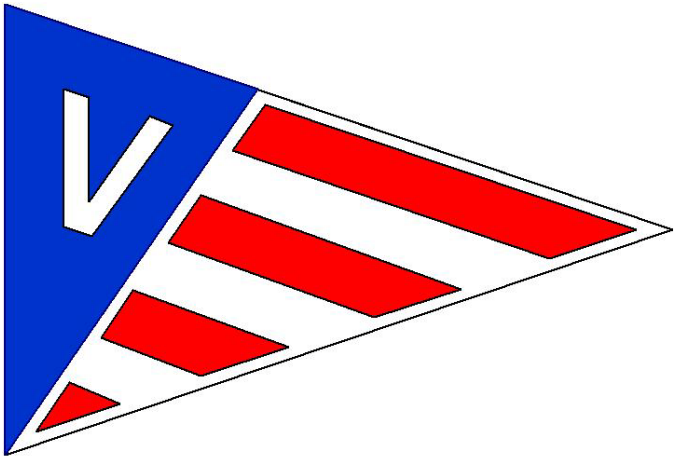


# The Valley

## Sail and Power Squadron



**The Full Deck**

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## Bridge Officers and Committee Chairs

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## Commander's Message

The squadron exists for the benefit of its members. This includes courses for our members, public service and fraternity. Take advantage of these unique opportunities.

Volunteer for a squadron position to make a difference in what direction the squadron takes for the upcoming year. I encourage you to identify yourself as available for that important function.

- Please plan on attending the November (11/5) and December (12/3) member meetings held at the Galpin Ford classroom beginning at 1930. For November we will try to identify who has what squadron property. Also at this meeting it will be your last opportunity to submit merit mark recommendation information. In December we look forward to your input on budget matters. This includes setting member dues rates for the next year and discussion of budget priorities for the upcoming Watch. Your input is critical to the success of this process.
- Mark your calendars for the 2009 Halloween Party which this year will actually take place on Halloween! Check the announcement elsewhere in this publication for details.
- Ray Paul has space available in his vehicle for the round trip to the Fall D13 conference in Las

Vegas. If you need a ride contact him for details – [cscout01@earthlink.net](mailto:cscout01@earthlink.net), 818-462-6479.

- Save the dates for the Annual Meeting and Change of Watch. Both meetings will be held at the DeBell Golf Course Clubhouse restaurant. This year both meetings will take place mid day to encourage more participation and keep the cost very reasonable. The Annual meeting will take place on 23 January and the Change of Watch will take place on 20 February. Both events will be at Noon.

J. Michael Kabo, JN  
[mkabo@csun.edu](mailto:mkabo@csun.edu)

In the meantime, save the dates for the activities listed below

**Member Halloween Party, 10/31**

**Monthly meeting 11/5 @ Galpin Ford starts @ 1930**

**Monthly meeting 12/3 @ Galpin Ford starts @ 1930**

**Annual Meeting 1/23 @ De Bell Clubhouse @ 1200**

**Change of Watch 2/20 @ De Bell Clubhouse @1200**

# Merit Marks

It is that time of year for merit mark submission. You may use the template below to facilitate submission of these recommendations for yourself or others that you feel merit such consideration. You will need to submit the form(s) by November 5 to the Commander.

The Valley Sail & Power Squadron MERIT MARK RECOMMENDATION	
DATE: _____	
NAME: _____	CERTIFICATE No. _____
SUBMITTED BY: _____	CERTIFICATE No. _____
TITLE: _____	
<u>EDUCATIONAL</u>	
Title of Course: _____	
Hours Taught _____	
Number of Hours Proctoring: _____	
Number of Hours correcting homework: _____	
Number of Hours for travel: _____	
Number of Hours for Preparation: _____	
TOTAL HOURS: _____	
Remarks: _____	
_____	
_____	
<u>OTHER:</u>	
Activity: _____	
Hours Worked: _____	
Hours for Travel: _____	
Total Hours Other: _____	
TOTAL OVERALL HOURS: _____	
REMARKS FOR OTHER: _____	
_____	
_____	
SIGNED: _____	

J. Michael Kabo  
17048 Jeanine Place, Granada Hills, CA 91344  
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Or bring to the executive board meeting on 11/5

# USPS D13 Fall Conference Information

The 2009 Fall Conference will be held on 23-25  
October 2009 in Las Vegas, NV.

