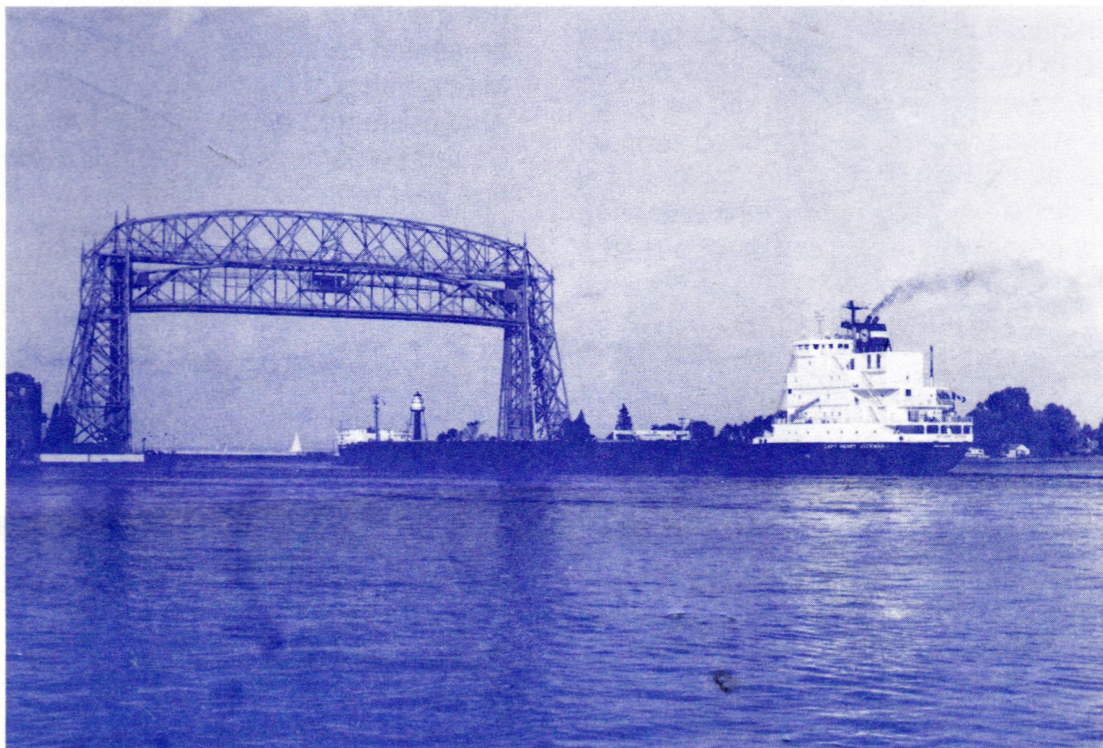


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## COMMANDERS COLUMN



The rainy weather of June and early July nearly washed out the events and meetings calendar for the Duluth Power Squadron. Rained out were the New Member Cruise and the Harbor Co-Op Charting Day activities. The activities and boat parade for the 4th of July were also cancelled. The activities planned for 2-3 July were well attended. Thank you to 1/Lt David A. Mattson for chairing the 4 July event.

The weather for the Safe Boating Campaign and the U.S. Coast Guard Courtesy Marine Exams was perfect. We had a tremendously successful Safe Boating Week program this year. Super jobs by Lt. Jack Morrow, Lt. Joe Golden, and Jim & Peggy Munger for coordinating Safe Boating Week.

Nearly rained out was our outdoor meeting on 17 June. Fifty-two Squadron members attended and toured the U.S. Coast Guard

Cutter SUNDEW and the U.S. Coast Guard Station. The crew of the SUNDEW gave some interesting demonstrations on lighted buoys, survival suits, and fire fighting. Capt. DeJung of the Cutter SUNDEW and Joe Maio (for the use of the Harbor Cove Marina) were presented certificates for 1993 Honorary Membership of the Duluth Power Squadron. Also presented at the June meeting were Squadron name plates that are awarded to first year members who either earned one Merit Mark or completed one advanced grade in their first year of membership. Congratulations to .

