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From the Helm



In May, we finished our monthly dinner meetings until September finding out how talented our members were in the ring toss to win margarita/mojito mixes. We had fun, enjoyed our enchilada dinner and especially the popular dessert bar provided by members (Thank you!). It was educational and informative too, listening to Jeri Fleming from the GRDA.

With the warmer weather, we will transition our activities outside with dock/shore get-togethers (come by water or land). If you would like to host an event, contact Julie Jones or Michelle Hooper, and we will get the word out. All that is needed is your location and perhaps furnishing tea or water. Members can bring snacks and the beverages of their choice. What can be better than a TGIF happy hour with your boating friends. Guests are welcomed.

On-the-water fun is being planned such as a scavenger hunt, an obstacle course event to practice our boating skills and maybe a unique fishing tournament over the summer and early fall. Impromptu boat raft-ups are welcomed with just a little notice to send out an email blast. Just pick a location and time, then let us know.

See you on the water!



S —— *Seamanship*
P —— *Piloting*
AP —— *Advanced Piloting*



JN —— *Junior Navigator*
N —— *Navigator*
SN —— *Senior Navigator*



May 19 Membership Meeting



Jeri Fleming, Ecosystems and Watershed Management at Grand River Dam Authority presented information on

- How landscapes affect water quality
- How GRDA is working to protect water quality
- Boat Maintenance for Water Quality and Invasive Species
- Cleaning Your Boat and Boat Engine Maintenance
- The Guard the Grand Watershed Conservation Program
 - * Install a rain barrel
 - * Build a rain garden
 - * Get your soil tested
 - * Ensure your septic system is functioning properly
 - * Change your mowing practices



Currently Schedule Summer Activities

Dock TGIF	Friday, June 24, 5pm	Cindy & Jim Reynolds
Dock TGIF	Sunday, July 3, 6pm	Julie & Roger Jones (Watch Grove Fireworks at dark)
Dock TGIF	Friday, July 22, 4pm	Pegy & Bill Miller

For the scheduled dock TGIF's (by boat or car), bring a snack to share, lawn chair, your drink (alcohol or ?), tea & lemonade will be furnished.

On July 3, the club will furnish hot dogs and buns with members bringing a side dish to share. It is recommended to come by car because it will be dark when finished, and the lake may still have floating drift wood.

FYI ABOUT DOC PARTIES . . .

Dock parties were started years ago by the Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron group. Many times people in our group wanted to just get in their boat (or car) and do things with the group on a nice evening in the summer. At first it was called a dock night so people could tie up on a member's dock take a goodie to share and away they would go to have a casual evening of fun. Usually members and guests met after 4 and stayed until close to dark then they headed home.

No fuss no muss for the members sharing their dock. The Host dock person might have water, lemonade or tea to offer and everything else was brought by the members. It was not hard to share a dip, cake, salsa and chips etc.

Once the squadron increased in size the docks seemed to get smaller, so boaters brought their own chairs, something to pass, possibly their own drinks and went up to the yard of the owner. By this time members could also go to the dock party by car as no longer did all members have boats. This is the way it is now . . . by boat or car our members can head toward to doc party. It would be nice if members would send the host an email that you will attend, but it is not necessary. Info provided by Peggy Miller

Camp Bandage June 4, 2022 Grand Lake RV Resort 31527 S 4510 Rd.,

8:30 Meet at Visitors Center by to load up canopy, table, chairs, Popeye cutout for photos PFDs and supplies, and set up at camp.	Roger & Julie Jones Harv and Marge Blattner Larry & Mary Ann Stout Earl & Arlene Starkman	_____ _____ _____ _____
11:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. First Shift at Camp Bandage	Roger & Julie Jones Earl & Arlene Starkman Harv & Marge Blattner Clayton & Mina Hale Larry & Mary Ann Stout	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____
1:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Second Shift at Camp Bandage	Julie & Roger Jones Art & Phyllis Taylor Earl & Arlene Starkman Bill & Peggy Miller Larry & Mary Ann Stout	_____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Please note all of the blanks . . . We need your help . . . Please call either Julie Jones (620-271-1047) or Larry Stout (918-284-7165) to add your name to the list of volunteers.





