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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

In the last issue I said that there was a few busy months ahead of us, that was putting it mildly. It seems like only yesterday that I was writing those words and now August and September are over and so are many Squadron acitivites. All we have left is memories, but some great ones they are.

There were only two Executive Board meetings but countless committee meetings. August started off with a BANG with the District 10 Rendezvous in Washburn. This is the second time Duluth has hosted such an event and it was a bigger success then anyone can imagine. There were 212 members at the Rendezvous and everyone had a great time. My thanks go to all the people who helped me put this event on. Especially LEO J. and De De KENNEDY. The next Squadron Activity came on Labor Day Weekend starting with the Treasure Hunt which was Chaired by Dave Poulin who did a fine job. He made it a little more difficult this year which I think is good. Dave has also agreed to take it next year so we all better get out our charts and practice charting. On Sunday after the Treasure Hunt and the skies had cleared the annual Corn Roast began. Betty Hansen and a fine crew did what I think is the best Corn Roast the Squadron has ever seen. There were some 180 people served. They enjoyed hand cooked food which took a lot of effort. There were 39 boats tied up at the Squadron dock, they were three abreast. Many THANKS to Betty and her crew. By the Way, this is the first time a lady has Chaired an entire activity such as this. The Predicted Log Race was cancelled because of bad weather but I thank P/C Wayne Youngren for his effort and preparation. The last and in my opinion the greatest event of the year was the District 10 Fall Conference which was held here in Duluth. Many THANKS go to Co-Chairmans P/C Bob Stokes and P/C Richard Bibby and their crews who put on the finest Conference I have ever attended. Also, many THANKS go to Jane Ryckman for taking care of registration and the the ladies activities. We also can't forget LEO J. and DE DE KENNEDY who were honored at the evening meal for their hard work which was greatly appreciated not only by the Duluth Squadron but by everyone in the District.

Things are slowing down but there are plenty of activities scheduled for the next two months and I hope you will all continue your support.

Donald P. Hansen, AP Cdr. Duluth, USPS

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Advanced Grades

SEAMANSHIP (S) Co-Chairpersons Steven & Rita Johnsen Monday Nov. 8th This will be an accelerated class based on the students needs. Basic information on Seamanship skills Course includes "Marlinspike Seamanship", Types of Boats and Propulsion Systems, Hull Designs, Stability and Trim, Normal and Adverse Boat Handling, River Piloting, Locking, Boat Trailering, Anchoring, Layup, Fitting Out, and Repairs.

<u>PILOTING</u> (P) <u>Chairman Dave Poulin</u> Tuesday Nov. 5th. This class will be an accelerated class based on the student's needs. Basic Charting - Aids to Navigation - Rules of the Road.

ADVANCED PILOTING (AP) 16 Weeks Chairman Gene Rock Monday Nov. 4th. Prerequisite (S) & (P). Provides a well rounded background for safe piloting in Ocean Coastal waters, Lakes and Rivers. Presents methods of Piloting when Navigating in impaired visibility, or at night, or when cruising in familiar waters, in currents, tide waters, etc.

JUNIOR NAVIGATION (JN) 16 Weeks Instructors are available. First week of November. Day to be set at convenience of class. Prerequisite (AP). A course sufficiently complete in itself that the graduate could navigate out of sight of land and bring his ship safely back to port. The practical use of the sextent is covered.

NAVIGATOR (N) 16 weeks Instructors are available. First week of Nov. Day to be set at convenience of class. Prerequisite (JN) The graduate's course in the United States Power Squadron. Utilization of all past course materials and further extention of Navigation principles.

Elective Grades

ENGINE MAINTENANCE (EM) 10 Weeks Chairman Bob Haigh Monday Nov. 4th. A course intended to help perform proper maintenance and repair most of your engine problems. Fun for all!!!

MARINE ELECTRONICS (ME) Chairman John Harrison 12 weeks Wednesday Nov. 6th. All about your boats electrical system Marine Radio Communications and Electronic Navigation. The course covers Depth Sounders, Radio Direction Finders, Radar, Loran, and many other devices.

