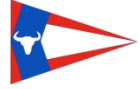


NO WAKE ZONE



Lake Mohave Power Squadron

A Unit of the United States Power Squadron®
Bullhead City, AZ



September, 2011

Executive Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at Re/Max Realty, 3726 Highway 95, Bullhead City.

General Dinner Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at a location to be announced.

All meetings start at 7:00PM



Commander's Corner

Ahoy Everyone!

The Bullhead City River Regatta – Pirates of the Colorado!



We did it! Barb and Pat Bramble and I volunteered both Friday and Saturday for the 5th Annual Bullhead City Regatta and represented the Lake Mohave Power Squadron. On Friday afternoon and late into the evening, Barb and Pat worked at Davis Camp with Registration and I worked in the Hospitality area at the Bullhead Chamber building.

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Saturday put Barb and Pat at Davis Camp again with Registration while I was stationed at the launching area checking credentials on the North side of Community Park. We were there from early morning (6:00 am) until sometime in the mid-afternoon - who knows what time it was when we left, we were ready to go home, clean up and relax.



Participants Launching Their Floats



Incredible Display Of The Number Of People



Lots Of People Having Fun, Fun, Fun!



Did He Miss His Float?

Barb, Pat and I agreed that Regatta volunteering was a lot of fun even with all the work. Very few problems were encountered and we will definitely do it again next year. On Saturday, the actual Regatta day, the weather was a bit “iffy” for a while with slight drizzles but it was so warm that the drizzles were a welcome relief. Those drizzles also kept the sun from beating down on everyone and made for quite a pleasant day.



OMG! Look Out For The Duck



Awwwww, They Look Happy

The river was calm, the breeze slight and everyone was happy. It truly was a pleasure to be there, to see all the wonderful colors of the floats as they drifted down the river while watching and listening to an estimated 29,000 participants doing what they came for – to experience an awesome float down the Colorado River in Bullhead City's 5th Annual River Regatta!



Pirate's Cove Was One Of The Sponsors



What Ever Happened To Inner Tubes?

The Link below will have some video clips taken at the Regatta:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSRCqRFT6lY&feature=youtube_gdata_player

(You may have to hold down your "ctrl" key while clicking on the above link, or you can copy and paste into your browser)

D28 Fall Conference

The District 28 Fall Conference will be held on the 7th and 8th of October 2011, at the Hilton Irvine/Orange County Airport, 18800 MacArthur Boulevard, Irvine, California, and it is still not too late to register to attend. Please check your SailAngle inbox for D28 Events. The Registration Form for attendance at the Fall Conference is located at the end of this newsletter. Please note that September 16 is the deadline for the special room rates at the Hilton Irvine!

You can still be involved without attending. I have RAFFLE TICKETS! The cost is \$1.00 each, 12 tickets for \$10.00. I will get them to you at our next GMM, as well as to the Fall Conference since I will be attending. All you need do is call or email me I will handle everything! If you cannot attend, please support the D28 Fall Conference by buying a Raffle Ticket or two or more and you just may win an awesome prize! Let's see how many Raffle Tickets I can sell between now and the end of September!

CPR and First Aid Training Opportunity

Please advise me if you would be interested in having a member of the American Heart Association conduct a CPR and First Aid class for our squadron. A CPR and first aid course created especially for boaters will be held during the Governing Board Meeting in Greensboro. This class covers subjects not found in other CPR/first aid courses, including carbon monoxide poisoning, jellyfish stings, near-drowning rescues, hypothermia, sunburn and related topics. USPS members who are certified American Heart Association instructors will conduct the course, and successful participants will receive AHA certification cards. (CPR Class information from Alan Karpas)

I would like to arrange a similar course for us in the TriState area. We could also consider combining the class with other groups such as the Coast Guard Auxiliary, Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) members.

From the USPS Monthly Broadcast for September 2011

Help USPS Prevent Boat Groundings

As a founding member of the Alliance for Safe Navigation, USPS is asking all members to take a short online survey; your response will help USPS formulate the best ways to help boaters navigate using the proper tools and latest navigation information. (from Bob Sweet) Take the Survey by reading your latest USPS Monthly Broadcast.

In Closing

REMINDER!!!! PLEASE!!!! We need input from EVERYONE for *No Wake Zone* articles. Send a poem, tell a funny story, and add some pictures from your excursions on the river!.....Cdr. JoAnne Waller



Executive Officer's Report

Since not everyone was able to fully read the handout from the last meeting regarding drowning: **“What Drowning Really Looks Like”** it seemed important to further emphasize the following **8 Quiet Signs of a Person in Trouble:**

1. A drowning person cannot call for help — they have to be able to breathe before they can speak. When a person is drowning, their mouth sinks below and reappears above the surface of the water. There isn't time for them to exhale, inhale, and call out.
2. They cannot wave for help either. A drowning person instinctively extends their arms to the sides and presses down to lift their mouth out of the water; a child may extend their arms forward. They cannot use their arms to move toward a rescuer or reach for rescue equipment.
3. A drowning person remains upright in the water, with no evidence of kicking. They can struggle for only 20 to 60 seconds before going under.
4. Eyes are glassy, unable to focus, or closed.