Lt. Peggy Berg  
David C. Mattson  
Lt. Steve Farrell  
Rhonda Olson  
Bob Fisher

Kathy Rick  
Sue Farrel  
Gordy Olson  
Charlie Rouse

Chris and I attended the D/10 Rendezvous in Marinette/Menominee on 16, 17, 18 July. We had fun, cruising Green Bay on Lake Michigan and the Menominee River, and meeting people from other squadrons in D/10. I attended a meeting about the "New Member Referral Program Sweepstakes." All of you should have received a mailing about the Referral Program. I will send out additional information soon. It would be fantastic to see one of Duluth's members win the trip to Las Vegas. I know the Duluth Squadron Commander and his wife would surely enjoy joining you.

Along with the Hot weather of August come a couple of Hot events at the Power Squadron Dock. 21 August will be the Predicted Log Contest. Plan to participate in this event. Either captain your own vessel in the contest or participate by being an observer on another member's boat. If you are not sure how

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## **Words from Administrative Department**



Well, the summer is about half over and hopefully the second half will be drier than the first half.

In June, the Co-Op Charting outing and the New Member Cruise were cancelled due to the wet weather. Bob Byrne would still like members to get the information from him and go out and have some fun looking for any changes on the current charts, so give him a call before your next trip onto the waters.

The 4th of July weekend had all sorts of weather for us to contend with. Friday night was nice, and Saturday was partly wet and windy, cancelling some of the events. Sunday morning was really wet and windy, but the tent held up and allowed the omelet breakfast to go on – Boy, do those guys know how to cook! On Sunday afternoon everyone headed back to the marinas to watch the fireworks (if the weather would allow it, and it did!). When the weather cleared, many boats

were decorated and everyone waited for parade time. When that time came, the wind was blowing very strong, causing a delay and then finally a cancellation of the parade. I know it was a disappointment for many after working so hard on their boat decorations, but the wind was a great concern to us all. Since we are a boating organization that teaches boating safety, when people decide it is too dangerous to take their boats out, everyone should respect that decision. It was a hard decision to make, but for the safety of everyone, it was the only decision to be made.

We all have to practice what we preach or no one will listen!

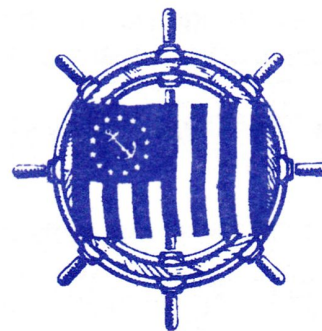
### **Upcoming events:**

Predicted Log on 21 August

Corn Roast/Treasure Hunt on 5-6 September.

Mark your calendars and watch for the flyers with further information.

**Lt/C Jay Halling, P**



## EDUCATION UPDATE



Summer is here and the number of classes we have going on is down to one – the new Junior Navigation class.

Now is the perfect time to start thinking about the classes that are going to be available this fall.

**PILOTING** will be starting around the first of October.

**ENGINE MAINTENANCE** will be starting after the fall storage work is done and our instructor will have shop space.

**INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATION** will be this fall or winter.

**PUBLIC BOATING** will be offered twice, with the first class tentatively set for 5 October at the Duluth Technical College.