SAIL (S) 12 weeks Chairman Jack Soetebier Monday January 6th 1986 Prerequisite Seamanship. Learn the fundamentals of Sailing and Sail Boat handling. Explore the theory of area dynamics of sail, balance and stability. This is a marvelous course well presented so that graduates will become better qualified to improve their performance in the art of sail.

WEATHER (W) 12 weeks Chairman Bob Wilson Thursday Nov. 7th. Understand what makes the weather behave as it does. Be able to predict whats going to happen, and when. Understand the conditions that cause fog and when it will lift, through the knowledge gained in this course.

Enroll now in one of these courses!!!!!

Please respond by October 10th FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM AND SEND IT TO AL KLOPP 4414 Tioga Street, Duluth, Minn. 55804, today.

Feel free to call Dan Simonson, Al Klopp, or any of the above Chairpersons, if you have questions.

0	YES - I am interested in the following courses !
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TIME: Classes start at 1900

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Cdr. Don Hansen for the fine Rendezvous at Washburn.

Those that didn't make the trip missed the best outing in the past years.

Thanks also to Diana and Yvonne who gave much of their time to help Don with the many tasks of Registration.

Also thanks go to DE DE and Leo Kennedy for their excellant hospitality room and the help they gave Don. The meat balls were great. People are still talking about them.

Billy Gooder was the Hit of the Day with the kids and adults as well with the great games and prizes.

I again thank Don and all those who helped him for the wonderful time.

Dave Carlson, AP Executive Officer Duluth, USPS

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

Since many of you do not attend our Executive Board meetings, I have decided to give a very brief outline of the meeting that are held. As before, I invite everyone to attend. This is where decisions are made and we would like everyone to be a part of those decisions.

Aug. 22, 1985: Meeting called to order at 1930 and there were 19 people present.

Secretary Erland Bjork read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read.

Executive Officer Dave Carlson gave a report on the Washburn trip and also read the Treasures report as Treasurer Wayne Carlson was not in attendence.

E/O Dan Simonson reported that everyone who had taken the Weather course had passed the exam.

Admin. Officer Dave Poulin reported on the Treasure Hunt and other upcoming activities.

Property Officer Del Forsyth reported that he had talked to the Burlington Northern about their increase in the Dock Lease. Del has written a letter in protest.

Motions were made and passed to accept at new members Candy Hengel and Ken and Carol Price.

The Cdr. reported on National and District news. He also gave a report on the Washburn Rendezvous.

Betty Hansen then reported on plans for the Corn Roast.

The meeting was then turned over to the District Conference Committee headed by P/C Bob Stokes and P/C Richard Bibby.

The meeting adjourned at 2115.

EXECUTIVE MEETING CON'T

Sept. 12, 1985: Meeting was called to order at 1935 and there were 15 members present.

Secr. Erland Bjork read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved as read.

Treasure Wayne Carlson then read and reported on the financial statues of the Squadron.

Ex. Officer Dave Carlson gave a short report and mentioned that the National USPS office has several contests going on concerning different aspects of the USPS. (hopefully he will have a report in the next Channel Chatter on them).

E/O Dan Simonson reported that the date for the Public Boating Class was Tuesday, Jan 7th. He also mentioned that he had a report ready for the Channel Chatter.

Admin. Officer Dave Poulin was given a round of applause for the fine job he had done on the Treasure Hunt. He also said he would do it again next year. He then asked for help in putting on the Christmas party and I am proud to announce that he found two chairmens, Candy Hengel and Diana Hansen and they have promised us a good time.

Cdr. Don Hansen then reported on the Corn Roast and Chairperson Betty Hansen was also given a round of applause and a congratulations on a job well done.

The meeting was then turned over to the District Conference Committee.

The meeting ajourned at 2145.

DISTRICT 10 NEWS

There will be a report on the District Conference in pages to come.

Many thanks to Editor John Waldman for the fine job he did in the August 10's Communicator.

A report on the District Rendezvous will also follow.

D/C Ted Anderson says that we will go over 1300 people by the end of the year, I hope he is right. Duluth is doing their part.

NATIONAL NEWS

National is interested in creating a uniform fiscal year for the entire USPS.

