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Commander's Report



It seems as we age, the days and months seem to go faster. It's hard to believe that in a few days, August will be upon us. It definitely is feeling like summer – the weather is HOT and we are spending more time on our boats and in the water.

July was a memorable month with several activities. The boat parade, which was organized by David Sloan, JN, was a huge success. There were many decorated, patriotic boats in the parade. The morning was finished off with lunch at the Parrott. What a fun event! Thank you David.

The weather didn't cooperate for our annual hot dog and fireworks party at Al and Judy Scarriots. The city of Grove did put on a beautiful display later. Thank you goes out to Al and Judy for all the planning and preparations that were made for that particular event. We will look forward to next year.

GLOC was a 4 day event full of excitement. The weather definitely cooperated for it – with blue skies and hot temperatures. Thank you to all the squadron members who volunteered to assist in making GLOC a success for the city of Grove and Grand Lake. Great Job Ken and Linda Little...GLOC went off without a hitch.

It has also been a time of family and friends. They come to experience, even a brief time, what we enjoy every day. We have enjoyed special moments with our family and friends. Hopefully each of you have had or will have this opportunity during the summer.

Stay safe as you travel, boat, and enjoy family and friends and make as many memories possible.

Time flies but memories last forever!



Scott Cox, P

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron

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



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

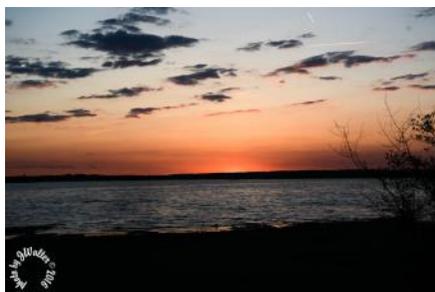


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It's Better to Wake on Grand Lake

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By
John Walter



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



August

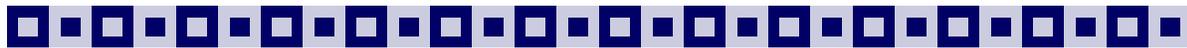
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The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron Celebrates Independence Day with a Boat Parade

The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron celebrated Independence Day with boat parade along the shores of Honey Creek and a lunch at The Parrot Restaurant at the Honey Creek Landing on July 1, 2016. Nine boats with 45 squadron members and guests participated in the parade. Each boat was decorated in red, white, and blue to celebrate Independence Day. The parade was greeted by enthusiastic viewers on shore.



Life Jacket Loaner Stations Written by Chuck Brandt

Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron (GLSPS) is pleased to continue providing life jacket loaner stations on the northern section of Grand Lake. This is made possible through a grant from Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) and the dedicated members of GLSPS. We also appreciate the participation of Grand Lake Sports Center.

Loaner station locations are boat ramps at: **Bernice State Park, Honey Creek State Park, Elk River Landing, Wolf Creek Park and coming soon Twin Bridges State Park.**

Grand lake boaters can donate used life jackets in good condition to support the program. These should be dropped off at the Grand Lake Association Visitors Center on 59 Hwy in Grove.



From left to right are:
Bruce Watson
Ed Ferguson - GRDA
Sherri Burris - Supervisor NE Okla State Parks
Chuck Brandt
Scott Cox
Bill Keefer - Grove City Manager
Ken Moore

Meet Our New Members

Written by Lynda Watson, S



We have 6 new members!! They will be sworn in at the next opportunity, but we want to introduce them to you now.

Art & Phyllis Taylor - The Taylor's live on the north side of the Elk River just west of Cowskin Bridge (across from Wolf Half Acres). They moved here from San Diego about 18 months ago. They just completed the Seamanship Class in June. You may see Phyllis line dancing at the community center, and Art enjoys golf.

Jerry & Connie Ruzicka - The Ruzicka's live off Hwy 10 north of the Cowskin Bridge. They moved here from California and are busy in the Grove community. Gerry owns a construction company and rental property. Connie is on the board of the Second Chance Pet Rescue.

Rusty & Lisa Millikan - The Millikan's live in Quail Run. They moved here recently from Wichita where Lisa owned an insurance company. Rusty works as a Senior Project Manager for Schneider Electric throughout the Midwest area. Lisa likes quilting and oil painting, Rusty enjoys the water, and you will usually see them both at Wine Share.



You are all invited to the next GLSPS dock gathering. This one will be at the Millers dock on Wolf creek. This will be a pot luck type event with each of you asked to bring a breakfast dish to pass.

