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District DC Commander

By DC Hank Willis, SN (Bremerton)

During my installation as district commander at the Spring Conference and Change of Watch that took place on 26 March at the Kitsap Conference Center in Bremerton, I presented the following thoughts to the members that were present. As your district commander I think it is worthwhile to repeat them here in our district newsletter for all our members to be informed.

“Back to the Future”

My goal for the coming year is to help members of our district have more fun by going “Back to the Future”. By going “Back to the Future”, I hope to use the experiences that made USPS great in the past help us now in our future.

In the past, USPS was known as a hands on group that did formation steaming, had detailed qualifications programs, promoted excellence in nautical skills and taught new members skills through a combination of on the water and classroom training. The programs and training were difficult, and included many hours on the water in addition to the classroom training. In 1912, a group of 20 power boaters, members of a fledgling squadron of power boats, saved the sailing fleet of the Boston Yacht Club during a raging Nor'easter. This group of power boat skippers became the inspiration for USPS. How many of us today would have the courage and seamanship skills to set out in a severe storm to assist sailing vessels going around on a lee shore? Probably not many of us.

I don't suggest that we do formation steaming, or cruise around in a storm. We can, however, take these lessons back to our future and reclaim our legacy by developing on the water training programs to emphasize excellence in seamanship and navigation.

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DC's message, continued from page 1

Folks join USPS for a variety of reasons. They like the social events, the rendezvous, and the educational programs. Most of all, they want to have fun on the water. If a member is not having fun, they won't continue to be members.

I was reminded of this after the recent spring council meeting in Friday Harbor. Most of the council members caught the same ferry back to Anacortes following the council. Shortly after the ferry got underway the sea became rough and the ferry began to roll and pitch. After a few minutes of this, the ferry captain came on the loudspeaker and announced that the weather was getting rough. He warned all of the passengers to remain in their seats so that they would not get hurt. I waited a minute, and then decided to go up to the bow to watch the waves. It only took me about 30 seconds to get there, and when I got to the observation lounge at the front of the ferry, I found that most of the council members were already there. They were watching the waves break over the bow, taking pictures, and balancing themselves without touching the hand rails. They all had smiles on their faces. **They were having a great time!** It struck me then that this why people join USPS. They want to have fun on the water.

New members are the same way. Their expectations when they join USPS are to learn nautical skills and to enjoy and be confident on the water. I believe that getting back to basics and having training on the water is what made USPS successful in the past, and we need to get back to it. Many squadrons already have water oriented activities for the enjoyment of their members. Training new members on the water, however, is a different thing. Each of us should think back to when we were a new member. We often had apprehensions as to how we were going to fit into this new organization. New members don't know us, and many don't have the on the water skills to participate in our rendezvous. So they often tend to be disappointed in USPS. By getting the new members on the water, we accomplish several important things. First, the new members get to know our older members in a friendly environment. Second, the new members become comfortable with the new skills that they are gaining and begin to realize how valuable that USPS can be to them and their families. On the Water training is a major key to recruiting and retaining new members in any squadron. It will help new members meet **their expectations** for USPS.

We can do this by having our experienced mariners teach new members on the water boating skills as part of our advanced classes. I hope that each squadron will take advantage of the new six months free membership, and use this opportunity by following *ABC* with a *Seamanship* class that includes an on the water day as the highlight of the course

With a combination emphasis of getting students back on the water and the free membership for *ABC* students, I believe that District 16 will have a success with recruiting and retention throughout the next year. We will also have more fun and be more confident on the water.

Next year, at Spring Conference, I hope that our members will have increased their enjoyment of membership and be able to see our members smiling broadly as our squadrons grow and succeed. I hope that each squadron will go back and bring successful on the water programs into their future this year 🍷



District Executive Officer

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**D/Lt/C Travis N. Smith, SN
(Friday Harbor)**

With cruising weather and warmer days occurring, you have to be thinking, “RENDEZVOUS and POULSBO.” Well, if not, then please read the info included in this copy of Cardinal Points which covers all the activities we have planned for this year. P/D/C Joanna and I are Co-Chairing the 2011 District 16 Rendezvous again this year and would truly like to have as many district members as possible attend. We had a great turn-out last year with 67 vessels and 180 attendees but this year we are looking to do even better.