They report that for the first time in many years the total membership of USPS is on the upswing, thats great news.

The National office is interested and solicite personal resumes from those members who are interested in serving in some capacity at the National level. Such resumes should be directed to the attention of the Chairman, Nominations Committee.

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STATE WATERS CLAIM 49 LIVES

Minnesota's waters have claimed 49 persons lives so far this year which is an increase of eight over the same period in 1984.

Included in the figure are 30 non-boating fatalities and 19 boating deaths according to the Minnesota DNR.

Most of the boating fatalities involved several common factors;

- 55 percent were alchohol related compared to about one-third of the total involved drinking last year.
- 2. Most occured in small boats which were 16 feet or smaller.
- 3. Most of the boats involved either had no motors or had motors under 10 horsepower.
- Nearly all were accidents in which the victim fell overboard or capsized the craft.

On a National level, 1984 had one of the lowest boating related death rates since 1961. There were 1,063 boating deaths in 1984 compared to 1,114 which was the previous low set in 1962.

The U.S. Coast Guard estimates there were \$19.2 million in property damage in 5,700 accidents. Also there were 2,709 injuries related to boating accidents in 1984.

The U.S. Coast Guard estimates that it receives reports of almost all fatal accidents, but less than 10% of the accidents which do not involve fatalities.

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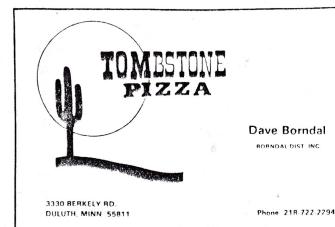
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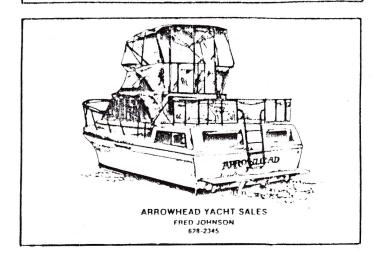
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RULES OF THE ROAD REQUIRED ON BOARD YACHTS

Coast Guard officers can now issue written warnings instead of civil penalties to operators of boats 12 meters (39.4 feet) or larger for not carrying on board a copy of the Inland Navigational Rules. The law has always required boats 39.4 feet or larger to carry a copy or the rules, but in the past officers were limited to issuing civil penalties with fines up to \$5,000 per violation. For a minor infraction, they were reluctant to do so. Now, first-time violators may receive a written warning for failure to carry the rule book on board. A Coast Guard spokesman said the rule is intended to emphasize the educational rather than the punitive nature of enforcement for minor infractions.

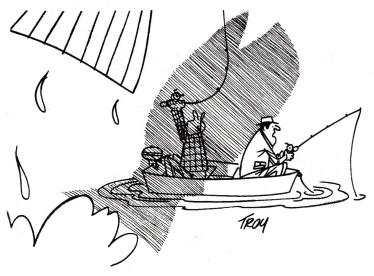
FCC STILL REQUIRES SHIPS STATUIB LICENSE FOR VHF

Reports regarding a change in Federal Communications Commission regulations for marine VHF radios has left some boat owners confused. What the FCC has eliminated is the restricted radio operator's permit that used to be required for talking on a marine VHF. Since the permit was issued to everyone who applied and required no special skill or testing, the FCC decided it was an administrative burden. However, boat owners still must have the ship's station license to operate a marine VHF radio and obtain call letters. This can be obtained by filling out an FCC Form 506. Again, only the requirement for a radio operator's permit has been dropped.

B-E-L-L in the ENSIGN

Can you believe that an article about the Boaters Emergency Life Line I wrote appeared in the Sept. issue of THE ENSIGN.

Many thanks to Carol Romano, the Editor, for feeling that it deserves some National publicity. We Do!



