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Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron 2015 Activities Calendar

June 4	Kids Night/Paddle Antrim	Elks Club
June 19-21	Shakedown Cruise	Elk Rapids Marina
July 12	Power Island Picnic	Power Island
July 13-19	Equality Cruise	
August 14-15	D/9 Lobsterfest	Northport
September 3	General Meeting	Elks Club
September 10	Lunch with the Commander	The Cottage
September 17	Executive Meeting	The Cottage

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JUNE

2015

KIDS NIGHT

and

Paddle Antrim

**Come and hear how we are preserving and protecting our
waterways in Antrim County and beyond.**

1800 Social Hour

1900 Dinner

2 Entrees

Salads, Vegetables, Rolls, Dessert

18.00/person

If your telephone caller does not reach you by Sunday, May 31 please call Donna Daciuk at 231-223-7140 or email daisy.d1569@gmail.com by Monday, June 1.



COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

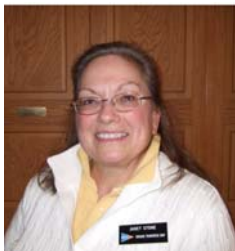
Cdr Jan Hartesvelt, S

Hi Everybody! Has it been windy where you are? Can it gust anymore than lately? Hopefully this is not a sign of what our boating season will be like.

June meeting coming up. We have invited the Coast Guard Aux. to join us. Remember that last year's program of the Chain of Lakes Water Trail has been dissolved. In their place I have asked Dena of the new Paddle Antrim club to speak. Should be interesting to learn what they promote.

Also it's Kids Night with our ice cream bar.

Would the following people please attend: Dale and Barb Wentzloff, Margaret Haddix, Gregory Thompson, Bobbie Schott and Jean Brooks. I have something important to give to each of you. Thank you and see you there.



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Janet Stone, P

Come one, Come all to the last membership meeting of the spring season on Thursday evening June 4th! This will be "kids' night", complete with an ice cream bar for dessert! Looking forward to a great summer of boating activities, some of which are the Shakedown Cruise, Power Island Picnic and the Lobster Bake.

Thank you all for another great, successful year



EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Lt/C Tom Stone, P

On this Memorial Day weekend it's time to reflect on how fortunate we are to live in such an amazing Country and to thank those who have served so that we can enjoy our Freedom. Fathers Day is soon approaching as well, so I would like to give special recognition to my father who served in the Coast Guard and then took that knowledge and passed it on to many young men as a Sea Scout Leader. He was also a member of the Muskegon Squadron and somehow transformed his son into an avid boater and sailor. When we launched our current sailboat, he handed me a silver dollar which had been under the foot of the mast from his sailboat, for good luck. That dollar is now under the mast foot of the Surprise. He was 90 years old then and although he couldn't move around the cockpit very well, he could still give great instructions and even bark an order to me.

So when we are out enjoying our beautiful waters this summer take a moment and thank those who made it all possible.

Have a great summer,

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 6/02 Pat Salathiel | 6/16 Karen Ludwig |
| 6/03 Gloria McClay | 6/20 Joel Lockwood |
| 6/06 Mary Dietrich | 6/24 Lyn Salathiel |
| 6/06 Jim McIntyre | 6/24 Garret Walker |
| 6/06 John Merlo | 6/25 Sue Brown |
| 6/09 Mary Melvin | 6/25 Ron Dunbar |
| 6/10 Harvey Norris | 6/27 Janet Ward |
| 6/11 Kathy Monteith | 6/29 Bill Smethells |
| 6/14 Janet Stone | 6/30 Brian Brooks |
| 6/15 Mark Benedict | 6/30 Barb Klein |



JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| 7/07 Scott Monteith | 7/24 Ward Kuhn |
| 7/07 Lee Nowak | 7/26 Alan Holcombe |
| 7/11 Leith Butler | |

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 8/04 John Melvin | 8/14 Bill Heston |
| 8/05 Arnie Taddia | 8/15 Charlie Dietrich |
| 8/05 Don Willman | 8/24 Chuck Watson |
| 8/07 Roger Merillat | 8/27 Mary Peterson |
| 8/09 Julie Sutton | 8/28 Peter Haddix |
| 8/09 Karin Willman | 8/31 Carol Kuhn |
| 8/13 Keith Carlyon | |



EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Lt/C Dave Terrell, AP

The spring Education Department program is winding down. The following offerings are coming up.

1. On **June 3rd**, Partner in Command, a free seminar, at 7 pm at West Marine in Traverse City. this seminar helps "first" mates be prepared to operate the boat if the captain is unable to do so. It recognizes the fact that both partners on the boat should be equally capable of doing all the boat's essential tasks. Any first mate who does not know how to drive the boat, anchor the boat, dock the boat, do minor servicing on the engine should seriously consider attending this seminar.

2. On **June 17**, Man Overboard, a free seminar, at 7 pm at West Marine in Traverse City. This seminar is about what it says it is about. What is important is that it tells participants how to actually get a person back on the boat after falling in. What will surprise many is that getting some one out of the water is more complex and difficult than one would think. Most boats do not have the appropriate equipment for getting this job done. Or if they have the equipment, they not practiced using this. If this sounds like you, for the sake of those on board, attend this seminar. It may save the life of someone you love.

3. On **June 27**, The ABC course starting at 8:30 am will be held at the Grace Memorial Marina in Elk Rapids. This course brings our instruction to a new site and a new audience.

In addition, the Sail course at Grand Traverse Yacht Club is coming to a conclusion, Students are now getting out on the water and sailing the boat- steering the boat, coming about, gybing, heaving to, reefing the sails, anchoring, and lots more. Their test will be on **June 15th** followed by the class party. Students are really enjoying the baked goods Diana is providing for their break.