Opportunities for improving your navigational skills will be available with our District’s expert team of Certifiers for Inland and Coastal Navigation available on Thursday and Friday. It will be a chance for you to gain experience shooting flares and using a fire extinguisher which could prove to be very valuable if the occasion ever presented itself where either are required. We will also be offering an USPS Seminar, Anchoring. This could be just the info

you are looking for to build your confidence when you decide to drop the hook.

Again, we will be serving the best BBQ pork and chicken available in Puget Sound with local corn on the cob, smoked beans, and corn bread. Pair all these tasty dishes with the squadron’s supplied desserts and we have one fine meal. Guaranteed, you will not go back to your boats hungry.

You’ll have the chance to meet and greet old and new district members during Friday evening’s “Dock Tail Party” which will take place on E-dock. You will want to bring an hors d’ oeuvres to share along with your favorite beverage. Our theme for this year is “Rock & Roll 60’s” so get out your high school letter sweater or your cheer leading outfit and wear it to the dock tail party.

Mark your calendars for June 24-26, and send your registration form into Joanna so we can reserve docking space and diner for you. We’ll be looking for you on the dock! ■

A few words from your Immediate Past District Commander

By P/D/C Joanna Webster, AP (Poverty Bay)

It was a pleasure and a very gratifying experience to serve as your D/C this past year. I met many of you as I worked my way through the district bridge over the past five years. Each year I added more friends and saw how many energetic members we have working at the squadron level to help make their squadron and this district successful.

Having a district bridge that worked so well together helped make my job this past year run very smoothly – so ‘Thank You’ District 16 Bridge 2010-2011 for your help and support. Thanks to each of you that served on district committee’s or just lent a helping hand when asked at a district event, your efforts were appreciated. ■



District Educational Officer **DEO**

D/Lt/C Karin McLean JN (Seattle)

Welcome to returning and new Squadron Educational Officers! You are to be commended for offering your time and talent for one of the three important functions of the United States Power Squadrons. Education is where we proudly serve the public and meet life long friends. Our waters are safer when we graduate our *ABC* students. Many join us to continue to learn. We have the best boating education dollar for dollar in the entire country. This makes me proud and happy to be a part of it.

My most important role is to be of service to you. I will try to keep you informed of any deadlines and how to meet them. Any new information received from USPS Headquarters will be immediately available to you. If I can't answer any of your questions, I know who to ask and will.

We had a very successful open meeting for incoming SEOs in February. Ideas were exchanged and new programs were discussed. The new HQ-800 system was reviewed. To learn more, go the presentation by its author, P/C Dan Bartell, SN at Education Dept. web page (<http://www.usps.org/eddept/>) under news. Additional SEO tools are also available on the SEO (<http://www.usps.org/national/eddept/misc/seos.htm>) web pages. The Boat Operator Certifier (BOC) program was reviewed. There will be On the Water Certification and Training for Inland and Coastal Navigation offered in Poulsbo at the D/16 Rendezvous on Thursday and Friday, 23-24 June.

Our annual District Educational Seminar was held 7 May at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club. The Seminar is our one chance each year to learn from the experts and one another. ADEO Ron Jones, SN (North Olympic) prepared an agenda for a fact filled meeting. The seminar was well attended by SEOs, ASEOs and teachers from throughout the district. If you missed this one, look for the announcements for next year beginning in March You won't be disappointed.

Educational awards at spring conference

Congratulations are in order for the following Education Achievement and Proficiency Awards presented at the spring Conference.

Education Achievement Awards (Full Certificates) Awarded to those members who have successfully passed all advanced grade and elective courses

Douglas B. Schwartz SN	North Olympic
Roger H. Hunt,SN	Poverty Bay
David K. Sharp, SN	Poverty Bay
Gloria Hunt, SN	Poverty Bay
Richard S. Kay, SN	Seattle

Education Proficiency Awards

Michael M. Johnston	Bellingham
Cordon A. McWatters	Poverty Bay
Dan M. Ottenbacher	Poverty Bay
James Y. Lea	Spokane

I apologize if I have made any errors in the above lists.

Congratulations to **Deception Pass Squadron**, winners of the **Roeber Award**. They had the highest percentage of eligible members who completed advanced grade and elective courses in 2010. See photo. page 5.

A national Charles Chapman Award for Outstanding Teaching comes to District 16.

