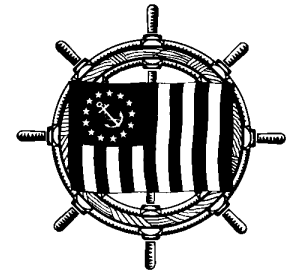




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Commander's Message



Welcome to our latest members, Bob and Marilyn Owsley. We had a very brief conversation as Bob resides in the Altadena mandatory evacuation zone. They have purchased a boat and want to take the Seamanship class. Bob can be reached at (626) 398-8625. Bill Kummer also left his home due to the Station Fire.

USPS has taken a couple of steps toward a more web-based organization. I received an email from the IT Committee explaining how to access features on their new website, and how to make use of the new features. A tool has been added that will help squadrons maintain updated roster contacts. Members can also now update their email addresses online. You can also look up email information for other members. Now, do you remember that set of letters that was typed on your membership card tear out? That was your password to log into usps.org. I, of course, threw mine away. But I was able to log in with my certificate number and zip code. The instructions from the USPS IT Committee are included in an article on page 6.

The Chief Commander, Creighton Maynard, has an agreement with sailangle.com. This is a social networking site that has discussion groups. The idea is communication between members will be enhanced. The USPS/SailAngle.com interface is available. The website is free and there are many features that our members will enjoy using. Further information in the use of this website is provided on page 6.

The Fall conference was held on 23-25 October 2009, at the Eastside Cannery Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. A short look at activities is included in the newsletter.

The Annual Planning Potluck was held on December 3rd resulting in a new schedule of events for 2010. The slate of officers for 2010 was elected by majority vote at this meeting. The results are presented in this newsletter.

Yours respectfully, Roger Dickey, AP

Save The Date

CHANGE OF WATCH

*Saturday April 10, 2010
Time: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Place: San Antonio Winery*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Activities:

Month	Date	Description
February	27	Past Cdrs Breakfast, And Silent Auction
March	21	Backyard Yard Sale at the Hervey-Smith's
April	10	Change of Watch luncheon
June	19	Backyard Boat Race (Dickeys)
July	4	Potluck at the Hartman's
October	31	Breakfast and Fire Boat Tour
Sept/Oct	TBD	Picnic at the Ford's
December	TBD	Christmas party & planning

Classes:

Month	Date	Description
January	21	Marine Electronics
February	10	Advanced Piloting
March	24	ABC-Spring
May/June	TBD	Weather
October	6	ABC-Fall
November	10	Piloting



Squadron News:

Pasadena Sail and Power Squadron Bridge Meeting Minutes Thursday, November 5, 2009

Members Present: CDR Roger Dickey, Treasurer Bill Kummer, Secretary Kirk McKay, AO Rey Benavides and EO Richard Cowley. A quorum was present.

CDR Roger Dickey called the meeting to order at 1939. Kirk McKay led the bridge officers in the salute to the flag. The May 2009 minutes were read and approved.

EXECUTIVE: Richard Cowley reported that our publicity websites are good, but said we should be aware that for better results we need approximately one month of lead time for publication prior to any event. Richard also said the Pasadena Weekly newspaper is receptive to our publicity.

EDUCATION: As Hark Hervey-Smith is unable to serve as EO, Ben Smith is currently standing in at that office. Roger gave the Education Report for this meeting. The current ABC class began this past October 14th and completed November 4th. Seamanship began October 7 and will run for 8 weeks. Roger also mentioned that he had contacted the La Canada Library to inquire about use of a room at their facility for our classes. Roger was informed that they wanted \$80.00 for a 5 hour day, which he felt was reasonable, but they also demanded \$90.00 for insurance, and the so matter ended there. Roger stated he had been contacted by a person, a military reservist, who took the ABC class on the internet and asked for the exam. Last Wednesday Roger gave this person the exam at the Assistance League building, and he passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Rey Benavides reported he has found two more places for our boating classes, the Verdugo Hills Hospital and Glendale Adventist Hospital, both in Glendale. Rey noted that he had taken a radio class at Verdugo Hills Hospital. Rey also noted that Andy Gero is now redoing our roster.

SECRETARY: Kirk McKay reported that the minutes for May and October bridge meetings have been sent to the bridge members by way of the internet. The May minutes were approved this evening, and the October minutes will be reviewed at the December meeting. Kirk's efforts to contact the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce about membership have been fruitless.

Kirk, with the help of Bill Kummer, will look into the possibility of our holding basic boating classes at the Pasadena City College Community College center, and the similar adult program at Glendale College. Kirk will also look into a comprehensive First Aid course for our members.

TREASURER: Bill Kummer gave the Treasurers Report, stating we have 35 paid members, one member who is due to pay, and 6 life members, for a total of 45 squadron members. Bill then read the financial report, noting at present this year we have spent more than our receipts. Bill suggested we need a social event to raise funds.

OLD BUSINESS: Roger announced that we should be planning for the 2010 year. For Education the present schedule is:

Advanced Piloting is coming in December; Marine Electronics in mid-January, 2010; ABC to start March 24, after the March Fred Hall Fishing Show, and again in October 6, 2010, each a 4 to 5 week class; and Piloting November 10 to December 22, 2010.

