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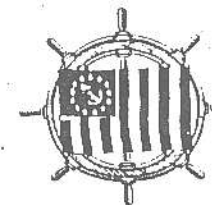
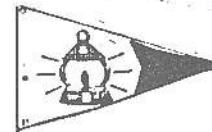
and all Bridge Officers as above

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 Chaplain Peg Hoepfner, AP

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FEBRUARY 1998

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COMING EVENTS

6 Jan Executive Meeting Grange Hall 1300
 "Brown Bag" lunch. All members invited to attend

8 Jan Squadron Meeting Grange Hall 1900
 Speaker: Chief Glen Potter, Fire District #3
 Subject: Boat fires and fire control

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE ON THE JANUARY DATES FOR THE MEETING AND EXECUTIVE MEETING

20-25 Jan USPS Annual Meeting Orlando, Florida

28 Jan Start of AP course at Skagit Valley College

4 February - Start of IQ Course at Skagit. (See Educ. Dept for more information).

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

2 December 1997

Members present: Cdr Henry Wutzl, P, P/C Lew Garlick, AP, P/C Myrle Garlick P, Lt/C James Blaisdell, P, Bonnie Blaisdell, P, Lt/C Bill Pierson, S, P/C Richard Baker, AP, Lt James Mitchell, AP, and Lt Donald Kauffman, AP.

Meeting was called to order by Cdr Wutzl at 1300. Cdr Wutzl reported on various items of correspondence he has received including information about the national convention to be held on 24 January 1998. A letter from the Washington State Parks and Recreation Committee indicating they have funds available for groups interested in boating safety. Several catalogs were received from *Lighthouse* for anyone interested. He also reported receiving an invitation to the Kingdome boat show scheduled for 16 -25 January. Anyone interested should contact Cdr Wutzl.

Lt/C William J. Pierson reported a projected loss for the end of the year. He also presented the treasurer's report for November. His report will be published elsewhere in Harbor Lights. Budget committee will meet 4 December.

P/C Myrle Garlick reported on the **Instructor Qualification Training Course** scheduled to begin on 4 February. Lt Penny has requested members interested in taking this course pick up a manual during January prior to the first class. Manuals can be obtained from P/C Myrle Garlick at 378-4722.

Cdr Wutzl requested an analysis of cost to the Squadron, per student for the AP course. A motion was made that anyone not taking the exam at the scheduled time will be charged an additional \$5 to cover the additional cost of postage to and from National. Motion seconded and passed.

Lt Kauffman reported Betty Johnson and Patricia Birch have joined the squadron as our two newest members. Lt Kauffman also proposed that the \$35 fee for Associate Members be reconsidered. A motion was made to amend the earlier motion and the fee of \$35 for Associate Member and reduced that amount to \$10. Motion seconded and passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 1400.

P/C Richard Baker, AP
Acting Secretary

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

For the year 1998- 1999, the Nominating Committee of the Friday Harbor Power Squadron has nominated for the indicated position the following members, who have agreed to serve:

Commander	Lt/C James Spillane, AP
Executive Officer	Lt/C A Victoria Baker, S
Educational Officer	P/C Lewis R. Garlick, AP
Administrative Officer	Keith Van Cleave, P
Secretary	John Gibson, P
Treasurer	Lt/C William J. Pierson, S
Assistant Educ. Of.	P/C William J. LaPorte, S

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Steven Billmyer, AP	Lt Donald E. Kauffman, AP
Lt James R. Mitchell, AP	P/C Henry Wutzl, P

(who will serve with the members of the Bridge and the Past Commander)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

P/C William J. LaPorte, S
P/C Myrle Garlick, P
Joe C. Gruber, P

AUDITING COMMITTEE

P/C H. Lance Crosby, N
Daniel J. Wittkopp, AP
Peter A. Dammann, P

RULES COMMITTEE

Steven Billmyer, AP
P/C William J. LaPorte, S
Charles Milne, AP

Submitted by: Peter A Dammann, P, P/C William J. LaPorte, S, and
P/C Lewis R. Garlick, AP

TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial report for the month of November 1997

Checking Account	\$2,043.27	
Time deposit	<u>3,614.67</u>	
Total Assets		<u>\$5,657.94</u>

INCOME

Dues-National	\$ 39.00	
Dues Squadron	19.35	
Education/Sale of Materials	19.50	
Meetings/Activities	588.00	
Interest	<u>19.90</u>	
		\$ 685.78

EXPENSE

Education Dept	431.26	
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TOTAL EXPENSE		<u>\$ 431.26</u>
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Net Profit /(Loss)		<u>\$ 256.52</u>
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BALANCE SHEET

31 November 1997

ASSETS

Islanders Bank Checking Account	\$2,043.27	
Islanders Bank Time Deposit	<u>3,614.67</u>	
Total Assents		<u>\$5,657.94</u>

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Liabilities	\$ 0	
Equity - Open Balance 1 Jan 1997	5,359.88	
Year to date Income/(Loss)	<u>\$ 298.06</u>	
Total Liabilities and Equity		<u>\$5,657.94</u>

L/C William Pierson, S
Treasurer

SEO REPORT

Instructor Qualification course is scheduled to begin 4 February 1998 at Skagit Valley College, San Juan Campus. D/Lt Grace Penny, AP, a member of the National Instructor Qualification Committee has volunteered her time and is the instructor and Chairman for the class. All interested squadron members, Active, Additional Active, and Family members are encouraged to enroll in the class.

