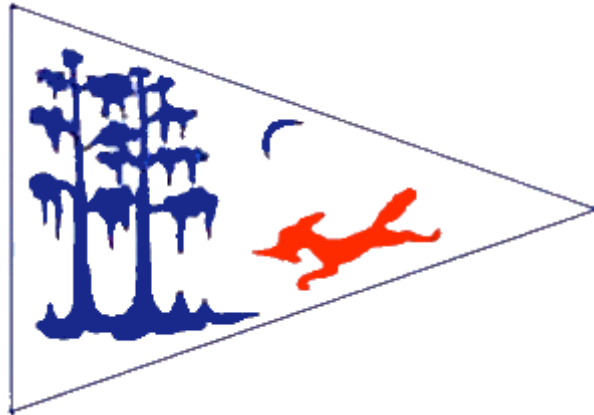


MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

2014



SWAMP FOX POWER SQUADRON

Florence, SC

District 26, United States Power Squadrons

Commander's Message

I want to thank each one of you that have continued to participate in the events of Swamp Fox.

We as members of Swamp Fox have an enormous challenge in front of us. In order to survive WE HAVE to recruit new members into our squadron. As you have seen by the participation in monthly meetings and the Change of Watch our numbers have dwindled. The lifeblood of any organization is new members. It is going to take each one of us to accomplish this task. Each one of us needs to make the recruitment of new members our number one priority. The place to start is in the ABC Boating courses. WE need YOUR help in getting people to attend these courses. Upon passing the ABC Course Swamp Fox will give each graduate a one-year membership in USPS.

I know that you will work with me to accomplish this task. In addition to this we will have some fun along the way. I am looking forward to a great year.

Safe Boating
Cdr Bobby Henegar, N

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UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

MEMBER'S PLEDGE

I do solemnly pledge myself to promote and perpetuate high standards of navigation and seamanship;

To abide by the By-Laws of the United States Power Squadrons and of any District or Squadron of which I may be a member;

To operate my boat legally and in a manner that will not cause damage or discomfort to others;

To render assistance, whenever possible, to anyone afloat;

And at all times to conduct myself in a manner that will add prestige, honor, and respect to the organization whose ensign I am privileged to fly.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the United States Power Squadron shall be:

- A. To selectively associate congenial persons of good character having a common love and appreciation of yachting as a nationwide fraternity of boatmen;
- B. To encourage and promote boating, power and sail, and to provide through local Squadrons and otherwise a practical means to foster fraternal and social relationships among persons interested in yachting.
- C. To encourage and promote a high amateur standard of skill in the handling and navigation of yachts, power boats and sail; to encourage and promote the study of the science and art of navigation, seamanship and small boat handling; to develop and promote instructional programs for the benefit of members; and to stimulate members to increase their knowledge of and skill in yachting, through instruction, self-education and participation in marine sports activities and competition.
- D. To encourage its members to abide by recognized boating traditions, customs and etiquette.
- E. To render and encourage its members to render such altruistic, patriotic or other civil service as it may from time to time determine or elect.