Social Events:

A December dinner and planning meeting, we need to check with the Johnsons for a location; we need to look into a San Pedro Fireboat Tour; set a Forth of July Back Yard Boat Race; and arrange a picnic at the Ford's home.

For our Change of Watch, we are considering the installation to be a breakfast or brunch rather than the usual dinner, in order to give members living at a distance an opportunity to comfortably attend.

NEW BUSINESS: Bill Kummer remembers our August Catalina trip to the Isthmus as a good fun function and expresses hope that this will continue. Roger informed the bridge members that there is to be a Webinar, that is, a web-based seminar on line this November 17, 2009. Roger states as soon as he has the information on this, he will forward it by e-mail to the bridge members on how to receive this seminar.

Meeting adjourned at 2022.

Respectfully submitted:

Kirk McKay, Secretary



Squadron News, continued:

Pasadena Sail and Power Squadron Annual Potluck-Planning Meeting Thursday, December 3, 2009

The 2009 Annual Planning Meeting began with a potluck dinner at 1800 at the Assistance League in Pasadena.

Members Present: CDR Roger Dickey, Rey and Annie Benevides, Richard and Ann Cowley, Hark and Nitcher Hervey-Smith, Dick and Judy Orcutt, Louise Beggs, Barbara Johnson, Andy Gero and Maria Heckman, Roger Dickey, Orlando Hutchsen, Kirk McKay, and newest members Bob and Marilyn Owsley.

After dinner, CDR Roger Dickey called the business meeting to order at 1923 and lead the members in the salute to the flag.

Roger then asked, as a courtesy, for all the members present to introduce themselves so to become familiar to our newer members and to also reacquaint ourselves with those members we don't see as often.

Secretary Kirk McKay then read the slate of candidates from the Nominating Committee for the 2010 PSPS bridge.

There being no further nominations from the floor, the slate of candidates was elected by the members by a voice vote.

Secretary Kirk McKay then read the membership of the rules and audit committees, as is required by the Squadron By-Laws.

The membership of the aforementioned committees was approved unanimously by the members present by a show of hands.

The Business Meeting adjourned at 1927.

Respectfully submitted:

Kirk McKay, Secretary

December 3, 2009 Nominating Committee Report

In accordance with the USPS by-laws the following members were elected for the 2010 Squadron Bridge by

a majority at the annual membership meeting on December 3, 2009:

CDR	Roger Dickey, AP
EXO	Richard Cowley, P
SEO	Harcourt Hervey-Smith, AP
ADMIN	Rey Benavides, P
SEC	Kirk McKay, P
TRES	William Kummer, AP
Asst. SEO	Ben Smith, S

Rules Committee

P/C Andy Gero, AP, Chair
P/C Merritt Hartman, P
P/C Bruce Hennig, P

Audit Committee

P/C Tom Cotter, S, Chair
P/C Kirk McKay, P
TRES- William Kummer, AP

Nominating Committee for 2010

P/C Andy Gero, AP, Chair
P/C Bruce Hennig, P
P/C Merritt Hartman, P

Respectfully Submitted,

2009 Nominating Committee

*P/C Merritt Hartman, P
P/C Bruce Hennig, P
P/C Andy Gero, AP*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Change of Watch (COW) is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2010. Plans are being made for a **lunch installation**. Please watch for the next issue of the ROSE for more details.



District 13: Fall Conference

Review of the Conference By Barbara Johnson

The Las Vegas Squadron did an excellent job of planning this year's Fall Conference. They selected a new hotel-casino, The Eastside Cannery, located on Bolder Highway between Las Vegas and Henderson and next door to Sams RV Park. This meant convention-goers had the choice of staying in a lovely, spacious room at the convention hotel or next door in an outstanding RV park.

Friday activities began with registration and an evening no-host cocktail party with generous sandwiches and fruit provided by the host squadron.

Saturday started with a hosted continental breakfast and general meeting followed by various interesting seminars arranged over three time slots. The first series included Boat Operators Certification, Public Relations Workshop and ABC Workshop. The following series included Public Relations Workshop and a presentation on What Lies Beneath. The latter gave an entire overview of the history and use of the Colorado River, the building of Hoover Dam and Boulder Dam and the impact on the surrounding areas.

The final series covered a topic of particular interest to Pasadena members in attendance. Dr. Gil Moe gave an outstanding presentation of his photographic adventure in filming bald eagles in Homer, Alaska.

The luncheon was particularly well organized with an attractive and tasty selection of dishes. The general meeting followed and awards were given in various categories. The Harlan Anderson photographic awards were all won by the same woman.

This left just enough time to change for the dress-casual evening activities. All attendees were invited to the District Commander's reception that preceded dinner. The dinner-dance entrees were generous portions of salmon and steak. Entertainment was provided by the local high school Marine Corp Junior ROTC unit which gave an excellent drill team performance. After an evening of dancing and door prize distributions, another excellent conference came to an end.



