

United States Power Squadrons, 2008 Website Awards Tally Sheet
Revised 7-29-08

Final Score 64

No Award

Squadron/District **Thurmond Lake**

Evaluation. Date **10/18/2008**

District Affiliation **26**

Required Items

In compliance?

(Y/N)

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|---|---|----------|
| 1 | Link to USPS.org on Home (opening) page | y |
| 2 | Subtitle below squadron name "A unit of United States Power Squadrons ®" Sail and Power Boating | y |
| 3 | (squadron) Link to District Website | N |
| 4 | (district) Links to squadron websites | y |
| 5 | Link to USPS Privacy statement on home page at bottom | y |
| 6 | Link to USPS Trademark reference on home page at bottom | y |
| 7 | Link to USPS Disclaimer statement on home page at bottom | y |
| 8 | Active e-mail link to Webmaster on home page | y |
| 9 | Website must display current information on appropriate pages. | y |

A1 Identify purpose of the squadron/district/USPS

| | | point range | | | | | | Pts |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| | | Highest ← → Lowest | | | | | | Awd |
| 1 | 0-5 Identify purpose of Unit | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-3 Identify purpose of USPS | | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

A2) Identification of squadron/district area of activity.

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|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|---|----------|
| 1 | 0-1 Description of location of Unit | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-1 Map showing location | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

A3) Explanation of the benefits of membership

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|----------|--|
| 1 | 0-3 Description of benefits described | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| 2 | 0-2 Links to USPS benefits page | | | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | |
| Comments: Site only has a link to the National benefits page | | | | | | | | |

A4) Display of USPS emblems and logos.

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| 1 | 0-1 Ensign | | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0-1 USPS Wheel | | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0-1 Activity Triangle | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 4 | 0-1 America's Boating Club (logo) | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 5 | 0-2 Boating is fun..We'll show you how (must be on top half of home page) | | 2 | 1 | 0 | | 2 | |
| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

A5) What we do, show the fun we have.

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| 1 | 0-3 Description of the fun we have. | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| 2 | 0-3 Photos showing unit activities | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | |
| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

A6) Presentation of Vessel Safety Check Program

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|---|--|--|---|---|---|---|----------|--|
| 1 | 0-3 Explanation of the program | | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | |
| 2 | 0-1 Correct decal - proportionally sized | | | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| 3 | 0-1 Pre-check list provided | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | |
| 4 | 0-1 Contact information | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| Comments: Decal graphic is small, explanation of what a VSC is could be more "user-friendly". | | | | | | | | |

A7) Contacts for various activities

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| 1 | 0-1 Public boating course contact(s) | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-1 Members course(s) contact(s) | | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0-1 Event(s) contact(s) | | | | | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

A8) Current Activities/Educational calendars available

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|-------------|------|--|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0-2 | Public Boating Course (zero points if contact missing) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0-2 | Members course(s) (zero points if contact missing) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0-2 | Events (zero points if contact missing) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 4 | calc | Number of pages with dates over 45 days old. | | | | 0 |
| Comments: . | | | | | | |

A9) Identification of the bridge, committee members & contacts

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| 1 | 0-1 | Bridge listed | 1 | 0 | | 1 |
| 2 | 0-1 | Bridge photo(s) 1 point if more than 2 photos | 1 | 0 | | 1 |
| 3 | 0-2 | Five (5) or more committee contacts listed | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Comments: . | | | | | | |

B1) Presentation quality and correctness.

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| 1 | 0-3 | Readability and Grammer | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| 2 | Calc. | Spelling errors, number. | | | | | 0 |
| 1 point reduction per error | | | | | | | |
| Comments: . | | | | | | | |

B2) Quality of photographs and graphics.

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| 1 | 0-2 | Clear - Undistorted | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 2 | 0-2 | Good color balance (not dark or over exposed) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 0-2 | Appropriately sized for application | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Comments: . | | | | | | |

B3) Active Linkages & Navigation

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| 1 | 0-2 | Ease of Navigation | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-2 | Links easy to identify | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 0-1 | Links identify the subject | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 4 | Calc. | Broken links, number | | | | 0 |
| Maximum deduct -10 points | | | | | | |
| Comments: Menu might be more useful near the top of the page. . | | | | | | |

B4) Resource Linkages

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|--|-------|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0-3 | USPS Links, 10 or more for 3 points | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-3 | Non-commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 3 | 0-3 | Commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 4 | Calc. | Disclaimer statement on Commercial Links page Y or N | | | | | y |
| For the above point determination; 10 or more links 3 points, 5 to 9 links 2 points, 1 to 4 links 1 point. | | | | | | | |
| <i>If disclaimer statement is missing zero points for this section.</i> | | | | | | | |
| Comments: . | | | | | | | |

B5) Ability to read the message.

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| 1 | 0-2 | Font - size and style | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 2 | 0-2 | Font color, good contrast | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 0-2 | Appropriate use of text space | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 4 | 0-2 | Appropriate background. one point for no background | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| <i>Backgrounds which make reading page difficult zero points.</i> | | | | | | |
| Comments: . | | | | | | |

C1) Heading descriptive & appealing

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| 1 | 0-3 | Home page, unique header (graphic) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-2 | All pages have informative header | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | |
| Comments: . | | | | | | | |

C2) Consistent format across pages.

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| 1 | 0-3 | Consistent format across pages | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Comments: . | | | | | | | |

C3) Use of photos and/or graphics

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| 1 | 0-5 | Use of graphics to enhance message of website | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Comments: . | | | | | | | | | |

C4) Additional Website Features

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|---|-----|--|---|---|--|---|
| 1 | 0-1 | Inclusion of USPS News RSS feed | 1 | 0 | | 0 |
| 2 | 0-1 | Listing of area of location on the USPS list of websites | 1 | 0 | | 1 |
| go to http://www.usps.org/localusps/squadrons.shtml | | | | | | |
| <i>If scoring a district website item 2 is to be given one point</i> | | | | | | |
| Comments: . | | | | | | |

D1) Overall impression of quality and effectiveness of the site

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| 1 | 0-2 | How well did you like the site, was it effective in presenting USPS and the unit to the public | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2 | 0-2 | If you were a non-member, would this site have increased your interest in USPS? | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| 3 | 0-2 | Would you be proud of having this website represent your unit or district: | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 |

Comments: A nice, solid site - a bit of polish & you'll have a winner!

Total Points Scored 64