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- 11 November - General Squadron Meeting
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2000 Meeting
2100 Speaker: Sonny Vynne
- 12 November - Executive Committee Meeting

FROM THE BRIDGE:

I'm reminded of a story that might ease the sting of what I want to say to the Squadron.

Two men looked down the road and saw a huge grizzly bear heading for them. They were unarmed. The one said, "What should we do, make a run for it or look for a tree to climb?" Meanwhile, the other fellow had sat down and begun to take off his heavy boots to put on his jogging shoes. Upon seeing this, his companion said somewhat disdainfully, "You'll never outrun that bear." Whereupon the jogger looked up and said, "All I am going to try to do is to run faster than you!"

I guess I have doctored the story a bit but what I want to say is, if we are going to run, let's run together. When our Administrative Officer works hard to provide us with good programs for our meetings, let's pitch in and help. The duty roster that went out with the last HARBOR LIGHTS is a fair assignment of duties. Every member received a copy. What is so difficult in finding someone to swap with if you can't make your assignment? So let's not be putting on our jogging shoes unless everyone else is putting them on.

Admittedly I have a prejudiced view, but I really thought our last 'potluck' meeting was a fine one. Howard Schonberger's speaker was superb. Dr. Dennis Willows was not only a spellbinder but his topic was timely and fascinating. Norm Sorensen and his crew, the Carters and the Woodwards, with volunteers such as Alice Dauer and Emily Seaman, made the potluck a smooth, enjoyable evening. Gordon and Bev Steele didn't sail off over the horizon either. Thank you one and all. Nor am I forgetting Ed Carlberg's keeping the finances straight and the Madsen's effort to make the evening more mellow.

Let's try it again next month at our Turnagain coffee meeting.

Frank Hudson, JN
Commander

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT:CHANGES TO CANADIAN AIDS TO NAVIGATION

It is none too soon to start becoming familiar with the new IALA (International Association of Lighthouse Authority) buoy system. The new system will be used both by the U.S. and Canada, but probably will be first seen in Canada, since they expect to start converting in March of 1983 (BC expects to be complete by August 1983).

The IALA system provides for both lateral (port and starboard) and cardinal (directional) buoys. The main difference will be in the lateral system since both countries say they are going to "soft-pedal" cardinal buoys for fear of confusion.

Some of the changes to the lateral system are:

Proceeding inward from the sea:

Port hand buoys will now be painted GREEN instead of BLACK and will have a GREEN light.

(Starboard buoys will remain as they are...RED with a RED light).

Junction buoys (now called "bifurcation" buoys) will be GREEN and RED horizontal stripes (not BLACK AND RED) and will have a new light characteristic...flashing two plus one...RED or GREEN, depending upon which side the preferred channel lies.

Fairway buoys (now verticle BLACK AND WHITE) will be verticle RED and WHITE. The light, Morse Alpha, will not change.

There are a number of other changes plus an explanation of the Cardinal system available by writing Transport Canada, Place de Ville, Ontario K1A 0N5. To our knowledge, the U.S. Coast Guard has not made a publication available as yet.

Dick Tutt, P, Executive Officer

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

Have the Doldrums moved this far north? One wouldn't believe it by the winds we have been having, but what about the lack of interest in our education program? For the first time in our Squadron history, we have no one enrolled in Seamanship, Piloting or Advanced Piloting.

These three courses are the very heart of our Squadron education program, and indeed, the triad of safe and pleasurable boating. Your Education Department feels so sincerely about this that we will offer these courses again in early January. Members who have partially completed these courses as well as first timers are urged to enroll. Details will be in the December HARBOR LIGHTS.

Fred Hoepfner, AP, Educ/Officer

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT:

NOVEMBER SQUADRON MEETING - Turnagain Restaurant

Thursday, 11 November 1982

1930 Attitude Adjustment

2000 General Business

2100 Speaker: "Sonny" Vynne

"Sonny" Vynne, the Northwest's most famous yachtsman, will present a slide show and talk highlighted by his experience as a challenger for the America's Cup, racing off the Great Reef of Australia and ice-sailing in Wisconsin. Also, he will stress the new safety provisions which Northwest sailors now observe to safeguard against the type of calamities which have occurred elsewhere.

