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Executive Committee meetings are held the first Thursday of the month, at 1900, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Rd., Livonia, Michigan, or at other locations as announced in the *Anchor Lines*. General membership meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 1800, at various locations published in the *Anchor Lines*.

November Dinner Meeting

Join your fellow members November 18, 2010

At

Richard's

39305 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI.

(Just East of Eckles Road)

Social Hour: 1800(6:00pm) Dinner: 1900(7:00pm)

50/25/25 Raffle

Program: Inland Waterway

Choice of Dinners

Crab Cakes

½ Slab BBQ Ribs

Cajun Chicken Breast

Seafood Platter

Chicken Monterey

Roast Beef

Served with Potato or Rice, Soup or Salad, Bread

Coffee and Tea

Fresh Pie Dessert

\$16.00 a person

Check or exact change appreciated

Tax & Tip Included

****CASH BAR****

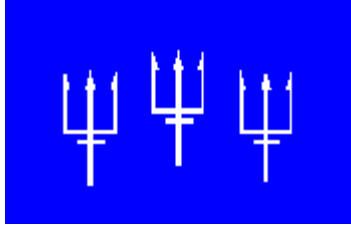
Reservations required by November 13th, 2010

Please call Sue Rayburn 734-953-2465, or

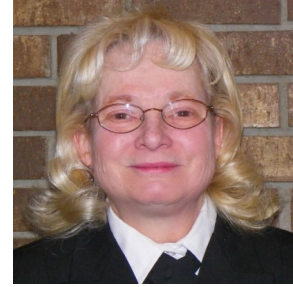
Reservations1@Dearborn-squadron.org

Reservations must be canceled three days prior to meeting

Or you will be billed for your meal!!



Commander's Department



As we go into November and the holiday season, our lives tend to become very busy and I am sure this year will be no exception; but it would be very nice to see all of you at our Squadron events. We have many interesting things planned for the winter. To start with we have the November dinner meeting. We also have a Christmas party in December hosted by Wyandotte, and the Change of Watch in January. Watch the calendar for further information on these events.

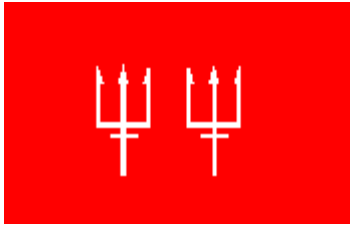
We always have fun at all these events, and the Dingy Rendezvous was no exception. On the weekend of September 10-12, we all got together at Bruin Lake. We sailed through two channels and three lakes at which time we stopped for a picnic lunch. Then it started to rain. Most of us returned to the camp site a little wet (we all had rain gear), but still had a great time. A few of our members were true boaters. Not even rain stopped them. They finished our normal course and came back wetter than the rest of us, but still very excited. You never know how much fun you can have in the rain until you try it.

As of this writing, we are still waiting to attend the D/9-D/29 Conference in Perrysburg, Ohio, October 22-24 (more about this next month). If you missed this Conference, you might want to join us at the Conference in the spring. That one will be held in Lansing, MI, March 25-26, 2011.

Hope to see all of you at our functions this fall and winter and have a very nice Thanksgiving.

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November			
Andre Jess	11-06	Bob Brusseau	11-09
Tom Bush	11-07	James Jones	11-15
Steve Bowers	11-09	Norm Feliks	11-22



Executive Department



This past weekend the temperatures were in the high seventies. It was also very sunny, no wind and the Detroit River was as smooth as glass. It was a beautiful day for a boat ride, but instead we were preparing the boat for winter haul-out. This just didn't seem right, but I knew soon the weather will turn cold and windy and I will be glad the boat winterization is done. So now we just wait until springtime.

In the meantime, there are many Power Squadron events coming up. Watch the Anchor Lines for information – stay informed.

Bruce Book will be teaching an Engine Maintenance Course starting in January. This will be a class with members from the DS&PS and Birmingham Power Squadron. If you are interested in taking this class, call Bruce at 248-758-9020.