- 5. Hair may be over forehead or eyes.
- 6. Head is low in the water, with mouth at water level; head may be tilted back with mouth open. A child's head may fall forward.
- 7. Sometimes the most important indicator that someone is drowning is that they do not look like they are drowning. They may just seem to be looking up at the sky, shore, pool deck, or dock. Ask them, "Are you all right?" If they can answer at all, they probably are. If they return a blank stare, you may have less than 30 seconds to get to them.
- 8. Children playing in the water make noise. When they get quiet, you need to get to them and find out why.

Drowning is the second-most common cause of accidental death in children ages 1 to 14 (just behind motor vehicle accidents). In a 2004 study by a national safety group, 90 percent of children who drowned did so while under the care of an adult or a teenager. In many cases, the study suggests, that person had a momentary lapse of attention. But the fact is that often those watching don't know what to look for — because drowning doesn't look like drowning. To ward off a tragedy in the making, watch for the above 8 signs that someone is in trouble.

Source: Health Digest/Reader's DigestLt/C John Militello



Administrative Officer's Report

August Happenings: The Accardos have had out of town visitors in the form of their granddaughter and grandson, Faith and Luke (6 and 3, I think, respectively). They shared some time on the lake with the squadron on one of the Wednesdays on the lake last week. Also, Linda and Andy Pensavalle have been visited by their daughter Andrea and grandson Daniel from Florence Italy. Linda and Andy might be "forced" to accompany them back to Florence when they leave, if Hurricane Irene going though the New York City area does not hamper the plans. Linda's boat is still in dry dock due to a leak in one of the pontoons (Andy doesn't own a boat) and they have been hitching rides on some of the other member's vessels. They asked me to publicly recognize the Dacks and the Accardos for letting them join them on the water and for all the kind invitations they have received from other members.

Float and September General Meeting: Thanks everyone for your input on dates for the "float" down the Colorado River. After consolidating the dates and checking with John Militello about use of Willow Beach, we have determined that Tuesday, September 13 will be the date for our float. Watch for further details but those planning to float the river will meet around 1:30 PM and travel to Avi Resort to begin the float. We will then meet at 5:00 PM for the BBQ and pot luck dinner at Willow Beach. During the BBQ we will hold our September General meeting in the beautiful outdoors! Further details will be coming so watch your email!

Halloween Party: The Truemans have offered to host the Halloween party at their home and the event is sure to be a memory maker! They have chosen Saturday, October 29, 2011 for this event. Additional information will be forthcoming as the date approaches. In the meantime, mark your calendars for the 29th of October.....Lt/C Sharon Weller

September Birthdays

Mary Jane Kearns docked on this earth on 9/1.

Barb Bramble floated in on 9/8



Dawn Pierce started her boating adventure on 9/11....HMMMM

Bev Keith arrived on her yacht on 9/25

We wish all our September celebrants a very Happy Birthday with smooth water and calm winds.

Added Thoughts

Barb Bramble passed this little saying along from the Rev. Lionel Starks. He says, *“Make sure your words are always sweet because you never know which ones you will have to eat.”*

An Important Member Benefits Reminder From Headquarters:

Some members still have questions about how to opt out of member benefit mailings.

Opt-out instructions:

1. Go to usps.org.
2. Go the Member Stuff box and click Benefit Announcement Options.
3. The Manage Your Member Benefits Announcement Options page comes up.
4. Reset Your Member Benefits Announcement Option to No.
5. Click Update.

That's all it takes.—Tom Kemp

READ MORE Opt out of Member Benefits mailings at: www.usps.org/cgi-bin-nat/tools/myoptout.cgi



District 28 2011 Fall Conference Schedule and Registration

Rank	First Name	M.I.	Last Name	Grade
Address		City	State	Zip
District No.	Squadron	Telephone	Email	

Date:		Number	Cost ea.	Total
Friday, 7 October	Pot Luck and Cruise at the bayside home of Joan Williams		\$5.00	
Saturday, 8 October	Continental Breakfast (hotel)		\$12.00	
	Spouse Activity (transportation provided)		On your own	
	Member Lunch (Local Restaurants)		On your own	
	Conference Dinner (hotel)			
	Pre-dinner hospitality (hosted)			
	Dinner			
	Chicken Picatta		\$44.00	
	Grilled Salmon		\$44.00	
	Post-dinner hospitality (hosted)			
	Raffle Ticket Books (12 tickets for \$10)		\$10.00	
	TOTAL			

Please make checks payable to: **Balboa Sail & Power Squadron**
 Send check and Registration form to:
 Cdr Boris Buzan, AP
 23826 Birch Ln
 Mission Viejo, CA 92691-3011

Make hotel reservations directly with the Hilton/Irvine at \$99.00 (plus taxes) per night.
Parking: \$5.00 per night (unlimited in and out)
 Phone 800-445-8667
 Group Code D28CON

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Lake Mohave, located along the borders of Arizona and Nevada, is one of a series of reservoirs that control the Colorado River water flow between its head waters and the Gulf of California. Lake Mohave was formed with the completion of Davis Dam in 1951 and put into service in 1952 as part of a Colorado River water agreement between the United States and Mexico. The

Lake Mohave Power Squadron was formed in 2006 in response to the needs of area boaters for boating safety education and to enhance their boating experience.



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