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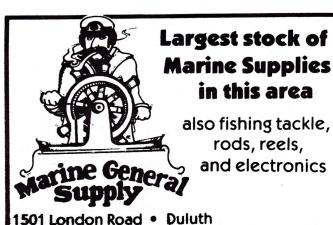
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PREVENTING FALLS OVERBOARD

Much has been written over the years about the dangers of a Man Overboard, and the difficulty of getting him back if he is injured or exhausted. Preventing falls overboard is, therefore, something to consider carefully. Proper deck shoes which will not slip easily on a wet deck are a real advantage over something like a slick soled tennis shoe. The tennis shoe will provide fairly good footing and won't scar up your deck but they fall short of the non-skid qualities of a properly designed deck shoe.

One hand for the man and one for the ship is a saying as old as sailing itself. Keep a firm grip on someting that will not give away under your weight will help keep you aboard if it is necessary to move about on a boat. In something as small as a canoe or small sailboat, keep your weight amidships and hold on to both gunwales

On larger boats, crew members going forward or out on an exposed deck can help prevent a fall overboard by wearing a well designed Safety Harness. These are standard equipment on ocean racing sailboats but may be even more important on the cruising boat, sail or power, where a small crew has more to do and loss of a man can be much more serious.

We haven't mentioned Life Jackets. Wear your PFD, your Friend for Life. If the weather is at all threatening, get them on. If you are on a short cruise or just out for the afternoon sail, put in on. It's easy to forget on a fine day with a small crew that Life Jackets could be necessary. Remind each other "Put on That Life Jacket" before anyone leaves the cockpit.

Welcome Aboard

Candy Hengel has become a new member of the Duluth Power Squadron and also Ken and Carol Price have become family members.

WELCOME!





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Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 10 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 1915 at the Elk's Club

Oct. 24 GENERAL MEETING Join the rest of the Duluth USPS members at the Duluth Elk's Club for a Dinner meeting (dinner cooked by that world famous chef "Dan Rock"), brother of P/C Gene Rock. Following dinner we will have a short business meeting and then we are honored to have a member of the Minn. Sea Grant Extension Program, Mr. Jeff Gunderson who will show a short film and explain the work they are doing in our area. DON'T MISS THIS ONE

Nov. 14 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 1915 at the Elk's Club, Everyone is welcome! GENERAL MEETING
The date has been changed from
Nov. 21 so we can have our District
Coop Charting Chairman join for a
dinner meeting (location and time
not as yet determined). P/D/C Bob
Byrne will explain and bring us up to date on
Coop Charting.

Dec. 14 CHRISTMAS PARTY
Join the Squadron for what
promises to be the best
Christmas Party ever. Candy
Hengel and Diana Hansen are
Co-Chairing the event and we
have already seen what the
ladies of the Squadron can do.
DON'T MISS THIS ONE!

Nov. 22

Jan. 86
GENERAL MEETING
After dinner and a short
business meeting Author Bonnie
Dahl (Superior Way) will present
a slide show and lecture on
cruising Lake Superior. We are
very lucky to have her and her
husband with us so PLEASE PLAN ON
ATTENDING. (date and place to be
determined)



Party

Saturday, December 14, 1985
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Plan Now-Mark your Calendar.
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WASHBURN RENDÉZVOUS

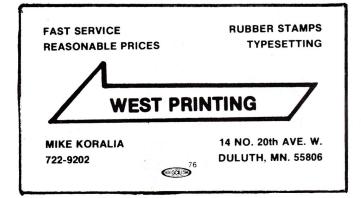
For many years I have heard the complaint that the Duluth Squadron never took any trips. I couldn't understand what they ment because I could remember all the trips to Cornicopia, Bayfeild and Madeline Island that the Squadron used to take. Then I realized the words "used to" was the whole problem, so I decided to do something about it. With the help of Chuck Verville, who laid out the ground work by meeting with the people at the Washburn Marina, things started to happen. Many trips to Washburn later, with the help of Leo Kennedy and Harvey Hengel, the Rendezvous became a reality.

Here's how things went; On Aug. 2 - 3 - 4 the Duluth Power Squadron hosted a District 10 Rendezvous in Washburn Wis. Their were 212 members of Dist. 10 who attended the Rendezvous. The members came in 34 boats, 12 R.V.'s and by car to fill the Travel Host Motel in Washburn.

