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| | | | | | LOG CLASS | | | | | | | | Picnic |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| LOG | | | | | | | NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK | | | | | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | |

COMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 1 EXECUTIVE MEETING - GRANGE HALL - 1300
"Brown Bag" lunch All members invited to attend
- 4 CHANGE OF WATCH - PAPA JOE'S
Happy Hour 1800 Dinner 1900
- 18 PREDICTED LOG CLASS - S.J.I. YACHT CLUB 1900
- 20 PREDICTED LOG CONTEST - S.J.I. YACHT CLUB

MAY

- 6 EXECUTIVE MEETING - GRANGE HALL - 1300
- 17 Annual Picnic, 4th of July Beach - American Camp
4 to 6 PM. Flare shoot at 6PM which public is invited to attend
Meat and/or fish provided by squadron - (see form inside)
- 17-24 NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

The squadron's coffee meeting of 6 March was well attended by over 40 members and guests who were treated to a splendid dissertation on "A View from the Bridge" by member and incoming Exec. Officer, James Spillane, AP. James holds his "master papers" as a long time member of the merchant marine and just returned from 3 months at sea, ferrying crude oil from Valdez, Alaska to China aboard a 900' long tanker. James delayed a scheduled vacation trip to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico to share his insights with our members and he was impressed by the many "sharp questions" his talk solicited.

This meeting was my last regular meeting as commander, and these past two years "at the helm" have passed by very quickly. I have certainly learned and gained more from the experience than I have given; and, I owe a debt of gratitude to those who have served with me on the Bridge and the Executive Committee. Thanks also to our indispensable Phone Committee and to all of you who have given of your time and energy to make our squadron's events and educational programs flourish.

Speaking of our educational programs, I am currently cramming for the upcoming final exam for the Engine Maintenance course along with another dozen members. Phil McCauley, S, has done an outstanding job in presenting this course to us. Our spring Boating Course, with 45 students, is the largest in recent memory, but our coordinator Ann Einboden, AP, has it all under her firm and efficient control.

Our Change of Watch is just ahead on Friday, 4 April at Pa Joe's Restaurant. I will be stepping down with full confidence in our incoming commander, Hank Wutzl, P and his new Bridge. Hank's compass is "true" and he will keep the squadron on course.

Well, that is enough marine similes for this article! Thanks for all the help. Victoria and I will see you on the water. (We're the couple on the horizon in the small boat arguing about which direction to go!)

Cdr. Richard W. Baker, AP

TREASURERS REPORT**Financial Report as of 28 February 1997**

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| Assets: | Key Bank Checking Acct. | \$3,094.87 |
| | Key Bank CD | <u>3,111.14</u> |
| | | <u>\$6,206.01</u> |
| INCOME | | |
| | Education | 432.88 |
| | Total INCOME | 546.55 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| | Admin. Dept. | 311.49 |
| | Education Dept. | 12.80 |
| | Total EXPENSES | <u>324.29</u> |
| | Net Income | <u>\$375.42</u> |
| | Net Income | 470.71 |

Lt/C Steve Kennedy, P
Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

We have a large Public Boating class. If you know any of these fine folks, you might want to encourage them to consider joining the squadron on successful completion of the course. They are:

Diane Adams, Ronald Aguilar, Dave Ber, Thomas Burns, Alexander Cameron, Linda Campbell, Calvin Cantrill, Carol and Glenn Chapman, Henry and Lynette Curtis, Chris Elden, Lee Elder, Richard Emslie, James Gimlett, Robert Goenik, Mary Hammond, David and Dixie Irwin, Phillip Jackson, Kelli and Thomas Keenan, John Kulseth, Donald and Jerri Lane, Susan Lefever-Button, Barbara Ludwig, Fred, Judy and Rodney Marracci, David McCurdy, Fred Nethery, Amy Norbom, Kevin O'brien, Steve Porten, Dee and John Ploss, Belinda Rhodes, Roger Shover, Mary Stone, Christopher Teren, Kurt and Robin Van Hyning, Linda Vander Houwen and Camille White

Lt Donald Kauffman, AP
Membership Chairman

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The 1996-97 bridge year is coming to a close, so this will be my last report as Administrative Officer. I thank all our members who during this year have been active in the work of USPS, (administration, public service, social and education both public and squadron), without your efforts we would not have accomplished our goals.

