

The Pelican



January

Vol. 23-01

Quarterly Newsletter

2022

2021-2022

STEERING COMMITTEE

P/D/C Larry Stout, SN-IN
Co-Chair

P/C Bob Hunt, N
Co-Chair

Arlene Starkman, S
Secretary/Treasurer

Brenda Stewart-Murphy,
S

Joel Hatfield

Alissa Hatfield

Harvey Blattner

WEBMASTER

P/C Kevin Kamrath, P

www.grandlakeusps.com

THE PELICAN EDITOR

Kim Lindahl, S



From the Helm



Welcome to 2022. As our boat club moves into its twenty-second year of existence since receiving our charter, we look forward to overcoming a few challenges and moving boating education to the forefront of our efforts for all Grand Lake boaters. We are planning to add some fun on-the-water events that will use our boating education. Todd Elson (he and Cheryl are members and owners of Indian Hills Marina) have offered some fun ideas.

Harv Blattner has agreed to serve on the Steering committee to help develop a plan to present to the membership to re-structure and simplify our boat club while still promoting safe boating and having fun too. Harv and Marge joined in 2018, and he brings his experience as a volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America for over 30 years in many positions at the local, state and national levels. This included serving as a Commissioner of the Spanish Peaks Scout Ranch in Colorado and property manager of the Mandan Training Center near Dodge City, KS.

Our January meeting will be held at our new dinner meeting location that we will use from January through May. "Events On Third" is located at 414 E. Third Street, Suite F in Grove. The 1700 sf of space with a capacity of 150 people offers plenty of space for social distancing as needed.

For something different in January and many starting their New Year's resolution to lose weight after the holidays, we are going to brownbag it. Bring your own diet (or not) food, calorie-free wine & beer and enjoy the comradery. There will be a \$5 charge to help defray the cost of the facility. We encourage all members to attend the next several meetings as we will be planning our future. Your input is needed.

Currently at the helm,

Larry, Bob, Arlene, Brenda, Harv, Alissa and Joel

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



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

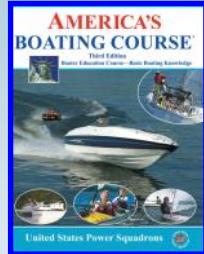




MEET OUR NEWEST STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER!
HARVEY BLATTNER,
A CLUB MEMBER SINCE 2018.
THANKS HARVEY FOR STEPPING UP TO SUPPORT OUR CLUB.

ABC-GL will be offering the America's Boating Course in March. ABC is the most comprehensive, single source, in-person boating course available to give you the skills you need to enjoy your time on the water and boat with confidence.

Open to all members and the public. Details will be sent via email in the next month.



DON'T MISS OUR JANUARY DINNER MEETING!



WHEN: January 20th 5:30 social hour
 6:30 dinner
WHERE: Events on 3rd, 414 E. 3rd Street Grove OK
COST: \$5.00
MENU: Brown bag it!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE GRAND LAKE BOAT AND SPORT SHOW!

Our boating club will be handing out life jackets on one of the show days. It's always a big hit with our community!
 More info will be sent out via email later.

Save the date: March 3rd through March 6th



Are you looking for a place to volunteer in our boat club that doesn't require lots of time and meetings? Well here's the job for **YOU!**



Consider being the newsletter editor. This position is totally flexible, easy to learn and provides fun when creating with your own ideas. Training, guidance and support! is provided if wanted. Give Larry or Kim a call if interested and we will be happy to provide more info. It's a great (and easy) way to be involved.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED! APPLY TODAY!

Our Christmas dinner at Vista Towers on Monkey Island was fantastic!

33 members enjoyed a fun evening visiting with each other, consuming lots of good food and drink and sharing in the joys of the season. We sure ended 2021 on a good note!



A WORD FROM OUR TREASURER Arlene Starkman



Where our Money Goes

Treasurer's Report to the Membership

Checking Account Balance on November 30 was \$14,939.74

That balance includes the following Specified Funds:

- \$3,678 Education Budget for 2021
- \$38 Raffle Fund – used for guest meals
- \$4.85 Walmart Grant – for life jackets and safety education

This leaves \$11,218.89 in Unspecified Funds

November Income	
Amazon Smile	\$48.05
Total November Income	\$48.05
<hr/>	
November Expenses	
Commander Incidentals	\$50.00
Bank Maintenance Fee	\$8.95
Total November Expenses	\$58.95

\$\$ Thank You for Shopping Amazon Smile \$\$



ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURING

The national Board of Directors has formed an ad hoc committee to examine our organizational structure and operations to better serve our members and local Squadrons/Clubs. We are considering options that may include restructuring districts, forming regions, and/or improving services directly to Members from the national level. Please read the linked article for more information:

LINK: <https://theensign.org/organizational-restructuring/>



CHRISTMAS CHARITY 2021 GROVE BACKPACK PROGRAM RESULTS!



(l to r) Larry Stout, Randy Matthews,
Brenda Murphy, Arlene Starkman

Through the Backpack Program, children receive a backpack full of kid-friendly, non-perishable and nutritious food on Friday to sustain them over weekends and school holidays.

On Tuesday, December 21st, ABC-GL presented a check in the amount of

\$2,205.00

to Randy Matthews, coordinator of the Backpack Program. This donation will help feed many children during off-school days.

YOUR generosity is so appreciated.



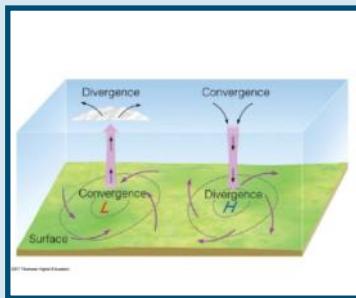
Did you Know?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



Article 1

The barometer is a handy instrument for the boater to understand potential weather conditions. High-pressure systems generally bring fair weather with sunny days and little or no precipitation. Whereas, low-pressure systems usually bring foul weather with cloudy skies and precipitation. A rapidly falling barometer can be a warning to the boater of strong winds and the likelihood of rain.