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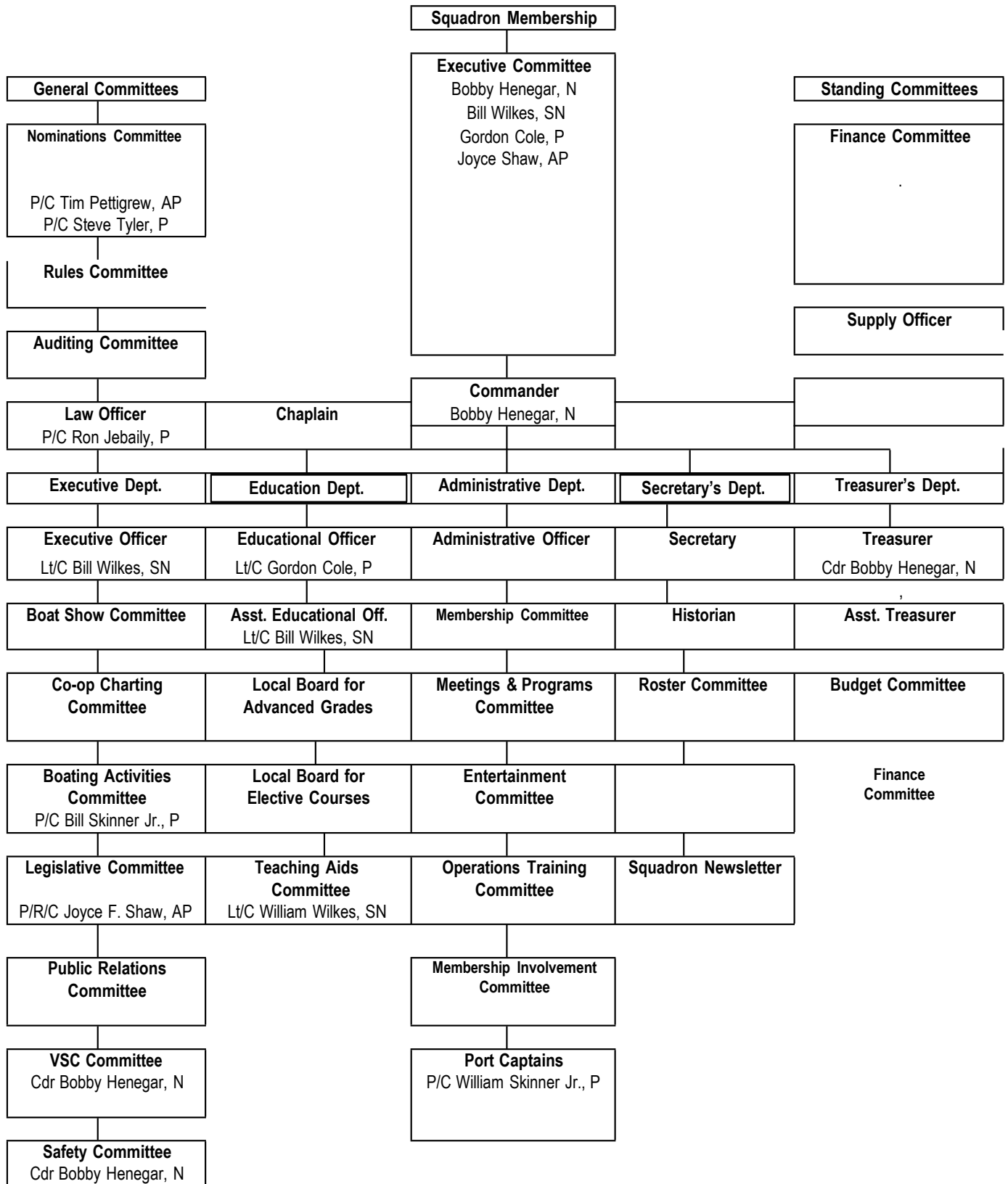
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SQUADRON ORGANIZATION 2014



2014 Swamp Fox Calendar of Meetings and Activities

20 March	Squadron Quarterly Meeting
12 June	Squadron Quarterly Meeting
18 September	Squadron Annual Meeting
18 December	Squadron Christmas party
14 June	Squadron Monthly Meeting
TBD January 2015	Change of Watch for 2014 Watch Year

2014 National and District 26 Meetings

29 Jan - 2 Feb,	USPS Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency Jacksonville, Florida.
14 - 16 March,	D/26 Spring Conference, hosted by Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron
16 - 18 May,	D/26 Cruise & Rendezvous, hosted by Thurmond Lake Sail & Power Squadron
7 – 14 Sept,	USPS Fall Governing Board, Hyatt Regency Crystal City, Virginia (D.C. metro area near the Pentagon)
10 - 12 Oct	D/26 Fall Conference and Change of Watch, hosted by Long Bay Power Squadron.

