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**FRIDAY HARBOR POWER SQUADRON  
A UNIT OF THE UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS  
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## BRIDGE OFFICERS

Commander..... Cdr Henry H. Wutzl, P 378-5677  
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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

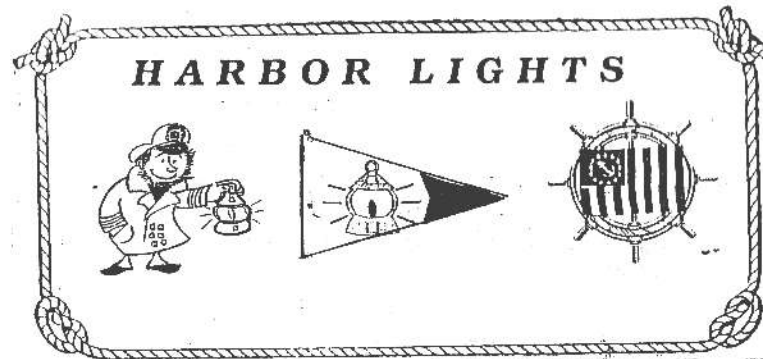
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SEPTEMBER 1997

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 EXEC	10	11 Season Opener	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 EXEC				

## COMING EVENTS

### September 1997

- 9 Sept. **Executive Meeting at Grange Hall. 1300.**  
 All members invited "Brown Bag" lunch.
- 11 Sept **Season Opener - Potluck BBQ** Garlicks'  
 410 Carter Ave.  
 Adjustment hour: 1730 BBQ: 1800. Squadron will supply the steaks. BYOB, plates and silverware and bring a potluck dish (your choice) to serve 8. Please respond by 28 August. (See form to return)
- 10 Sept **Seamanship Course** begins Skagit Valley College
- 16 Sept **Public Boating Course** begins F. H. High School

## EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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Congratulations to our new **Piloting** graduates, **Jack Gibson, P,** and **Keith Van Cleve, P.** Congratulations to **Chuck Milne, AP,** on his recent completion of **Advanced Piloting.**

The 1997 fall course schedule is as follows:

10 September	<b>Seamanship</b>	Skagit Valley College
7 - 9 PM	Chairman: P/C Myrle Garlick, P	
16 September	<b>Public Boating Course</b>	Friday Harbor High School
7 - 9 PM	Chairman: Ann Einboden, AP	
22 October	<b>Piloting</b>	Skagit Valley College
7 - 9 PM	Chairman: Chuck Milne, AP	
2 October	<b>Advanced Piloting</b>	Skagit Valley College
7 - 9 PM	Chairman: P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP	
15 November	<b>Operations Training</b>	Grange Hall
9 AM - 4 PM	Chairman: P/C Lewis R. Garlick, AP	
November	<b>Instructor Qualifications</b>	
	Chairman: Lt Grace Penny, AP	

Operations Training is the only seminar that explains "why we do things, how we do them and when we do them." The Operations Manual provides the authority to do them. The course is open to any member of the squadron and is mandatory for any member wishing to be elected to the office of commander. Sixty-three members have not taken Operations Training so here is your opportunity.

In the squadron there are:	14 members eligible to take Seamanship
	9 members eligible to take Piloting
	10 members eligible to take Advance Piloting
	23 members eligible to take Junior Navigation
	2 members eligible to take Navigation.

There have been numerous inquiries as to when the courses will be held. Much time has been spent setting up these courses and the chairmen for each. Now it is up to you as a member to enroll when possible so materials can be ordered from the national office. Call me at 378-4722 to register. (We have joined the 21st century and have an answering machine if not home.)

P/C Lew Garlick AP  
Squad. Education Officer

## ATTENTION!

Anyone who passed **Piloting** on 20 January 1981 or 22 February 1982. P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP, has stickers for your qualification certificate. Give Fred a call now! Phone 378-4217.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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The International Pig War festivities again are history. The Brentwood Bay (Canadian Squadron) and Friday Harbor Power Squadrons met during the weekend of 18-20 July at English Camp, San Juan Island, Washington. Nearly 80 members and friends of the squadrons, in stiff competition to determine winners in such serious games as Quoits and Bowles, decided to "go easy" on the Brentwood Bay neighbors and let them win a few points. **BIG MISTAKE!** They won more than we bargained for and took home the perpetual plaque. It will be a different story next year!

There is no way we can thank all the Friday Harbor members for their help in getting setup and operating. Tables, benches and chairs were brought in as well as extra BBQ's and all those wonderful potluck dishes. Of course, our thanks go to Frank and Sally Hudson for preparing and running the games; many laughs from the corner of the playing field. And thanks to the National Park Service for the use permit - the location was perfect!

You members who missed this very special time with our Canadian neighbors missed an immeasurable lot. I suggest you mark July 1998 on your calendar right now to help you remember this event next year!