**SEAMANSHIP** tentatively will follow the second Public Boating course.

### CURRENT STATUS

**Junior Navigation** class started in June.

### GRADUATES

#### **ADVANCED PILOTING**

Sean Beaudin  
Thomas Boggess  
Robert Fisher  
Thomas Holt  
Arvid Lokken  
Leonard Middleton  
Gerald Rock

Joel Berg  
Gerald Carlson  
Sarah Garrison  
Jim Langdon  
Rodney Monson  
Adrian Rick

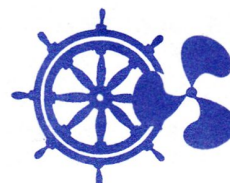
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Carolyn Kyyhkynen  
Michael Milano  
Gordy Olson  
William Rogers  
Jerry Sundel

Karen Cauble  
Brian Haataja  
Mark Johnson  
Patricia Mattson  
Marcella Milano  
Rhonda Olson  
Jack Salo  
Jim Tuhkanen

### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

**Lt/C Mark Anderson**





## SECRETARY'S REPORT



Before 15 November, our Commander must submit his recommendations for active members to receive a Merit Mark for their personal efforts in furthering the interests, programs, and objectives of USPS.

If you recently participated in Safe Boating Week, Co-Op Charting, the New Member

Cruise, dock work, Calling Committee, or the 4th of July festivities, ask your chairperson if your name was submitted.

Family members have always been a big part of the success of the Squadron as well. These members will also be rewarded with USPS Certificates of Appreciation and should also have their names submitted.

Hopefully, you are all finding some calm seas during the height of this vacationing season. Displaying the USPS Ensign, the Duluth Squadron burgee, or an officer's flag is a privilege and a means of communicating to other USPS members that you understand the traditions of the sea and the respect of other yachtsmen. Contact the Ship's Store Officer, Peggy Berg - 624-1478, for your purchase.

**Lt/C Gina Wuorinen**



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### **COMMANDERS MESSAGE (continued)**

a Predicted Log Contest works, come and we will instruct you. It's fun! On 4, 5, 6 September is the always popular Duluth Power Squadron Treasure Hunt and Corn Roast.

Don't miss these "HOT" events. See you there.

Fly your Power Squadron Burgee and Ensign PROUDLY!

**Cdr Bruce Beste, AP**

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# Welcome Aboard!

## WELCOME ABOARD

A hearty welcome to our newest members. Please greet them and make them feel a part of our organization.

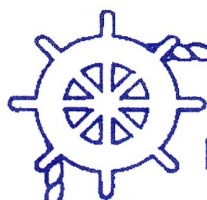
Steven Rantala joins with many years of sailing experience. His wife's name is Mary. They sail a 27' sailboat named "ROUGH MAJIC." Steve is employed by the Cloquet School System and teaches music.

David Stokke joins after taking the Boating class in 1991. He works as a pipefitter for the

DM&IR Railroad. He is a volunteer fireman and powers a 21' boat named "DAMION."

Hal Magnuson sports more than 30 years of boating experience. He owns a 53' power boat called "BONNIE-O," docked at Harbor Cove. Hal recently received his Coast Guard Master's Certificate. He is from Walker, Minnesota and owns the Ranch House Supper Club.

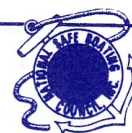
**Sue Farrell**



## BOAT SMART KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

\* Cold water chills 25 times faster than cold air. (This is the reason that a person feels numb within a few seconds after falling into cold water.)

\* The three leading causes of boating fatalities are: first – capsizing, second – falls overboard, and third – collisions.



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of fatal accidents  
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## **4TH OF JULY FESTIVITIES**

The 4th of July festivities began on Friday, 2 July – it was a beautiful day. It began by setting up the tent, moving outhouses and setting up tables and chairs. There were a lot of boats and people at the Squadron dock. I couldn't believe the number of children there! We started a bonfire, and there was a feeling of a beautiful weekend in the air.

Saturday brought a whole different feeling – it was cloudy and cool, a little drizzle now and then. The volleyball net was set up, but only a couple of short games were played because of rain.

Kid's games began at 1300 and the kids didn't seem to notice that the weather was cool. A lot of games were played and lots of prizes won. At 1400 the games were moved indoors because of the rain.