SQUADRON HONOR ROLL

CHARTER MEMBERS

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John L. Nettles
Claude W. Brown Jr.
W. Laurie O'Farrell
John N. Cagle Jr.
Frank M. Rogers
Charles T. Camp
David C. Shaw Jr.,AP
Frank Cayce, AP

William P. Sprague J.
Kenneth Charles Jack
S. Tyler Clarence C.
Davis Jr. John D.
Whisenhunt
Raymond E. Matheny III
Hugh L. Wilcox
Bernard E. Moore

PAST COMMANDERS

1969-1970 P/C Saunders Bridges,AP
1970-1972 P/C Frank Cayce,AP
1972-1973 P/C Claude Brown Jr.
1973-1974 P/C David Shaw Jr.,AP
1974-1975 P/C Robert Holland Jr.,AP
1975-1976 P/C Robert Pennstrom,JN
1976-1977 P/C Frank Pilia, AP
1977-1978 P/C William Boling Jr.,AP
1978-1979 P/C Mack Griffin,S
1979-1980 P/C Donald O'Neal,AP
1980-1981 P/C Leonard Ketner,AP
1981-1982 P/C William Collins,JN
1982-1983 P/C Alan Perry,AP
1983-1984 P/C Donald Wilcox,P
1984-1985 P/C J.C. Kirby,AP
1985-1986 P/C George Stone Jr.,P
1986-1987 P/C Robert Holland,S
1987-1988 P/C Ronald Jebaily,P
1989-1990 P/C Michael Derienzo,S
1988-1989 P/C William Wilkes,JN
1990-1991 P/C Jim Tucker,P

1991-1992 P/C Carl Cagle,P
1992-1993 P/C William Skinner,P
1993-1994 P/C Jack Wenteler,S
1994-1995 P/C William Wilkes, JN
1995-1996 P/C James McVey, AP
1996-1997 P/C Bruce Pearson, AP
1997-1998 P/C Carol McVey, JN
1998-1999 P/C H. Timmons Pettigrew, AP
1999-2000 P/C Virginia I. Pearson, P
2000-2001 P/C Randell E. Gelzer, P
2001-2002 P/C William F. Wood, AP
2002-2003 P/C Phil Higgens, AP
2003-2004 P/C James Fender, S
2004-2005 P/C Greg Gegner, S
2005-2006 P/C Steve Tyler, P
2006-2007 P/D/C Jim McVey, SN
2007-2008 P/C Robert Henegar, JN
2008-2009 P/C Robert Henegar,JN
2009-2010 P/C Stephen Snipes, S
2010-2011 P/C William Wilkes, SN
2011-2012 Robert Henegar, N
2012-2013 Robert Henegar, N
2013-2014 Robert Henegar, N

NOTE: All ranks and/or grades given are as the time of the achievement, i.e., the individual's grade at the time the individual was commander, etc.

SQUADRON AWARDS

FRANK M. ROGERS AWARD

Presented to the member who, in the eyes of the Commander, has contributed the most outstanding effort towards the support and betterment of Swamp Fox Power Squadron.

1974 Robert L. Bartlett, JN	1992 P/C Carl Cagle, S
1975 Robert L. Bartlett, JN	1993 P/C William Skinner, P
1976 P/D/C Robert Pennstrom, JN	1994 Lt/C Carol McVey, AP
1977 P/C Donald W. O'Neal, AP	1995 Lt/C Carol McVey, AP
1978 P/D/C Frank Pilia, P	1996 Lt/C Virginia Pearson, P
1979 P/C William M. Collins, JN	1997 P/C James R. McVey, <u>N</u>
1980 P/C Donald Wilcox, P	1998 Lt/C Virginia I. Pearson, P
1981 P/D/C David Shaw, AP	1999 P/C H. Timmons Pettigrew, AP
1982 P/C J.C. Kirby, AP	2000 Cdr William F. Wood, AP
1983 Lt George Stone, P	2001 Christina M. Fender, S
1984 Lt Joyce Shaw, AP	2002 Sandy Groepler, S
1985 P/C Donald Y. Wilcox, P	2003 Robert Henegar, AP
1986 Lt/C William Wilkes, P	2004 Robert Henegar, JN
1987 Lt/C William Wilkes,	2005 Lt/C Claire Pallas Spearman, P
1988 P/C J.C. Kirby, AP	2006 D/Lt/C Carol McVey, SN
1989 Lt/C Jim Tucker, P	2007 P/C William Wilkes, JN
1990 P/C Mike DeRienzo, S	2008 Lt/C Steve Snipes, S
1991 P/C William Wilkes, JN	2009 Lt/C Kelly Williams, P
1992 P/C Carl Cagle, S	2010 P/C Robert Henegar, N
1993 P/C William Skinner, P	2011 Not Awarded

INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Judged by the Squadron Educational Officer and given to the member who has contributed the most to the Squadron's Educational Program through teaching.

