

April 1987

# HARBOR LIGHTS



**FRIDAY HARBOR POWER SQUADRON**

A UNIT OF UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

FRIDAY HARBOR, WASHINGTON

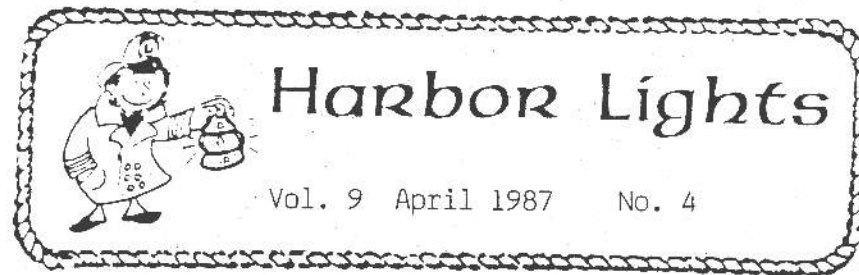
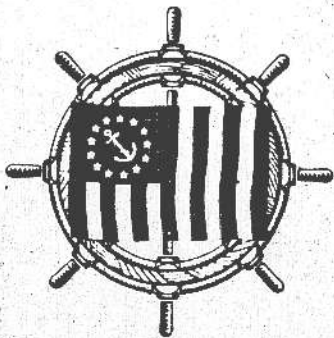
# 1987 & 1988

## BRIDGE OFFICERS

Commander.....H. Lance Crosby JN 378-2946  
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Education.....Lee Campbell AP 378-5237  
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Treasurer.....Ed Carlberg AP 378-5552  
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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Commander H. Lance Crosby, JN  
Donald Madsen, AP Archie Merrifield, S  
Lee Campbell, AP Win Sharp, AP  
Bob Blanchard, AP George Porter, P  
Edward Carlberg, AP P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP  
Pete Plunkett, AP P/C Frank Hudson, JN



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**WEDNESDAY**

CHANGE OF WATCH --Roche Harbor

1800 Cash Bar Open

1900 Dinner

Uniform A, Blazer or Mufti

**RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW!**

**TUESDAY**

1987-88 BRIDGE MEETING

ORGANIZATION AND 1987-88  
PLANNING

At Commander Crosby's Residence  
1253 Terrace Drive  
10:00 A. M.





## Commander's Message

---by Cdr Lance Crosby, JN

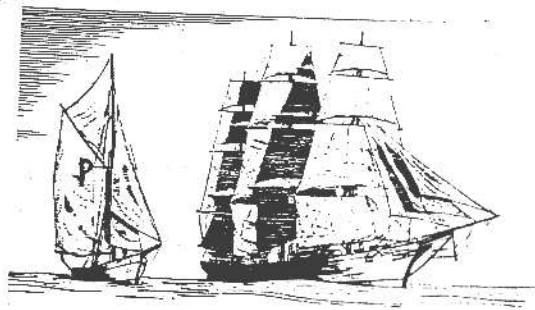
With Spring officially here, it's no wonder that every time I go to the boatyard I find our members hauling, sanding, painting or (like me) thinking about it! Lets look forward to a great summer of cruising!

As we bid Goodbye to the old Bridge and welcome in the new, we find Fred Popham missing from the progression of officers. I'm sure this is just for an interval and that we will see him back in the line-up one day. But otherwise it is a real satisfaction to see capable people moving up! And also to see new ones coming on board in turn. It takes a year to find out what it's all about and that experience makes the new job both easier and more rewarding.

Friday Harbor can be proud of their Education program this spring. Seven people taking the Engine Maintenance exam, six heading for Seamanship, three for Advanced Piloting and seventeen in the Spring Boating Course! My congratulations to those teaching the courses and to those taking them! And there is more coming up--see elsewhere in this issue.

One of the special pleasures of USPS membership is getting to know our neighbors to the North. If you have never attended a Canadian Power Squadron meeting you have missed a right lively event! The Pacific Mainland District is meeting in Vancouver, B.C. 30 May and the Van. Island Dist. Annual Meeting is 6 June at Ganges Island. We try not to compete with the Yacht Club on summer cruises, but you would enjoy these meetings--and Ganges is just a nice run away. Lets get some of us over there this year!

Closing out the '86-87 year, I want to let all of you know how much I have appreciated the help you have given me this past year. I'll no doubt be back to you--but take note that my goal this coming year is to get a lot of the wonderful new members involved in our activities and especially in committee leadership roles. Next month in this column we'll talk more of goals and plans.