Eastside Cannery Hotel and Casino  
5255 Boulder Highway  
Las Vegas, NV 89141

**1-866-999-4899**

\$79/night Friday & Saturday; \$49/night Thursday & Sunday

Meals: \$25 – Lunch (chicken entrée); \$45 – Dinner (surf & turf entrée)  
(\$5 increase in price after 10/1/2009)

Send check payable to “Las Vegas Sail and Power Squadron” to:

Lt/C Darl D Rose  
5935 South Torrey Pines Drive  
Las Vegas, NV 89118-2517

## **Optional activities:**

Atomic Testing Museum tour on Sunday October 25th, 2009 \$20.00 per person to  
include transportation to and from casino 1:45pm-3:45pm

and/or

Forever Earth 4 hour lake tour on October 24th, 2009 \$40.00 per person to include  
transportation, snacks, and beverages pickup: 6:20am drop-off 10:45am.

Please sign-up for these activities in ADVANCE by calling Cheri Boss at 702-539-7448 or  
email [cboss07@gmail.com](mailto:cboss07@gmail.com) by October 15th, 2009. Subject for cancellation if attendee  
requirement is not met by October 15th, 2009.

More details about the conference are available at: [www.usps.org/lvps](http://www.usps.org/lvps).

## Treasurer's Department

This has been a busy month for the Treasurer's department. The old San Fernando Valley Power Squadron has filed their dissolution paperwork with the State of California and we have received the last of their funds. We are working with Lt/Cdr Debbie Hoadley, AP, on the Final tax returns for San Fernando Valley so that our Tax returns properly match. A final bookkeeping entry for the transfer of their assets to our books will then be made.

Now that we have verified that your dues deposits for the The Valley are going to the correct bank and bank accounts, we will close the Bank of America accounts completely. We changed Banks when this past Spring, B of A no longer provided service charge free accounts to Business, which is what they think we are. Wells Fargo also classifies us as a Business, but recognizes us as a Non-profit and thus waives the service charges for our accounts.

The Treasurer does a lot more than just keep track of a checking account. They must also keep track of all of the Tax forms that must be filed as well as other required reports to maintain our Charitable Status with both the IRS and the State of California. In addition we pay Sales Taxes on books, T-shirts, etc. We also file the proper statements as required of the Officers of the Corporation (the Secretary provides the form, we write the check). In addition we prepare and manage the Budget, once you have approved it, which is what will happen at the Budget Bridge meeting on 3 December. You will determine what the Dues will be set for next year.

We will be out of town for the November meeting, so any requests for reimbursement can be sent to me and I will mail you a check.

Lt/Cdr Harold W Hoadley, AP (818) 843-4930 or [hoadleyh@att.net](mailto:hoadleyh@att.net)



# The Valley Official Charter



## Squadron Charter

Be It Known that upon application duly made and pursuant to resolution of the Governing Board of the United States Power Squadrons, a Local Squadron has been constituted, known as the

## The Valley Sail & Power Squadron

to consist of

Lonnie Brian Alperson  
Elaine S. Attaway, N  
Arthur Bocek  
Sharon Breiting  
William R. Brockway, AP  
Robert E. Bruns, SN  
Richard F. Cattermole, N  
John L. Chase, JN  
Cecil F. Click, AP  
Charles D. Cooper, SN  
William R. G. Cosentino  
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Cheryl Lynn Dellepiane  
Donald Henry Dellepiane  
Stephen M. Dunn, AP  
Stephen W. Edge, AP  
Vernon G. Frith, SN

Michael B. Fuerst, P  
James C. Galloway Jr., SN  
James William Gaston  
Lewis Gladser, AP  
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Nat Goldberg, AP  
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Adorin Ward  
Roger David Weisman  
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Kayenta A. Young, S  
Eugene A. Zimmer, AP

and such other members of the United States Power Squadrons, as may be elected to membership therein.

This Charter is granted subject to the provisions of the Bylaws of the United States Power Squadrons, now or hereafter in force.