1974 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1975 P/C William Boling Jr., AP	
1976 P/C William Boling Jr., AP	
1977 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1978 Robert Bartlett, JN	
1979 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1980 No Award	
1981 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1982 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1983 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP	
1984 P/C Donald Wilcox, P	
1985 P/D/C Robert Pennstrom, JN	
1986 P/C J.C. Kirby, AP	
1987 P/C Donald Wilcox, P	
1988 P/C J.C. Kirby, AP	
1989 (no award)	
1990 Lt/C Tom Jones, P	
1991 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN	
1992 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN	
1993 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN	
	1994 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN
	“ Lt/C James R. McVey, AP
	“ Lt/C Bruce R. Pearson, AP
	1995 Lt/C Carol A. McVey, AP
	1996 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN
	1997 Lt E. Timmons Pettigrew, AP
	1998 William F. Wood, P
	1999 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN
	2000 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN
	2001 George W. Viering, P
	2002 P/C William W. Wilkes, JN
	2003 Unknown
	2004 Unknown
	2005 Unknown
	2006 Lt/C Gordon Cole, S
	2007 P/C Robert Henegar, JN
	2008 P/C William Wilkes, JN
	2009 P/C William Wilkes, SN
	2010 P/C William Wilkes, SN
	2011 Not Awarded

STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Given to the student or students who have performed best in the educational field by taking USPS courses; judged by the Squadron Educational Officer.

1974 Katherine Boling, AP P/C William Boling Jr., AP P/D/C Robert Pennstrom, JN	1991 P/D/C Robert Pennstrom, JN
1975 P/C William Boling, J N	1992 Lt/C Carol Mcvey, P Lt Joe Waters, P
1976 P/C Donald O'Neal, JN	1993 D/Lt/C James R. McVey, P Bruce Pearson, P
1977 P/C William Collins, JN	1994 Martha D. Grainger, S
1979 P/D/C Frank Pilia, AP P/D/C Robert Pennstrom, JN	1995 Lt/C Richard Holcomb, P
1982 P/C J.C. Kirby, AP P/C Alan Perry, AP P/D/C David C. Shaw Jr., AP STF/C Joyce Shaw, AP	1996 Lt Timmons Pettigrew, P
1983 P/C George Stone, P	1997 P/C James R. McVey, SN P/D/C Robert G. Pennstrom, SN
1984 Kenneth Kammer, P Robert Miller, P Jonnie Miller, P Suzanne Jebaily, P Peter Marx, P Hugh Dundee, P	1998 Philip K. Higgins, P
1985 Lt/C William Wilkes, P	1999 Jeff Finch, P
1986 Lt Jean Hughes, P	2000 George Viering, P
1987 Lt Kjeld E. Lopdrup, AP	2001 Christina M. Fender, S
1988 Lt/C Donald Bishop, P	2002 Unkown
1989 Lt/C LuEtta Harris, S	2003 Unkown
1990 P/C Mike DeRienzo, S	2004 Luke Havens, P
	2005 Luke Havens, AP
	2006 Janine Havens, AP
	2007 Kelly Williams, S
	2008 James Richardson, AP
	2009 P/C Bobby Henegar, N
	2010 James Richardson, AP
	2011 Not Awarded

Frank J. Pilia Achievement Award

Presented to the Active Member who has achieved the highest educational grade and demonstrated active participation in squadron activities of self-education, civic service, and fraternal boating club.

1997 P/C James R. McVey, SN
P/D/C Robert G. Pennstrom, SN
2002 D/Lt Carol A. McVey, SN
2009 P/C William Wilkes, SN
2009 P/C Bobby Henegar, N

SPECIAL AWARD FOR 1977

Presented to **Robert Bartlett, JN** for being the first member of Swamp Fox Squadron to attain the grade of Junior Navigator.

