



UNDER THE BRIDGE

LATEST NEWS AND EVENTS



Commander
Richard Erbe

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Commanders Report for February 2025 -
The February General Meeting will take place at the Maritime Museum on Thursday, February 20. You should have already received an email concerning this.

I would like to thank Peggy and Glen Roy for once again putting on a great Super Bowl party.

Last week, the U. S. Power squadron annual meeting took place in Orlando. Peggy Roy was recognized for becoming a lifetime member.

For those people who would like a Vessel Safety Check, the 2025 decals are in.

The start of the Cruising under Power and Sail course is still pending. I hope to have an update at the upcoming meeting.



Squadron Education Officer
Lt/C Joey Wheeler

LPSPS EDUCATION REPORT – Hope everyone had a start of the year.

As I mentioned last month, we have an opportunity to have guest instructors, Greg and Lizann Mulvany from New Orleans Power Squadron, to teach the Cruising Under Power and Sail course on the Northshore for us. This is an 8 to 10 week course. We're still trying to secure a venue and confirm the schedule. Thanks to those who showed interest at last month's meeting. Please let me know at this month's meeting if you are





still interested so we can finalize plans for the course.

We are planning to have an ABC Safe Boating Class sometime in 1st Qtr 2025. If you are interested in taking this class or another course, please let me know.

NOPS, BRSPS, and LPSPS SEO's are in discussion on how to leverage our limited number of instructors for advanced boating courses to expand our boating training. We feel that more advanced boating classes may attract more members. We'll keep you advised of any classes being planned in the area.

If anyone is looking for a LPSPS burgee, please contact me.



Treasurer

Lt/C Elaine Gardner

**LPSPS TREASURERS REPORT
01 February 2025**

	Subtotal	Totals
Cash on Hand (1/01/25)		\$ 13,549.94
Chase Checking	\$ 13,373.94	
Petty Cash	\$ 176.00	
Income		\$ -
Catered Meal	\$ -	
Membership Dues	\$ -	
Expenses		\$ -
Catered Meal		
Membership Dues		
Balance (1/31/25)		\$ 13,549.94
Chase	\$ 13,373.94	
Petty Cash	\$ 176.00	

Respectfully submitted:
Elaine Gardner, LPSPS Treasurer





United States Power Squadrons



**General Membership Meeting
20 Feb at Maritime Museum
Louisiana, 133 Mabel Dr,
Madisonville, LA**

SOCIAL- 6:00

MEAL and MEETING- 7:00

Menu - Caesar Salad, Lasagna, Green Beans, Garlic Bread and Cherry Cobbler for dessert (George Washington's Birthday is 2/22)

Cost is \$20.00.

RSVP by Monday, February 17th to Norma at njoroberts@gmail.com or 225/978-5638

Norma Roberts



George Janssen	08 Feb
Leigh Arceneaux	10 Feb
Doris Brooks	02 Mar
Lynn Haase	05 Mar
Guy Robinson	05 Apr
Ron Kelly	22 Apr

NEXT 90 DAYS

3-8 Feb	National Mtg Orlando
09 Feb	Super Bowl Watch Party
13 Feb	Executive Comm Mtg
20 Feb	Gen'l Membership Mtg
06 Mar	Executive Comm Mtg
13 Mar	Gen'l Membership Mtg
03 Apr	Executive Comm Mtg
10 Apr	Gen'l Membership Mtg
12 Apr	Crawfish/Shrimp Boil





District 15 Vessel Safety Checks	Inspections	Examiners
Baton Rouge Sail & Power Squadron	00	00
Fort Walton Sail & Power Squadron	03	01
Lake Pontchartrain Sail & Power Squadron	03	07
New Orleans Power Squadron	00	02
Pensacola Sail & Power Squadron	00	05
Perdido Bay Power Squadron	00	00
Total	06	15

2025 Rendezvous Schedule – Please sign up to host an event

Date	Theme	Host	Location
January	None		
February 9	Super Bowl	Peggy and Glenn Roy	Roy Residence
March	Open		
April 12	Crawfish/Shrimp Boil	Elaine Gardner	T-Rivers or Wall
May 24	Safe Boating Event	Norma	Reels
June 7	Regional Rendezvous	BRPS	Middendorfs
July	Open		
August	Open		
September 20	Lobster Boil	Bells / Gniady	Bell Residence
October	Wood Boat Festival		
November	Open		
December	Change of Watch/Xmas		





Super Bowl Watch Party – Thanks Peggy & Glenn Roy for being such great hosts!!



