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# Commander's Report

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The summer is well underway, but the high water is dampening some of our fun. Hopefully, it will return to normal soon.

June was a busy month. We had the Flag Day parade and lunch at the Parrot on June 13 and a dock breakfast at the Short's on June 20. The Shore line clean-up was scheduled for June 6, but was postponed due to high water. This is our biggest civic service project of the year and we hope to get it done as soon as the water level returns to normal.

Our Administrative Officer, Wayne Short, S has arranged for dock parties and breakfasts and other events for the summer. There will be a dock party at the Scarriot's on July 3. The ice cream social will be at the Reynold's on July 12. And, the boat rally will be at the Pett's on August 29. Janet Sloan will organize the Independence Day Parade to be held on July 3.

We are changing our strategy in the Education Program in the fall. The six month free trial membership will no longer be offered to ABC3 graduates. Instead they will be offered an 18-month membership. The cost overall is the same, but the commitment to becoming a member starts at the conclusion of the course. Additional courses will be offered so stay tuned. Finally, due to financial concerns the free courses for members continue this year but may be reviewed for the next fiscal year. Be safe on the water and watch out for the other boat.

David B. Sloan, AP

Commander, Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron



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



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

# Sign Up for Classes



P/C Jim Sweeten, SN



## Advanced Grade Courses & Electives

**The following courses and electives have been scheduled:**

### **Weather elective:**

Begins Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> and ends October 26<sup>th</sup>. Class will meet on Mondays and Thursdays of each week. The last session is for the final examination. The class is free of charge to all paid members. The instructor is Gene Pett. Contact him no later than August 15<sup>th</sup> if you desire to take this elective at (918) 791-8543 or email [genep1964@hotmail.com](mailto:genep1964@hotmail.com) A minimum of 5 students is required for the class to make.

### **Weather Course Description**

The safety and comfort of those who venture out-on-the water have always been weather dependent. In this course students will become keener observers of the weather, but weather observations only have meaning in the context of the basic principles of meteorology — the science of the atmosphere.

The course focuses on how weather systems form, behave, move, and interact with one another and reflects the availability of all sorts of weather reports and forecasts on the Internet. Wx2012 is a general weather course benefiting those sitting in their living rooms, as much as those standing behind the helm. Each student receives:

- a Weather Manual - *USPS Weather* - an explanatory text with full color photographs and drawings covering weather in the United States and its coastal and inland waters;
  - a set of three Daily Weather Maps - learning aids with a complete explanation of map symbols designed to develop weather map reading and analysis skills; and
- NOAA's Sky Watcher Chart* - a reference to assist in identifying cloud types – helpful indicators of approaching weather.

The Weather Course is designed to be conducted over ten two-hour sessions including time for review and the multiple choice closed book examination, but each instructor will determine the pace of the course.

### **Marine Electrical Systems elective:**

Marine Electronics is tentatively scheduled to begin October 26<sup>th</sup> and will meet on Mondays and Thursdays each week. It is planned that the class will be over by Thanksgiving at the latest. The class is free of charge to all paid members. The instructor will be David Sloan. Advance registration will begin October 1st. A minimum of 5 students is required for the class to make. If interested, telephone David Sloan (918) 786-4871 or email him at [sloandb@hotmail.com](mailto:sloandb@hotmail.com). Or Jim Sweeten telephone (918) 964-0849 or email [jdsweeten2@suddenlink.net](mailto:jdsweeten2@suddenlink.net)

# Sign Up for Classes

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## Marine Electrical Systems Course Description

The Marine Electrical Systems course is presented in seven chapters that start with an explanation of what electricity is, followed by discussions on boat electrical wiring, DC and AC electrical systems, galvanic and stray current corrosion, lightning protection, and ends with troubleshooting of boat electrical problems. The course includes detailed instructions on how to use a multi-meter, how to solder and crimp electrical wiring circuits, and how to read electrical wiring diagrams. This course can be used as a reference guide for anyone interested in properly maintaining their boat electrical system. EMSCOM has written this course to require nine two-hour sessions.