SPECIAL AWARD FOR 1997

Presented to **P/C James R. McVey, SN** for being the first member of Swamp Fox Power Squadron to attain the grade of Senior Navigator and achieve a Full Certificate.

WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Presented to **Joyce Shaw, AP** for outstanding service to the Squadron during the year 1982.

BUSTED PLANK AWARD

Presented to the member displaying superior stupidity in the operation of his vessel or other boating-related matters.

1991-1992	P/C Carl Cagle, P
1992-1993	P/C William Skinner, P
1993-1994	(not given)
1994-1995	Joe Waters
1995-1996	P/C J. R. (Jim) McVey, JN
1996-1997	P/C Jack Wenteler, S
1997-1998	Lt Wilson Coward, AP James Griffith, AP
1998-1999	(not given)
1999-2000	(not given)
2000-2001	(not given)
2001-2002	(not given)
2002-2003	Greg Gegner, S, Phil Higgins, AP
2003-2004	Unknown
2004-2005	Bobby Henegar, JN
2005-2006	P/D/C Jim McVey, SN
2006-2007	P/C Phil Higgins
2007-2008	(not given)
2008 - 2009	(not given)
2009 - 2010	(not given)
2010 – 2011	(not given)

DISTRICT 26 HONORS & AWARDS

COMMANDER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to the Squadron Commander who has shown outstanding leadership in the Squadron and possesses attributes beneficial to District 26 and USPS.

1984	James C. Kirby, AP
1994	William W. Wilkes, JN
1996	Bruce R. Pearson, P

ED FETNER AWARD

Recognizes the runner-up to the "*Commander of the Year*" Award

1975	Robert Pennstrom, JN (first year it was presented)
1982	Allen Perry, AP
1995	James R. (Jim) McVey, JN

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to the Squadron Educational Officer who has shown outstanding leadership in USPS education.

1974	Lt/C Robert Bartlett, JN
1994	Lt/C Carol A. McVey, AP
1996	Lt/C Virginia Pearson, P

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

Given to a Member of District 26 who continually excelled as a teacher in USPS

1993	William W. Wilkes, JN
2002	William W. Wilkes, JN

PRINCE HENRY THE NAVIGATOR AWARD

Given to the Squadron demonstrating the greatest improvement during the past year in the Advanced Grades (AP, JN and N) versus the potential for improvement at the beginning of the year.

1975	Swamp Fox
1996	Swamp Fox
1997	Swamp Fox
2000	Swamp Fox
2002	Swamp Fox

WOLF-EWING EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Awarded to the Squadron with the highest point ratio of the sum of members passing courses and achieving educational proficiency during the year plus members with full educational achievement and divided by the number of members as of 31 March of the year of the Award.

1984	Swamp Fox
1997	Swamp Fox

DISTRICT 26 SPARKPLUG AWARD

Given to the new Member (less than two years) who has contributed the most in time and effort to the USPS.

1993	Bruce R. Pearson
1994	Carol A. McVey
1995	Virginia I. Pearson
1998	William F. Wood
2002	Robert M. Henegar
2006	Steve Snipes

DISTRICT 26 MEMBERSHIP AWARD

Presented to the Squadron having the highest percentage of increase in membership from 1 January through 31 December each year.

1984	Swamp Fox
1995	Swamp Fox

MICA AWARD

1997	Swamp Fox	First Place	First year awarded
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DISTRICT 26 ORDER OF THE MARINERS

The **ORDER OF THE MARINERS** is an honorary organization within District 26 which serves as an intermediate award between that of the SENIOR MEMBER who has achieved five Merit Marks and the LIFE MEMBER who has achieved twenty-five Merit Marks. The **ORDER OF MARINERS** also recognizes educational achievement.

MARINER: The basic requirements for induction are the achievement of fifteen Merit Marks and the completion of the District 26 Minimum Education of the Advanced Grade Courses of Seamanship, Piloting and Advanced Piloting plus the Elective Courses of Weather and either Sail or Engine Maintenance.

