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Commander's Report



Ahoy Squadron Members,

Fall is officially here and some cooler weather with it. Summer left us with a couple of very hot and humid weeks. I look forward to the cooler weather and daytime boat rides enjoying the fall colors.

We have more events coming up. The upcoming Boat Rally on Thursday, October 5th is sure to be a great time for all those that participate. If you don't have a boat or would rather catch a ride with someone else, be sure to contact Arlene Starkman and let her know. I am sure we can accommodate all rider requests.

Shortly after that on 13, 14 October we will have our booth at the Pelican Fest and will be captaining pontoon boats to take visitors out on the lake to view the Pelicans. Let Ken Moore know if you would like to captain a boat or work the booth. Either is sure to be a fun time.

We are always looking for new members and where better to look for potential candidates than our own membership? We are a fun group so invite your friends to one of our dinner meetings or the Boat Rally and let's get them interested in our organization. For further information on bringing a guest to one of our dinner meetings, contact Lynda Watson of our membership committee.

Thanks to all of you that volunteer your time to support our squadron. Be it by working a booth, setting up, or just attending our events, your participation matters.

See you on the water,

Bruce Watson, P

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron



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P ———Piloting

AP ———Advanced Piloting

JN ———Junior Navigator

N ———Navigator

SN ———Senior Navigator

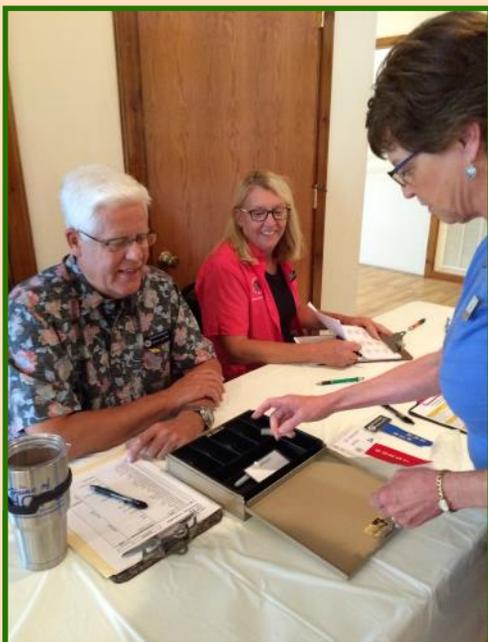




A call was sent to all GLSPS members for an impromptu raft up on Labor Day and they came to share food, drinks, and fun at the Bluffs outside of Finger Cove.



DINNER MEETING



47 GLSPS members met on September 21 for our monthly dinner meeting at Eagles Landing. Rib Crib provided the main course of pulled port and beef brisket while the sides and desserts were supplied by our excellent cooks, exemplified above by Barbara Zinn's owl vegetable tray. Sharon Dennis highlighted some new products in the GLSPS Store. Dr. Leonard Miller, our guest speaker, shared his abundant knowledge on Hydroplane Racing.



*What is
Hydroplane Racing*



GLSPS Slate 2017-2018

BRIDGE



Our new officers will be installed at the Change of Watch on November 11th at the Cherokee Yacht Club.

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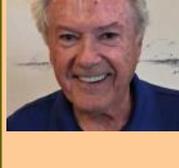
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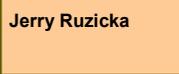
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Welcome to Membership Beyond Boating

United States Power Squadrons® invites you to go beyond boating—with our brand new website at BeyondBoating.org. Beyond Boating reflects our brand promise: Membership That Delivers Beyond Boating.

A team of staff and volunteers developed the fully responsive, accessible website in conjunction with R+M Agency, a marketing and brand experience agency in Cary, North Carolina.

The goals behind the development of the new public-facing website include growing membership, increasing renewals, engaging and energizing members, creating diversity and meeting accessibility standards.

The new site embodies and reflects our brand promise to bring you unsurpassed education, community service and a membership built by boaters, for boaters.