Activities started on Friday Aug. 2 with registration and a hospitality room in the Travel Host Motel (De De and Leo were at their best). The evening brought dinner at the Steak Pit Restraunt. Following dinner two National Park Rangers gave a slide presentation on boating in the Apostle Island National Park. Upon the conclusion of the presentation a dance was held at the Washburn Marina.

Saturday Aug. 3 started off with two batchs of "Scurvy Inoculations", a fishing contest which was won by our own Dave Carlson and crew, games for all ages and dinner at the Marina which was cooked on a wood stove by the ladies of the local VFW. After dinner a Sunset Cruise was ready to leave the dock at 1930. When the boat docked, there was another band playing and everyone danced till the wee morning hours.

Sunday, Aug. 4 brought a pancake breakfast also cooked by the VFW and held at the Marina. Then came the highlight of the whole weekend, the "FIRST MATES DOCKING CONTEST". In conjunction with the new USPS Skipper Saver Coarse we invited the ladies of District 10 to take part in not only a test of docking skills, but a test of their boating knowledge and confidence in taking the helm.



WASHBURN RENDEZVOUS CON'T

There were trophys for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in two classes of boats, single and twin engines.

The contest was very successful not only for those who took part but because of the support the rest of the members gave these ladies. The docks were lined with people and each lady was given a round of applause and cheers no matter how well they did.

Here are the winners:

Single engine class:

1st place

Rosemary Flynn

Minnetonka Sq.

2nd place

Tamara Gooder

Duluth Sq.

3rd place

Julie Rossini Minnetonka Sq.

Twin engine class:

1st place

Candy Hengel

Duluth Sq.

2nd place

Heather Meehan

Duluth Sq.

3rd place

Martha Byrne

Duluth Sq.

These ladies should be given a lot of credit as well as the captians who supported them.

The event was very successfull and many thanks to the many people who helped me with all the work, here are just a few of those who helped out; Leo and De De Kennedy, Diana Hansen, Yvonne Hansen, Chuck Verville, Harvey and Candy Hengel, and last but not least our games chairman Bill Gooder.

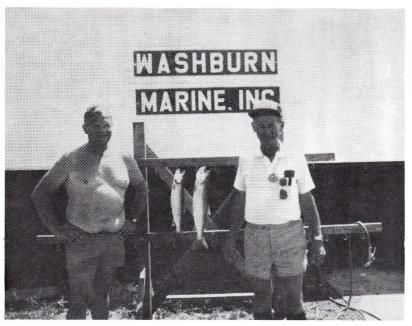
Many thanks also go to the many people from the Washburn Marina who put up with us. We couldn't have done it without their help.

I have sent an article to Carol Ramano, the editor of "THE ENSIGN" about the Rendezvous along with a picture of the ladies docking contest and to my surprize I just received a letter saying it will be used in the December issue. THATS GREAT!



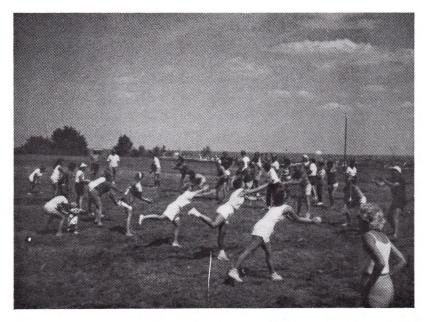
FIRST MATES DOCKING CONTEST

Left to right: Rosemary Flynn, Julie Rossinni, D/C Ted Anderson (judge), Tamara Gooder, P/S/C Ron Berry (judge), D/EO Bill Price (judge), Heather Meeham, Martha Byrne, and Candy Hengel.



FISHING CONTEST WINNERS

Left to right: Dave Carlson, 3 pound 3.75 oz. lake trout, 5 pound 15.5 oz. lake trout, and John Oster from Canada.



GAMES Games for all ages thanks to the chairman Mr. Bill Gooder and Crew.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

TREASURE HUNT; Many thanks go to Admin. Officer David Poulin who did an excellent job at chairing this event. We decided that in past years the treasure hunt was too easy, so we added a little something to it and from what I have heard it was very successful. It made you stop and think and use what the USPS has taught you. From what I understand, Dave has agreed to chair the event next year so be prepared. By the way, who was that headed up the river going the wrong way on the third clue?