Bingo began at 1730, and this was the perfect event for a rainy day. Cheers could be heard from the tent as the jackpots were won.

Line dancing started at 1900. The tent was full of people kicking and stepping to the sounds of country music.

Sunday at 0800, 47 omelets were prepared and eaten. Thanks to the cooks, the omelets were excellent. By this time, it had been raining since yesterday and was still going strong when we decided to cancel the rest of the festivities.

Many Power Squadron members gathered at area marinas to wait out the storm, hoping the fireworks would still take place. At about 1400 the weather changed and it got warm. The wind came out of the southwest with speeds up to 20 mph and gusts even higher. Because of the heavy wind, the parade had to be cancelled, but the fireworks went off without a hitch and it turned out to be a beautiful evening.

Thanks to all the people who helped.

**David Mattson**





# DISTRICT 10 NEWS

D/C FRANK GOLLE, N

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## WELCOME

To those of you new to D/10 and one of its twelve member squadrons located throughout Michigan, Minnesota or Wisconsin. On behalf of the 1700+ members in D/10, we welcome you and look forward to meeting each of you.

Since 1 December, we have 173 NEW MEMBERS in District 10 including 23 Family Members.

## PRIDE

As an organization dedicated to safer boating through education and service to our communities, it is with a great deal of PRIDE that I am privileged to represent USPS, District 10 and my local squadron in different boating activities. I take PRIDE in my membership in USPS because I agree with its principles as an organization as I hope you do. I take PRIDE in my boating skills (with some exceptions in the past) as I hope you do. If I may steal a sentence from my letter to new members..."It's difficult to rationalize anything but maximum effort when it comes to boating safety for ourselves and our loved ones."

PRIDE is another way of avoiding embarrassment so I maximized my boating skills by taking all of the USPS courses leading up to and including my full certificate.

PRIDE in membership led to referring some boating friends into USPS which not only enhanced their boating skills but our social relationships grew closer as well.

Each of you have the opportunity to demonstrate your PRIDE in your USPS membership by helping a friend become a better and safer boater...read on...

## DISTRICT REFERRAL PROGRAM Now to 31 December 1993

Each active member of District 10 was sent a mailing which outlined the DISTRICT REFERRAL PROGRAM which officially began 16 July in conjunction with the District rendezvous held in Marinette, Wisconsin. Please refer to that announcement for program rules and details.

The sweepstakes entry card included therein could be your winning ticket for a TRIP FOR TWO to LAS VEGAS and for the easiest of all reasons...to refer one or more boating friends to our public Boating Course (to improve their boating skills) and recommend them for membership in accordance with applicable squadron, district and national policy and procedures.

The TRIP FOR TWO includes round trip airfare and hotel accommodations at a hotel of your choice from a listing of participating hotels (examples: The Mirage, Stardust or the Golden Nugget).

A great deal of time and effort has gone into this program and many squadrons have had to change their scheduling of their fall class(es) for the public Boating Course to facilitate this program. I again ask and encourage each of you to actively participate to insure its success...the beneficiaries being ourselves. Each of us knows at least one good marine(r).



## Channel Chatter



### SAFE BOATING WEEK JUNE 6 - 13 1993

U.S.C.G. Auxiliary member Philip Janzig gives a Decal of compliance to CDR Bruce Beste aboard the cruiser Bad Bruce.

Jim Munger finishes his inspection of the cruiser Eight Ball by presenting a Decal to 1st mate Corinne Carlson while Kathy Carlson watches.



Jim & Peg Munger present a Decal to P/D/C Harvey Hengel and P/C Candy Hengel alongside the cruiser Harcan.



## Channel Chatter

Howard Boynton inspects fire extinguishers as his part in making Boating Safer. Howard has done this for many years and said he has found some that do not meet the specifications required.



Bob Byrne reviews the finer points of Coop Charting with Arne, Bruce and Dave during the last Coop Charting event June 13, 1993

First year members who also earned their first Merit Mark were awarded name badges as a token of appreciation at the June 17th meeting.