In order to beat the high temperature the breakfast will begin at 8:30 am. The date is August 6, 2016

There is plenty of dock space available both at the Millers and the next door neighbor to the south. By car most of you know the location. It's at 1415 N 55th Street in Grove. Go north on Hwy 59 from 3rd and Main in Grove. Go about two miles and watch for 55th street on your right. Turn right go past the Buzzard Cemetery to the party. Any questions call Peggy or Bill at 918-786-9338





The Pelican Fest will again be held at the Wolf Creek Landing this year. We will be looking for members to help with booth set-up, working the booth, and booth teardown. Dates are listed below, but times are not yet available. GLSPS will be offering the ABC course and fitting children with free PFDs during the event. Our squadron will be hosting the District 30 Spring Conference in April 2017. Consequently, many of those on the executive board are planning to attend the District 30 Fall Conference in Branson the weekend of the Pelican Fest. A schedule of the time slots for the Pelican Fest will be distributed to members once available. Meanwhile, please mark your calendars and consider volunteering for this important event. Please contact Bruce Watson, S at lakepappy@gmail.com or (918)860-2185 if you have questions or would like to be put on the schedule to work the booth.

Help is needed to work the GLA Visitors Center on the dates listed below. Remember, sharing your knowledge of the local area with visitors is both fun and rewarding. Please contact Mary Alice Moore at mamoore_52@yahoo.com or (405)640-4390.



Piloting Course

Begins in September

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The school bell is once again ringing for the next advanced boating course conducted by the Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron. The course this time is the beginning Navigation course named Piloting.

"A Piloting Course is currently scheduled to commence Wednesday, 7 September 2016 from 6:00 - 9:00 PM. The class will meet every Wednesday after that for 8 weeks with the exam given the last Wednesday, 2 November. The total course fees will be \$80 (books + tools) or \$60 (books only). The required tools are a plotter and dividers. Those interested in attending the course should contact Roger Zinn by e-mail (zinnres@yahoo.com) or by phone (918-676-3254) and include the following information:

- * Do you plan to take this as your free course for the year or will you be paying the course fee?
- * Do you need a plotter and dividers for the course (\$20) or will you furnish your own?

It should be noted that it is preferable that students complete the Seamanship course prior to completing the Piloting course."

This course is a natural progression of the advanced boating courses offered by the United States Power Squadrons. The Piloting course will give the student their first opportunity to navigate waters unfamiliar to the student and determine a course plot, determine where they are and become familiar with nautical charts. This course is a significant change from the previous ABC3 and Seamanship courses which stress aspects of the boat and how to operate it. The course instructor will be Baxter Thorman.



Grand Lake Power Squadron Members Support a Worthy Cause in Grove, OK Written by P/D/C Bill Miller, P



On July 30, 2016 the local animal shelter, Second Chance Pet Rescue of Grand Lake held its fifth annual car show in the Grove Civic Center. A total of 75 cars were on display during the day for all to enjoy. Included with the car show was a continual dog walk of dogs ready for adoption. This event has grown in popularity over the years for its contribution to the community, and for the car lovers an opportunity to show their cars in an air conditioned environment.

Members of the squadron were prominent this year in their support of the event by both showing cars and involvement with the organization of the event. Here are some of those members.

Showing their cars were:



Larry Stout had two cars entered this year. They are on the left a 1968 Excalibur Phaeton. This car was built in Milwaukee WI on a Studebaker frame. On the right is a 1966 Triumph TR4A, this is an English built car. Larry just recently completed a major restoration on this car



Bill Miller is shown here with his 1957 MGA. Bill completely restored this car during a four year effort. Also, remember when you had a car and you now say "sure wish I had kept that car". Well Bill did, he bought this car new in December 1956 and has had it ever since.



Dave Thomas is shown with his 1984 Mercedes Benz 380SL. Dave just recently moved this car to Grove from OKC, so we should be seeing more of this beauty around Grove.

Also showing a car, unfortunately we were unable to get a picture with the proud owners was a 1973 Mercedes Benz 450SL. It is the white car shown to the left of Dave's MB in the above picture. This car is owned by members Mark and Cindy Rosellini.

In addition to showing cars we had several other members taking part with other duties, including;
John Walters at it should be no surprise was the official photographer of the event. You will no doubt see some of John's pictures in local publications concerning this event. John provided a very colorful outfit to the attendees.
For those of you who are unaware, John is the GLSPS official photographer.



During the car show, there was plenty of music, loud music. But above the din of the sounds at many times could be the voice of the Event Announcer, shown here in the red shirt, GLSPS member Jerry Ruzicka. He ably kept everyone informed as to the goings on during the day.

Jerry and wife Connie just recently joined the GLSPS.



Everyone should recognize this smiling face of Carol Rice. Carol has been the publicity voice for the animal shelter for many years and is a foster home giver to many dogs. Carol and husband Tom have been with the GLSPS for many years. Good work Carol.



For those of you who missed this event put the same weekend date on your calendar for next year. Hopefully we will finally meet a goal of 100 cars on display.



Due Sept. 5th



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We welcome you to Branson, Missouri hosted by The Four Rivers Sail & Power Squadron!

