

***OUR BEST WISHES FOR A PLEASANT
HOLIDAY SEASON***

***And
A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR***

***From the Bridge, Executive Committee and
Staff of the Sounding Board***

SOUNDING BOARD

SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON

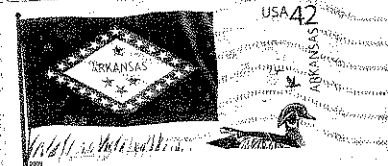
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FIRST CLASS

San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron
Meeting Minutes
Monday 12-8-08

I Call to Order

Commander **Debbie Grinstead** called the regular meeting of the San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron to order at 7:36 Pm, on December 8th, 2008 in Stockton, CA.

II Roll Call

The following were present: 15 Executive members, 6 members.

III Approval of the Minutes

Walt McGinnis made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting.
Second by **Candace Blue**.

IV Reports of Officers and Committees

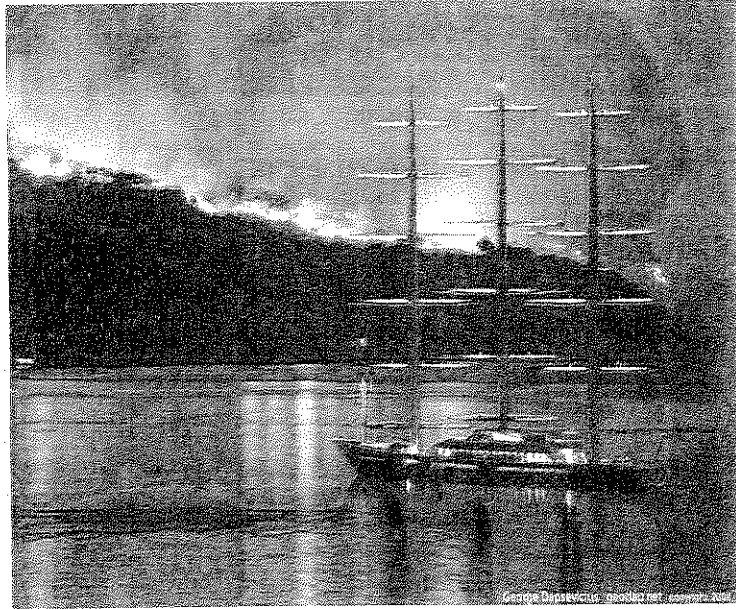
- a) **Gary Grinstead** gave the treasurers report for Hanan Bowman.
- b) **Debbie Grinstead** asked **Roger Reimer** for 20 copies of 2 different *Sounding Board* to take to the District Meeting, to be forwarded to the National Meeting.
- c) **Walt McGinnis**, Assistant Education Officer, reported that all three students, **Gary & Debbie Grinstead & Roland Bod**, passed the JN test.
- d) **John Jones**, Education Officer, stated that classes are possible for next year in Seamanship, AP, & Piloting. Anyone interested should contact John at 209-951-3862. John Jones is also taking applications for SEO, for his replacement.
- e) **Mickey Thole**, Boating Activities, reported The Frost Bite Cruise is January 16 & 17. Saturday night is our dinner at the restaurant. Come by car if you can't make it by boat. Call Mickey to make reservations. 209-239-1492
- f) **Jerry Kosmala**, Cruise Director for 2009, stated that the complete cruise schedule for the year will be in the January *Sounding Board*.
- g) **Candace Blue** thanked everyone who attended the Wine Tasting and Art Show.
- h) **Scott Wiesemann**, Membership Chair, discussed inviting people to join without taking the required classes to accommodate members living outside the area that can't make it to the classes. **John Jones** said anyone can buy the textbook, study and John will travel to give him or her the test. Discussion about what other alternatives would be acceptable including the ABC online course, Coast Guard Auxiliary, etc. To be discussed further.

- i) **Jerry Kosmala** asked why there is a discrepancy in the number of members between our count and National. It was explained that it changes daily as dues are collected.
- j) **Michael Haverty**, Island Chair, stated that a weed tool is going to be manufactured in January. Once manufactured, weeding will begin. He stated that he still has \$650.00 of the original \$800.00 allotted for the project. **Roger Reimer** mentioned that some of the donor nameplates need attention. **Scott Wiesemann** stated that ashes are not being disposed of in a timely manner.
- k) **Lynn Pierce** reported that the January Boat Show in Pleasanton has been cancelled. It was originally scheduled for January 9th thru 19th, 2009.
- l) **Jim Fenelon**, Nominating Committee, stated that some Executive Members are not fulfilling their obligations on attendance. The Rule is if you have 3 unexcused absences within a 12-month period, they can be replaced. **Michael Haverty** suggested making a courtesy call to each one in question, asking if they still want to be on the committee, if not, then they can be replaced. **Jim Fenelon** will contact members in question.
- m) **Debbie Grinstead** has extra laminated island emergency sheets from **Rex Adamson**. Call her if you need one.
- n) **Debbie Grinstead** explained about the new lease application on the island. Stated it had been approved by the Executive Committee.
- o) **Anita Saucier** explained that the Executive Committee approved selling advertising in the Sounding Board. Each business card size ad will be \$100.00 for the year. Advertise your business if you are a member. (All ads must be approved by the Executive Committee) Anita also reported on the new, improved Shares Card for S-Mart, Save-Mart, Lucky's and Food Max. This card, when used, refunds 3% of every dollar spent by our members. You no longer have to load the card, just pay for your groceries; they swipe the card, and they send us a check. Please contact Anita for a card at 209-473-0744, or asaucier234@hotmail.com.
- p) **Jim Davis** stated that additional people can be invited to the Christmas Party. Attendance is down as conflicting organizations parties are on the same night.
- q) **Lynn Pierce** reported on the Building Bridges classes coming up. Each is a 1-day session on how to prepare for being on the Bridge. The class dates are Jan 17th, 2009 in the Santa Clara area, January 24th, 2009 in the Novato area, and Jan 31st, 2009 in the Rio Vista area.