## DISTRICT 10 FALL CONFERENCE WAUSAU WISCONSIN 15 - 17 OCTOBER

Details of and a registration form for the fall conference will be announced in the next issue of the District 10's COMMUNICATOR.

My purposes in mentioning this conference in this newsletter are twofold: (1) to solicit your attendance and early registration, and (2) to mention that P/D/C Harvey Hengel, N will lead a discussion for those members/guests who would normally not attend any of the committee meetings on Saturday morning. This overview of operations at the district level will be both interesting and informative.

Wausau was chosen as the host city because of its proximity to all squadrons. Please plan on spending this weekend with your fellow members from throughout District 10.

## MERIT MARK

Your squadron commander will shortly be preparing and submitting his/her recommendation for a MERIT MARK to the Chief Commander for his review and approval. This tangible evidence of recognition for service rendered is our only form of compensation, albeit of extreme value to those deemed worthy in the past. As the years go by, this MERIT MARK becomes even more valuable to the recipient and their PRIDE shows.

The qualification period for a MERIT MARK ends on 31 December and thus more than sufficient time remains for you to volunteer your service in earning the recommendation of your commander. Participation in our educational programs by instructing or proctoring is a common need throughout each squadron. Contact your squadron educational officer.

## COOPERATIVE CHARTING

As you receive this newsletter, we will be in the countdown days for receiving credit for COOPERATIVE CHARTING for this year. District 10 has had a history of increasing participation and the reason is simple...it's FUN! This is a learning experience and an opportunity to acquire new friends.

Contact your squadron COOPERATIVE CHARTING chair to get started.

## THANK YOU

The next time you see a member doing their fair share (or perhaps even more so) in whatever it is in helping something get done for the benefit of you and your fellow members, please take a moment and say THANKS.

THANK YOU.



### DULUTH SQUADRON TOURS THE SUNDEW

Members of the Duluth Squadron toured the U.S. Coast Guard Sundew as part of the June meeting.