Our weather systems move from the west to the east. The winds of a high flow clockwise bringing cooler air, but on the back (western) side, the wind will generally be in a southerly direction with warmer temperatures. In contrast, the winds of a low flow counterclockwise with warmer air, but cooler air from the north on the back (western) side.

Article 2

Sunrise is defined as when the sun appears above the horizon and sunset is when the sun disappears below the horizon. This is important to boaters because of regulations when boat lights are to be used and personal water craft are to be operated.

Boaters should not confuse sunrise or sunset with civil twilight when the center of the sun is 6 degrees below the horizon and outdoor activities can take place without the need for additional artificial light. Besides civil twilight, there is also nautical twilight and astronomical twilight.

The period of nautical twilight is when the center of the sun is 12 degrees below the horizon. The outline of objects can be seen at its beginning in the morning or at the end at night and the horizon is indistinct.

The period of astronomical twilight is when the center of the sun is 18 degrees below the horizon. At the beginning of the period in the morning or its end in the evening, the sunlight does not illuminate any portion of the sky and faint stars can be seen.



Did you Know? cont.

Article 3

A boat is subjected to two types of stability. When it is at rest (static) and when it is moving (dynamic) through the water contending with wind and waves. The hull shape of the boat is an important factor in stability and the ability of the vessel to recover from external forces to maintain balance. Flat bottom boats have high initial stability but a poor righting ability when it is exceeded. Round bottom boats and vee bottom vessels may have slightly less initial stability and tend to roll or heel but have a better righting ability.



Overloading or poor distribution of weight including passengers as well as water sloshing in the bilge can be stability hazards. Boats with tall structures such as flybridges can become unstable by strong winds.

Article 4

There is an incorrect myth that lakes do not exhibit very rough seas. In reality, because lakes are not vast and seemingly endless is what can make them treacherous. Shallower than the oceans, lakes including the Great Lakes, have the potential to have waves that are steeper and closer together for any given amount of wind because of less depth. This is compounded by close shorelines where the lake waves bounce off opposing shores that can amplify the waves creating confused seas with waves higher than would be created by the wind alone. Add boat wakes in a confined area with heavy boat traffic and the seas can become even more challenging for the boater.



Article 5

An important piece of safety equipment you should have onboard your boat is a type IV floatation device. This is a throwable device such as a cushion that floats, Styrofoam rings or horseshoe buoys. It should have something easy to grasp such as handles so the individual can hold it close to their chest until they are rescued. To make a rescue easier, consider keeping a type IV on board with a line tied to it so you can pull the individual to safety.



Kidde Recalls Fire Extinguishers with Plastic Handles Due to Failure to Discharge and Nozzle Detachment: One Death Reported

CHECK YOUR BOAT EXTINGUISHER AND BE AWARE!

NAME OF PRODUCT: KIDDE fire extinguishers with plastic handles.

HAZARD: The fire extinguisher can become clogged or require excessive force to discharge and can fail to activate during a fire emergency. In addition, the nozzle can detach with enough force to pose an impact hazard.

RECALL DATE: November 2, 2017

UNITS: About 37.8 million (in addition , 2.7 million in Canada and 6,730 in Mexico.



Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/1	Welcome 2022		
1/11	Steering Committee meeting *	1000	GLA
1/20	Membership Dinner meeting <i>(dinner meetings will continue to be the 3rd Thursday of each month - same location and time)</i>	1730 Social 1830 Dinner	Events on 3rd 414 E. 3rd St.
2/TBD	Steering Committee meeting *	TBD	
2/17	Membership Dinner meeting	1730 Social 1830 Dinner	Events on 3rd 414 E. 3rd St.
2/19-27	America's Boating Club Annual Mtg.		Ponte Verde, FL
3/3-6	Grove Boat Show	More info to follow via email	Civic Center
3-TBD	America's Boating Course	More info to follow via email Open to members and public	GLA

**All are welcome to attend.



Happy Birthday!



Clara Murphree	1/1	Karen Carroll	2/2
Rocky Thomas	1/1	Larry Stout	2/6
Ed Dennis	1/3	Carol Grassi	2/9
Steve Snyder	1/5	Myra Noteboom	2/14
Jim Reynolds	1/17	Susan Brandt	2/14
		Gregg Hooper	2/15
		Kendall Spangler	2/15
		Micki Kamrath	2/19
		Kevin Kamrath	2/23

Toma Ford	3/3	Erma Hembree	4/3
Tom Pinkley	3/10	Michelle Hooper	4/12
Lisa Millikan	3/13	Mary Alice Moore	4/17
Charles Fletcher	3/17	Richard McKee	4/18
Diane Peterson	3/17	Al Scarriot	4/26
Bob Russell	3/17		
Janet Sloan	3/20		
David Mandeville	3/30		
Art Taylor	3/30		



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 25th of the month. Thanks for your input and support! Kim

Contact Information

The Pelican is the official publication of America's Boating Club - Grand Lake, Kim Lindahl, Editor. Please email all correspondence to kim.lakehouse@gmail.com

America's Boating Club - Grand Lake
P/D/C. Larry Stout, SN-IN
PO Box 6987 Grove, OK 74344
918-257-4603

Current Webmaster: P/C Kevin Kamrath, P
kevkamok@gmail.com



America's Boating Club-Grand Lake website.... www.grandlakeusps.com

District 30 website...
www.d30usps.org

National website...
www.americasboatingclub.org