Howard Schonberger, Ch/Programs

NEW MEMBER

John Dustrude is our newest Squadron member. He is a retired Landscape Architect and has lived on San Juan Island for the past ten years. John hails from Wisconsin originally. His hobbies are motorcycling and boating. His wife, Louise, has held a Woman's Certificate in our Squadron for three years. We extend our heartiest welcome to the Dustrudes.

Please add the following to your Roster:

DUSTRUDE, John and Louise 378-4306 ISLAND BIRD VHF WRU 9950
Sail

Walter Earp, S, Ch/Membership

FROM THE SECRETARY:WOMAN'S CERTIFICATES - AN APOLOGY

We have found with publication of the 1982-83 Squadron Roster that both Squadron and National records of Woman's Certificates, supposedly current, are woefully inadequate.

We do apologize to the nine, or more, Squadron women whose names were omitted from the list. Incidentally, all of the nine were also not on the 1981-82 Roster list so it was necessary to go even further back into the records. The following are the ones that have been identified. Please add to your Roster and let the Secretary know if anyone else has been missed. These are all presumably currently inactive.

Alice Dauer	W 29937	S	Fae McKnight	W 35647	
Leone B. Edgar	W 35645	S	Nancy Smalley	W 29011	S
Dolores Finley	W 26028	B	June Starr	W 9070	B
Violet Gray	W 30879	B	Aleda Volz	W 8112	B
Virginia Madsen	W 21290	S			

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FROM THE SECRETARY: (continued)

It is also evident that the records we have do not accurately reflect the courses passed by certificate holders. For your information, the qualification shown in the Roster is intended to be the highest of the Advanced Grade courses passed. Elective courses are not shown in the Roster but should be in the Squadron records. It would be very much appreciated if each Woman's Certificate holder would give the Secretary a list of all courses passed, along with the month and year for each. Then both Squadron and National records can be corrected.

Ralph A. Rich, N, Secretary

LINES OF COMMUNICATION

My congratulations to our Editor Noble Starr, and the Squadron's thanks and the Commander's for an A-No. 1 job. As far as I am concerned, the HARBOR LIGHTS is not only flourishing but maintaining a vital life line to Squadron members. Further, while he has been doing this, he has almost single-handedly (he gets a lot of encouragement and assistance from his wife, June) put out this year's Roster. In this regard, our thanks to Ralph Rich who has seen that our data is kept as current as possible. And, thanks to the ladies on the Telephone Committee who made all those calls to check the Roster information to be sure the boat names and radio call letters are up-to-date. Alice Dauer is the Chairman and her "crew" included; Sally Hudson, Elizabeth Merrifield, Nora Shaller, June Starr and Bernice Tutt.

For those who were not at our last meeting, I mentioned that the Starrs will be vacationing in January and February. We need a pinch-hit Editor during those two months. C'mon! How about a husband and wife team to tackle this important challenge for two months. Please give Gordon Steele or me a ring if you feel you have what it takes - or even if you don't, or if you want to be coaxed a bit!

Frank Hudson, JN, Commander

NEWS & VIEWS

Squadron expertise flies at our masthead in the person of our Executive Officer, Dick Tutt. Rear Admiral C. F. DeWolf, U.S.C.G. expressed the Coast Guard's appreciation to Dick for his attention to a Mariner's responsibility on 9 October 1982. Dick responded to the S/V FANDANGO'S flare distress signal off Mitchell Point. He alerted and provided periodic status reports to the U.S.C.G. Rescue Coordination Center during S/V FANDANGO'S fire at sea. Although the sailing vessel was lost, the crew was saved. A WELL-DONE to Dick and some pleasant basking in the after-glow for the Squadron.

The deadline for the next issue of HARBOR LIGHTS will be 24 November.