- Day 1 - Introduction, Chapter 1: Properties of Electricity
  - Day 2 - Chapter 2: Boat Electrical Wiring Practices
    - Day 3 - Chapter 3: Direct Current Power
    - Day 4 - Chapter 4: Alternating Current Power
- Day 5 - Chapter 5: Galvanic and Stray Current Corrosion
  - Day 6 - Chapter 6: Lightning Protection
- Day 7 - Chapter 7: Troubleshooting Part 1; on-the-boat optional
  - Day 8 - Chapter 7: Troubleshooting Part 2
  - Day 9 - Review and Examination

## Seamanship Advanced Course:

Seamanship is tentatively scheduled at the conclusion of the Marine Electrical Systems course in December. The class is free of charge to all paid members. There are multiple instructors for this course, each with their own specific areas of expertise. Advance registration will begin November 1<sup>st</sup>. A minimum of 5 students is required for the class to make.

## Seamanship 2012 Course Description

The Seamanship 2012 course is the next step after completing America's Boating Course, 3rd Edition (ABC3), taking the knowledge and skills learned there and expanding and extending them with this newly updated edition. Or make Seamanship the first step into building boating confidence and competence for safe and fun on-the-water adventures. Seamanship 2012 presents material applicable to both power and sail, covering such topics as the construction and functioning of a boat, the skipper's responsibilities, preparing the boat for use, handling and maneuvering a vessel under various conditions in close quarters and on the open water, rules of the road, anchoring, emergencies, and marlinespike/basic knots. The Appendices cover boating into the waters of Canada and Mexico, the effects of weather on the boater's health, and general information on obtaining a US Coast Guard captain's license. It is suggested that Seamanship be scheduled over nine two-hour class sessions, one session for each chapter and one session for the proctored test.

## CPR/First Aid

Although not a United States Power Squadron course, the squadron believes it to be a valuable course for all members. Janet Sloan will be the instructor and if fully certified and capable of delivering quality instruction. The dates will be established by the next issue of *The Pelican*. This might give you the opportunity to help save a life!

# Sign Up for Seminars



P/C Jim Sweeten, SN

## SEMINARS

Seminars offered by the United States Power Squadron and Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron can be an interesting and fun way to learn new things. In addition there is no test at the end of the class. Specific descriptions are available as to the focus and content of each seminar at

[http://www.usps.org/e\\_stuff/seminars.htm](http://www.usps.org/e_stuff/seminars.htm) At this point I am just gathering information as to how many members might be interested in participating in which seminar. If you have an interest please email me at [jdsweeten2@suddenlink.net](mailto:jdsweeten2@suddenlink.net) and give me your name and which seminar(s) you have an interest. I need that information no later than July 20<sup>th</sup>. Once that information is tabulated I will send out a list of what was submitted.

### Seminar

Advanced Powerboat Handling  
 Anchoring  
 Basic Coastal Navigation  
 Basic Weather Forecasting  
 Boat Handling under Power  
 Boating on Rivers, Locks and Lakes  
 Crossing Boarders  
 Emergencies on Board  
 Fuel and Boating  
 How to Use a Chart  
 Hurricanes and Boats  
 Knots, Bends and Hitches

### Seminar

Man Overboard  
 Marine RADAR  
 Mariner's Compass  
 Mastering the Rules of the Road  
 Paddle Smart  
 Partner in Command  
 Practical On The Water Training  
 Sail Trim and Rig Tuning  
 Tides and Currents  
 Trailering Your Boat  
 Using GPS  
 Using VHF & VHF/DSC Marine Radio

Seminars are available for those individuals that have a specific interest in a subject area. They are normally a one day course (4 to 6 hours) with a few exceptions. A minimum of 5 students is required to hold the class. All classes will be held at the Grand Lake Visitors' Center on Saturdays and/or evenings.





**July 12, 2015**  
**Come by Land or Water**  
**GLSPS**

**Ice Cream Social**

**5 pm**



**Guests are welcome!**

**Let Cindy know what you are bringing!**

At the Home of....