Also, many thanks go to the ladies of the Squadron who did another outstanding job on the Pot Luck dinner. There was plenty of good food to go around, we sure enjoyed them.

CORN ROAST: Many thanks also go to BETTY HANSEN who chaired one of the biggest and best Corn Roasts ever. We served 180 people which has to be some kind of record. The weather was kind enough to cooperate after an evening of rain. It all started off at noon with an excellant table of hors d'oeuvres prepared by Betty and crew. Next came Billy Gooder and his crew with another round of games which everyone enjoyed. Then came the highlight of the day, that delicious meal. The meal which was all cooked right there by Erling Hansen, Ron Scinnoca and Crew was one of the best ever. Everything was great, especially that southern Minn. corn which Ron and Erling picked up (that's another story). There was so many members involved in helping that I wouldn't dare name them all because I might forget someone.

There were not only 180 people but 39 boats docked at the Squadron dock. Thanks to P/C Richard Bibby for making a list of them for the Squadrons records.

We again THANK Betty Hansen and the many people who helped to make this the great event it was. To my knowledge, Betty is the first woman to totally chair such an event. THANK YOU!

PREDICTED LOG RACE: Well, as sometimes happens the weather took a turn for the worse and the event had to be cancealed. Thanks go to P/C Wayne Youngren for his time and preparation, maybe next year.

1985 CORN ROAST - Sunday 1st September

- 1. "ROCK-Y"
- 2. "HUFF-N-PUFF" (Gene Rock's Brother)
- 3. "S00 F00"
- 4. "CILESA"
- "ARROWHEAD"
- 6. "DAY BREAK"
- 7. "ATLANTIS"
- 8. "MOLLY R."
- 9. "DUTCH HAVEN"
- 10. "DAY STAR"
- 11. "CHEVALIER III"
- 12. "MICROWAVE"
- 13. "HARCAN"
- 14. "TYLER TOO"
- 15. "EIGHT BALL"
- 16. "ODYSSEY"
- 17. "Y-KNOT"
- 18. "NIGHTHAWK"
- 19. "DOLPHIN"
- 20. "SUNSEEKER"
- 21. "HUSSAR"
- 22. "SEABIRD"
- 23. "EASY RIDER"
- 24. "SNIFFER II"
- 25. "SHERI SUE"
- 26. "MOONLITE"
- 27. "SUGAR N SPICE"
- 28. "CONTAGIOUS"
- 29. "DODGE BUOY"
- 30. "LIESURE GAL"
- 31. "NORTHERN CROSS"
- 32. "WAH00 III"
- 33 "VOYAGEUR"
- 34. "KING RICHARD"
- 35. "DI-VONNE II"
- 36. "SILVER COMET" (Ex' "Annie D.")
- 37. Small nameless I/O
- 38. Small nameless I/O
- 39. Small outboard

IN ADDITION ON THE BEACH

15 Autos
6 Pick-up Trucks
2 Trailers
2 Mobile Homes
1 Large Truck
1 Motorcycle
1 Pizza Truck



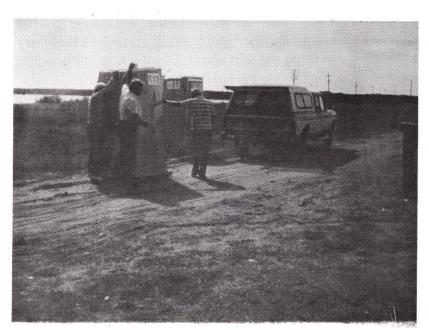
HEAD CHEFS

Betty appointed these two to Cook? Erling Hansen and Ronald Scinnoca



CHAIRPERSON

Betty Hansen makes sure everything is "A" 0.K.



HEAD RACE

What kind of Games has Billy Gooder come up with this time?
Hope no one is in them!

DULUTH, MINNESOTA

It all started at the Fall Conference in Marinette Wis. in Oct of 1984. You might say that when asked who would like to host the next Fall Conference that everyone turned to the Duluth Delegation and you know what happened next.

The first step was to find a capable person or persons who not only had the knowledge, but the experience to take on such a task.