Welcome to the Neighborhood

When you join United States Power Squadrons, you're joining a community that was built by boaters, for boaters. You're building a lifetime of memories together on the water, on shore and by giving back to your community. Whether you're passionate about cruising, racing, making new friends, volunteering in your community or learning from experienced boaters, your local squadron has the resources you need to engage your passions and, perhaps, instill some new ones.

On the Water

Who doesn't have a smile on their face whenever they're on a boat? You can't help yourself. Boating is the definition of *getting away from it all*. And getting away from it all is always more fun as a member of United States Power Squadrons. Beyond being a safe and confident boater, you'll also enjoy cruises, sail races, navigation contests, fishing derbies, and unlimited fun with squadron friends.

On Shore

Camaraderie doesn't stop at the dock. That's what makes us different. Our focus is providing unsurpassed boating safety education, but our heart is about membership that doesn't end on Sunday and doesn't care if the calendar says it's winter. It's about being together and building a community through a variety of events like parties, meetings and even just getting together for no reason at all.

In the Community

Our squadron members are vital to strengthening the communities they live in. It's important to live our values by giving back through public service and volunteer opportunities. Whether we're providing courtesy vessel safety checks, helping the National Ocean Service keep nautical charts accurate or organizing beach cleanups, we have a positive impact on our communities. And as an added bonus, it's a great way for you and your family to make lasting memories.

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GLSPS IN THE COMMUNITY



Thanks! Roger and Barbara Zinn for manning our booth at REC Day.

Our members were out promoting the GLSPS in the community.

- Membership in the squadron
- Boating Education
- Vessel Safety Checks

Thanks to Mary Alice & Ken Moore and John Boyd for working our booth at the Grand Nautical Market.

GRAND NAUTICAL MARKET
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Purpose of Grand River Dam Authority *Adopt-the-Shoreline* Program

- The Grand River Dam Authority is initiating a new program to remove trash and debris from the shorelines, to safeguard the ecosystem and enhance to quality of life for all who use Grand Lake O' the Cherokees.
- This program is designed to enable participants to organize cleanups through shoreline adoption, with the assistance and resources provided by the Grand River Dam Authority.
- The Grand River Dam Authority is currently seeking volunteers, homeowners, organizations and civic groups to adopt portions of the shoreline for annual cleanups. We are also seeking businesses to act as supporting members to assist volunteers with barges, loading equipment, trailers, etc. on an annual basis.
- Grand Lake O' the Cherokees has been divided into 10 zones to allow participants to choose an area of the lake they wish to focus their preservation efforts on. If you would like to join us please start by determining which zone your desired shoreline is located.
- You will then need to fill out some basic contact information under the "How to Join" tab. Once the contact information is submitted, you will be emailed a membership agreement & liability waiver. Complete these two forms and return them to GRDA using the information provided. Once we receive your information, you will be contacted by a zone coordinator with further information.
- Thank you for your interest in the Adopt the Shoreline Program, and we look forward to working with you in "**Keepin' it Grand**".
- Stay tuned for more information which will be presented by the GRDA at our January 2018 Dinner Meeting.

Mission Statement

The mission of the *Adopt-the-Shoreline* program is to provide a leadership role with the various stakeholders on Grand Lake O' the Cherokees to remove litter and debris from the shoreline, thus safeguarding the ecosystem and enhancing the quality of life for all.

Objectives

- Solicit businesses, organizations, and individuals for shoreline adoption.
- Coordinate the annual spring and fall cleanup efforts.
- Annually recognize volunteers for their dedication and commitment to the program.
- Coordinate efforts with other organizations on Grand Lake O' the Cherokees having similar objectives.
- Foster an atmosphere of ownership among the stakeholders and visitors at Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, in the success of the program.

FALL GLSPS BOAT RALLY

***How many lights are on the old railroad bridge?
Any prehistoric creatures in Woodward Hollow?
Are there any horses in Horse Creek?***

These are just some examples of what you may have missed on Grand Lake.
Join us to find out about these and other items of interest.

Mark **October 5, 2017** on your calendar **NOW!** The Fall GLSPS Boat Rally has been planned and the course checked. We will have the start and finish of the rally at Indian Hills Marina. The course is of a similar length to the past two events. The ability to read a chart and find GPS coordinates will be helpful. It is also helpful to bring binoculars. The course will be on a different part of Grand Lake and may cover some waters you may have never visited. As in the past, don't plan on following the boat ahead of you as they may be going some other direction.

