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Commander's Corner

Summer Is Over! Let's Enjoy the Lake!

By Susan Unger, N

What a relief the last few days have been. Tom and I have been putting around on our pontoon boat, swimming off it and enjoying the lake. It's a perfect temperature right now. Get out and enjoy it!

Despite the heat we have had several events this summer. I want to thank the members who have held TGIFs on their docks – Jim & Anne Collier, John & Barb Conrad, Tom & Mary Jean Kippenbrock,, Len & Geri Oswald and Gene and Kate Gravelle (coming up on Sept 23). These get togethers are always fun and we appreciate the folks who invite us to their docks.

Secchi Day at Prairie Creek was interesting. Beaver Water District puts on this event to remind us that we are dependent on Beaver Lake not only for flood prevention, recreation and electricity generation but most importantly for our water supply. Beaver Lake Sail & Power Squadron joined many other non-profits with an interest in our lake getting our message out to the public. Thanks to Elsie and Julian Rolandelli, and Tom Unger for talking with all the visitors and to Geri and Len Oswald for bringing their little sailboat to be the focal point of the booth.

We have several fun events coming up. Betty and Bob Bau-eris are hosting us again at their place for Steak-o-rama on September 10. This is always a great event. And the McAl-listers are treating us once more to OctoberFish at the Unger's cabin at Lost Bridge on October 1. You don't want to miss either event.

I also want to encourage everyone to participate in the Dis-trict 31 fall conference in Tulsa on Friday evening and Satur-day, October 14 & 15. If we get a good group together it will be great fun. We will be hosting the conference next fall and should support the folks doing it this year.

See you soon!

Attention ALL BLSPSers.

New Bylaws Need Your Vote

Our bylaws are completely out of date. We originally planned to update them but so much needed to be changed we decided the best ap-proach was to start over.

P/C Gene Gravelle modified the model squadron bylaws and we have a tentative ap-proval by the national rules committee.

The next step is for your approval. A copy of the proposed bylaws will be available for you to review at the next two meetings – Steak-o-Rama and October Fish. You will be asked to approve them at the October 1st meeting.

Some of the main changes are:

- The organization name
- Timing for the change of watch
- Membership classifications

Dues handling

Please look over the proposed bylaws. Not the most exciting reading but you really should know the rules by which our organization is run.

Many thanks for your cooperation,

Susan Unger, N
Commander Beaver Lake Squadron.

Meetings & Boating Activities

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10 September: Steak-O-Rama

Time: 1600 or 4 P.M.

Where: Home of Betty and Bob Baureis ,
17775 Bluff Drive, Springdale (Driving directions
starting at 71B & Hwy 412-Spdle East on 412 to Sonora
(5.6m)- Right on to CR 93 for 0.7 mi, Left on CR 399 for
0.5 then Turn right on CR1037 and cont on CR2502 past
Village and Broadview. 17775 Bluffview Dr is 3rd house
on right which is a brown brick.)

Cost: \$15/per person which includes steak, beverage choice of wine, beer or soda

What to bring: Own table service and assigned dish for the table. -A-C appetizers, D-K Deserts, L-P Salads (Potato, green/Macaroni), R-Z Sides of Beans/Veggies.

Callers will take reservations until Sept. 6th
Cancellations should call Bob Baureis at 750-2289 or 841-3389.

23 Sept: Last TGIF of the Season

Where: on **Gravelle's deck at 1700**

BYOB and something for the table. Plan on spending a great evening with friends, sampling some fantastic morsels while watching the sun set over the Rt 12 Bridge. *Driving Directions: One mile East of Rt 12 Bridge turn Left on to Rivercliff Rd. (at Brown picket fence) Follow yellow markers in road for .9miles. park as directed at 78 Rivercliff Rd.*

Saturday 1 October—October Fish Fest!

Time: 1600—(4 P.M.)

Bring a jacket, side dish and \$5 to Tom and Susan Unger's cabin at Lost Bridge for an evening of fun, food, fellowship and fall foliage. Chefs Bob and Mary McAllister will be frying up their special



recipe Hush Puppies and fresh caught fillets of fish in their secret coatings. Drinks and place settings will be provided.

October Fish-fest Cont: . Callers will take your reservations and let you know what to bring for the table. *Please make note of the following Drive Directions—Hwy 62 N to Garfield then South on AR127 for 4.1 miles. Rt turn onto Lodge Rd for approx. 1/2 mile to Timberline. Left on Timberline. Cabin is 3rd on Left which will be 12586 Timberline).*

14-15 October—D31 Fall Conference and Change of Watch to be held at the Clarion Hotel in Broken Arrow, OK. See page 4 for registration form.

*******29 October:** *****

Beaver Lake Squadron Change of Watch .

A luncheon has been arranged at the private dining room of **Copeland's Restaurant , 463 N 46th St Rogers**, in the Scottsdale Center, where individuals may order off the extensive menu. Prices range from \$10-\$25 + tax & tip. Please be ready to order upon arrival at 11:30 A.M. Plan on eating at Noon with the Business meeting and change of watch to follow lunch.