Awarded to Bill Ray of Seattle Squadron. See photo on page 5.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the District Rendezvous in June. ☐

Your District Bridge for 2011 - 2012



(Seattle)

Your District 16 Bridge elected at the Spring Conference and Change of Watch. FROM LEFT: District Commander Hank Willis, SN (Bremerton); Executive Officer, Travis Smith, SN (Friday Harbor); Administrative Officer, John Sherrick, JN (Spokane); Secretary, Rod Barnes, SN, (Deception Pass); Treasurer, Christopher Brown, SN (Bellevue). NOT PICTURED: Educational Officer, Karin McLean, JN (Seattle); Assistant Educational Officer, Ron Jones, SN (North Olympic)

All photos except Roeber Award by Steve Erickson, AP

Bellevue Squadron wins Commanders' Challenge



P/CC Lance Jensen, SN (right) presents Bellevue Squadron Commander Dennis Dorracague, SN, with the Commanders' Challenge Trophy for the year 2010

Exchange of Commanders Flags at District COW



DC Hank Willis, SN with his PC flag and PDC Joanna Webster AP and her well-earned P/PC colors

Bill Ray, AP brings a Chapman Award to Seattle Squadron



Chapman Award winner Bill Ray, AP holding the award certificate, flanked by wife Jan Ray and ADEO Ron Jones, SN holding the Chapman Award sextant

Deception Pass Squadron is 2010 winner of Roeber Award



A beaming Deception Pass SEO (L) and D/C Hank Willis, SN with the handsome Roeber trophy awarded to Deception Pass at the spring conference. photo by Mary Williford, (Deception Pass)

2011 DISTRICT 16 RENDEZVOUS

"Rock & Roll 60's"

PORT OF POULSBO 24-26 JUNE, 2011

Who, What, When & Where

Docking: We'll have our Tacoma Squadron's Docking Specialists again this year, who will be assisting in the arrival of boats for docking. Everybody is required to call in on **VHF 72**, prior to entering the marina. Even if you do not wish assistance in docking, please inform the docking crew you have arrived.

Registration: Friday and Saturday, rendezvous check-in will be at the Multi Purpose Room (MPR) located at the entrance to "E" dock. Times for registration will be posted on front of the building. You must send in the \$5.00 dock reservation fee (non-refundable) with your reservation to ensure you will have a confirmed slip. The remainder of your moorage fees (for your entire stay), must be paid directly to the Port of Poulsbo, i.e., **not to District 16**. Please check in on **VHF 72** when your boat arrives at the marina. The reservation for your meals and moorage must be received by **11 June 2011**. No guarantees for the Four Star BBQ dinner or dock space after this date.

Boat Operator Certifier Qualification: BOC qualification and training will be available for both Inland and Coastal Navigator. Sign up now as space is limited.

Inland Navigation: Inland certifiers will be available on Thursday, 23 June, and Friday, 24 June, to witness power boat handling skill demonstrations and sign off on passports for this level. If there is a need, training may be available on Wednesday, 22 June. This training will be similar to last year's program. It takes about three to four hours to complete the training.

Coastal Navigator: Coastal certifiers will be available Thursday, 23 June, and Friday, 24 June, to witness navigation and boat handling skill demonstrations. Note: Inland navigator on-the-water skill demonstrations must be completed first. This demonstration takes about five hours and is performed in the candidate's own vessel. If you want to receive credit for either Inland or Coastal Navigator, *you need to obtain an Inland or Coastal Navigator Candidate Kit by ordering through your SEO, prior to the class.*

For questions and sign-ups contact L.D Brown @ 425-454-0115 (home) / 425-785-3844 (cell) or ldandtrudy@att.net .

Fire Extinguisher and Flare Practice: A fire extinguisher practice session is planned for Saturday morning between 1030 and 1200 at the adjacent park's fire pit. During the same time, there will be shooting of outdated aerial and hand-held flares on the beach behind the Sons of Norway Hall. If you

have any outdated flares, please bring them to the practice. This is a great opportunity to obtain "hands-on" experience with your on-board safety equipment. Don't wait until you have an emergency to figure out how to use these critical items. **Bob Miller, SN (Poverty Bay)** will be the Range Safety Officer for the two exercises.