In Witness Whereof, this Charter is issued under the hand of the Chief Commander and National Secretary this day of 18 July 2008

DAVIS HINDERS, SN  
National Secretary

Wrighton Maynard, SN  
Chief Commander

## **From the Desk of the SEO**

### **USPS Member Courses – Advanced Grades and Electives**

#### **Seamanship**

Building on the basics of recreational boating presented in the public boating courses, Seamanship adds a foundation for continuing boater education. The course contents facilitate knowledge development for increased safe operation of recreational boats.

#### **Piloting Course**

The Piloting course is the first in the sequence of USPS courses on navigation, covering the basics of coastal and inland navigation. This course focuses on navigation as it is done on recreational boats today and embraces GPS as a primary navigation tool. The course covers enough of the traditional techniques so the student will be able to find his/her way even if their GPS fails. Topics covered include: Charts; navigation aids; plotting courses and determining direction and distance; the mariner's compass; use of GPS; pre-planning safe courses; monitoring progress and determining position.

#### **Advanced Piloting**

This course continues to build coastal and inland navigation skill, allowing the student to take on more challenging conditions – unfamiliar waters, limited visibility, and extended cruises. GPS is embraced as a primary navigation tool while adding radar, chartplotters, and other electronic navigation tools. Topics covered include: advanced positioning techniques; other electronics: radar, depth sounders, autopilots, chartplotters, laptop computer software, etc.; hazard avoidance techniques using electronics (e.g., “keep out” zones in GPS); collision avoidance using radar and GPS; working with tides.

#### **Junior Navigation**

Junior Navigation is the first in a two-part program of study in offshore navigation, followed by the Navigation course. It is designed as a practical "how to" course. Subject matter includes: Precise time determination; use of the Nautical Almanac; taking sextant sights of the sun; reducing sights to establish lines of position; special charts and plotting sheets for offshore navigation; offshore navigational routines for recreational craft

## **Navigation**

After Junior Navigation, this course is the second part of the study of offshore navigation, further developing the student's understanding of celestial navigation theory. Navigation deals with learning celestial positioning using other bodies, in addition to positioning using the sun. This course also deals with electronic software tools that can be used to plan and execute an offshore voyage.

## **Cruise Planning**

Designed for members who plan to cruise for just a day or for a year--in either a sail or powerboat—this course covers the following topics: Cruise preparation and planning; boat and equipment; anchors and anchoring; security; chartering; cruising outside the United States; crew and provisioning; voyage management; communications; navigation; weather; and emergencies

## **Engine Maintenance**

The Engine Maintenance stresses the diagnosis of modern systems, while also teaching the basics of engine layout and operation. Gasoline inboards, outboards, and diesel engines are taught in a way that reinforces the common aspects of how engines work. Modern engines offer high reliability and good performance through the use of computerized systems for fuel delivery and engine timing. Most of these systems can no longer be serviced by weekend mechanics. The EM course covers those repairs that do-it-yourselfers can still perform, teaches how to diagnose problems that might be beyond your ability to fix, and how to share information with your mechanic so the right repairs get performed. It also covers basic mechanical systems such as drive systems (propellers), steering systems, and engine controls.

## **Instructor Development**

The Instructor Development course is not designed to enhance boating skills. Its emphasis is on enhancing instructor skills. The course has been designed to demonstrate interactive teaching methods focused on adult learning. Students are required to prepare lesson plans and give four presentations to their peers utilizing a variety of teaching aids and presentation skills.

## **Marine Electronics**

The Marine Electronics course consists of three modules: ME 101, Boat Electrical Systems, ME 102, Marine Radio Communications, and ME 103, Marine Electronics for Navigation. ME 101 provides information about

properties of electricity, electrical power requirements and wiring practices, direct current power, alternating current power, galvanic and stray-current corrosion, lightning protection, and electrical interference. ME 102 delves into radio waves and transmitters, receivers and transceivers, antennas and transmission lines, FCC Rules and Regulations, FCC Frequency Plan, marine radiotelephone operating procedures, and other communication services (EPIRB, DSC, GMDSS, satellites, amateur radio, etc.). ME 103 presents information on depth sounders, RADAR, LORAN-C, GPS Navigation, Electronic Charting, and Computer-Assisted Navigation.

## **Sail**

Sail is a complete sail course beginning with basic boat designs, rigging and sail processes for the nonsailor. The course proceeds into the physical aspects of sailing, sail applications, marlinespike, helmsmanship, and handling of more difficult sailing conditions, navigation rules, and an introduction to heavy weather sailing.

