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General Membership Meeting Minutes: John and Barb Lusson's home
N33° 33' 37.2" W111° 58' 51.3"
Paradise Valley, Arizona

September 15, 2007

Call to Order: 1922

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: Led by Bill Johnson.

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

Attendees:

Graydon Peoples, JN	Lt Rob Anderson, P	Veronica Anderson
Lorraine Peoples, P	P/Lt/C Jean Gray, S	P/Lt/C Terry Gray, S
Jeannine Quagliara, S	Lt/C Ron Quagliara, AP	R/C Bob Schloeman, JN
Barbra Lusson, P	P/C John Lusson, SN	Noreen Schloeman
Lt/C Jackie Wanta, S	P/D/C Lee Whitehead, SN	D/Lt/C Doug Frazier, AP
D/Lt/C Connie Johnson, AP	Cdr. Bill Johnson, AP	Lt/C Joe Warren, AP
P/C Ron Werner, AP	Rose Werner, P	D/C Charles Peterson, SN
P/C Gobi Johnson, AP	Gobi's friend	P/C Jane Peterson, P
P/C Roy Wahlberg, AP	Marylou Wahlberg	P/Lt/C Dave Allocco, JN
Marge Hill, P	P/C Jim Hill, AP	Janet Allocco
Grace Schoonover	P/D/C Paul Schoonover, SN	Tracy Allocco
P/C Joel Lieberman, AP	Chuck Davis, P	Barb Davis, P
Don Hora, S	Mary Hora	Bert Szechenyi, AP
Eugen Erkert, P	Hildegard Erkert	

Plus several others whom I neglected to note – my apologies

Approval of Minutes of Preceding General Membership Meeting: **It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes of the May 12, 2007 General Membership meeting as presented. The motion passes.**

Recognition of new members and guests – Cdr Johnson administered the oath to new member Carlos Alvarez. Cdr Johnson recognized Emmanuel as a guest.

Reports of Officers:

Executive Officer: Gary Prigge - not present – reports by committee chairpersons
Radio Technical – Bob Schloeman - No Report.

Arizona Safe Boating celebration - Connie Johnson - The Safe Boating awareness celebration is planned to be in March 2008.

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Safety – Roger Clark – Roger discussed the importance of watching your stern because of exposure to propellers and carbon monoxide and other potential dangers behind you. These potential dangers could easily be overlooked because they are behind you and thus out of sight/out of mind. Some attention to your stern will help prevent careless accidents.

Nominating Committee – Jane Peterson – The Nominating Committee is working on developing recommendations for officers for next year. They have some positions available yet. If you have interest and a little time talk to Jane, or one of the members of the nominating committee, to see how you might help out your squadron.

Vessel Safety Check – Ron Werner – Vessel Safety exams are proceeding along at approximately the same rate as last year. Examiners have met their required number of exams.

Squadron Educational Officer: Tim Harrington – absent – reports by various officers. There are 13 students enrolled in the JN class just getting underway with Chuck Peterson and Lee Whitehead as instructors. The Sail 101 class is also just getting underway with Dave Allocco as instructor. An on the water sail class is scheduled for the weekend of October 6th and 7th. Several sailboats plan to participate and we'll make it a weekend camp out to round out the sailing exercise. A Piloting class is scheduled for October that will include multiple instructors.

Administrative Officer: Ron Quagliara

Membership – Bill Johnson – As reported above, Cdr Johnson administered the oath to new member, Carlos Alvarez.

Member Involvement – Terry Gray – no report.

Boating Activities – Several upcoming activities include: the sail campout at Lake Pleasant October 6th and 7th. Check the web site for current planning information. The 2008 Boat Show will be in late January. More details coming soon.

The next General Membership meeting will be October 18th at “Pete's 19th tee” at Tempe Rolling Hills Golf Course.

The Cholla Bay Fish Fry is set for October 26, 27 and 28 at Cholla Bay, Mexico. A planning meeting for the Fish Fry is scheduled for next week.

The calling committee has been reinstated and has been calling to remind members of upcoming activities. The calling committee could use a few more volunteers.

Doug Frazier presented an idea that has been developing among members recently. The idea is for an annual award to humorously recognize a member for an event that has happened during the past year. The proposed award is named “The John Yount Sheer Genius Award”. A traveling plaque is to accompany and signify the honoree for the year of award. The plaque, already prepared, is a nicely mounted and framed sheered propeller. It is proposed to make the award annually at the Change of Watch. The Membership Involvement Chairperson shall select the recipient from the top 3 nominees selected by the Executive Committee. The award description and criteria, if adopted, will be added to the Policies and Procedures of the Squadron. A copy of the Award description is included with the Secretary's records. **A motion was made by Doug**

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Frazier to adopt the award as described. The motion was seconded by Rob Anderson. The motion passes unanimously.

Secretary: Joe Warren – no report.

Historian / IT / Website - Bob Schloeman - no report.

Ensign / **Bos'n's Pipe** – Lee Whitehead – Lee requests articles intended for the October **Bos'n's Pipe** be submitted soon.

Treasurer: Jackie Wanta –

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

Items from the Ships Store are on display and available for purchase tonight.

Commander: Bill Johnson – items covered in other discussions.

Unfinished Business:

New Business: Bob Schloeman has been researching PSPS member dues and has circulated an email titled "Something to Think About" Bob presented the ideas in his email which may be characterized as a Dues Equalization goal. The Squadron has several classes of membership, individual, family, and additional active. The additional active category is at issue. The additional active member has all the privileges of the primary active but pays no dues at the Squadron level. The feeling is that it is not right. A copy of Bob's email is included with the Secretary's records. Bob wanted to create some discussion and comment among the General Membership and plans to bring the idea in the form of a motion to the October General Membership meeting. If passed by the General Membership the motion would become part of the Squadron's Policies and Procedures.

Good of the Order:

Adjournment: 2000

Joe Warren, Secretary

Program: After the meeting new member Carlos Alvarez gave a fascinating presentation on finding near surface obstacles at Lake Powell. See the recent **Bos'n's Pipe** for more details about Carlos' experiences. We may have a candidate for the first annual "John Yount Sheer Genius Award" here.