The Metro Beach Boat Show was very well attended and a much larger show than last year. It was quite a successful boat show according to those who attended. A big THANK YOU TO JIM LONGLEY for chairing this event for our Squadron and also thank you to all those members who volunteered to work the Power Squadron Booth.

Remember to make your reservations for the Tri-Squadron Christmas Party. It will be Friday, December 03, at the Epicurean House in Trenton hosted by the Wyandotte Power Squadron. This is always a fun party and a great way to start the Christmas Season by celebrating with fellow Power Squadron members.

Since this is the November issue of Anchor Lines, I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

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Fun Facts

The first person selected as the Time Magazine Man of the Year-Charles Lindbergh in 1927.
An earthquake on Dec 16, 1811 caused parts of the Mississippi River to flow backwards.
It is estimated that a plastic container can resist decomposition for as long as 50,000 years.



Education Department



Upcoming Classes

I would like to schedule a Piloting class in the near future, but I need to know if there is enough interest in the class. I know at least one member (our Commander) wants to take Piloting. If anyone else is interested, please let me know at 734-981-5191, or e-mail me at fmuylaert@aol.com.

Engine Maintenance

We are pairing with Birmingham Power Squadron to offer Engine Maintenance. Bruce Book will be the instructor and the class will be at his house. Exact day and time are yet to be set; if you are interested, please call Bruce at 248-758-9020.

Seamanship

Due to lack of interest, the fall Seamanship class at John Glenn High School was canceled. Only one student showed up. We will reschedule the class in the spring/summer after the Basic Boating class.

D29/D9 Fall Conference

Weekend of October 23-24

Theme: Famous Pairs

Things to Think About

What disease did cured ham actually have?

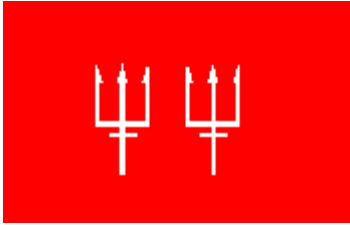
If Wiley E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

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Administrative Department



Where did the summer go? It's a good thing we are having a nice fall, because I am not ready for cold weather yet. The boat is put away and the garage is cleaned up, but I still do not feel ready for fall. I guess the good news is that this is the busy time for squadron activities. Fall Conferences and National Meeting are on the near horizon and the classes are either scheduled or underway.

Our meeting schedule is as follows:

October 22-24, 2010 – Fall Conference at “French Quarter Holiday Inn” – Perrysburg, OH
November 18, 2010 – Dinner Meeting at “Richard’s” – 39305 Plymouth Road, Livonia
December 3, 2010 – Christmas Party-Epicurean House, Trenton
January 20, 2011 – Change of Watch at “1 Under.”

It was approved at the last meeting that Awards Night will be moved to April 14, 2011. The event will be held at the Livonia Elks. This moves it away from conflict with the religious holidays.

It does not seem possible that my term as Administrative Officer is quickly rushing towards the end of my term. I probably have not put enough emphasis on membership, recruitment and retention. I am attending the new one-day training class for AO in November, and hope to learn the “what and how” that I have not been doing.

I have turned in all the Merit Marks for the Department, but I encourage you to send your own to Charlie Parkinson (cparkin@peoplepc.com), as he always encourages.

I have contacted six cyber members that National has sent out to a 50 mile radius of the person. Unfortunately they have all been closer to another squadron. I would ask each member to try and recruit a new member. Invite them to attend one of our meetings and learn who we are and what we do. Also if you are a member of an organization, perhaps we could give a presentation or seminar to attract some new members.

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Safety

Putting a Boat Away for the Winter? What You Need to Know About E-10 Gas

ALEXANDRIA, Va., September 9, 2010 – Boaters and anglers will soon be putting away their boats for the season. But before they do, Boat Owners Association of The United States (BoatUS) has some tips learned from fuel industry insiders on how to store a boat with E-10 gasoline (containing 10% ethanol) over the winter.

The Octane issue:

Over long winter storage periods, E-10 gasoline loses octane at about the same rate as non-ethanol gasoline. So leaving the gas tank mostly empty — and then refilling in the spring in the hopes of “refreshing” the fuel to regain any octane loss — is not necessary. However, a nearly empty gas tank introduces another problem: the strong possibility of phase separation.

