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General Membership meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at the Elks Club, Traverse City. Executive meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at Traverse City. Anyone interested may attend.

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Grand Traverse Bay Sail and Power Squadron 2015 Activities Calendar

November 5	Short Film Battle of Lake Erie	Elks Club
November 12	Lunch with the Commander	Cottage Café
November 19	Executive Meeting	Cottage Cafe
December 3	Change of Watch	Elks Club
December 10	Lunch with the Commander	Cottage Café
December 17	Executive Meeting	Cottage Cafe

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NOVEMBER

2015



Come view a short film



The Battle of Lake Erie

**1800 Social Hour
1900 Dinner
2 Entrees
Salads, Vegetables, Rolls, Dessert
18.00/person**

If your telephone caller does not reach you by Sunday, Nov 1 please call Donna Daciuk at 231-223-7140 or email daisy.d1569@gmail.com by Monday, Nov 2
(Please let your caller know if you will need a ride to the meeting)



COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Cdr Jan Hartesvelt, S

Hello all! Another Fall Conference has come and gone. We voted to revise 3 SOPs, awards were given out and we adjourned on time to watch the U.M. vs MSU game. No comment on that. I've talked with many members downstate about ideas for 2016. We were in agreement to launch a statewide D9 initiative to have the general public view us in a different light. I'll include these ideas in my exit speech come December 3rd. I've also shared our VP Diagnosis and Discovery findings with all D9 Commanders.

Our study was the main topic at Allana Harvey's seminar about Membership. She passed around a handout asking Where Will Your Squadron be in 2025? She based her findings from our VP Diagnosis. There are six areas she came up with that we need to concentrate on if we want to be around in 2025. They are; create and cultivate partnerships in our community (MHA, CGAux. etc. I've spearheaded this concern in my 2 yrs. as Cdr. and will continue), conduct a new member drive, offer seminars for all vessel types, communicate through paper (people like to have an invitation in their hand), analyze and update our website for effectiveness (we've done that, thank you Bill Bailey, Jerry Williams and Hartwell Communications for our video), and of course, build our social media presence. I know, we've heard all this before. I'm hoping the statewide D9 initiative will bring a fresh look at our District as a whole, and regain the strength our squadron once had. Remember my Spring Conference Report, where I said, "If we all work together, great things will happen." Let's stick together in 2016, work hard at Allana's six points and I believe we can turn membership around. We will have a lot of fun in the process!

Remember also, Dec. 3rd is our Change of Watch. District Cdr. Dawn Flynn is officiating and she hasn't heard all of my ideas either so please attend that meeting also. See you Thursday, Nov. 5th for the short film of the reenactment of The Battle of Lake Erie which occurred 202 years ago. Sincerely, Cdr. Jan

Happy
Thanksgiving

A colorful illustration of Thanksgiving items, including a brown cornucopia overflowing with pumpkins, gourds, and various fruits like apples and grapes, set against a background of green leaves and corn cobs.



EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Lt/C Dave Terrell, AP

Here is what is new in the SEO World

1. Many many thanks to Jerry Williams for all the work he has done over the years as SEO and especially for all the help he has rendered me in my first year as SEO.
2. Bill Bailey has agreed to serve as Assistant Education Officer for 2016. I will sharing a lot of what I have learned from Jerry. I look forward to working with him next year.
3. Based on what I have learned from Jerry and even discovered myself, I will be creating a standard operating procedure that can be passed down from SEO to SEO in future years.
4. Coastal Piloting has 4 students.
5. We are offering four courses this spring semester, three of them through NMC's Extended Education Service. The courses, the instructors, and their dates are as follows:
 - Engine Maintenance, Jerry Williams, Monday nights from January 18th to February 15th through NMC's EES.
 - Weather, Jim McIntyre, Monday nights from February 29th to March 28th through NMC's EES
 - Marine Electrical Systems, Bill Smethells, Wednesday nights from March 30th to April 27th
 - Sail, David Terrell, Monday nights from April 4th to June 13th at Grand Traverse Yacht Club.
6. A list of seminars for the spring season will be forth coming in the December 45th Parallel.



EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Tom Stone, P

We are enjoying a very nice fall so far. The colors have been beautiful, it has been warm enough to winterize the boats, and best of all The Spartans are still undefeated!