Well, the Duluth Squadron was very fortunate to have two people with these qualifications, P/C Robert Stokes and P/C Richard Bibby. They along with a great crew of hard working people made the Fall Conference in Duluth one that will last a long time.

Heres how the weekend went;

Friday Sept. 20 started out with a call to Cdr. Hansen that the Nat'l officer had been lost. D/C Anderson had had some problems which we were not aware of in arranging a meeting with V/C Rogers and his wife in Minneapolis. After a few phone calls everything was under control. Registration started at 1400 in the lobby of the Holiday Inn and was headed by Jane Ryckman. Each person checking in received not only tickets to the activities but a gift pack which was loaded. A hospitality suite opened at 1500-1900 which was well stocked with food and beverages. Leo and De De out did themselfs this time. The District Council Meeting started at 1700 and lasted about an hour. At 1900 the hospitality suite was closed and everyone was moved to rooms D & E in the lower level of the Holiday Inn. There a cash bar was set up, slide shows from the Washburn Rendezvous were shown as well as Lake Superior Cruising slide furnished by Dan Simonson. The room was filled which was great. There was a drawing for prizes and everyone had a good time.

Sept. 21 Continental breakfast was served before the 0800 Educational meeting started for the District members. Also at 0800 registration opened for those who hadn't registered on Friday. D/EO Bill Price N presided over this meeting which lasted about an hour.

At 0900 the Conference was called to order by District Comander Ted Anderson AP. The morning meetings consisted of reports on Cooperative Charting by P/D/C John C. Newman AP, a membership up date by Eileen Hock AP, a member of the National Membership committee, and Educational update by D/EO Bill Price, and a short coffee Following the coffee break Cdr. Anderson introduced V/C Gerald Rogers who gave a Message from the Chief Commander. At 1200 the meeting was adjourned for lunch for all but the nominating committee who met and nominated a new slate of District Officers. Lunch started at 1230. A drawing took place after lunch and at 1315 the Conference resumed. The afternoon meeting included a business meeting with reports from all District officers. The meeting Adjourned at 1500.

Ladies activities for the day included a hospitality room with coffee and rolls and then lunch and a program at the Kitchi Gammi Club. Following lunch the gals went either shopping at Fitger's Brewery or a return to the hotel for relaxing or shopping in downtown Duluth.

At 1700 everyone boarded the Vista King at the Excursion Dock for a cruise in the Duluth Harbor. It started out a little rough when we ended up turning around in the ship canal because it was to rough. Compliments to the skipper because he knew his ship and how to handle it. We then headed up the river to what was another unexpected surprize. When we got to the tent about 50% of it was under water including part of the dock. At that point things, weren't looking too good but with a little adjusting of tables and chairs we got dinner going. The water dropped a little and with the help of P/C Goldfine and his fine crew the meal was a great success. He was kind enough to open the bar up to free drinks while at the tent which helped people forget the water. The meal was excellent and everyone seemed to have a ball. After a short speech by our District Commander S/C Don Hansen welcomed everyone to Duluth and gave a special presentation to a very special lady "DE DE KENNEDY".

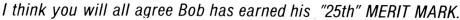
DE DE was honored not only by the Duluth Squadron but by the whole District for the hard work she has done on the Rendezvous and the Conference. She was awarded a plague and two red roses. One from Cdr. Don Hansen, the Chairman of the Washburn Rendezvous, and one from P/C Stokes and P/C Bibby, chairmen of the Fall Conference. After this presentation, Cdr. Hansen presented a bag of wild rice and a beautiful scarf to Mrs. Rogers and to V/C Rogers a scarf, bottle of mosiguito repellent, which we all know is needed in Minnesota. He was then thanked for the hard work that he is doing for the USPS and given a very fine gift, a LIFE BOAT COMPASS. We all then loaded the boat and headed down the canal for the excrusion dock. Unfortunately the wind had picked up and it had started to rain a little but no one seemed to mind. A contest to guess the estimated time of arrival at the tent was then decided and prizes were awarded to the six people who were the closest. The winner was only 18 seconds off. We docked at the excursion dock about 2130 at which time many people got off. The Mike Meiers Band who had gotten on at the tent was still playing and continued until after midnight. decision was made to keep the boat tied up at the dock because of the high winds but. everyone kept dancing and enjoying themselves.

