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Notice to Mariners

Operation Big Sweep

October 19, 8:30 AM at Carolina Marina

Bring your work gloves, rough clothes, and sun screen for this fun project in trash clean up of Belews Lake. **Lunch will be provided.**

Boats and boat captains are very much needed.

Contact Jerry Newton at [336-282-8522](tel:336-282-8522) or LNewton3rd@aol.com.



The Past Commanders Happening/Fund Raiser

Monday, October 14th

See Page 9 for all the details!

Old Salem Halloween Walk

with dinner afterwards at the Old Salem Tavern

October 25, 2013

The fourteen folks who have already sent in their reservations will meet to enjoy the event together. Judy Dawson is in charge.



October Birthdays

04 Sam D. Hummel	21 Dan W. Chance
08 Larry E. Williams	21 Todd N. Ring
12 Fred J. Schultz	23 Judith M. Dawson
16 Philip A. Thompson	25 Alexander Wrenn
16 Mildred K. Wall	30 Ronald Mims Pittman
17 Leif E. Johansson	31 Beverly B. Armfield

Squadron Patrons

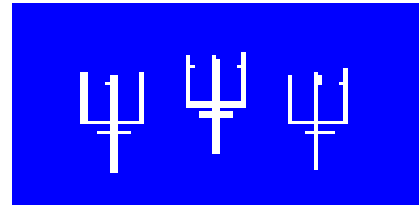
- Larry and Pat Freeze "Pelecanus"
- Alec and Kathy Wrenn "Carolina Wrenn"
- Mike and Carolyn Hackett "Hattitude"
- Mack and Vinnie Gordy "Optional Necessity"
- John and Sally Oberholtzer "Sally O"
- Ron and Anna Pittman "Anna Bee"
- Steve and Chris Puckett "Simply Mahvelous"
- David and Sue Schultz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

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Commander's Log

Cdr David Schultz, SN



Here it is once again time to write an article for the Breeze. It won't come out until October, but we still have two more weeks left in September. Just last week we returned from the National meeting in San Antonio, Texas. It was a great experience and there were a lot of things going on. We arrived on Friday before the meetings started, we rented a car, and drove to Austin to see the capital building. It is very impressive! From the outside it looks just like the capital building in Washington DC except for a statue of lady justice on top and the fact that it is "Carolina Clay Red" in color.

We had planned to visit the LBJ Presidential Library that same day, however, it is on the campus of Texas A&M University, and we did not know that they had their first home game that night. By lunchtime traffic was already getting nuts, and so we decided to come back the next day. Another day, we drove out to a little cowboy town (proclaimed to be the cowboy capital of the world) called Bandera, Texas. It was a really neat place. Just the day before we arrived, there was a cattle drive right down main street. However the day we were there, they were hosting the PBR (Professional Bull Riders Association) semi-finals so we stayed to watch that. I would have preferred a full rodeo to just bull riding, but it still was a great show, and we had a blast. On Tuesday, some friends from Greensboro joined us so Sue was able to spend time with them while I went to meetings at the Hyatt. There is a lot going on with national. I was mostly interested in the BOC program and the public on-the-water classes. On the last full day that we were there, there was a breakfast with a very interesting keynote speaker: Story Musgrave, a former astronaut-turned-business man \ aircraft mechanic \ neurosurgeon \ palm tree farmer who never even finished high school. If you ever get the chance to visit San Antonio, do it. I highly recommend it.

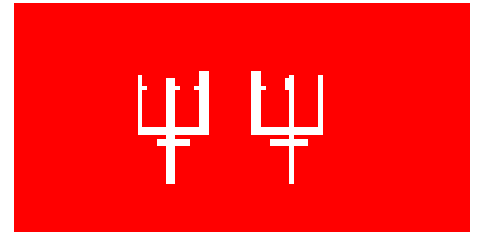
Last weekend we attended the wooden boat show and classic cars up on Smith Mountain Lake. It was a beautiful day and Sue even managed to get all of us a boat ride in a 1956 22ft. Chris Craft continental; it really was so cool. Next weekend is the yard sale and the joint event with the Lake Townsend Yacht Club. I do hope to see many of you at these events. I know it is a lot for one day, but that's just how things turned out. At least one is a morning event, and the other is in the late afternoon and evening.