SIGN UP SHEET - G L A Host - 2022

May 28 -Saturday	10 am - 3 pm Frank & Pat Janiga
	Micki and Kevin Kamarath
May 29 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Harvey and Marge Blattner
May 30 - Monday	10 AM to 3 PM Earl and Arlene Starkman
June 11- Saturday	10 AM - 3 PM Cindy and Jim Reynolds
June 12 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Harvey and Marge Blattner
June 25 - Saturday	10 AM - 3PM Jon and Brenda Murphy
	Phyllis & Art Taylor
June 26 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Carl and Rhonda Wotowis
July 9 - Saturday	10 AM - 3PM Julie and Rogers Jones
	Cindy and Kenny Stafford
July 10 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Micki and Kevin Kamarath
July 23- Saturday	10 AM - 3PM Earl and Arlene Starkman
July 24 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Sandy and Mark Hendrickson
Aug 6 - Saturday	10 AM - 3PM Pegy and Bill Miller
	Charles an Susie Fletcher
Aug 7 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Sue and Art Brandt
Aug 20 - Saturday	10 AM - 3PM Bob and Renee Russel
	Lisa and Rusty Millikan
Aug 21 - Sunday	Noon - 3 PM Carol and Tom Rice
	Becky and Monte Province
Sept 3 - Saturday	10 AM - 3PM
	Noon - 3 PM
Sept 4 - Sunday	
	10 AM - 3PM
Sept 5 - Monday	



Did You Know????

By: P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



All boaters should understand and practice a man-overboard rescue until they are comfortable with the procedure because it is the second leading cause of fatal boating accidents after capsizing, and the most easily preventable.

First, a type IV boat cushion or life ring should be thrown to the person in the water (PIW). All boats are required by law to have one. Even if you miss the PIW, it will show the vicinity of their location as you slow your boat to turn and return to rescue. It's not always easy to spot a PIW. If available, have someone keep eyes on the PIW.

Approach the PIW downwind with the bow into the wind and waves, slowly at minimum control speed with the PIW on the driver's side for better visibility keeping the propeller away. Communicate and reassure the PIW.

Shift into neutral and coast to the PIW making physical contact with a paddle, boat hook or line. Turn off the engine once reliable contact has been made.

Consider yourself invited to join the local boating club to have fun, plus the opportunity to take courses online or in the classroom to improve your boating skills and knowledge. Visit us online at usps.org/grandlake and send us an email with your contact information. Also visit us at Facebook: America's boating club-grand lake for more information.



Harv and Marge Blattner and Carol Williamson participated in America's Boating Course (ABC) On The Water Training with Past Commander Bob Hunt on May 16. We practiced the Person In The Water (PIW), many boat maneuvers, anchoring, docking the boat and many other basics of operating a boat on the water. It was a fun time and we all learned a lot.



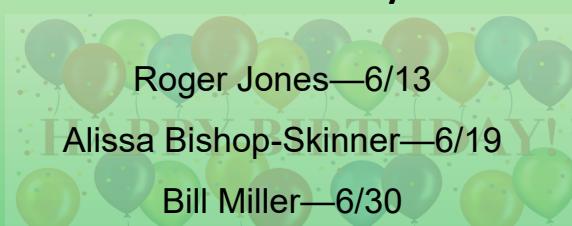
Volunteer request from your WebMaster:

At our last dinner meeting Kevin Kamrath asked for help and a volunteer to become a backup for managing the boating club's website. In effect someone that has a desktop or laptop computer and very basic PC skills can do this. Kevin can personally train you to make changes and updates as necessary to the Webpages. This is not as difficult as it might sound, since the Website is already created and is a commercially hosted one with easy applications used to add, delete and change content. A few hours of hands-on training is all that is needed to perform basic updates. This should have been done a while ago, as there currently is no one else in the club that can step in if needed. Please give Kevin a call at 619-733-5081 if you are willing to help.

Treasurer's Report – May Membership Meeting

May Income	
Amazon Income	\$32.20
Raffle Income	\$80.00
Membership dues USPS	\$128.50
Member Reimbursement	\$435.00
Total May Income	\$675.70
May Expenses	
Bank Service Charge	\$8.00
PFD's for Camp Bandage	\$3,200
May dinner meeting caterer	\$420.28
Grove Chamber Dues	\$171.00
Prince Henry Plaque	\$40.99
Microsoft Yearly Fee	\$99.99
Raffle expense	\$40.00
Total May Expenses	\$3980.26
Checking Account Balance end of May 2022: \$8,404.36	

June Birthdays



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