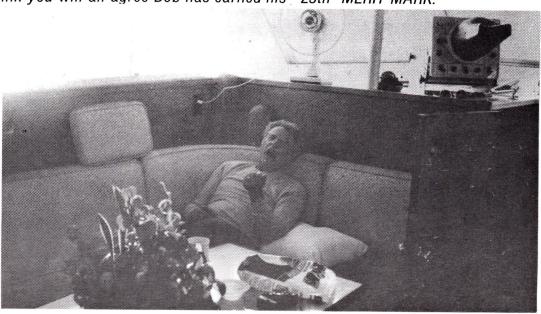
Sunday Sept 22. Grandma's Saloon and Deli was the gathering place for breakfast for some 95 District members. They were a kind enough to open a little early and let us in at 0930 instead of their normal time of 1130. Everyone had an excellent meal and was very impressed with the restaurant. After breakfast many people headed to the Marine Museum which is very impressive to even the people of Duluth. P/C Bibby was kind enough to escort V/C Rogers and his wife to the airport and off at 1300.

On behalf of myself, the Duluth Power Squardron and everyone in District 10, we would like to thank Co-Chairmans P/C Robert Stokes and P/C Richard Bibby and the many fine people who made this a great success. The Conference went so smooth that most people could not believe it but, after the hard work and many hours that the chairmans and their crew put into this conference it doesn't surprise me that everything went well. The work isn't over yet, tho. There are bills to be paid and many other things to take care of.

Due to the late start of the Channel Chatter I have decided to put it to print without having the final report on the Conference by the committee but will have pictures and a final report in the next issue.

CHAIRMAN P/C BOB STOKES AFTER MANY HOURS OF WORK ON THE CONFERENCE







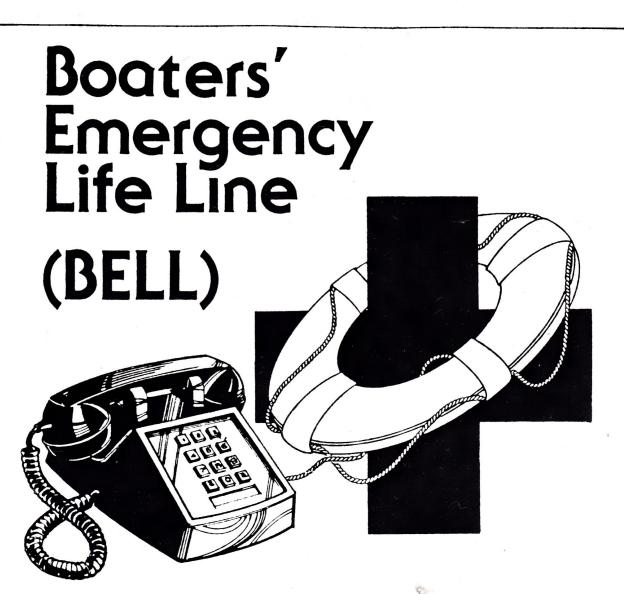
DULUTH POWER SQUADRON ROWING TEAM

Congradulations go to the Duluth Power Squadron Rowing Team for coming in Second place in the Duluth Rowing Clubs annual Rowing Regatta.

The team won three great races but lost by 21 seconds against a tough ROTC team, look out next year!

The team consisted of Lenny Robinson, P/C Robert Byrne, Janice Meehan, Heather Meehan, Chico Meehan, Mark Mitchel, Cindy Wick, and P/C Richard Bibby. Diane Harrison headed the team.





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Editors Note...

As mentioned in an earlier article I wanted to get this issue out in time so there is more information to come on the District 10 Conference as well as pictures. I continue to thank our sponsors for their support. There are a few who have been late in their payments but hopes are that they will come thru. I still am wishing that you will write articles to appear in the Channel Chatter or furnish information which other members would be interested in reading. The Deadline for the nest issue will be November 15. 1985, see you then.