Well until next time - - - "I'll see ya on the Pond."





Executive Officer
Lt/C Alec Wrenn, SN

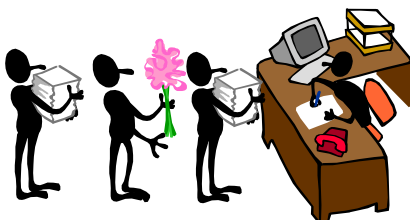


I began developing a *Breeze* article for October having to do with boating and our upcoming squadron events. Then on Friday evening, September 20th, Kathy and I attended the “ground breaking” of the Carolina Field of Honor, an 8 acre tract within Triad Park. Triad Park is 426 acres and includes land in Forsyth and Guilford Counties directly off E. Mountain Street (extension of West Market Street) in Kernersville, just west of Sandy Ridge Road which is the access road to the Piedmont Triad Farmer’s Market. The Carolina Field of Honor has the mission of honoring those who served in the military and to also serve as an educational center about America’s military.

There, we met lots of folks including many who have served in the military and their families. We had a delightful time with Marine Corps General, Herbert Lloyd Wilkerson. He is a 94 year old retired two star general. He and his wife live in Greensboro. During our visit with him, we learned:

- During World War II, Major General Wilkerson held the rank of Private in 1942. After completing training at Paris Island, SC, he reported to Camp Lejeune. As most of you know, Camp Lejeune is located next to Jacksonville, NC. In 1942, Jacksonville had a population of less than 900 people. From there the First Marine Division including Private Wilkerson, were transported to Norfolk, VA, and in March 1942, Private Wilkerson and many others boarded the **USS Heywood**. From there the convoy of more than 40 ships headed to the Panama Canal and proceeded to Guadalcanal. On August 7th, 1942, exactly 8 months after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, the attack and invasion of Guadalcanal began. This was the first major land offensive against the Japanese. Private Wilkerson served under the command of “Chesty Puller” a legendary Marine Corps officer.
- Korea: General Wilkerson later fought in the Korean War, first landing at Pusan, the only speck of land on the peninsula still remaining in friendly hands after the North Koreans invaded in 1950. Later he was with the Marines who were at the Chosin Reservoir, when the Red Chinese entered the war in overwhelming numbers, and the Marines and other UN forces had to fight their way back out. The Red Chinese numbered 67,000 and surrounded the UN forces and Marines numbering 30,000. The winter conditions were so severe, that at times vehicles and weapons failed to operate. Medical personnel at times had to carry morphine capsules in their mouth to keep the morphine from freezing. Asked if this was a retreat, the answer was “Retreat hell ! We’re not retreating, we’re just advancing in a different direction.” The UN forces broke out of the encirclement and inflicted crippling losses on the Chinese.

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.

- Vietnam: In 1970, General Wilkerson and I were both serving in Vietnam, not knowing each other and not knowing that we were linked together. He was not a general at that time but was a 51 year old Regimental Commander on Hill 55, south of Danang. I was a 25 year old XO of Bravo Platoon, 3rd 8th Howitzer Battery, sometimes on Hill 65, southwest of Danang, sometimes Fire Direction Officer on Hill 34, and sometimes I manned a 200 foot high skinny mountain top outpost, Marble Mountain, immediately south of Danang Air Base. I suspect that my howitzers and 106 recoilless rifle on Marble Mountain provided fire support for his troops on many occasions.

The dedication of the Carolina Field of Honor will occur in 2014, and hopefully on Memorial Day. Certainly the Greensboro Power Squadron will look for an opportunity to enjoy this wonderful and large Triad Park, and visit the Carolina Field of Honor. Kathy and I have purchased 5 bricks in memory of or honoring family and friends as our way of financially supporting this wonderful endeavor.