Friday Night Social: "Dock Tail Party" from 1700-1900 on "E" Dock." **Please bring hors d'oeuvres** to share. We'll have tables set up between boats on the finger docks for your food plates. All alcoholic beverages must remain within the docks and cannot pass the ramp.

Saturday Morning's Opening Ceremony: It will begin at **1000 SHARP** on the outside grass area which is directly at the rear of the Sons of Norway Hall's activity area. We will have the pleasure of the **SSS Hurricane Sea Scouts** being our honor guard to present the colors; followed by **P/D/C Kari Black, AP (Everett)** giving the invocation.

USPS Seminar: One of our district's seminar presenters will be leading a USPS Seminar at the Sons of Norway Hall (upper floor) on Saturday from **1300 to 1400**. The presenter will be a certified instructor who has extensive experience utilizing and applying the information presented in the seminar. If you want to learn more about how to be a smarter and safer boater, be sure to attend this free seminar. The seminar topic and presenter will be announced in your squadron newsletters.

Youth Poster Contest: **Susan Tarpley (Everett)** will be displaying the youth poster entries for reviewing in the Sons of Norway Hall (upper floor) until 1800. The submitted posters will be judged by a panel of judges at Fall Conference. First place winner in each of the three age groups will move on to the USPS Fall Governing Board in Greensboro, N.C.

Saturday Evening Dinner: Squadron members will be served finger licking wood fired Carolina BBQ Pulled Pork and BBQ Chicken, supplied by Mikes Four Star BBQ. Side dishes offered are corn on the cob, smoky BBQ beans, and sweet corn bread. **Please bring a dessert to share.** All plates and utensils will be provided. A "No Host Bar" will be provided by the Sons of Norway from 1700 until 2200. Dinner cost is \$13.00 for adults; \$6.50 for children (12 and under). Dinner will be served at **1800**.

Saturday Evening Silent Raffle: After dinner, we will announce the winners of the silent raffle. Each squadron has been asked to donate a **new nautical item** valued in the range \$35 to \$50. Please bring your squadron's auction item(s) to the upper floor of the Sons of Norway Hall at **1500**, in order to have an opportunity to view and bid on the raffle items. The raffle will open at **1700**. ■

Annual District 16 Rendezvous at Port of Poulsbo: 24-26 June 2011

"Rock & Roll '60's"

Registration:

Name: _____ Squadron: _____
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Meal Reservations: Reservations for all meals must be received on or **before 11 June**. No guarantee for Four Star BBQ dinners will be given after this date!!

Friday Night Social: No host (BYOB) "Dock Tail Party" from 1700 to 1930 on "E Dock." Dress in your warm and favorite casual attire. We will have tables set up between our boats on the finger docks for your favorite hors d'oeuvre to share with District Members and guests.

	<u># Attending</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Saturday Evening BBQ: Carolina Style Pulled Pork or BBQ Chicken with three side dishes: \$13.00 / person .	_____ (Adults)	_____
Children (10 and under): \$6.50 .	_____ (Children)	_____
Please note selection and quantity:	Pork _____	Chicken _____

Saturday: Advance Boat Operator Certifier Qualification / Inland Navigation & Coastal Navigation offered Thursday through Saturday. Check your Squadron Newsletter for information on which USPS Seminar to be scheduled, along with other activities.

MOORAGE RESERVATIONS

- For mooring reservations, pay **\$5.00** to D/16, as an advance guarantee (**to be paid on or before 11 June, 2011, Non Refundable**).
- Pay Port of Poulsbo Marina after arrival for all moorage: **\$.90 / foot** with 30' minimum charge; includes electrical hook-up (30amp).

Docking Request: (Please Circle)

(Bow or Stern) (Port or Stbd)

Reservation Fee: **\$5.00** \$ _____

This fee is **non refundable**. D16 has to prepay.

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please Check Arrival Day: (Thursday) (Friday) (Saturday)

Boat Name: _____ LOA _____ Beam _____ Draft _____

Special Considerations: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Poulsbo Inn: 360-779-3921 Note: Reservation must be made no later than **May 24**, to confirm your room.

Reference: **Power Squadron 2011** for group rate of \$80.