Site of District 13 Fall Conference



Local High School Marine Corp ROTC Unit



Barbara Johnson and Dr. Gil Moe



Racing Scene by Ben Smith, S, Skipper of Renegade, Beneteau 38S5

2009 LBHIS SUMMER SERIES RACE # 2 – PHRF A CLASS

On the way to the start area we spotted a cluster of boats off of the Belmont Pier and wondered to ourselves what was going on. Little did we know that we were going to get a much closer look at them later in the day. Renegade arrived at the start area, checked in with the committee boat, and started her pre-start routine. We were missing three regular crew members, racing with one crew member who had never been on a sailboat before and another who hadn't been sailing in 20 years. We raised the genoa early to get in some practice tacks. Meanwhile, we spotted our old friend Bilbo Baggins and one of our new friends, Lulu. Both boats had proven to be great competitors in the past.

Renegade nailed the start with Bilbo Baggins not far behind on her port quarter and Lulu was third across the line. The first mark was mark 30 and Renegade over shot it because we couldn't spot the darn thing. In fact, I wasn't sure we had spotted the correct mark until we saw both Bilbo and Lulu make a break for it. Renegade was the last to tack towards the mark, but managed to round it first with Bilbo and Lulu in hot pursuit.

The next mark was mark 34 just East of the Belmont Pier. Remember that cluster of boats I mentioned earlier? They were racing in the area just to the Southwest of mark 34. At the time, I didn't know what regatta they were in, but it looked much more important than our little Harbor Series. I found out later that I was watching the Long Beach Yacht Club's 2009 J/105 SoCal Championship. Renegade rounded mark 34 and ran up the beach to stay away from the J boats. Bilbo and Lulu rounded mark 34 and managed to squeeze by the J boats on the East side of the cluster.

Apparently, they picked the right side because both boats reached Queen's Gate before Renegade. All

three boats reached down the break water towards the East end and mark 10. There were a couple of times that I thought Renegade was going to get to the windward of Lulu, but Lulu was having none of it. She very politely held us at bay the entire way.

After rounding mark 10, the next mark was once again mark 34. All three boats launched their spinnakers, but Lulu was having some sort of problem with setting their spinnaker and Renegade was able to overtake her. Bilbo held the lead the rest of the race to claim another impressive win and her second ace in two races. Lulu was hot on Renegade's stern the rest of the race and corrected into a well deserved second place. Renegade crossed the line second, but ended up in third place on corrected time. At least third place sounds better than last. Last place or not, we had a great time and we enjoyed the close competition.

Ben Smith
Skipper of Renegade
Beneteau 38S5



Renegade



USPS Website Tool

In order to make managing the email addresses of squadron members simpler, a new tool has been added on the USPS website.

This tool allows squadron bridge officers, roster contacts and ITC contacts to update the email address for any squadron member in real time without the use of DB2000.

In addition, the tool allows any USPS member to update their own email address.

To use this tool you must be logged on as a USPS member and you must be using the New PIN security code you were issued by national.

To access the tool to modify your own email address click on the menu item in the left hand column of the Information center pages (www.usps.org/national/tools) "Manage Your own Email"

under the heading "Membership Information". Click on the "Validate" button. On the returned page, follow the link to update the email address.

To access the tool for other squadron members, click on the menu item "Manage Email Status" under the heading "Other Tools". Enter the certificate number of the desired member and click on the "Validate" button. On the returned page, follow the link to update the email address.

Any questions may be addressed to Dan Bartell at dtb@usps.org

USPS /SailAngle.com interface

USPS National would like 100% sign-up as they want to begin using the website to communicate with the membership ASAP.

Activate your SailAngle Account Today!

As most of you know, SailAngle.com has become the "Standard Communication Platform" for the United States Power Squadrons. It is VERY IMPORTANT for you to activate your account right away so we can begin fully utilizing this powerful communications platform that will help bring us to the next level. If you haven't activated your account, we are waiting on you.

Sign-up Instructions (3 Simple Steps)

1. Click [here](#) to access the signup/activation page.
2. If you see the message "To access the USPS Groups on SailAngle.com, you must: LOGIN as a USPS member", click "LOGIN" and enter your Certificate Number and ZIP Code or PIN, then click "Continue." This will log you in as a USPS member and direct you to the SailAngle Signup Page which will take less than two minutes to complete.
3. If you *do not* see the above message, you are already logged into your USPS.org account and will be automatically directed to the SailAngle signup.
4. Once you have completed the simple signup form, you have activated your SailAngle account and are automatically a member of your Squadron Group, District Group, National Group, and any Departments/Committees you are associated with. You can also join any of the Mailing Lists by going to Mailing Lists under USPS Groups.

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Visit the [USPS Help Page](#) at: <http://www.sailangle.com/usps-help> to download the Instructional Slideshow, view the [Frequently Asked Questions](#), or [contact support](#) with any additional questions. We're here to help!



Editor's Locker



Editors note:

Another year has slipped past while we were busy, and we are soon to embark into a new decade.

Thanks to you all for providing articles and photographs to the Rose! We can't do it without you. Please send your articles to Ginny and Eric at our email addresses:

vford@dslextreme.com and eidetic@dslextreme.com

Fair boating to you all – Ginny & Eric Ford

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