If you are coming from the north end of the lake or from another location and are towing a boat, the boat launch at Indian Hills Marina is an ideal place to put your boat in the water.

At the end of the rally, we will meet at Indian Hills Marina where you may order lunch and compare rally notes.

The materials you will need to participate include; an inquisitive desire to see another part of the lake, a boat owned and captained by a member of GLSPS or USPS, a current GRDA/USPS vessel exam sticker, and at least four people in each boat. The additional people in the boat do not need to be squadron or USPS members. Bring your guests and let them see the fun that can be had with the GLSPS. For those temporarily out of a boat contact one of your friends and join them for the rally.

Equipment needed includes; a compass, a Grand Lake Chart book, binoculars (optional), a clipboard for holding the instructions, pencil, and PFD's for everyone in the boat. Any other equipment you bring is at your option.

The schedule:

0900 - 1000 Vessel Exams for all boats that require one. Vessel Examiners will be on hand.

1000 – 1015 Captains meeting, everyone is invited. You will hear the last minute updates to the condition of the course(s).

1030 – 1045 First boat starts the rally. Boats will depart every five minutes thereafter.

1300 Official end of the rally. If you don't have it figured out by now, come back to order lunch.

Please call or text Arlene or Earl Starkman or email at Arlene_starkman@sbcglobal.net to let us know if you plan to participate. We need to know how many will be attending as soon as possible to notify the marina.

Look forward to seeing all of you.



DO YOU KNOW?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



ARTICLE 1

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 helps to counteract the natural tendency for the bow to rise. 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 2

Part of the fun operating a PWC is jumping wakes. However, cutting too close to the sterns of other boats to jump their wakes is dangerous. Stay at least 100 feet behind the boat. This should give you sufficient room to observe traffic conditions in all directions.

Make sure that your speed doesn't exceed your skill level. Never drink alcohol and ride. PWC's requires good balance, clear thinking and quick decisions. Even fatigue can affect your ability to be a safe rider. Know the weight limit of your PWC when carrying passengers because the heavier the load, the harder it is to maneuver. Remember a PWC is considered a boat and all boating rules do apply to it, but there is a limitation as to the time of day when they can be used. The GRDA rules prohibits riding from sunset to sunrise.

ARTICLE 3

To help your anchor hold properly, it is important to have the correct scope. The "rode" or anchor line should be a minimum of 5:1 for calm conditions to 10:1 for severe conditions. A scope of 7:1 is suitable for most situations. To figure the length on Grand Lake (no tides), determined the depth of the water and the distance of your bow to the water. An example for calm conditions: 10' of water depth with the bow 3' above the water means $10+3=13 \times 5$ (scope) = 65 feet of rode. A short length of chain from the anchor to the rode or anchor line will help weigh down the line which gives a lower angle of pull to set the anchor.

To learn more about boats and boating, the United States Power Squadrons offers many courses such as seamanship, navigation, marine mechanics and marine electronics. For more information visit our website at: www.grandlakeusps.com or on Facebook at GLSPS.



UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
October			
5	GLSPS Boat Rally	1000	Indian Hills Marina
13-14	Pelican Fest	TBA	Wolf Creek
17	E-Board	1300	GLA
19	Dinner Meeting	1800	Rancho Viejo
23	ABC Class Begins	TBA	GLA
November			
11	Change of Watch	1800	Cherokee Yacht Club
14	E-Board	1300	GLA
December			
7	Christmas Party	TBA	River Bend Casino/Wyandotte



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



October

10/2 Connie Ruzicka
10/3 Carl Montgomery
10/5 David Garcia
10/11 John Walter
10/13 John Boyd
10/15 Darl Gregory
10/23 Gary Dunham



10/23 Bruce Watson
10/26 Mark Rodellini
10/27 Victoria Perry
10/29 Renae Russell
10/30 David Thomas
10/31 Deborah Cox
10/31 Susan Miller

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., Micki

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