Eagle Tree RV Park: 360-598-5988

Please mail no later than 11 June 2011 to: (Make checks payable to: District 16)

Mail Reservations to:
D/C Joanna Webster, AP
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For Rendezvous information or questions, contact:
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Home: 360-378-1849 E-mail: tnslds@aol.com

2011 DISTRICT CRUISE

26 June - 10 July

Itinerary Update

By DC Hank Willis, SN (Bremerton)

This is the latest update for the upcoming 2011 District Cruise. We have had some itinerary changes as a result of good suggestions by Canadian Power Squadrons (CPS) members from Vancouver Island. Right now we have 17 boats signed up for the cruise. We will plan on having a skipper's meeting on board the *Lady Sharon* after lunch at 1330 on Saturday, 25 June during the district rendezvous to provide a final update.

The Itinerary

Sunday after the Rendezvous (26 June, 2011): Leave Poulsbo after rendezvous and proceed independently for Roche Harbor (48° 36.7'N, 123° 10.5'W). Either anchor out or moor at marina. The party barge has been reserved for a Monday afternoon get together with Friday Harbor S&PS. BYOB and come for our first get together.

Tuesday (28 June): Leave Roche Harbor for Sidney (48° 39.1'N, 123° 23.5'W) – 11 nm. Check in at Canadian Customs. Take on fuel and food as needed. Sidney is a wonderful, full function marina. Possible to take bus to Victoria and/or Buchart Gardens.

Wednesday (29 June): Leave Sidney for Montague Harbor (48° 53.4'N, 123° 24.0'W) – 15 nm. Anchor out. A great anchorage with good marine park, great pub, and wonderful tug converted to a floating, anchored bakery. Dinghy over for fresh bread and cinnamon rolls. Hank will get a bag of oysters for a shell toss after anchoring. Bring your own booze aboard *Lady Sharon* to share.

Thursday (30 June): Leave Montague for Clam Bay (48° 59.1' N, 123° 38.8'W) – 12nm. Great fun to take a dinghy ride through the cut from Clam Bay to Telegraph Harbour. We may be able to practice man overboard

retrieval with Chuck Leavitt's 90 lb dummy before going into Clam Bay.

Friday (1 July): Leave Clam Bay for Nanaimo (49° 10.2'N, 123° 55.4'W) – 17 nm. Use your AP skills to navigate Dodd Narrows (49° 08.0'N, 123° 49.0'W)
Slack @ 0936 Flood@ 1309 7.6 Kts 315°
Slack @ 1648 Ebb @ 1945 5.1 kts 135°

Saturday (2 July): Second day at Nanaimo. Folks who went to the CPS Annual Meeting said it was great.

Sunday (3 July): Leave Nanaimo for Garden Bay, Pender Harbour (49° 37.8' N; 124° 01.4' W) – 29 nm. Anchor out or dock at a marina. We should be able to get a good sun line while enroute. Hank will bake an apple pie for boat with smallest intercept. Area WG is a torpedo test range. Before crossing check with WG Range Control using VHF Channel 11 or 16.

Monday (4 July): Leave Pender Harbour for Westview, Powell River (49° 50' 94" N; 124° 31' 446" W) – 25 nm. North basin has permanent facilities; South basin for transient visitors.

Tuesday (5 July): Leave Westview for Prideaux Haven (50° 08.5'N, 124° 41.2'W) – 30 nm Anchor out.

Wednesday (6 July): At Prideaux Haven second day

Thursday (7 July): Leave Prideaux Haven for Gorge Harbour (50° 05.8'N, 125° 0.5'W) – 23 nm.

Friday (8 July): Second Day at Gorge Harbour.

Saturday (9 July): Leave Gorge Harbour for Campbell River (50° 2.2'N, 125° 14.4'W) – 16 nm. Great fishing, I understand, but this time slot is a little early for the big Tyees. Cruise ends, Fleet to proceed independently from Campbell River to either go further north, explore more of Desolation Sound, or head for home.

NOTE: The waypoints provided are general waypoints and need to be verified by skippers prior to establishing their routes.