The Carolina Field of Honor



Artist's Rendering of the Field of Honor

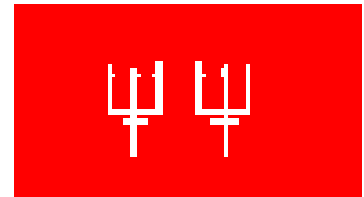


Alec with General Wilkerson





Administrative Officer
Lt/C Grant Dawson, AP



A small but enthusiastic group enjoyed our September meeting at the Stonefield Cellars Winery in Stokesdale.

Our past commanders will have the October meeting.

The November meeting will be at the church with a speaker from OUR STATE magazine.

Todd and Tracey Ring are chairing the December Christmas meeting.

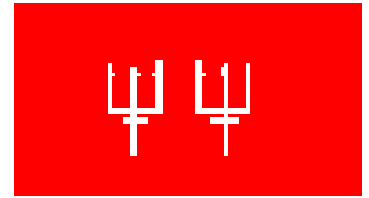
As it is now officially Fall – it is time to start thinking about winterizing our boats – more about this next month – it really is too soon to get serious about this – hopefully lots of good weather days left for boating fun -

A Very Special THANK YOU to our Friends at the [O HENRY HOTEL](#) for Their Support





Education Officer's **Lt/C Karen Nussman, JN**



We just returned from a cruise to Alaska and one of the topics on the cruise was about a ship's captain that ran into England! He must have missed the Piloting and Advanced Piloting classes we offer! In learning more about this accident, I had to share this to show that we all need to refresh our knowledge from time to time and to use your charts, not relying only on your GPS. Below are excerpts from an article in the "Daily Mail Reporter"

A Polish captain ran his massive ship aground off the British coast after plotting a straight line from Scotland to Belgium - forgetting that England was in the way, it is claimed. Blundering Tadeusz Dudek had been using an unapproved GPS device to navigate - similar to a car's Sat Nav, an investigation revealed. And the lookout on board the 80 metre-long MV Danio cargo ship was asleep when the enormous vessel crashed into Farne Islands, off the North-East coast, last March.

Coastguard surveyor Alan Thompson told a BBC Inside Out documentary: "They basically said 'Well, OK, we're sailing from Perth and we're going to Antwerp and we'll draw a line and we'll go the quickest way possible,' without really thinking."

Following the accident, coastguard surveyor, Alan Thompson, detained the vessel at Blyth port. He said from the evidence they looked at, there was a serious failing of the ship's safety management system. He says: 'He was using an unapproved electronic chart plotter, which is basically a bit like your GPS for the car.' Mr. Thompson says from the time the Danio left Perth to the time it went to ground, there were two positions on the chart. Usually a bridge look-out should still have spotted the Farne Islands and its flashing lighthouse. Mr. Thompson added: 'If he's fallen asleep it will alarm in the captain's cabin and if the captain doesn't acknowledge it, it will ring everywhere. 'Now the Danio did have a very basic bridge watch alarm, but it was switched off.'





Eventually the ship was floated away but new research shows the captain was trying to sail a straight line from Scotland to Antwerp, in Belgium - and forgot about England's jutting-out coastline in the middle.

Source: [Daily Mail Reporter](#); 2 September 2013

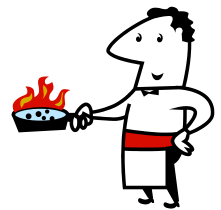
Take away – TAKE A POWER SQUADRON COURSE AND REFRESH YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

NAUTICAL TIDBIT for October

FORGE: A vessel was said “to forge ahead” when she was moving rapidly under a full press of canvas. She “forged over” when she was forced to sail over a shoal or bar that momentarily checked her progress. Forge is from the sailor’s earlier pronunciation of “Forge” Colloquially, to forge ahead is to carry on with one’s purpose and direction, To forge over is to press on regardless of hindrances.