Lt/C Jim Blaisdell, P  
Admin. Officer

**D/16 POULSBO RENDEZVOUS**

Sally, S, and P/C Frank Hudson, JN, joined Peg and me aboard *Mariana* to participate in the 21st Annual Rendezvous 20-22 June in Poulsbo on Liberty Bay. Despite the 20 knot winds and intermittent rain shower we all had a good time. Fun and games interspersed with the exchange of sea stories filled the days completely. Dave Davis, D/16 Administrative Officer chaired the well planned and smoothly run rendezvous, and D/16 Commander Sharon Hunter, AP, presided with grace and charm.

P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP

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**COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Just a reminder. When was the last time that you checked all your PFD's. Some may have a strap torn loose, some may have collected mildew, some may just need a good cleaning. Remember, wear them when you are on board or near the water, they are useless stored in a locker, while you are about to fall overboard.

Mary, David and I spent a lovely time exploring Northern Idaho visiting with friends and relatives. We landed up at Lake Pen Orille, what a lovely big lake nestled in the mountains. David and I practiced our navigation skills and our fishing technique. Navigating we did fine. David brought us back to home port AOK. Our fishing score, well I think we should go back to fishing school OR maybe there are no fish in the lake.

I hope all of you had a good vacation or travels, we'll see you soon.

SEO P/C Garlick and her department have already all sorts of classes lined up and scheduled. Let's all jump in and help.

Cdr Hank Wutzl, P

**NEW COOP CHARTING  
CHALLENGE**

If this new NOS Tide/Current Research Requirement appeals to enough hardy daring-do seafarers, give me a call at 378-2437.

I see it as a 24 hour plus exercise. It would most likely be a team "Adventure" - involving probably two boats and 6 to 10 participants so that no one would have to stand a 24-hour watch. I see it involving integrity, perseverance and good fellowship. First stage to talk and read about it. I've got the literature.

P/C Frank Hudson, JN  
Coop Charting Chairman  
378-2437

**CHART CORRECTIONS**

18421, 18440, 18465

Rosario Strait Traffic Lane Separation Lighted Buoy #RA"  
to Fl Y 4s. LL16370 LNM 21/97

18421, 18423, 18429, 18465

Smith Island Light to 21 NM. LL16375, LNM 23/97

18441, 18465

Puget Sound Traffic Lane Separation Lighted Buoy (LB) "SA"  
to Fl Y 4s. Racon: M (--) LL16405 LNM 23/97

18441

Advance notice: In July 97 the bell will be removed from  
Bainbridge Reef LB 4, LL18030

18434

Add Fishermans Bay Buoy B  
Lat. 48° 30' 56.7" Lo. 122° 54' 55.7" LNM26/97

18421, 18423, 18429, 18465

Relocate MINOR ISLAND LIGHT from Lat. 48° 19' 27.6"  
Lo. 122° 49' 09.4" to Lat. 48° 19' 26.7" Lo 122° 49' 09.4"  
Height 36' 6 NM. LL 16380 LNM 28/97

P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP

# PREDICTED LOG FOR 1997 - 1198

## 1997

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11-14 Sep	USPS Fall Govern Board Meeting	San Antonio, Texas
9 Sep	Executive Meeting	Grange Hall
11 Sep	Season Opener BBQ & Potluck	Myrle and Lew Garlick's
30 Sep	Executive Meeting	Grange Hall
2 Oct	Squadron Potluck	Grange Hall
17-19 Oct	District 16 Fall Conference & Council Meeting	Mt. Vernon
29-01 Oct	CPS Annual Conference	Montreal, Quebec
13 Nov	Squadron Meeting	Grange Hall
4 Dec	Christmas Party	

## 1998

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6 Jan	Executive Meeting	Grange Hall
8 Jan	Squadron Meeting	Grange Hall
20-25 Jan	USPS Annual Meeting	Orlando, Florida
22-25 Jan	USCG AUX. D/13 COW,	Eugene, Oregon
7 Feb	D/16 Spring Council	
5 Feb	Valentine Party, Potluck , Elect. Officers & Founders Day Celebration	Grange Hall
5 Mar	Squadron Meeting	Grange Hall
20-22 Mar	D/16 Spring Conference & COW	Bellevue
3 Apr	Friday Harbor Power Squadron Change of Watch	
Apr	Annual Predicted Log Race	Friday Harbor

Squadron Meetings are normally on the first thursday of the month except where noted above. ExCom. meeting are the Tuesday preceding the squadron meeting.

TEAR THIS OUT AND HANG IT UP ON YOUR WALL!

## Executive Meeting Minutes

6 May 1997

Members present: Cdr Henry Wutzl, P, P/C Myrle Garlick, P, P/C Lew Garlick, AP, 1st Lt Susan Ley, S, Lt James Mitchell, AP, Don Kauffman, AP, Jerry Jamison, Lt/C Bill Pearson, S, Steve Billmyer, P, and Lt/C Victoria Baker, S.