COMMODORE: Available to those USPS and D/26 Members who have achieved fifteen Merit Marks and a Full Certificate, or those with seventeen Merit Marks and nine courses including the D/26 Minimum Education, or, nineteen Merit Marks and eight courses including the D/26 Minimum Education, or, twenty-one Merit Marks and seven courses including the D/26 Minimum Education, or twenty-five Merit Marks regardless of the number of courses.

Swamp Fox Members of Order of the Mariners

<u>Member</u>	<u>Inducted as Mariner</u>	<u>Inducted as Commodore</u>
Robert G. Pennstrom, JN	1989	1993
Frank Pilia, AP	1983	1986
David C. Shaw, AP	1986	1993
Joyce F. Shaw, AP	2000	
William W. Wilkes, JN	2001	
James R. McVey, SN	2006	
Carol A. McVey, SN	2006	

USPS NATIONAL AWARDS & RECOGNITION

PUBLICATIONS AWARDS

Presented by the National Publications Committee to Squadron & District Publication Editors in recognition of outstanding performance in the practice of United States Power Squadrons journalism.

1984	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Joyce F. Shaw, Editor
1985	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Joyce F. Shaw, Editor
1989	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Johnnie Miller, Editor
1994	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol A. McVey, Editor
1995	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol A. McVey, Editor
1996	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol A. McVey, Editor
1997	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Mike Hanigofsky, Editor
1998	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Mike Hanigofsky, Editor
1999	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Shirley F. Pettigrew, Editor
2000	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Virginia I. Pearson, Editor
2001	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Virginia I. Pearson, Editor
2002	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Sandy Groepler, Editor
2003	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Virginia I. Pearson, Editor
2004	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Virginia I. Pearson, Editor
2005	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol McVey, Editor
2006	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol McVey, Editor
2007	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Carol McVey, Editor
2008	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Steve Snipes, Editor
2009	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Steve Snipes, Editor

The **Distinctive Communicator Award** is presented by the National Communications Committee to Squadron & District Publication Editors in recognition of outstanding performance in the practice of United States Power Squadrons **journalism**.

2010	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Kathleen Cole, Editor
2013	<i>FOX TALES</i>	Kathleen Cole, Editor

The **Distinctive Communicator Award** is presented by the National Communications Committee to Squadron & District Publication Editors in recognition of outstanding performance in the practice of United States Power Squadrons **websites**.

2013

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING – NATIONAL AWARD

1993 Nominated by D/26 and a **FINALIST** for the National Charles F. Chapman Award
William W. Wilkes, JN

2002 Nominated by D/26 and **RECIPIENT** of the National Charles F. Chapman Award
William W. Wilkes, JN

NATIONAL TEACHING AIDS EXHIBIT AWARDS

1985	Seamanship	Second Place
1985	Advanced Piloting	First Place
1986	Advanced Piloting	Third Place
1987	Junior Navigation	Third Place
1988	Junior Navigation	Second Place
1988	Morse Dreher Trophy	
1991	Junior Navigation	First Place
1994	Advanced Piloting	First Place
1995	Teach. Aids Comm. Award	Third Place
1996	Junior Navigator	Third Place
2001	Certificate of Merit	
2003	Junior Navigation	Third Place
2006	Engine Maintenance	First Place

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2014 District 26 Bridge

District Commander	Paula LeMond, AP	Thurmond Lake
Executive Officer	Andy Hyman, SN-ACN	Lake Murray
Administration Officer	Tim Tate, AP-ACN	Savannah River
Educational Officer	Bill O'Neill, SN-IN	Thurmond Lake
Assistant Ed Officer	Jan Wright, AP-IN	Tybee Light
Secretary	Jim Snowden, SN-IN	Golden Corner Lakes
Treasurer	Larry Jefferis, AP	Golden Isles

