

Marin Log



Safe Boating Through Education

Cdr Lew Lippard, AP

In this my last communication as Commander of the Squadron, it is more that appropriate to thank everyone for their support and assistance during my Commander tenure. It is a cliché, but I truly could not have done it without everyone's help.

In particular:

- Howard Altman's maintaining the Executive Department activities in spite of the demand of his business which required worldwide travel,
- Jan Follestad's organization improving our Education Department which has left us in a strong position even after he moved to South California,
- Nick Tarlson's follow up with the Administration Department providing us with memorable dinners, nearly always with speakers; as well as follow up with Membership,
- Noel Diefendorf's ensuring that our conversion to membership Anniversary Billing went smoothly, all our accounts are up to date and bills are paid on time.
- Bonnie Diefendorf's covering all the Secretary Department's activities including the *Marin Log*, Roster, meeting minutes, et al.
- Astrid Englehart's decorations for our meetings which made the events even more of a pleasurable experience,
- Bob Englehart's stewardship of the many details relating to our building and leaving us in excellent shape with the building when he and Astrid moved inland to Lincoln, CA,
- Sid Emison's ensuring that our building funds are properly handled and for stepping in to take over Bob Englehart's role after his departure.

It must be noted that in the list above are some people who act as teams and therefore give more than the sum of their parts.

The Engleharts are one such team, acting together to accomplish their tasks. Even though their tasks have been assumed by others after they have left, they are missed greatly, not just for the tasks, but also just for themselves. This sentiment regarding departure is also true of Jan Follestad.

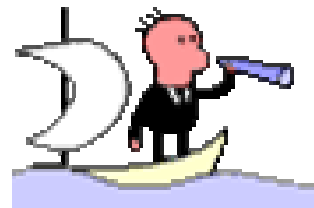
The Diefendorfs are another such team; who, in conjunction with Jennifer and Kristina Mogel not only act together to complete their assigned responsibilities, but fill in the breach anytime one appears.

There are many others whose efforts benefited the Squadron and assisted me greatly. Nick Tarlson working with Noel and Sid has been instrumental in helping us understand and solve our tax issues. Joan Dekelboum and Nancy Altman have been a key factor in encouraging our Boat Smart students to become members. Peter White, Bob Kell, Jim Prince, Mark Gathings, J. B. McGuire, Patsy White, Tom Harrison, Mildred Harrison, Stuart Bacon, Lyle Ryan, Erick Ahrens have all performed services for the Squadron. There are many others who I am sure have also contributed to the Squadron during the past year that I have not recognized here and I apologize for any omission. Without the assistance of all of these people, it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to have the events and complete all the administrative requirements for the Squadron. My heartfelt thanks to you all.

As you can see, it requires a great deal of effort to keep the Squadron running. If we all pitch in and do a little bit each, then everything can be accomplished without an undue load on any one of us. Let's all do our part. The new administration is looking for a few good men and women. Give them an hand, as you have me.

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March 2006		April 2006		
Mon	6	Change of Watch	Tues 4	Bridge / Executive Meeting
Tu	7	Bridge / Executive Meeting	Mon 10	General Membership Meeting and Dinner
We	8	District 25 Bridge	Sun 30	Opening Day on the Bay
Tu	14	Boat Smart Class Starts		
Fri-Sun	17-19	D25 Spring Conference		



Squadron Educational Officer

Lt/C Jan Follestad, JN

*Coming to a Classroom Near You,
From the Educational Officer's Corner....*



The Boat Smart Classes have been very successful with a large segment of the boating public participating in safety training and basic boating education. We have encouraged continuing education for these fine folks and have been successful in signing new members to the Marin Squadron who are busy participating in the Piloting class being taught by Allen Dekelboun, JN on Wednesday nights.

Our latest new members are: Paul Good, Larry Grey, Ken Howe, Mathew Morey, Dale Satake, Robert (Bob) Satake, Marky Quayle, and Leo Quayle. Welcome aboard!

We are also pleased to announce the seamanship rank has been achieved by Andreas Ade, S; Roger Beem, S; John Girton, S; Michael Jefferies, S; Norah Lee, S; and Tim Mahoney, S. Congratulations to each of our high achievers!

There is a fun year ahead and a fine staff of instructors. We just need to know what classes you want to take.

Educational Department - Schedule of Classes

Boat Smart Classes:

<u>Session Starts</u>	<u>Session Continues</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
March 14, 2006	March 15, 21, 22	Kell Ed. Center, Hamilton	7:00 p.m.

For registration or more information, contact , Larry Shotz, AP, 415 883-5829 or jl28@sbcglobal.net

Advanced Member Courses: Courses are given one night per week for approximately 14 weeks (length of courses varies).

<u>Class</u>	<u>Session Starts</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Piloting	February 6	Kell Ed. Center, Hamilton	7:00 p.m.
Marine Electronics	TBA	Kell Ed. Center, Hamilton	7:00 p.m.
Advanced Piloting	Follows Piloting	Kell Ed. Center, Hamilton	7:00 p.m.
Engine Maintenance and Weather planned for this Fall		Call if you are interested in these classes	

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MARIN SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Members are notified that the Annual General Membership Meeting was held on February 13, 2006 at the Kell Educational Center.

Election of Officers for the Squadron Year of 2006-2007 was held at the Annual Meeting. The full slate of the Nomination Committee Report as amended below was duly elected by the membership.