Finally, we will be preparing a course proposal for seamanship for Extended Educational Services at Northwestern Michigan College this fall. This will test whether we can attract students for a price that both GTBSPS and NMC can live with. If this pans out, it will be a big improvement in the way we reach the community and fulfill our mission.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at dterrell@nmc.edu or call me at [231-883-1965](tel:231-883-1965)



Safety Officer's Report **Lt Brian Nelson, AP**

Automated Radio Checks

Sea Tow's Automated Radio Check Services helps ensure your VHF radio is functioning properly, one of the most important things to have every time you go out on the water!

We all know that having a functioning VHF radio on board is a necessity. Checking your radio to ensure it is working should be done every time you go out boating. In the past you used to need to make a radio check request and wait for a response, but no longer!

Now you can do it yourself with Sea Tow's Automated Radio Check Service. Provided as a FREE public service to boating communities nationwide, Sea Tow's innovative Automated Radio Check Service reduces the volume of non-urgent communications traffic on VHF channel 16, the international hailing and distress channel, while still allowing you to perform the check to ensure that your radio is functioning properly and hear how your transmission sounds to others.

It's simple to use:

1. Automated Radio Check Service uses one of VHF Channels 24, 25, 26, 27, or 28. Simply tune your radio to the proper channel for your community (25:Northport & Harbor Springs, 26:Traverse City, 27:Leland, 28:Charlevoix & Suttons Bay).
2. Conduct a radio check as you normally would.
3. Upon releasing the mic, the system will replay your transmission, letting you hear how you sound. For a demonstration, go to:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ku3PMKINpcQ&feature=player_embedded

MAY MEETING



Madonna Williams, P
Lt/C Jerry Williams, AP



Ruth Hoiles
Terry Hoiles



Debbie Hicks
Ken Hicks



Bob Cruse, S
P/C Bill Klein, AP



Ann Conway Burdick, SN
P/R/C Frank Burdick, SN
Shirley VanRhee, SN
P/R/C Gene VanRhee, SN
Kate Stephan
P/C Jerry Stephan, AP



Bob Krist
Mary Woessner
Julie Krist



Charlie Dietrich
Lt/C Tom Stone, P



Jim McIntyre, SN
Marti McIntyre, SN



Lt/C Dave Terrell, AP
Barb Lyon, AP

Winners—



Shirley
VanRhee, SN



P/R/C Gene
VanRhee, SN



P/C Bill Klein,
AP

AWARDS—



Lt/C Jerry Williams, AP
Webmaster



Lt Sue Brown, P
Newsletter



Commander's Award to
Harvey Norris, AP
Donna Daciuk, AP
Lt/C Janet Stone, P



Cdr Jan Hartesvelt, S
Presenting a 25 year pin
to Karen Dill,



Gordy Brown Cruising
Award presented to
Janet Ward, P by Cdr Jan



Marnett Award presented
to Lt/C Jerry Williams, AP by
Cdr Jan

MAY INVOCATION

I want to shout the birds are here the birds are here
As their joy filled tweets and chatter fills the air

The happiness and enjoyment that they bring
Could come from the fact that they are a harbinger of spring

Those wonderful, beautiful flying birds God created
Probably just to help us to be less agitated

We thank you God for all creatures great and small
And we thank you God for making us all

We pray man stops trying even the score
And starts seeks peace and not war

P/C Bill Klein, AD

Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron



2015 Shakedown Cruise

**Grace Memorial Harbor, Elk Rapids, MI
June 19, 20, & 21 2015**

**Even if you can't come by boat,
PLEASE ATTEND and HAVE FUN!**

Friday Welcome to Elk Rapids

- Barb and Tom Lyon have offered their home for a deck party
 - ✓ If weather is bad we will move the event to the Jack Blesma Pavilion
- We are planning to have pizza, salad and a light desert. **BYOB**
- Cost for Friday night is \$9.00 per member
- 1700 to ??

Saturday

- Coffee & Doughnuts at Day Room – sponsored by ERYC (donation please)
- VSC from 1000 to 1300
- Man Overboard Seminar - Jack Blesma Pavilion – 1400 to 1600
 - ✓ MOB in the water demo

Saturday Dinner - Jack Blesma Pavilion

- Join the Commander and Crew for Happy Hour – 1700 to 1800
- **Three Dinner Choices** – 1800 to 1930
 - ✓ Barbecue Chicken – \$27.00
 - ✓ Salmon – \$32.00
 - ✓ New York Strip – \$32.00
- Salad, vegetable, dinner rolls, desert (ice cream sundaes)
- **BYOB**

Sunday Morning

We are bringing back an old event from years ago, when P/C Lee and Claudia Nowak would serve coffee and doughnuts to all boaters before they left for their home ports.

- Coffee and Doughnuts (donations please)

MAKE SLIP RESERVATIONS WITH Eric Crissman, ELK RAPIDS HARBORMASTER
AT 231-264-8174

2015 Shakedown Cruise			
Event	Quantity	Cost Each	Total
Friday Night – Pizza and Salad		9.00	
Saturday Night Dinner	*****	*****	*****
Barbecue Chicken		27.00	
Salmon		32.00	
New York Strip		32.00	
Sunday Morning Coffee & Doughnuts		Donations	

Persons attending:

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

Name _____

For reservations send info and payment (checks to GTBSPS) by June 15, 2015 to

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Suttons Bay, MI 49682

Questions - Jerry Williams (231) 633-3141

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