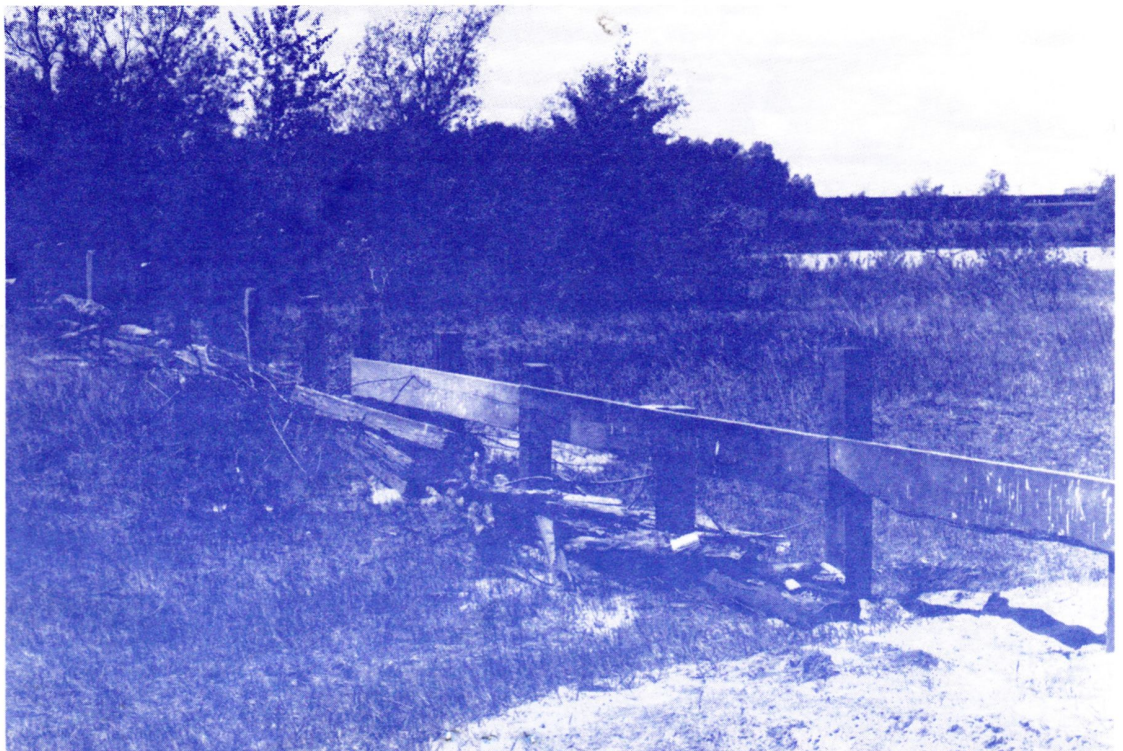


## **Squadron Dock Improved**



Have you seen the new gate and wood fence at the squadron dock? If you drive over to the dock, the gate combo is the same as the power outlets. Please lock the gate behind you both when arriving and leaving the dock.

Also the fence should stop all the cars and bikes, so that you can feel more at ease. If you find a problem with either the gate or fence, call Joel Berg who is the Dockmaster so it can be taken care of.





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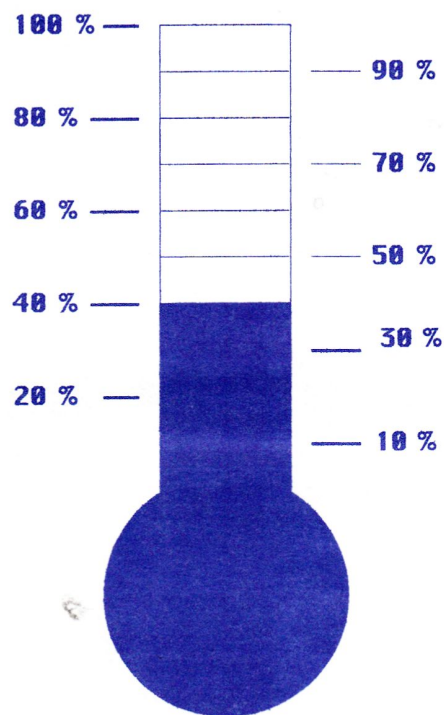
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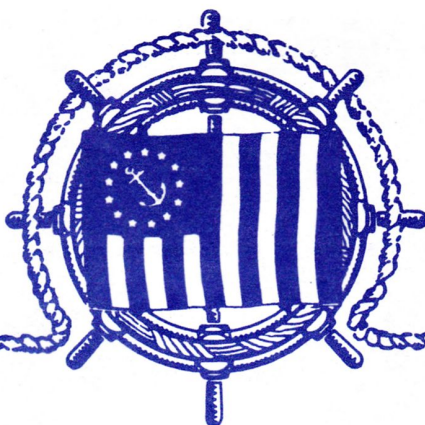
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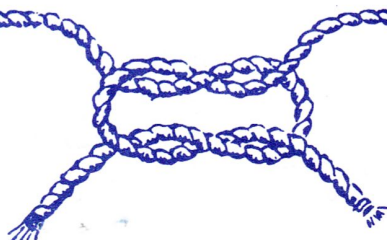


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OCTOBER 7  
OCTOBER 21  
NOVEMBER 4  
DECEMBER 2  
JANUARY 6, 1994  
JANUARY 13  
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FEBRUARY 10

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SEPTEMBER 4  
SEPTEMBER 5-6  
SEPTEMBER 8-12  
OCTOBER 15-17  
DECEMBER 4  
JANUARY 19-24, 1994  
FEBRUARY 26  
MARCH 25-27  
APRIL 23

### **EVENTS**

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