's home. At 6:45 we will break into groups of 8 and depart to the homes of the couples who are hosting the dinners. The host couple will provide the main course, one couple will provide the salad, another the vegetable, and another the wine. The committee will assign the couples to the hosts' homes two weeks ahead of the evening so that the host and the 3 guest couples can coordinate their individual menus; you are free to have anything you wish. At 9:00 we will depart from the dinner hosts and go another member's home for desserts.

Please make your reservations ASAP. The absolute cutoff date is July 31st as we need the two weeks to assign all of the various tasks to the attendees. Please feel free to volunteer a hors d'oeuvre or a dessert. Everyone is sharing and that is part of the fun. This is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow members and enjoy not only some great food, but a lot of wonderful camaraderie. What better way to get to know each other!

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 Carolyn at 336 706 1583 or if possible "carolyn322@gmail.com". Ads will run for one month unless renewed.

- Carolyn and Mike Hackett recommend the restaurant "**Ports of Call**" in Southport 116 N. Howe Street, (910) 457-4544. They do take reservations and have a private area for groups up to 8. Check ahead of time to inquire about their Wednesday specials which include \$6 wine and \$1 off tapas small or large. This restaurant was the favorite of the visiting actors and crew for the filming of the recent movie, **Safe Haven**. portsofcallbistro.com

Schedule of Events 2013

7/8/13 **Membership meeting Hummer in the summer**

7/13/13 Watauga River cruise (blueberry picking)

7/15/13 Ex Com meeting

8/8-11/13 **D/27 Rendezvous Cape Charles, VA**

8/12/13 Blueberry social

8/19/13 Ex Com meeting

9/1-7/13 National Board meeting San Antonio Texas

9/9/13 Membership meeting / wine tasting

9/14/13 **Smith Mt. Lake wooden boat show**

9/16/13 Ex Com meeting

9/28/13 Greensboro Yacht Club event

10/5/13 Big Sweep

10/14/13 PC Happening

10/21/13 Ex com meeting

10/26/13 **Old Salem Halloween tour**

11/2/13 Ladies luncheon

11/9/13 Dinner and a show

11/11/13 Membership meeting

11/18/13 Ex Com meeting

12/9/13 **GPS Christmas party**

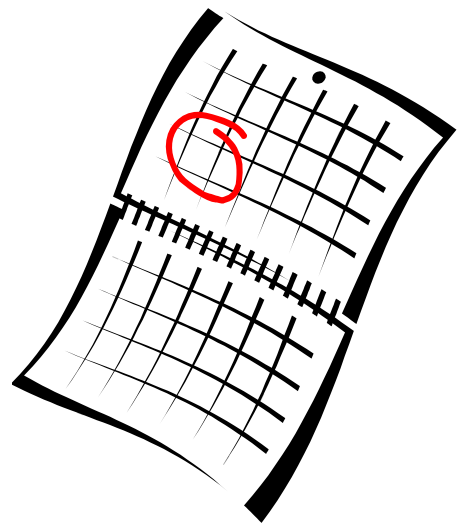
12/16/13 Ex Com meeting

1/4/14 D27 Training Raleigh

1/13/14 Membership meeting

1/21/14 (Tuesday) Ex Com meeting

1/25/14 **GPS Change of Watch**



Co Op Charting June 9-11, 2013 Carolina Beach and Wilmington

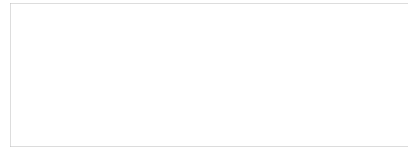


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