Report of the Nominating Committee for the year 2006-2007.

Commander: Mark Gathings, JN
Executive Officer: Nick Tarlson, AP
Squadron Educational Officer: Bonnie A. Diefendorf, AP



Administrative Officer: Vacant

Secretary: Roger Beem, S
Treasurer: Noel Diefendorf, AP
Assistant Educational Officer: Larry Shotz, AP
Assistant Secretary: Jennifer M. Mogel, AP
Assistant Treasurer: Sidney Emison, P
Housing Chair: Sidney Emison, P
Director: Lyle Ryan, AP



Peter White, AP
 Tom Harrison, AP
 Mildred Harrison, AP
 Vacant
 Vacant

Rules Committee: (vacant) Chairman
 Ken Black, S, member
 Robert Kell, P member

Nominating Committee:



Bonnie Diefendorf, AP chairman, 1 yr
 Tom Harrison, AP, member, 2 years
 (vacant) , member, 3 years

Audit Committee: Ric Laurence
 Nick Tarlson, AP
 Jim Prince, AP



One of the last tasks of the squadron secretary's year is to report on the results of the Annual elections and to thank the membership for their support these last few years as Secretary for the Marin Squadron. It's been fun and a challenge at the same time. I have had the pleasure to work with our excellent Web Master, P/C Erick Ahrens, our Historian, P/C Mildred Harrison, and our Librarian, P/C Robert Kell and I thank them very much for their dedication.

We are fortunate to have an eager new member taking on the task of Secretary next year and I ask everyone to wish him well by giving him a hand. There are opportunities to do some good for the boating community and our group with a little help or a lot of help, your choice.

So many folks give a helping hand to so many worth while organizations and I often think of their efforts and how I might help. When I think of the time spent in helping the U.S. Power Squadrons in their effort to teach safe boating to the public, I can feel that this is my volunteer effort for a worthy cause. What better way than to devote time to a world that we enjoy, BOATING. If you are thinking that you volunteer more, there is a place for you here.

Take a look at the positions that are still open below and contact me or one of the other Bridge Officers and volunteer. It's worth it and we need you.

Respectfully submitted, L/C Bonnie Diefendorf, Sec.

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The following announcement is intended to be used by Marin Squadron Members to get into your other organizations publications so that we may reach more of the boating public. Please reproduce or email for the text.

SAFE BOATING IS NO ACCIDENT!!


Are you and your family or crew prepared for boating safely this spring? Does every family or crew member know how to return to pick up a person, perhaps the skipper, who has fallen overboard? The Marin Power & Sail Squadron is offering a tuition-free U.S. Coast Guard approved safe boating class, "Boat Smart", at our Kell Educational Center, 789 North Hamilton Road, Novato, on March 14, 15, 21, 22, 2006, each class from 7 to 9 PM. These classes are taught at no charge by Marin Power and Sail Squadron members who are experienced sailors and boaters; topics include Boat Types, Selecting a Boat, Handling a Boat, Required Safety Equipment, Trailering a Boat, Docking, Anchoring, Using A Marine Radio, Medical Emergencies, and the latest U.S. Coast Guard rules. The text, which may be shared by two people and is an excellent reference book to keep aboard your boat, costs \$30.00. Upon successfully passing a final examination, a certificate will be awarded which many insurance companies recognize by providing a discount on your boat insurance. For registration and any questions, phone 415-883-6777.

Positions looking for you!

Elected positions: (will be subject to Exec Board appointment as elections are completed)
Administrative Officer
Directors for the Executive Board, two positions
Rules Committee Chairman
Member on the Nominating Committee

Appointed positions:



Commander's Dinner, arrange at a local restaurant, held in November 2006
Chair the Crab Feed fundraiser in January 2007 
Radio Technical Officer
Boating Activities Chairman, arrange two squadron cruises during the year.
Port Captain, be available to assist with local port information as needed.
Entertainment and Meetings

Six membership meetings need someone to get members to help prepare, serve and cleanup for these dinner meetings. Volunteer to take one meeting and lead or volunteer to help at one meeting.

Decorations and Set-up

Lead or assist at the six membership meetings each year

Telephone Committee chairman, arrange the

Speaker Chairman, arrange speakers for five meetings in the year

Membership Chairmen, sign new members and arrange packet information

Shrimp Feed Chairman, fundraiser in May 2006

Telephone Chair to arrange the phone tree for non-email members

Circulation Chair, assist with newsletter and flyer mailings

Correspondent, D25, Light 25, assist with articles to District newsletter

Correspondent, The Ensign, assist with articles to National newsletter

Editor, *Marin Log* (looking for a new editor)

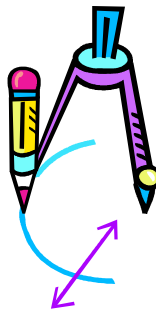
Business manager, *Marin Log*, arrange ads for the newsletter

Publications, assist with the printing of squadron publications

Property Chairman and Assistant Chairman

Budget Committee member

Looks like quite a list? There are 141 members in Marin Squadron!



Member

Advancement

The following members have passed the Seamanship Course:

Andreas Ade, S

Roger Beem, S

John Girton, S

Michael Jefferies, S

Norah Lee, S

Tim Mahoney, S

Congratulations on your accomplishments!

When is the last time YOU

worked on advancement?



Mystery Picture

What is this picture from? Do you remember who spoke on this?

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