CHIEFS

	8	0	9	1	3	2	5	4	6	7
	9	Elmer	Ken	Bob	PA	Ken	VAL	NEAL	Ken	Ken
	6	NEAL	PA	ALB	PA	LU	MARK	ALB	NEAL	NEAL
	2	MARSH	ALB	NEAL	PA	Ken	Ken	MARK	MARSH	
	8	ALB	VAL	MARK	LU	LU	Elmer	Ken	Ken	
	3	PA	NEAL	PA	VAL	Ken	ALB	NEAL	PA	PA
	0	PA	PA	LU	Ken	Elmer	LU	Ken	ALB	Ken
	7	Elmer	PA	NEAL	PA	NEAL	VAL	PA	MARK	PA
	4	VAL	PA	PA	MARK	Elmer	LU	ALB	NEAL	Elmer
	1	MARSH	LU	PA	MARK	LU	PA	ALB	Ken	PA
	5	Elmer	PA	PA	Elmer	Ken	PA	Elmer	MARSH	

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United States Power Squadrons

Membership – please check your status online.

Current Members	41
Life	03

Congratulations to Peggy Roy for her 25th Merit Mark and attaining LIFE membership in USPS!!! Great job Peggy!!!!

New Life Member



Lake Pontchartrain
Sail & Power Squadron,
District 15



Peggy Roy, S



Lake Pontchartrain Sail & Power Squadron





Special Opportunity Class for 1st Qtr 2025 –

Once a week for 8 weeks

Average 2 hours per session

Course w/ Student Manual or Ebook – \$100 for USPS Members, \$150 for non-Members

An Educated Boater is a Safer Boater! Cruising Under Power and Sail

There is something very special about the thrill of cruising in new waters and the sense of accomplishment upon completing an extended cruise. To go beyond what most boaters do on a weekend overnight or even a week or so marina hopping requires boaters to leave their normal cruising areas and comfort zones. The Cruising and Cruise Planning course focuses on the planning and preparation necessary for safe enjoyable extended cruises on both inland, coastal and offshore waters.



The instructors for this class cruised the Bahamas and Caribbean while living aboard their 37' Pacific Seacraft sailboat for 7 years. They have also made several transits of the Panama Canal and sailed the Pacific Coast from Mexico to Southern California as well as sailing the Atlantic East Coast between Maine and Florida. They are excited about helping you prepare to realize your dream.

Eight classes about two hours each are scheduled for presentation of this course. At the completion of the class students will have to complete exam to receive credit within the America's Boating Club / USPS. Topics covered include:

- Cruise preparation and planning - General
- Boat and Equipment
- Anchors and Anchoring
- Security
- Chartering
- Cruising Outside the United States
- Crew selection and Provisioning
- Voyage Management
- Communications
- Navigation
- Weather
- Emergencies



For more information about the course, please contact our Asst Squadron Education Officer, Greg Mulvany at: SEOatNOPS@gmail.com or (504)377-8357





Special Thanks to our Facility Host



Maritime Museum Louisiana Upcoming Events

Upcoming events

Wooden Boat Festival

October 18 & 19, 2025 Time: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Both Days

[More Info](#)



Maritime Mania

October 17, 2025 7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. at Maritime Museum Louisiana

[More Info](#)



Exhibits & Collections

Explore the lighthouses of Louisiana, Jahncke Shipyard, wildlife and more.

[More Info](#)





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