Grace has requested that the students obtain the manual in January to read and do the homework before sessions start. Sessions will start 4 February from 7 to 9 PM, and continue weekly with the final exam on 4 March 1998.

I have the manuals and would appreciate the students acquiring them from me by 10 January. The cost of the manual and examinations is \$18.00. My telephone is 378-4722 and the home address is 410 Carter Ave, N, Friday Harbor. Please see the Friday Harbor Squadron Roster, 1997-1998 Page 24 for additional information.

The Operations Training Session was 15 November and the critique will be in the February issue of *Harbor Lights*.

P/C Lewis Garlick, AP
Squadron Education Officer

EDIT. NOTE

This course has not been offered for several years and all but 5 of our members are eligible to take it. It is an excellent course that will teach you the fundamentals of speaking, organizing, and how to present content. We are in need of many more members taking this course as more boating education is becoming a hot state issue and one of the qualification to be educators might be this course.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

We have two new members in the Squadron and we want to welcome them aboard. When you see new faces at the meetings, introduce yourself.

Patricia L. Birch and Betty L. Johnson

440 High Haro Drive

Friday Harbor WA 98250

Phone: 378-5331

COMMANDERS REPORT

1997 is coming to an end quickly. To some it was a very good year, to some we hope the next year will have a few less tribulations. I am sure we are all looking forward to the coming year.

I see the past year as a good year for the Squadron, great courses that have been successfully completed, a flare shoot at the May picnic with an excellent turn out, a number of conferences and workshops our members have attended, and last but not least our get-togethers, coffee hours, speakers, potlucks, picnics and of course the Christmas Dinner Meeting on 4 December.

The decor in our hall was what really made this a memorable occasion. It was under the direction of lead elf Lt/C Victoria Baker, S, and the other elves, Jim and Bonnie Blaisdell, Mona Meeker, P/C Frank Hudson, P/C Richard Baker and P/C Myrle Garlick. They created a festive atmosphere. My heart felt thanks to all of you. The turn out was very good with over 50 members. I want to thank all of you who turned out for this event and helped celebrate the coming of Christmas. Also I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did!

The "White Elephant" gift exchange fell a bit short in numbers, but I guess not everyone had white elephants on hand. You might just start saving white elephants this coming year and possibly this can be tried again.

My wife, Mary, and I would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year

Cdr Hank Wutzl, P

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

If your name is missing from this list it is because on your original application for membership, the birth date was not filled in. Call the editor and let me know if your name has been overlooked.

Patricia Benton
Carmel Barney
John McLeod, S

Luann Jamison
Jeffery Weiss
Christopher Guidotti, AP

SAFETY CORNER

WHAT IF YOU LOSE POWER?

The loss of power can be caused by a lot of different things such as a broken mast, engine failure, bad fuel, gearbox failure, broken shaft, fouled propeller, etc., etc. Murphy's Law was surely defined by a boater because situations such as total power losses seem to always happen at the worst possible time. How prepared you are to handle it can mean the difference between an inconvenience and a disaster. The following thoughts and ideas are not meant to be a complete tutorial on this subject. Rather the intent is to cause us all to think ahead, to do our own analysis and preparation ahead of time.

We have all learned that the VHF radio and now to some extent the cellular phone, are indispensable safety tools particularly in an emergency. These are your avenue to getting a helping hand for a tow if you aren't traveling with other boats. Assuming you have someone standing by to give you a tow, do either of you have the proper line for towing? Is the line long enough and heavy enough to do the job? (Shouldn't it be a floating line so that it will stay out of the towing boats propeller (s)? Where are you going to secure your end? Are you prepared to stay in radio contact while being towed?

These are some of the more important questions that should be thought through and answered before leaving the dock. For example, never assume the other guy will have the proper line for towing. Always be prepared to tow or be towed. Always have at least one good working VHF radio. I prefer having both a fixed radio and a hand-held, fully water proof, VHF. you can never be sure that you will be able to reach the fixed radio and handle other tasks in an emergency situation. Also, it's handy for communications between your dinghy and base vessel and if you ever have to abandon ship you can take the hand held radio with you.

Lt Robert Miller
Safety Officer

Bellevue Squadron

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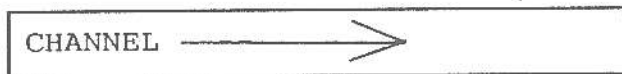
CHART CORRECTIONS

Chart 18421, 18423

Mitchell Bay Day
Deacon. Privately
maintained.

Tired and broken

due to neglect and storms, 148 34.35' N. Lo 123 10.0' W



No other chart corrections of interest this period up to and including LNM 49/97.

P/C Fred Hoepner, AP

JANUARY MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 8TH. SPEAKER: Fire District #3 Chief Glen Potter. Subject: Fire control and prevention on board boats.



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We have a good speaker who will be telling us about boat fires, causes, controls, and prevention. Please turn out for this meeting as these speakers go to a lot of work to prepare and present a speech. We did a very poor job on the turn out for our last speaker. Fire on board a boat is a very serious matter.

Jim Mitchell