Friday October 7 - Sunday October 9, 2016

Hotel : Grand Plaza Hotel

The Grand Plaza Hotel and Conference Center is a 3 Star hotel located just off of Branson's world famous Highway 76. Surrounded by shows, attractions, and outlet shopping, this hotel is just a short walk away! The Grand Amenities include a full service restaurant and bar with a luxurious view of the Branson strip and rolling hills. Then enjoy the full hot and cold complimentary buffet breakfast available every morning! With 200 rooms available, the Grand Plaza Hotel and Conference Center is your grand home away from home!

Room Rate \$93.00 + Tax for Standard Room, Group code D30SQ. Reservations for the Hotel are due by September 5, 2016. The Room Rate is good thru Tuesday if you want to come and stay a few extra days.

{This guest room is furnished with earth tone décor which offers two queen beds or 1 King, 25" TV featuring cable and HBO, mini refrigerator, desk with chair, telephone, free wireless internet, coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and ironing board.}

REGISTRATION/MEET AND GREET:

Friday October 7, 2016 2:00pm-7:00pm Ridgeview Room 1st floor
Dinner on your own

SATURDAY:

The Fall Council and Conference will be held in the Ridgeview Room on the 1st floor. Lunch and Dinner will be on the 9th floor in the Table Rock Room with a scenic view of Branson. Saturday evening after dinner we will go to the New Shanghai Theatre 645 State Highway 165 to see the Acrobats of China.

MEAL & ENTERTAINMENT RESERVATION FORM

Lunch:

Soup and Sandwich Buffet

{Choice of Turkey and Cheese or Ham and Cheese sandwich, two soups, salad, rolls, dessert, and tea, coffee or water.} \$16.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Supper:

Barbecue Buffet

{Barbecue Pork, Barbecue Beef, Smoked Brisket served with Baked Beans, salad, dessert and tea, coffee or water.} \$30.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Saturday Entertainment:

Chinese Acrobats

\$25.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Name _____

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Squadron _____

Please send your reservation to:

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Make Checks payable to Four Rivers Sail and Power Squadron

Reservations are due FRIDAY, September 23, 2016.

Do You Know?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



Article 1

Inboard marine engines may look like automobile engines, but they are different in many aspects. Parts are not generally interchangeable. For example, aluminum ignition parts are fairly common on automobiles and trucks, but they are a source of immediate trouble on marine engines where only copper should be used. Be especially wary with electrical parts. Automotive parts are generally not explosion proof where the marine parts are design to reduce the danger.

Article 2

For a comfortable ride in your boat, proper trim is important. If you have an outboard or I/O engine you can use the engine to help trim the boat by adjusting the angle of the drive to the transom. This is done with a switch usually located on the throttle control.

When you are attempting to get a boat up on plane, the trim button will be pressed to down or in depending on how yours is labeled. This will help lift the stern of the boat and keep the bow down. This works to counteract the natural tendency for the bow to rise. Next, give sufficient power to the boat to put it on plane. If your boat has trim tabs, lower them too which will help get your boat on plane quicker.

As soon as the boat begins to plane, you will feel a sudden change in the boat attitude and speed. The bow will settle down to a more level position and speed will increase. At this point ease back the throttle to achieve a speed that is comfortable while maintaining plane. You may then adjust your trim, and your trim tabs, if equipped, as needed depending on your boat and prevailing conditions.

Article 3

Determining the position of your rudder or propeller is very important when operating in tight positions and is made more difficult when you cannot see the rudder, outdrive or propeller from the helm. Some boats are equipped with indicators showing the position. If not, to determined the neutral or straight position, rotate the steering wheel as far as possible in one direction. Then count the revolutions of the wheel as you turn it as far as possible in the other direction. Divide the number of revolutions by 2 and you should have the rudder or propeller in the neutral position to go straight.





If you have watercraft that you want to buy or sell send me the information to be included in the Pelican.

UPCOMING EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Location |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| August 2016 | | | |
| 8/14 | Ice Cream Social | TBD | Reynolds Home |
| 8/16 | E-Board Meeting | 1000-1200 | GLA |
| September 2016 | | | |
| 9/13 | E-Board Meeting | 1000-1200 | GLA |
| 9/15 | Dinner Meeting | 1800 | TBD |
| October 2016 | | | |
| 10/8 | Pelican Fest Parade | TBD | TBD |
| 10/7-8 | Pelican Festival | ? | Wolf Creek Park |
| 10/18 | E-Board Meeting | 1000-1200 | GLA |
| 10/20 | Dinner Meeting | 1800 | TBD |
| November 2016 | | | |
| 11/4 | Change of Watch Decorating | TBD | Cherokee Yacht Club |
| 11/5 | Change of Watch | 1800 | Cherokee Yacht Club |
| 11/15 | E-Board Meeting | 1000-1200 | GLA |

From your Editor...

Please send me pictures (with names and the activity), ideas and suggestions that are most important to you. The deadline is the 23rd of the month. Thanks for your input and support.

Debbie

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