

Phoenix Sail and Power Squadron
A Unit of the United States Power Squadrons®
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General Membership Meeting Minutes:

November 15, 2007

Deer Valley Airport Clubhouse

Phoenix, AZ

Call to Order: 1900

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: Led by John Lusson.

Quorum: Per Joe Warren, Secretary, a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes of Preceding General Membership Meeting: **It was moved by Rob Anderson and seconded by David Allocco to accept the minutes of the October 18, 2007 General Membership meeting as presented. The motion passes.**

Reports of Officers:

Executive Officer: Gary Prigge - absent – reports by committee chairpersons

- Boat Show – Terry Gray – The Boat Show is in February. A sign up sheet will be started in December.
- Cooperative Charting – Reported by Ron Werner. A trip to Crown King is being planned.
- Legislative Liaison – Bob Hurley – absent – No report.
- Radio Technical – Bob Schloeman - No Report.
- Public Relations – No Report.
- Safety – Roger Clark – absent - No Report.
- Arizona Safe Boating celebration - Connie Johnson - The Safe Boating awareness celebration schedule is in flux. The event may be held in either March or May 2008.
- Vessel Safety Check – Ron Werner – Vessel Safety Examiners were recognized recently with an Appreciation Outing at Lake Pleasant.

Squadron Educational Officer: Tim Harrington

- The JN class with Chuck Peterson and Lee Whitehead as instructors is nearing completion.
- The Sail 102 class with Dave Allocco instructing is complete.

Administrative Officer: Ron Quagliara - reports by committee chairpersons

A great time was had by all 39 plus participants at the recent Cholla Bay Fish Fry. Profit from the event was donated to the Orphanage in Rocky Point. We received a thank you card from the Nancy Smedly and Dianne Bennet at the Orphanage. They have about 2500 kids at the orphanage and were grateful for our donation.

Membership – Bill Johnson – No new members.

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Member Involvement – Terry Gray – The Phoenix Boat Show is coming up in February 2008.

Boating Activities – Several upcoming activities include:

- The Christmas Party is set for December 8th at Papago Park. The party will be a pot luck event so plan to bring a salad or desert. The Squadron will provide fried turkey for the entrée. Our use permit includes beer only, in cans, no bottles allowed. No wine or liquor is permitted in the park. Soft drinks are permitted. Bring your own place settings and drinks. Glass containers are not allowed. We need several items yet. Table decorations are needed. Bring a nautical themed gift to exchange, valued at \$5 to \$15. Donations for Toys for Tots will also be collected.
- The Santa Cruise is planned for December 15th at Lake Pleasant.
- The Annual Meeting is scheduled for January 17th. The meeting location will be announced in the **Bos'n's Pipe**.
- The Snow Cruise is scheduled for January 19th at Lake Pleasant.
- The Change of Watch is set for February 9, 2008. The event will be at the Union Hills Country Club.
- The District Spring Conference is planned for early March at the Thunderbird Inn at 59th Avenue and Greenway. Phoenix is the Host Squadron so plan to help make the event a successful event by participating in the activities and / or volunteering to help with the event. Registration for the event will be available online soon.

Secretary: Joe Warren – The 2008 Directory will be distributed at the Change of Watch in February. Check your information online to make sure everything is current. Otherwise we have a notebook here tonight that has your current information. You can check your info and make changes if needed and we'll update your info online. If you have any ideas for changes to the directory let Joe know.

Historian / IT / Website - Bob Schloeman - No Report.

Ensign / **Bos'n's Pipe** – Lee Whitehead – No Report.

Treasurer: Jackie Wanta –

Jackie presented a copy of the Treasurer's Report for November 2007 to the General Membership. A copy is on file with the Secretary's records.

Ships Store - Jan Park - No Report.

Commander: Bill Johnson – Some items covered in other reports / discussions.

We need some help with the Change of Watch. Jim and Margaret Hill are helping but additional help is still needed. Contact Bill if you can help.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: The District 28 Spring Conference Budget was presented and discussed. The Conference Chair persons are Diane Ashton and Jeanine Quagliara. The budget prepared is a neutral balance budget. After discussion, **a motion was made by John**

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Lusson and seconded by Sally Harrington to accept the Spring Conference Budget as presented. The motion carries.

Adjournment: 1928 by Joe Warren, Secretary

Program: After the meeting Tim Harrington made a presentation on the USPS Boat Operator Certification program. A handout was distributed and a copy is in the Secretary's records. The handout was taken from the USPS web site. The URL is <http://www.usps.org/national/eddept/boc/main.htm> . Currently USPS plans four levels of Boat Operator Certification. They are: Inland Navigator, Coastal Navigator, Advanced Coastal Navigator and Offshore Navigator. Tim will keep us informed of this program and will work to get members certified in the new program.