Ethanol (an alcohol) attracts water. It also absorbs water — about 10 times more than regular gasoline. When ethanol can no longer absorb the water, it will “phase separate” from the gasoline. Should phase separation occur, the (water soaked) ethanol will settle to the bottom of the tank, which is where the engine’s fuel system pick-up is located. The problem with leaving a tank mostly empty is that it increases the tank’s “lung capacity” to breath in moist air (water) through the vent. If the tank is mostly empty over the winter, there will also be less E-10 gas in the tank to absorb the moisture. This combination of more water and less absorption greatly increases the chances of phase separation. Adding fresh gasoline in the spring would not remedy the problem — the phase-separated ethanol would remain separated at the bottom of the tank.

The Water Separator issue:

Any moisture in a tank will be readily absorbed by the ethanol. E-10 can hold up to 1/2 percent of water by volume and up to that concentration the water molecules will dissolve in the gasoline forming a soluble mixture that will pass through a water separator and burn harmlessly in your engine.

The only time water will collect in a tank and not be absorbed is if phase separation has occurred, and by then it will be too late. A water separator is not a solution to the phase separation problem.

The Fuel Additive issue:

Fuel additives are good for many reasons and should be used when laying up a boat for winter, but no additive will stand up to a good-sized slug of water. And once too much water has entered the tank and the gas has begun to phase separate, no additive will return the fuel to its original state. The only solution to phase-separated gas is to have a professional drain the tank and start anew.

The best advice for storing E-10 in your boat’s gas tank over winter:

Keep the tank nearly full. This greatly reduces the volume of moist air that can enter the tank via the fuel tank vent when temperatures fluctuate in the fall and spring. With any fuel, an antioxidant will help keep it fresh during lay-up. Finally, never plug up a fuel tank vent — it creates pressure that could cause dangerous leaks in the fuel system.

For more information including free downloadable winterizing checklists, go to www.BoatUS.com/winter. To watch a short video on ethanol and winterization, go to: <http://www.youtube.com/user/BoatUSvideos#p/u/44/QWgLHTkDhYU>.

The above is a reprint from BOATUS website

Editors Note: The above article was also printed in St Clair Shores Sail & Power Squadron’s October 2010 publication, “Shorelines”.

Please change P/C Al Lord’s phone number in your directory to 313-418-3538.



Tri Squadron Christmas Party

Hosted by: Wyandotte Power Squadron

December 3, 2010

Location: Epicurean House, 1660 Fort Street

Trenton, Michigan

Ticket Cost: \$35.00 per person

Social Hour 6:00 PM, Dinner at 7:00 PM

Music by D.J. Jerry Sommers

Door Prizes and 50/50 Drawings

Contact Person: Ian Holmes, 734-558-5630

16795 Silverado Drive

Southgate, MI 48195

We look forward to having you as our guest!

DEARBORN SAIL & POWER SQUADRON
Calendar 2010

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Nov 4	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Civic Center Library	1900
Nov 18	Membership Dinner Meeting	Richard's	1800
Dec 2	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Civic Center Library	1900
Dec 3	Tri-Squadron Christmas Party Hosted by Wyandotte Power Squadron	Epicurean House, Trenton	1800

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Jan 6	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Civic Center Library	1900
Jan 20	Change of Watch	1 Under	1800
Feb 1-6	USPS Annual Meeting	Orlando	
Feb 3	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Civic Center Library	1900
Feb 17	Membership Dinner Meeting	TBD	1800
March 3	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Civic Center Library	1900
March 17	Membership Dinner Meeting	TBD	1800
March 25-26	Spring Conference	Causeway Bay Hotel, Lansing (formerly Holiday Inn South)	
April 7	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Public Library	1900
April 14	Awards Night (Note change of week)	Livonia Elks	1800
May 5	Executive Board Meeting	Livonia Public Library	1900
May 7	Commander's Ball	FYC	
May 19	Flare Demonstration	Ford Yacht Club	1800



Safe Boating:

**We Learn
We Teach
We Practice**