## **Weather**

The mid-latitudes are a weather war zone where enormous air masses battle one another along fronts, and powerful storm systems travel across the continent, lakes and oceans. Mid-latitude weather includes the blizzards of winter, the tornadoes of spring and summer, and the hurricanes of fall. Seasonal weather cycles produce temperature ranges from hot and humid in the nineties, to freezing in the subzero twenties. For boaters, however, there are dangers even in the relatively benign conditions of everyday weather. Wind, rain, fog, and waves present special challenges to them. The Weather course is a general weather course benefiting those sitting in their living rooms, as much as those standing behind the helm.

*The SEO can be reached in any of the following ways:*

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Home: 818-996-0243

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Actual Address: 7439 Genesta Ave. Van Nuys, CA 91406

Ray Paul, AP

## Hidden Talent

### How do you facet a gemstone?

Learning to facet a gemstone is like learning to ride a bike. Once you have learned you never forget. There is a dear friend of mine who got me interested in Geology. I took a course at night and learned that there can be precious and semi-precious minerals right beneath our feet wherever you are on this planet! During a period in my life I spent four days in Arkansas. There, in the southwest part of the state is a place called Murfeesboro. It is a town very much laid back with a Piggly Wiggly, one pizza restaurant and a coffee shop. Quaint is a good description of the town. We had two rocking chairs on our front porch.

There in Murfeesboro and the surrounding areas is a region of 35 acres which used to be under water millions of years ago and diamonds have been found there for the past several decades! There is a small shack where you bring your possible find and if it is a true diamond, they ring a bell for all the diggers to know. It is Finders-keepers! There is no percentage that the park gets. Now, the good thing to know is that the soil does not adhere to the diamond because of the chemical makeup of the crystal.

We were there for four days and every day was like being in Las Vegas, you awake with ANTICIPATION. We took our little 6-pack coolers to the field and that served as our stools as we sifted through the soil with our trowels. No, we were not among the lucky ones, but heard a story of a woman who was not going to leave until she had 5 diamonds – one for everyone in her family. She was there 5 weeks and found her five diamonds.

Now on to faceting. You use a basic spinning lap. You apply water and an abrasive powder. The powder varies depending on the type of rock

that you are working with. The type of powder used depends on the hardness of the rock that you are trying to mold. With your lap spinning at a moderate speed you secure your stone on a dop stick. You set a dial to the desired angle and place it on the spinning lap. You spin a little and look a little, then spin a little and look a little. When you have reached your designated angle you change your grind to a finer powder to polish grit. It is a very rewarding hobby because your finished product turns out very beautiful.

I had a very unusual experience. On one occasion I was faceting at 1AM in the morning trying to complete a ruby for my daughter. I went to wash and clean it off where I dropped it into the sink and down the drain it went! My husband was working out of town at the time and I was devastated after all of the hours I had put into this labor of love. Luckily my great son knew how to release the pipes below the basin and could extract the ruby before it was flushed into oblivion.

Millie Hess, AP

## Upcoming Events

<b>October</b>		
8 (Thursday)	Executive/Membership meeting (no program)	Galpin Ford Classroom
29 (Thursday)	Piloting Class Starts	7439 Genesta Ave
31 Saturday	Halloween Party	6727 Shoup Ave West Hills
<b>November</b>		
5 (Thursday)	Executive/Membership meeting (Merit Marks Due)	Galpin Ford Classroom
17 (Tuesday)	Knots Bends and Hitches	(Call Ray Paul for time and location)
<b>December</b>		
3 (Thursday)	Executive/Membership meeting (Budget Meeting))	Galpin Ford Classroom
5 (Saturday)	Sea Gals Holiday Party	TBA

## Special Event



## Join us for The Valley's very first Halloween Party

**When:** October 31, 2009 (All Hallow's Eve)  
Cocktails @ 1800  
Dinner @ 1900

**Where:** At the home of Millie Hess  
6727 Shoup Avenue  
West Hills, CA 91307

**Price:** \$5 per person if you bring a main course dish to serve 8 persons  
\$10 per person if you do not contribute to the pot luck

**Costumes preferred** – prizes awarded for the best costume!

RSVP to Marv Nelson

818-886-8725