I forgot to thank Bill Pearson, S, and Jack Gibson, S, for setting up the meeting room for the March meeting, and returning all properties to the Squad room. Special thanks to Peg Hoepfner, AP, P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP, P/C Lance Crosby, N, P/C Frank Hudson, JN, P/C Lewis Garlick, AP, and James Spillane, AP who presented very interesting programs for the January, February and March meetings.

Elsewhere in this month's *Harbor Lights* you will find a clip and mail for our 17 May picnic at the Fourth of July Beach. (The squadron will provide the entrees.) and The Predicted Log Race Dinner at the San Juan Island Yacht Club. Please be aware of the cut off dates for these events.

Upcoming dates to remember: 20-22 June, D/16 Rendezvous at Poulsbo
4 July, Friday Harbor Parade
18-20 July - International Rendezvous and pork roast. Garrison Bay, English Camp, Potluck. Price \$10 per person, \$6 per person under 10 years of age.

Our incoming Administrative Officer who normally heads up the Picnic Committee will be away then. We need a chair person and a committee to plan this activity. Contact Hank Wutzl at 378-5677 and volunteer to help!

I wish the incoming 1997-98 a happy and successful year. Don't forget the Change of Watch dinner at Papa Joe's on 4 April.

P/C Myrle L. Garlick, P
Administrative Officer

**Safe
Boating
is MORE FUN!**

SEO'S REPORT

The spring Public Boating Course, under the direction of Lt/C Ann Einboden, AP, has turned out to be one of the largest classes we have held in some time, with 45 students registered. The final exam is scheduled for 25 April. I expect Ann will need extra help that night, so don't hesitate to volunteer!

The Engine Maintenance exam was given on 13 March, with all 13 members writing. Many thanks to class chairman Phil McCauley, S, who did an outstanding job in putting on this course.

We are planning to start classes in both Seamanship and Piloting in mid April, with Jim Spillane, AP, teaching Seamanship and Chuck Milne, P, teaching Piloting. If you would like to sign up for either of these courses, please contact me at 378-2302 as soon as possible. And for those new graduates of Piloting and Advanced Piloting, don't forget to enroll in the Predicted Log Race on 20 April, and put some of your new knowledge into practice on the water!

As my three-year tenure as SEO come to a close, I would particularly like to thank all those members who have volunteered to teach the many courses we've offered during that time. This has been a tremendous help, and I hope you will continue to support your new SEO with equal enthusiasm.

P/C Frank Woodward, N
Squadron Education Officer



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SAFETY CORNER

Auxiliary Vessel Examinations, formerly called Courtesy Marine Examinations, are purely voluntary for the boater. The consent and conduct of the Examination are more, however, than determining that you meet the Federal Requirements and Safety Tips for Recreational Boats as described in the booklet distributed by the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary. Available at no charge to you, the FEDERAL Requirements were established to protect you, your guests, and your boat. The decal, also called the seal of safety, is not a guarantee against boarding of your vessel by the Coast Guard.

Maximum success in education is provided by one-on-one contact between an instructor and a student and this is why the Vessel Examiner and the boat owner's conduct might better be called a personal workshop on safety. I would like to discuss the educational aspect of the examinations beginning with the 4 items that must be approved by the Coast Guard, and then cover other items.

The 4 items that must be approved by the Coast Guard are personal flotation devices (life preservers), fire extinguishers, flame arresters, and visual distress signals. Copies of the Federal Requirements are available for the asking.

Lt. William Trier, AP
Excerpted from *The Pilot*, Seattle Power Squadron

Contact Lt/C Hank Wutzl, P, as he is available now to make the inspections. . Hank's phone is 378-5677.