V Meeting adjourned @ 8:45

Submitted by Anita Saucier for Bob Burk

CRUISIN' PICTURES...



This is the *Maltese Falcon* off Angel Island during the recent fire. We saw her berthed in San Francisco, while on the Bay Cruise. She is quite a vessel and a marvel of technology on the water. Several of us circled the island to see the impact of the fire.



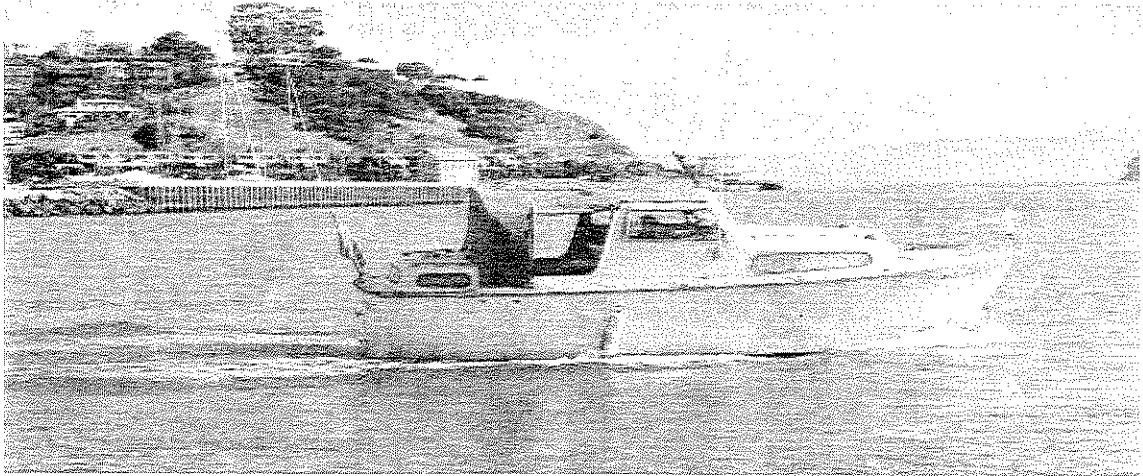
A beautiful and fun scene off the coast on another cruise of brave and hardy souls...Photo compliments of Ann Campbell



The line-up of most of the SJDPS cruisers at Schoonmaker's in Sausalito. Others were scattered in the marina. In all, 12 boats were represented. The weather could not have been better.



South Beach Harbor in San Francisco. A small break in the action to socialize and catch up on the day's action. Others were busy making friends with the sea gull population or maybe just "resting their eyes."



Charlie McNear leading the way on his 49th Cruise-out

THE RECIPE BOX...

Devoted to easy recipes for days on the boat & a chance to share...What do YOU have to offer? Send them to the address on the cover or to rogerreimer@sbcglobal.net
Holiday candy...

SEE'S FUDGE CANDY

18 oz. chocolate chips...1 & 1/2 cubes butter...one 7 oz. Jar marshmallow cream...
2 cups chopped nuts (walnuts or almonds)...2 Tsp vanilla...4 & 1/2 cups sugar...1
large can of Pet milk...(miniature marshmallows may be added later for the Rocky Road
effect).

Combine chips, butter, marshmallow cream, nuts and vanilla in a large mixing bowl and set aside. Bring sugar and milk to a full rolling boil for six minutes stirring constantly to avoid any burning. Pour this mixture over the other ingredients and mix well. (If you wish to add miniature marshmallows, allow the mixture to cool slightly before adding). Spread mixture into a well-greased pan and refrigerate. Excellent for boat snacks and will last for an extended period.

Diane Jones

SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON

Saint Patrick's Cruise Out

March 13, 14, 15, 2009

Place: Delta Marina located in Rio Vista on Sacramento River

Hearty hors d'oeuvres on Friday at 3:30 p.m.

Saturday night there will be a corn beef dinner cooked by volunteers in our squadron, time to be announced.

Cost for dinner is \$6.00 / person

Docking fees are \$25 per night and are payable with your reservation.