This will be the time to say Thank You to those who have served on the squadron bridge and other elective and appointed committees and to reaffirm our support for those who will be serving in the coming year. It takes many hands on deck to keep our squadron active and to offer the many educational courses asked for. Make plans to join in this launching of a new year.
*****Callers will be taking reservations.*****

Mark your calendar: 19 November—Chili Cook-Off
12 Noon—Chambers Island's Lost Dog Beach just north of Rocky Branch Marina. GPS Coordinates are: N36° 21.055' and W 93°54.827. Start making plans for your pot of chili with trimmings, and don't be shy, ask for a ride if you are without a boat.

And Save the Date: Tuesday, 6 December will be the catered Squadron Christmas party. Details TBA.

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Sailing Course Sets Sail.

Between the great job that Kip Powers and Crew did at the February boat show and word of mouth the BLSPPS taught USPS Sail Course saw a full house of students. The course began on Friday, 26 August at 18:30 (6:30 P.M.) at the Rogers Park facility, FOXFIRE, which is just west of the Rogers Bowling Center and a block and a half *South of Walnut* on South 37th Street. It is in a park like area with mobile homes near. On the end of the building, there is a painted sign "FOXFIRE" with a parking lot adjacent to the building. One cannot miss the building. The dates are August 26, September 2, 9, 16, 30 and October 7 and finally October 14. Cdr Susan Unger, N welcomed the students and introduced P/C John Nelson, Len Oswald and Education Officer Byron Lake as the course instructors. The class will decide when and where the on the water instructions will take place. The new members taking Sail are: From Eureka Springs: Evelyn & Jack Cross and Dale and Denise Rice; from Fayetteville: Paula Martucci, Molly Saxon and Thomas Wooten and from Rogers: Craig McCrory and Daniel Sherry. The class proctor and greeter was P/C Nancy Gibson who made all welcome.



New BLSPPS Pilots:

Educational Officer Byron Lake would like all to know that Congratulations are in order

for the latest class of Piloting students. The new pilots are: Cheri Burks,

Mary Jean Kippenbrock,
Deanne Mayer,

Tom Kippenbrock

and new member Greg Pomper

Congratulation to all .



Learn, Discuss, Socialize,

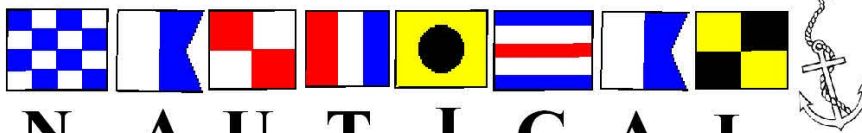
The USPS map is drawn and quartered into 33 Districts containing the roughly 435+ USPS squadrons with 40,000 members. Now if even half of those 40,000 members tried to communicate directly with USPS National Officers or Headquarters in Raleigh, N.C it sure would be a mess . As it is now the Headquarters staff, who by law are non USPS members, does a remarkable job of handling all that comes their way.

The Districts, constructed on the same model as both the Squadrons and National, act as “go between” complaint carriers and problem solvers. District meetings not only air their complaints among friends but also are sounding boards for the development of National programs and new educational offerings that benefit all boaters. The reports let all squadrons know what is going on with each other whether it be a clam bake on the shore or the need for help in seeing that a member can attain a new grade, or a squadron offering a new seminar to the public. Resources at hand are much easier to use than those a thousand miles away. The National Commander, when possible, also delivers a report on what is going on in the various departments. A national Bridge officer is in attendance when the C/C has been committed to other obligations elsewhere both in the US or Canada Power Squadrons.

Whether you are new to BLSPPS or a well seasoned member there is something for everyone at the District Conferences. Each squadron is responsible for hosting one Conference per year on a rotating basis. This gives all in that district a chance to see what other cities and towns have to offer by way of your own special interests.

Sooooo, come on and join us at the up coming

D31 District Conference in Tulsa
hosted by the Norman Squadron.



N A U T I C A L T I M E S



Fall District Conference

and Council Meeting
Hosted by
Norman Sail & Power Squadron

14, 15 & 16
October
2011

Clarion Hotel

2500 N Aspen
Broken Arrow, OK
(918) 258-7085

USPS Rate
\$59.95 per night
Includes Breakfast

Reservation Deadline
3 October 2011



Friday 14 October Pizza Party

DRESS



NAUTICAL



1800
to
2000

~ Fall Council Meeting to begin at 2015 ~



Saturday 15 October

Fall Conference ... 0900

Lunch (on your own) ... 1200 - 1330

Breakout Sessions ... 1330 - 1530

Social Hour ... 1800 - 1900

Dinner ... 1900

D/31 Change of Watch ... Immediately following Dinner

RANK _____ NAME _____ GRADE _____

RANK _____ NAME _____ GRADE _____

ADDRESS _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

SQUADRON AFFILIATION _____ SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON

Registration Fee @ \$ 55.00 _____ Total \$ _____

(Includes Registration fee, Nautical Times Pizza Party, and COW Dinner)

Please fill out and mail in this registration by 3 October 2011

Make checks payable to NORMAN SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

Send this registration and check to:

P/R/C Sandra Johnson, AP
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The Village, OK 73120-3106