Meeting called to order by Cdr Wutzl at 1303. Cdr Wutzl reported on the various items of correspondence he has received including a reminder from National on dues collection, an invitation to the D/16 Rendezvous at Poulsbo, and a reminder of the criteria required to fulfill the Commander's Challenge Program.

Lt/C Pierson reported that dues notices had been mailed and several members had already responded. He also presented the Treasurer's Report, published elsewhere in *Harbor Lights*.

P/C Myrle Garlick reported that D/16's Ralph Weaver asked that a Training Aide be appointed for the Squadron, however, with 3 members currently on the Educational Committee, no additional members will be added. Myrle also reported that of the 46 students who registered for the Boating Class, 41 took the test and passed. She also reported that new training aids are available. Cdr Wutzl made the motion that the new overheads be ordered. Motion seconded and passed.

Lt Mitchell reported the new *Roster* will be published last in June when dues are paid.; Also he reported the next issue of *Harbor Lights* will be out in September.

Lt. Mitchell also reported that he had reviewed the minutes regarding the commander's expense fund, set up in 1992, to determine how officer expenses could be compensated if requested. Since the recent allocation was raised to \$400 per year, he made the motion that reimbursement in the maximum amount of \$100 for a designated officer attending each of the 2 D/16 Conferences and \$100 each to the officer and SEO attending the Education Conference. If no one goes or doesn't request this small reimbursement, the money is not available for any other use. Motion seconded and passed.

Discussion of the Predicted Log Race brought out the recommendation for a committee of 7 members be assigned to plan and chart next year's Predicted Log well in advance of the event.

Cdr Wutzl reported that "Berky" Berkhoff, AP, had purchased two small speakers for the portable PA system.

P/C Richard Baker suggested the PA system be lent out to other organizations if a member of the squadron was on hand to operate and return the system to storage. Motion seconded and passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 1420. Respectfully submitted.

Lt/C A, Victoria Baker, S  
Secretary



## BOAT/US

The Friday Harbor Power Squadron is a member of the Cooperating Group Accord of Boat/US. This organization is very active in the boating fraternity, and is a constant watch dog of legislation, fair and unfair, which effects all boaters. In addition they offer an excellent discount marine supply catalogue, and a competitive insurance program. An added incentive to join is a 50% reduction of the annual dues for those wishing to join Boat/US. Our group number is GA 81841 P and this should be included on your renewal or new member application.

Jim Mitchell has application forms and full Boat/US information if you are interested in joining for \$8.50. Call Jim at 378-3028.

## PLAN TO ATTEND THIS EVENT!

### Season Opener – Barbecue and Potluck

The seasons opener will be at P/C's Lew and Myrle Garlick's home at 410 Carter Ave. There will be an adjustment hour at 1730. BBQ dinner will be at 1800.

DATE: 11 September 1997

The squadron will supply the steaks. BYOB, Plates and silverware.

Bring a potluck dish (your choice) to serve 8.

TEAR OFF AND RETURN THIS PORTION

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Myrle Garlick  
P. O. Box 57  
Friday Harbor WA 98250

I look forward to attending the Season Opener/ steak BBQ on 11 September 97.

There will be (number of persons) ..... in my party.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

## SAFETY CORNER

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**ARE YOU AWARE THAT THERE IS A CORRECT WAY TO SET YOUR MIRRORS ON YOUR VEHICLE?**

Most of today's vehicles come equipped with two side mirrors. But many drivers don't set them properly to eliminate blind zones.

The Society of Automotive Engineers recommends the following way to adjust outside mirrors.

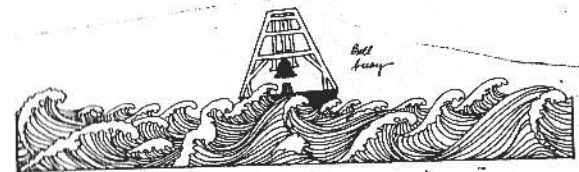
When parked, place your head against the driver's window and set the mirror so you can just see the side of the car from that position.

For the passenger's side mirror, position your head at the middle of the car. Again, set the mirror so you can just see the side of the car.

This method ensure the mirrors are positioned outward enough to eliminate blind zones. To check, sit in a normal position and watch the mirrors as a car passes. The car should appear in the outside mirror before it leaves the inside mirror, and it should appear in your peripheral vision before leaving your before leaving the outside mirror.

When changing lanes, first look at the inside mirror for vehicles approaching from behind. Next, glance at the outside mirror, it should be safe to change lanes, but briefly glance over you shoulder to make sure. Do not change lanes if the car approaching from behind is closing quickly.

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Your USFS  
Safety Committee



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