Your Name _____ Cell Phone # _____

Boat Name _____

Length _____ Width _____

I will be there on (check) Friday _____ Saturday _____

Berthing Fees: \$25.00 per night = _____

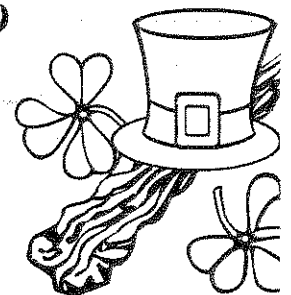
Saturday night dinner: # _____ at \$6.00 = _____

Total enclosed: _____

RESERVATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 31, 2009

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO JERRY KOSMALA
6460 STANDRIDGE CRT
SAN JOSE CA, 94123

Questions? Call me at: 408-281-4663 (H) or 408-966-9234 (C)



2009
Building Bridges Seminars

Jan 17 Santa Clara
Jan 24 Novato
Jan 31 Rio Vista

Pick the DATE that fits YOUR schedule



Giving you the tools to succeed

0900-0915	Pledge of Allegiance Welcome & Orientation	
0915-1000	Squadron Bridge Officers Job Descriptions	Ralph Price
1000-1130	Squadron Management Staying Within Your Resources	Les Johnson
1130-1230	Lunch	
1230-1400	Leadership Getting the Best from Your Squadron	Betty Dysart
1400-1500	Procedural Skit What Would Robert Do?	Gary Smith & crew
1500-1515	Closing Remarks Survey & Adjourn	



Lunch - \$15.00

Further details to follow - Pick the DATE that fits your Schedule
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

You don't want to miss this one

ODDS AND ENDS...

- We still need several volunteers to chair/assist at Squadron activities, including Memorial Day and the Fourth of July at the Island, proctors for the boating classes, a club treasurer and more. Call Mike Wolfe at 209-476-1431
- Don't forget the boating class that starts February 10. Encourage your boating friend to take the course. Questions? Call John Jones at 209-951-3862
- Interested in advertising in the *Sounding Board*? We reach about 150 members each month. Business size card ad is only \$100 for the year. Do the math...an inexpensive way to advertise in the boating world. Call Anita Saucier at 209-473-0744

FROM THE COMMANDER...

I want to thank the executive committee. It was a great meeting and a lot of business was accomplished. A new budget for 2009 was introduced. A ruling was made to okay the change of watch for March due to scheduling problems. Watch the *Sounding Board* and check the website for the date and time for this event. The executive committee also voted to renew the lease on the island instead of amending the lease and then renewing the lease at more cost to the squadron in a year when that process needs to begin. This action was recommended by the State Lands Commission.

The frostbite cruise is the end of the 2008 cruising schedule. I want to thank Mickey Thole for a fine job arranging the cruises for us. Jerry Kosmala is working on the upcoming year. It sounds like we will be going to new places. A full cruising schedule will be published in the *Sounding Board* and on the website in January so mark your calendars to attend some, if not all of the cruises. The first one is St. Patrick's Day at Rio Vista. It is one of my favorites.

The Christmas party occurred on December 13. Jim Davis did another great job with the food and entertainment. I can say that all who attended had a good time. Thanks Jim for a wonderful party.

District is planning a one-day seminar for all those on the bridge or interested in becoming part of the bridge. If you are interested in becoming more involved in the squadron at this level, this would be a good seminar for you to attend. It will introduce you to what being a bridge officer entails. They are offering three different dates. You are welcome to attend anyone of the dates. For more information please see flyer.

EVENTS CALENDAR UPDATED MONTHLY

Meetings are held the second Monday of the month and generally start at 7:30 P.M. at the Stockton Yacht Club. (I-5 to Alpine west on Alpine to Wisconsin, right on Wisconsin to the end of the road...can't miss it.) Cruise questions?? Call **Jerry Kosmala** (408) 281-4663 (H) or (408) 483-966-9234 (C).

January

- 12 General Meeting at the Stockton Yacht Club
- 16-18 Frostbite Cruise Tower Park

February

- 09 General Meeting at the Stockton Yacht Club
- 10 New Boating Class starts

March

- 06 Change of Watch @ the Stockton Yacht Club (TENTATIVE DATE)
General meeting is part of the COW; members may choose to attend without participating in the dinner. (More information to follow)

FROM JERRY KOSMALA, CRUISE DIRECTOR...

I am taking the job as cruise director for the 2009 season and have planned monthly cruises starting in March ending with the Bay cruise in October. There are several new places that we have not visited. The full schedule will be in the *January Sounding Board*.

A few changes will be implemented for cruise sign-ups. Anyone wanting to go on a cruise will need to fill out a sign-up sheet and return it to me by the date listed on each cruise sheet. Because of marina demands, any monies involved will need to be submitted with the sign-up sheet.

You will be able to obtain sign up sheets from several sources including the *Sounding Board*, the SJDPs web site or at your own email address.

I hope you will join us for a fun season of cruising.

Thanks. Any questions call **Jerry Kosmala** (H) 408-281-4663
(C) 408-966-9234