FRED'S BUOY

It seems only one person in our squadron was fully alert in reading and digesting *Harbor Lights* and catching the major "typo" that placed Fred's buoy at Spokane rather than the end of Mosquito Pass off Henry Island. Your editor messed up the numbers.

Fred has given me the correct placement for this important buoy.

Lat. 48 34' 45.1 North
Lon 123 10' 53.1" West

This information comes from Local Notice to Mariners 6/97. Light list No. 19724.

Editor

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
4 MARCH 1997

Members Present: Cdr Richard Baker, AP, P/C Myrle Garlick, P, P/C Lew Garlick, AP, Frank Woodward, N, Lt/C Hank Wutzl, P, Lt/C Steve Kennedy, P, Lt/C Ann Einboden, AP, Lt Ron Einboden, AP, James Blaisdell, P, Ken Campbell, AP, Bill Pierson, S, Lt Don Kauffman, AP and Jerald Jamison, P.

Cdr Baker reported that at Thursday's meeting James Spillane, AP, will be the featured speaker. FHPS has again made the Honor Roll of having 100% participation by members to the USPS Educational Fund. Cdr Baker attended the opening of the Public Boating Course, chaired by Ann Einboden.

Exec. Officer Wutzl discussed the Commander's Challenge Program and the various categories of the competition. He also discussed the Predicted Log Race which will be held on 20 April. Skippers are to provide an observer whose name will go into a hat for drawing and assignment to the various competing boats.

SEO Woodward reported that Engine Maintenance course ends next week. The exams are in and Ken Campbell will monitor the exam. There are some members who completed the AP course who have not yet taken the exam. Another exam will be scheduled, possibly in April. Piloting will be the next.

Admin. Officer P/C Myrle Garlick announced that Bill Pierson and Jack Gibson will be hosts for the 6 March meeting at which J. Spillane will be speaking. The Change of Watch will be 4 April at Papa Joe's. Two greeters are need. Safe Boating week will be 17-23 May.

Lt/C Wutzl suggested that the regular meeting in May be changed to 17 May and combine our Picnic and flare shoot. Picnic will be 4-6 PM with flare shoot at 6 PM. Wutzl will invite Pole Pass to join also. The Squadron will purchase steaks or fish for the picnic depending on preference. Those planning to attend should advise Myrle Garlick so that an accurate count may be made for the entrees.

The Natl. Park Service has approved the use of English Camp on Garrison Bay for the International Rendezvous. The date is 18-20 July. Volunteers are need to plan and obtain entrees.

Don Kauffman reported that we have received a memo from USPS saying that new members joining in March, April or May will be required to pay a full year's dues, but won't have to pay dues the following year. This gives them a few months free.

Treasurer Lt/C Kennedy gave the treasurer's report found elsewhere in this publication

Meeting was adjourned at 1355.

Respectfully submitted: Lt/C Ann Einboden, AP
Secretary

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FILL OUR AND RETURN THESE FORMS

PREDICTED LOG RACE DINNER
SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB
20 APRIL 1997, SUNDAY

NAME: _____

Number in party: _____ Total \$ Enclosed: _____

Cost: \$14.00 per person if postmarked by 10 April, \$15.00 per person after 10 April.

Make checks payable to the *SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB*
Mail to: Marty Garren
617 Franck Street
Friday Harbor WA 98250

For more information on this event, call Marty at 378-6973

Tear Here

17 May, Picnic at Fourth of July Beach

1600 to 1800

ENTREES WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SQUADRON

To order the steaks and/or fish it is necessary that we have a head count by 1 May 1997.

Bring a food item of your choice to serve eight (8).

Name: _____

Number of persons in your party: _____

No. of Steaks: _____ Number of Fish: _____

Clip and Mail to: Myrle Garlick
P. O. Box 75
Friday Harbor WA 98250

If you have any questions please call Myrle at 378-4722

There are many fine events coming up in the future so be sure to fill out and return the forms on the previous page so you can be in on the fun. It is your Squadron, so help make it work best for you!

If you have not already given Ann Einboden your boat's story or history, contact Ann and she will write it up for *Harbor Lights*.

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