Galley Gourmet



Potato Crusted Mahi Mahi from Carolyn Hackett

- 1 cup precooked shredded potatoes
- 1 shallot, finely chopped (or grated onion)
- 1 tablespoon prepared horseradish if desired
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 2 -4 mahi filets (Costco frozen are great)
- 4 teaspoons reduced-fat mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon canola or olive oil
- 1 lemon, quartered

Combine potatoes, shallot, horseradish, mustard, garlic salt and pepper in a medium bowl. Spread each portion of fish with 1 teaspoon mayonnaise, then top with one-fourth of the potato mixture, pressing the mixture onto the fish.

Heat oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Carefully place the fish in the pan potato-side down and cook until crispy and browned, 4 to 5 minutes. Gently turn the fish over, reduce the heat to medium and continue cooking until the fish flakes easily with a fork, 4 to 5 minutes more. Serve with lemon wedges.

The Past Commanders Happening/Fund Raiser

Monday, October 14th

Social hour starts promptly @ 1800 hours (6:00 PM)

Dinner will be served by our spiffily attired P/C's @ 1845ish

The Past Commanders invite one and all to attend our fabulous

"Gourmet Lasagna Dinner and Fund raiser"

Great food, fun, and even better fellowship at the

Greensboro Police Club

524 AIR HARBOR RD, GREENSBORO, NC, 27455



The menu will be an exceptional gourmet lasagna, an Italian green salad, and lots of good bread, olive oil. Tea will be provided; adult beverages are available for a modest donation. One will be provided for each adult.

- ◆ **\$12.50 for adults, in advance, (received by Thursday Oct 10th) \$15.00 at the door**
- ◆ **\$5.00 for children,**
- ◆ **\$ 2.00 donation to receive an appropriate red or white adult beverage in a cup**
- ◆ **\$ 1.00 donation to receive an appropriate adult beverage in a can**
- ◆ **An evening of food, fun and socializing with the GSO Power Squadron and watching your 2013 Bridge clean up afterwards, **PRICELESS!****



Dessert Contest



There will be a **Dessert Contest** so **bring your best dessert** and be prepared to win the accolades and envy of the membership.

Please make your reservations by sending your check, made payable to

**Greensboro Power Squadron Past Commanders,
Mail checks to: P/C Tom Statham, 218 Kemp Rd. East Kemp Rd. East, GSO, 27410
or by calling 336-209-8882 or emailing, tstat@aol.com**

It is important that you make your reservation EARLY so that we can plan for the appropriate quantity of food. If you make a reservation and do not cancel it 72 hours (3 days) in advance, we will expect that you will attend and if you do not attend, you will pay for your reserved meal.

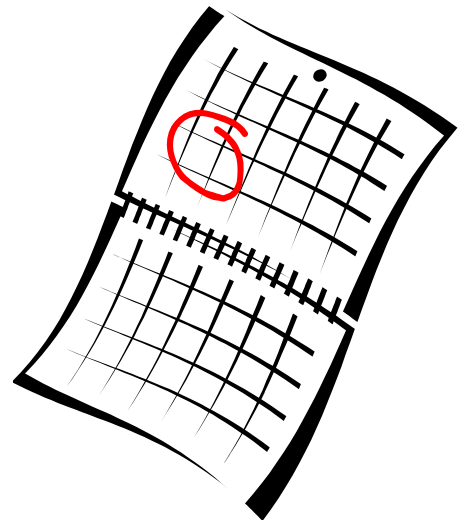
Remember, this is a fund raiser to help support our 40th Anniversary Celebration in 2014!!

Something NEW!

We will have a 50/50 auction to also benefit the cause.

Schedule of Events 2013

10/14/13 PC Happening
10/19/13 Big Sweep
10/21/13 Ex com meeting
10/25/13 **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**



Please continue bringing canned food
to the monthly meeting
to share with
those in need.



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