**Jim & Cindy Reynolds**

59394 E 288th Ct

Cary Bay

Grove, OK 74344-7735

[918 787-6065](tel:9187876065)

**Please RSVP to Cindy**



*We will have the Hot dogs . Bring Ice cream , toppings, and/or an appetizer . Bring a Lawn chair.*



# Celebrate with the Scarriots...

## July 3rd at 6pm

### Eat and then watch the Fireworks



Bring a dish to pass, your beverage and a chair.  
We will provide hot dogs, buns etc.  
Fireworks start around 9pm

*Please RSVP with number of people in your party-relatives & house guests invited.*

Scarriot, Judy, AP

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June 20th



Pancakes & Sausage



June Dock Breakfast is Big Success

Wayne and Martha Short hosted a dock breakfast on June 20 at their home on Flat Rock Hallow. Over 33 members, guests, and neighbors attended. Martha and Wayne furnished pancakes, sausage, and drinks, the others attending provided fruit, pastries, and casseroles. Only a few came by boat due to the high water. But, everyone had a good time and enjoyed getting together and eating the great food. Thanks go out to Martha and Wayne for hosting the event. Plan on attending the other fun events scheduled for this summer.



# High Water on Grand Lake



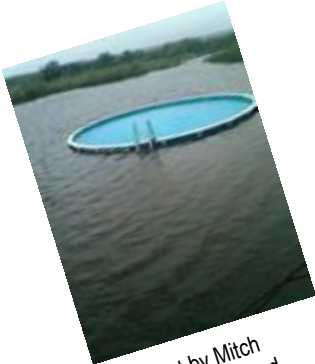
Taken by Donna Killion



Taken by Debbie Sweeten



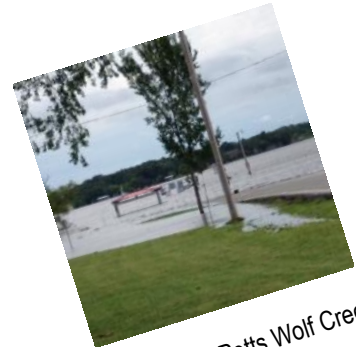
Taken by Debbie Sweeten The road to Wolf Creek boat Ramp.



Sent by Mitch Warren The Red River



Taken by David Sloan



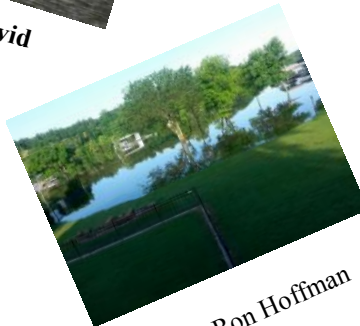
Taken by the Petts Wolf Creek boat ramp



Taken by the Petts "our deck is now an island."



Taken by Ann Rooney



Taken by Ron Hoffman



Grove Springs Park taken by Debbie Sweeten



Road to Wolf Creek boat ramp taken by Debbie Sweeten



Taken at the Smoke Shop by Debbie Sweeten



Taken by John Walter

**June 2015**



# Bill Miller Presented DB2000 June 8th



It's time to get your  
boat inspected.



Contact Jay Spicer



Carol Goodwin, S 918-786-6660

**Burgees and Dock flags ...**We have dock flags and burgees on sale for \$20.00. The dock flags are designed to hang on your dock or deck. It alerts people where they can reach power squadron member on the lake. Burgees are to be used on your boats. We have some really cute burgee lapel pins for \$5.00. I have a pair of USPS earrings for \$20.00.

**GLSPS license tags** are available for only \$10.

Lt Carol Goodwin S is planning to bring a basket of these items to dinner meetings, so bring lots of cash. If you just can't wait, just call Carol so she can reserve those items and get them to you. Carol can be reached at (918) 786-6660 Email [bocago@hotmail.com](mailto:bocago@hotmail.com)



**Name Tags** <http://www.UniversalImages.biz/> 918-786-9554 \$8.50  
1500 S. Main, Grove, OK 74344

**Grand Lake Chart Maps** \$15 at the Grand Lake Visitor's Center

## Did You Know?

By P/D/C Larry Stout SN-IN



Sound producing devices are required by law to be on your boat. This may be a horn or whistle. For small boats and personal watercraft, a plastic whistle is the simplest way to satisfy the requirement. If you request a vessel safety check from the Power Squadron or the Coast Guard Auxiliary, you will be required to have a horn or whistle that can produce a 4 second sound audible for a ½ mile.

The Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron has certified vessel examiners that can do a courtesy safety check for your boat at a mutually-convenient time – whether in a slip, at the launch ramp, or in your driveway if you live at Grand Lake. It usually takes 30 to 45 minutes depending upon the size of your boat. They are also qualified to issue the GRDA safety inspection decal. If your boat does not pass, no report is filed. Instead you are provided a written report that aids you in correcting any discrepancies noted.

To arrange a vessel check by the local power squadron, call Jay Spicer at (918) 791-8341

In addition to vessel safety checks, the United States Power Squadrons offers many courses for the boater such as seamanship, navigation, marine mechanics and marine electronics. For more information contact Jim Sweeten, Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron, at 918.964,0849 or e-mail [jdsween2@suddenlink.net](mailto:jdsween2@suddenlink.net)  
Also visit our website at: [usps.org/grandlake](http://usps.org/grandlake)





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Karon Wheat 7 4  
 Gene Pett 7 5  
 Thomas Rice 7 5  
 Arlene Starkman 7 6  
 Alan Ford 7 8  
 Neal Troyer 7 8  
 Arthur Brandt 7 10  
 Brent Gordon 7 10  
 Terry Chastain 7 10

Jeremy Schoonover 7 11  
 Don Chalupnik 7 16  
 James Killion 7 16  
 Ken Moore 7 19  
 Denise Winn 7 23  
 Paul Woodul 7 23  
 Velda Hunt 7 26  
 Bobby Goodwin 7 27

## Good Eats

### Strawberry Pie

#### Ingredients:

- 3 C. sweetened strawberries
- 9 inch pie shell
- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1 C. powdered sugar
- 8 oz. tub Cool Whip



Bake 9 inch pie shell and cool. Slice and sweeten 3 C. strawberries.

#### Blend:

- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1 C. powdered sugar
- Mix in strawberries

#### Fold in

- 8 oz. tub cool whip
- Turn into pie shell and chill 1 hour





**The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron Celebrate Flag Day with a Boat Parade**

The Grand Lake Sail and Power Squadron celebrated Flag Day with a boat parade on Honey Creek on June 12. Flag Day, which is actually on June 14, commemorates the adoption of the US on June 14, 1777. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; and in August 1949, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress in celebration of America's national flag and everything it represents.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

July-15			
7/3	Independence Day Boat Parade	TBD	TBD
7/3	Dock Party	TBD	Scarriot's
7/12	Ice Cream Social	1700	Reynold's
August-15			
8/18	E-Board Meeting	1000 – 1200	GLA
TBD	Weather Course	TBD	GLA
8/25	Dock Breakfast	TBD	TBD
8/25-30	Fall Governing Board	TBD	San Diego CA
8/29	Boat Rally	TBD	Wolf Creek to Pett's
September-15			
9/15	E-Board Meeting	1000 – 1200	GLA
9/17	Dinner Meeting	1800	TBD
9/21,24,28	Weather Course	TBD	GLA
9/25	Pelican Fest	TBD	Civic Center
9/26	Pelican Fest Parade	TBD	Community Center
9/26	Pelican Fest	TBD	Civic Center
October-15			
10/1,5,12,15, 19,22	Weather Course	1800-2100	GLA
10/13	E-Board Meeting	1000 – 1200	GLA
10/15	Dinner Meeting	1800	TBD
10/26,29 11/2,5,9,12,16	Marine Electronics Systems	1800-2100	GLA

## From your Editor...

Please send me pictures (with names and the activity), ideas and suggestions that are most important to you. If you haven't written an article about yourself, please send me one. Deadline is the 23rd of the month. Thank you for the opportunity to be your editor.

*Debbie*

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