VHF-FM Radio Telephone best frequencies for contacting Washington State ferry vessels

By D/1st Lt Ron Jones, SN (North Olympic)

Captain George Capacci, Deputy Chief of Operations and Construction for the Washington State Ferries (WSF) System gave a very interesting presentation at the D16 Spring Conference. In his presentation he stated that one of the major problems for Captains of WSF vessels is collision avoidance with recreational boaters. The ferry captains don't know if the recreational boater is aware of the ferries and its limited ability to maneuver. It would help if recreational boaters would communicate with WSF vessels on CH-13 VHF-FM. ■

Since Washington State ferries participate in the USCG Vessel Traffic Service and communicate on CH 14 VHF-FM in South Puget Sound and CH-5 VHF-FM in North Puget Sound, WSF vessels do not have to maintain a listening watch on CH-16 VHF-FM. Some vessels do occasionally monitor CH-16; however the best way for other vessels to contact a Washington State ferry is on CH-13 VHF-FM as WSF vessels consistently monitor CH-13 VHF-FM which is the bridge to bridge frequency.

FROM NOAA FISHERIES

Vessel Regulations to Protect Puget Sound Killer Whales

By the Editor, compiled from NOAA press release

The new rules prohibit vessels from approaching any killer whale closer than 200 yards and forbid vessels from intercepting a whale or positioning the vessel in its path. This doubles the previous approach distance of 100 yards.

The new rules, effective in early May apply to all boats, including motor boats, sail boats, kayaks and canoes in Washington's inland waters. Exemptions to the rules include vessels actively engaged in fishing commercially, cargo vessels traveling in established shipping lanes, and government and research vessels.

The whales, which depend on their highly sophisticated natural sonar to navigate and find food, can be affected by underwater noise from boats and disturbed by vessels including non-motorized ones, that approach too close or block their paths. The agency's killer whale recovery plan, released in early 2005, calls for actions to reduce disturbance from vessels. ■



USPS Board of Directors Approves Life Jacket Recommendation

Source: USPS Monthly Broadcast for May, 2011

USPS recently approved a recommendation to endorse the National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC) resolution regarding mandatory life jacket wear aboard certain boats and to actively promote mandatory life jacket wear through surveys, public engagement and lobbying. In its resolution, the NBSAC recommended that the U.S. Coast Guard establish mandatory life jacket wear for open boats less than 18 feet, including sail, motor and human-powered craft, with consideration given to appropriate exemptions ■

District 16 Calendar 2011

21 - 27 May	National Safe Boating Wk.
24 - 26 June	D16 Annual Rendezvous. Port of Poulsbo
26 Jun-09 Jul	District Cruise to San Juans, Canadian Gulf Islands and points north.
05 AUG	DEADLINE, FALL ISSUE CARDINAL POINTS
12-17 Sept	USPS Fall Governing Bd. Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons, Greensboro, N.C.
TBA	D/ 32 Fall Council/Conf, Venue TBA.
29-30 Oct	D/16 Fall Council/Conf. Bellevue Red Lion Inn.
2012	
25-29 Jan	USPS Annual Meeting, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida.
TBA	Seattle Boat show, Qwest Field Event Center.
TBA	Spokane Boat show, State Fairgrounds and Expo Center
11 Feb	D/16 Spring council, Skagit Bay.
TBA	D.32 Spring Conference.
30-31 Mar	D/16 Spring Conference Friday Harbor

More Spring Conference Photos



DC Joanna Webster, AP, presents P/CC Lance Jensen, SN (Bellevue) with the District 16 Commander Appreciation Award "for loyal service to District 16 in a manner that promotes and exemplifies the mission of the United States Power Squadrons."



*National Treasurer Richard Peoples, SN (Banana River, Fla. D23) was CC Frank Dvorak's representative to the Spring Conference. He presented the chief's message.
photos by Steve Erickson, AP*



ABC class at the Spokane Boat Show a success

Although show attendance was down this year, Spokane Squadron efforts were well rewarded. Held in the County Fair and Expo Center, the show ran for eight days. Spokane members staffed their booth each day and additional members taught the *ABC* course to 28 students, two hours daily for four consecutive days. Impressive participation by the squadron membership was involved in this endeavor.

Spokane Yacht Club, the show sponsor, provided a prime location for the squadron booth and free use of a conference room to use for classes. Those taking the *ABC* course were given complimentary passes for the entire run of the Boat Show.

Spokane Squadron begins making boat show plans in September when they begin mobilization of the membership. This was a total squadron effort.

Basis for this article is a report published in the March 2011 issue of the SSPS newsletter the Lubber Line, by P/V/C Jim Roeber, SN.

