United States Power Squadrons, 2007 Website Awards Tally Sheet

Squadron/District | Charleston

Evaluation. Date | 10/12/2007

District Affiliation | 26

Required Items | In compliance? (Y/N)

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	y
4	(district) Links to squadron websites	
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	y

A1 Identify purpose of the squadron/district/USPS

point range

	range		Highest ◄——► Lowest						Pts Awd
1	0-5	Identify purpose of Unit	5	4	3	2	1	0	4
2	0-3	Identify purpose of USPS			3	2	1	0	1

Comments | difficult to find much information about USPS. Link on left side of home page lists "National" rather than USPS.

A2) Identification of squadron/district area of activity.

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 benfits of membership

1	0-3	Description of benefits described	3	2	1	0	2
2	0-2	Links to USPS benefits page		2	1	0	2

Comments: | .

A4) Display of USPS emblems and logos.

1	0-1	Ensign	1	0	1
2	0-1	USPS Wheel	1	0	1
3	0-1	Activity Triangle	1	0	1
4	0-1	America's Boating Club (logo)	1	0	1

Comments: | .

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

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

Comments: | .

A6) Presentation of Vessel Safety Check Program

1	0-3	Explanation of the program	3	2	1	0	3
2	0-1	Correct decal - proportionally sized			1	0	1
3	0-1	Pre-check list provided			1	0	1
4	0-1	Contact information			1	0	1

Comments: | .

A7) Contacts for various activities

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

Comments: | .

A8) Current Activities/Educational calendars available

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

Comments: Larger font for present months activities appropriate to designate website is being maintained .

A9) Identification of the bridge, committee members & contacts

1	0-1	Bridge listed		1	0	1
2	0-1	Bridge photo(s)		1	0	1
3	0-2	Five (5) of more committee contacts listed	2	1	0	2

Comments: .

B1) Presentation quality and correctness.

1	0-3	Readability and Grammar	3	2	1	0	3
2	Calc.	Spelling errors, number.					

1 point reduction per error

Comments: .

B2) Quality of photographs and graphics.

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

Comments: Unfortunate you do not show picture of the squadron building after cleanup. Not all squadrons are so fortunate. Size of many photos were in the 250k to 350k range which took long to load. No need to be more than 100k .

B3) Active Linkages & Navigation

1	0-2	Ease of Navigation		2	1	0	1
2	0-2	Links easy to identify		2	1	0	1
3	0-1	Links identify the subject		2	1	0	1
4	Calc.	Broken links, number	1				-1

Maximum deduct -10 points

Comments: Index on left side of page a bit confusing. Need some spacing. To make easier to understand. Pictures of coop charting link broken .

B4) Resource Linkages

1	0-3	USPS Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	3
2	0-3	Non-commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	3
3	0-3	Commercial Links, 10 or more for 3 points	3	2	1	0	0
4	Calc.	Disclaimer statement on Commercial Links page Y or N					

For the above point determination; 10 or more links 3 points,
5 to 9 links 2 points, 1 to 4 links 1 point.
If disclaimer statement is missing zero points for this section.

Comments: .

B5) Ability to read the message.

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

Backgrounds which make reading page difficult zero points.

Comments: .

C1) Heading descriptive & appealing

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

Comments: .

C2) Consistent format across pages.

1	0-3	Consistent format across pages	3	2	1	0	3

Comments: .

C3) Use of photos and/or graphics

1	0-5	Use of graphics to enhance message of website	5	4	3	2	1	0	3

Comments: .

C4) Animated Graphics

1	0-3	Use of annimated graphics, appropriate and add interest ot the website	3	2	1	0	0

Comments: .

C5) Additional Website Features

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

If scoring a district website item 2 is to be given one point

Comments could not find the RSS link to USPS

D1) Overall impression of quality and effectiveness of the site

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	2
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: Good website. Major distraction is index on left side of home page. Some of the links wrap to two lines a bit confusing.

Total Points Scored   78