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

by Fred Popham, AP

In a couple months Safe Boating Week will be coming up--at seems appropriate therefore to share with you parts of a letter I recieved from D/Lt Cdr Owen Peabody, AP the Dist. 16 Safety Officer:

" We teach a safe boating course yet last year less than 10% of our boats had a C.M.E. examination by our local Coast Guard Auxiliary.

This is not a case of 'If my boat fails the Auxiliary will impound me boat". They will only point out those items that need to be corrected or replaced so you can have a safe boating year.

I hope that we can reach 100% of our boats inspected and passed. This is our goal.

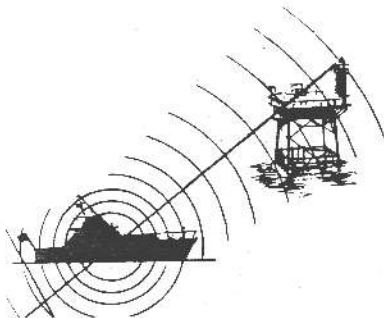
Your safety officer has the ball in his court. Put him to work. I know we will surpass last years 10%. Also we may just cut down on the accident statistics for the State of Washington which is the highest in the nation."

## EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

by Lee Campbell, AP

A Sail course is going to be offered in the near future to a limited number of members. Contact me if you have an interest.

Jim Fox is also teaching a Marine Electronics course through Skagit Valley College. He will use the USPS text if any squadron member wants to take it. The cost is approx. \$46 tuition.



MORE EDUCATION----by P/C Frank Hudson, JN  
Public Boating Chairman

STUDENTS OF THE SQUADRON'S SPRING PUBLIC BOATING CLASS ARE:

Joyce Chiles  
Bob Eggenberger  
John Gauthier  
Cindy Gauthier  
Norm Hayden  
Reneé Hayden  
Don Hosken  
Dan Hosken  
Benn Houk  
Garreth Jeffers  
Bill La Porte  
Joyce Leeming  
Frank Leeming  
Coleman Reynolds  
Ruth Reynolds  
Harvey Weaver  
Steve Gobat

We anticipate some of these students may wish to join the Squadron. If you have any comments for or against their membership please get in touch with the Commander or our Membership Chairman, Frank Woodward.

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No man can expect to find a friend without faults, nor can he propose himself to be so to another.--Every man will have something to do for his friend, and something to bear with in him.--Only the sober man can do the first; and for the latter, patience is requisite.

WATER HARBOR POWER SQUADRON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

- Call to Order: The 10 March 1987 meeting was called to order at 1200 by Cdr Crosby at Mojo's. Present were: Hudson, Sharp, Carlberg, Woodward, Campbell, Crosby, Hillyard, Plunkett, Popham.
- Minutes: The minutes of the 10 Feb meeting were approved as printed.
- Treasurer: Carlberg reported a balance of \$2092.39 in checking and \$1119.36 in savings accounts.
- Administrative: Coffee and doughnuts will be served at 11 March meeting at 1730. Cdr Crosby will give presentation on boats of the world. Plans for May meeting will be completed after Blanchard returns from vacation.
- Executive: Popham has ordered nautical trivia game for use as entertainment at a future meeting and County Fair.
- Education: Seven students are enrolled in Seamanship class (an assistant instructor is needed). Seven will take engine maintenance exam on 17 March. The sailing course will begin after 9 April. Seventeen are enrolled in Public Boating.
- Membership: Induction of new members will be held 11 March and 1 April. A need to improve membership involvement was expressed and new bridge will make this a priority item.
- Commander: Cdr distributed copies of D/16 Executive Officer Hardy's memo regarding objectives for 1987-88.
- Unfinished: An editor is ~~still~~ needed for Harbor Lights.  
Cdr attended 28 February co-op charting seminar at Sand Point and has current forms for chart corrections.  
1987 District 16 Fall Conference: Motion was made and approved to accept contract proposal from Yacht Club for use of their facilities 19 Sept. Cdr will appoint committee to work out details for this event.  
1987 District 16 Spring Conf.: P/C Hudson will be delegate at 20-22 March event. Others are welcome to attend.  
Change of Watch: Cdr appointed P/Cs Hudson and Hoepfner to finalize details for 1 April event. Popham will coordinate entertainment. Reservations are required.
- New: 31 March Meeting: Cdr Crosby will host meeting in his home at 1000 with Woodward, Plunkett, and Carlberg and anyone working on Change of Watch plans. There will not be an Executive Committee meeting prior to COW.
- Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1330.
- Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
Virginia Hillyard,  
Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPT.