2014 District 26 Squadron Commanders

Beaufort	Cdr Steve Mendoza, P
Charleston	Cdr Karl Naugle, P
Golden Corner Lakes	Cdr James Hublou, AP
Golden Isles	Cdr Lisa Noetzel, JN
Hilton Head	Cdr Joe Etter, AP
Lake Hartwell	Cdr Jim Carroll, AP
Lake Murray	Cdr J Strohecker, JN
Long Bay	Cdr John Johnson, Jr., JN
North Strand	Cdr Mark Theriault, AP
Savannah River	Cdr Butch Rachal, SN-CN
Swamp Fox	Cdr Bobby Henegar, N
Thurmond Lake	Cdr Chuck Gresham, JN
Tybee Light	Cdr Dennis Cusanelli, AP

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Swamp Fox Power Squadron Membership
THE TALE OF THE SNOW ISLAND PENNANT

OR

THE LITTLE RED FOX THAT MADE HISTORY

The first organizational meeting of what is now Swamp Fox Power Squadron was held in early 1969 at the home of Commander-to-be Saunders Bridges. A decision had to be made on a name for the Squadron to be submitted to National for approval. Our closest neighbors were Congaree (now Lake Murray) in Columbia and Long Bay (our parent Squadron) at Myrtle Beach. We hoped to attract members from throughout the Pee Dee area, so we wanted a name to indicate this region - - but **NOT** "Pee Dee Power Squadron." The name Pee Dee has always drawn undesirable comments from outsiders, so it was decided to go along with our newly named four-year institution, Francis Marion College, and capitalize on the name of this nationally known South Carolina patriot, but we would use his nickname -- "Swamp Fox."

It so happened that the USPS National Committee had a rule stating that Squadrons must be named for geographical locations of which we were aware. At the same time as our suggested name was under consideration, the design for the Squadron burgee was submitted in approved form. It was to be symbolic of the Squadron it represented. Our white pennant featured a blue silhouette of moss-draped cypress trees and knees (*the swamp*), and a red animal (*fox*) running downhill for the trees with his tongue hanging out. There it was spelled out in pictorial form: **SWAMP FOX**.

The only addition to this picture story was a blue crescent moon, representing the Long Bay Power Squadron from whence we came. [The blue crescent moon was inverted to represent Long Bay's Grand Strand coastline of the Atlantic Ocean from South Port, NC to the Winyah Bay entrance to Georgetown, SC.] The National Committee would not approve a burgee design that copied any other Squadron's ideas. The Fox Valley (IL) Power Squadron already had a red fox on their pennant. Was this a conflict? As for our name, we argued that Swamp Fox Territory was a geographical region!

...And the commotion continued. Letters made the rounds among the Great Mogul/Moguls. There were arguments, head scratching, accusations, funny comments -- and this continued over quite a long time.

Then the ruling came down: "Swamp Fox isn't a place, so pick another name for your Squadron." But as for the pennant ... the Little Red Fox (described by National as "Sexy") showed no relation to his Fox Valley brother. Unanimous approval!

As our second choice for the Squadron name, we chose (not unanimously!) Snow Island, the headquarters for General Marion during the Revolutionary War. (Snow Island is located at the southern tip of Florence County where Lynches River flows into the Great Pee Dee).

Our initials became SIPS, and we've lived up to this reputation with some of the finest parties ever!

The moral of this story:

**DON'T TRY TO OUTFOX NATIONAL,
BECAUSE THEIR DECISION IS THE RULE.**

BUT . . . the story continues!

In 1974 we learned that a Squadron had been granted what we had not when the name Minute Man Squadron passed through National. That was no more a geographical location than Swamp Fox! Our fur ruffled, we again fought for the name Swamp Fox Power Squadron. P/C Saunders Bridges made the official motion at the District Meeting held in Florence in 1974. With some effort and quite a bit of paperwork, our motion passed through National, and we became **Swamp Fox Power Squadron**.

The moral of the final story:

**DON'T TRY TO OUT-FOX SWAMP FOX
OR YOU'LL BE CAUGHT RED-HANDED!**

(The above preceding historical addition in brackets resulted from discussions, February 2002, with Charter Members, P/C Saunders M. Bridges, AP, our first squadron commander and P/C Claude W. Brown, Jr., AP, the originator and burgee artist, as well as our third squadron commander, and P/D/C Robert G. Pennstrom, SN, our sixth squadron commander, and our 2002 squadron historian.)