I noticed a very interesting benefit for the Squadron on this month's USPS Blast. If you order from Amazon, the USPS and more specifically our Squadron can get 1% of your purchases back. 1% may not seem like much but over the course of the year it might add up to a nice amount. To take advantage of this, next time you order from Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com. You will be asked to select an organization. Start with United States Power Squadrons, you then will be able to select our Squadron. You have to search until you find ours which is listed as Sutton's Bay, Mi. Hit select and you are set. You only have to do this one time.

Finally we are always looking for new ideas for our general meeting programs. Please let me know your ideas. Either e-mail or just see me at next month's meeting on November 5, 2015 at the Elks!

Have a freaky Halloween!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS—

11/19 Terry Hoiles
11/26 Susan Carlyon
11/26 Pat Merlo

11/27 Bill Klein
11/29 Dale Wentzloff
11/30 Dave Terrell



OCTOBER MEETING—



Cdr Jan Hartesvelt, S
P/C Ken Musson, SN
P/C Bill Crossman, SN



Donna Nelson, AP
John Holcombe, AP
Lt Brian Nelson, AP



John Melvin, P
P/C Harvey Norris, AP



Shirley VanRhee, JN
Lt/C Jerry Williams, AP
P/C Joel Lockwood, AP



Amy Peterson
Cdr Jan Hartesvelt, S
Nicole Smethells,



This is the web site to learn all about Bill Bailey's voyage last year.



P/C Harvey Norris, AP
Mary Norris
P/C Joel Lockwood, AP
Lt/C Jerry Williams, AP
Mary Melvin, P
John Melvin, P



Kate Stephen
P/C Jerry Stephen, AP
P/C Bill Bailey, JN



John Melvin, P
Kathleen Millross, P
P/C Dave Millross, P
Charlie Dietrich
P/C Harvey Norris, AP



Lyn Salathiel, P
Lt/C Tom Stone, P
Pat Salathiel, P

WINNERS—



Pat Musson, SN



P/C Dave Terrell, AP



Lt/C Janet Stone, P

OCTOBER INVOCATION

The tree leaves seem to flutter more this time of year and they really catch your eye
It is as if they are wishing us all a fond good-bye

Their strong stems weaken and lose their girth
As they prepare for the swirling glide down to earth

The trees will change their colors and get dressed for fall
Like beautiful ladies weather a new gown to a ball

It is a wonderful beautiful time of year
Created by the God we hold so dear

We pray to you god for Love and peace
And we pray God that wars will cease

P/C Bill Klein, AP

BY-LAWS CONCERNING NOMINATIONS:

Article 5, Sect 5.1.2 All Bridge officers shall have been awarded at least one Advanced Grade and at least one merit mark.

Article 6, Sect 6.8 The Nominating committee shall select a candidate for each elective office and for the chairman and members of each elective committee provided for herein and shall submit its written report to the secretary at least 40 days prior to the annual meeting.

The following slate for 2014-2015 is presented:

Commander	Thomas Stone, P
Executive Officer	Bill Smethells, S
Administrative Officer	Janet Ward, P
Secretary	M R Gillooly, S
Treasurer	Catherine Holcombe, P
Asst Treasurer	John Weih, P
SEO	Dave Terrell AP
Asst SEO	Bill Bailey, AP

Executive Committee At Large:

Terry Hoiles
Tom/Barb Lyon, AP
Mary Peterson, P

Elected for a three year term to:

Auditing Committee:	Jerry Williams, AP
Rules Committee:	P/Lt/C Ken Musson, SN
Nominating Committee	Jerry Williams, AP

Article 11, Sect 11.1 Candidates for elective positions to be voted upon at the annual meeting may be nominated (1) by the Nominating Committee as herein provided or (2) by petition in writing signed by at least five (5) Active members in good standing and filed with the Secretary at least 15 days before the date of the election.

Article 11, Sect 11.4 No active member shall be eligible for nomination without first signifying willingness and ability to serve if elected.

Article 9, Sect 9.3 The annual meeting shall be held in the month of December at such time and place as the Executive Committee may designate, at which time an election of officers and members of elective committees. Including the chairman thereof, shall be held. Written notice of the annual meeting, containing a list of all active members nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to positions within this squadron, shall be sent to each Executive Committee at least 30 days prior to such meeting.

The Executive Committee has approved the election of Assistants

Respectfully submitted, Nominating Committee, 2015