---by Don Madsen, AP



**Change Of Watch**

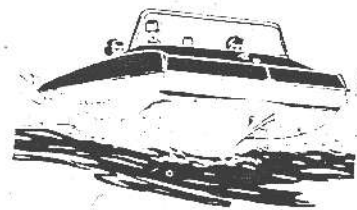
**Come By Car,**

**Come By Boat,**

**But BE THERE!**

Those of you who attended the last few Changes of Watch at Roche Harbor will remember the great food and fellowship. Just in case you haven't yet sent your reservation to Ed Carlberg, we are inclosing another form.

I understand plans are underway for the May SEASONS CLOSER --it promises to be a good one! Watch for May HARBOR LIGHTS.



FROM THE ARMCHAIR SAILOR  
P/C F. Hudson

From the Local Notice to Mariners, #9, 3/3/81

On 24 December 1981 the International Rules for Preventing Collision at Sea, 1972 ColRegs replaced the old Inland Rules as the applicable "Rules of the Road" on Lake Washington, Puget Sound, Georgia Strait, Strait of Juan de Fuca and all adjacent waters

In the '72 COLREGS, Rule 26 requires the following navigation lights and dayshapes for "vessels engaged in fishing, other than trawling"

- a. Two all-around lights in a vertical line, the upper being red and the lower white, or a shape consisting of two cones with apexes together in a vertical line one above the other; a vessel of less than 20 meters in length may instead of cones exhibit a basket.
- b. When there is outlying gear extending more than 1500 meters horizontally from the vessel, an all-around white light or cone apex upward in the direction of the gear.
- c. When making way through the water, in addition to the lights prescribed above, sidelights and a sternlight.

The lighting and dayshapes requirements as above apply only to "vessels engaged in fishing (other than trawling)". The 72 COLREGS define a "vessel engaged in fishing" as "any vessel fishing with nets, line trawls or other fishing apparatus which restricts maneuverability". This term does not include fishing vessels which do not have gear over the side. It does not include fishing vessels which do have gear over the side but whose maneuverability is not restricted by that fishing gear. In these latter two situations, the fishing vessels should display the lights prescribed for a power driven vessel underway.

The Safety Corner:

M. Edwards, AP

Young Robbin, a guest on your cruiser, is an uninhibited bundle of energy. He thinks he is a Corsair on the Spanish Main. You have just secured your lines with Robbin's able assistance, await the approach of a fellow member of USPS who will nest alongside as moorage space is scarce. The bow wave of the approaching vessel, however slight, causes both boats to roll a bit. An unearthly scream announces to the world that Robbin had his foot smashed between the gunwhales. When you took your eyes off of him to handle the lines of the approaching boat, Robbin was helping to fend off with his feet.

The injury is severe, you call for an ambulance and rush the victim to a hospital. The medical procedures are involved and surgery is required. In about 12 days Robbin is out of the hospital on crutches. His parents send you the bill. Its enormity gives you a feeling of nausea. You realize a law suit would probably go against you, and your comprehensive insurance will only cover about 50% of the total. As you are the skipper, you are responsible for discipline on your vessel.

This yarn is not likely to happen, but it could. The idea for such an event was inspired when listening to Frank Hudson, our able coordinator of the Public Boating Course discuss some of the facts of safety with the class currently taking the course.

HAVE A NICE DAY!



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National Marine Electronics Association has announced the following winners of its 1986 Products Awards. The awards are intended to recognize and encourage outstanding performance and reliability in the marine electronics products.

25W VHF Radio  
Handheld radio  
SS Radio  
Satellite Navigation  
Loran C

Small Radar  
Auto-Pilot

RDF  
Antenna

ICOM  
ICOM  
Stephans Engr.  
Magnavox  
Digital Marine  
& Furuno  
Furuno  
Robertson -  
Shipmate  
Simrad - Taiyo  
Shakespeare

**WE BELIEVE IN**

***Boating Safety***

# Welcome Aboard!

As you will notice on the enclosed list of Roster Changes, we have added a number of new members lately. We are delighted to welcome them aboard!

Make it a point to meet each one and personally extend the welcome hand. I especially want to mention those who have not been recognized in HARBOR LIGHTS before:

William A. Clements

Thomas and Barbara Duffy

Jack A. Ericsson

Also welcome  
Marty Larson

Dave and Mary Champlin

We have not had an opportunity to present Certificates to everyone yet--but we're looking forward to doing it!

*Editor's Corner .....*



Deadline for next HARBOR LIGHTS IS NO LATER than April 15th!



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BOATING CLUB**

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