



SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON

SOUNDING BOARD

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SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON Chartered May 10, 1970 as a member of the
UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRON DISTRICT 25*

October 12, 2026



Commander
Yvonne de la Pena



Executive Officer
Jill Stevenson



Treasurer
Doug Sherman

Commander: The commander called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. We had a quorum. Ron Sherman led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Commander then held a swearing in ceremony for our newest member, Bob Cain. Gary Rogers made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, second by Doug Sherman. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Doug Sherman

The bills are paid and the CDs are up to date. We have money.

Executive Officer: Jill Stevenson

Legislative: Yvonne de la Pena
Lots of Great information from the legislature concerning Boating, PLEASE read. See below.

Port Captain: Gerrit Dyke

Gerrit reports that gas is expensive everywhere. Tiki is still probably the cheapest.

Public Relations: Jill Stevenson
No report

Vessel Safety Check: Jill Stevenson
59 vessel safety checks to date.

Bridge Officers

Commander:

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Executive Officer:

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Secretary:

Bonnie Rogers
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Treasurer:

Doug Sherman
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VSC Chairman:

Jill Stevenson
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Island Chair:

Roland Bod
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Education Officer:

Ray de la Pena
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Next Meeting

November 9, 2026 7:00 PM
Executive Meeting 6:45 PM



Safety and Boating
Activities, Education
Ray De La Pena



Membership Involvement
Susan Bod



Island Chairperson
Roland Bod



Secretary
Bonnie Rogers

Boating Safety: Ray de la Pena

Ray reports that it has been a tragic year on the water in the delta.

PLEASE be aware of your surroundings on the water. BOAT SAFE.

It was also suggested that when fueling your boat that you be aware of the location of the “emergency shut off valve” at the fueling station.

Education Officer: Ray de la Pena

Ray reported that he has received his Seaman’s Certificate. Recommendation made to those members who have not gotten theirs, look into it.

Boating Activities: Ray de la Pena

No Report

Membership Involvement: Susan Bod

There will be an **“Oktoberfest”** held at the island on October 24th. It will be FREE of charge. Dinner on Saturday evening. Brats, salad, and all the goodies. Includes breakfast Sunday morning.

If you plan on attending, please text Susan Bod at (209) 298-4612 or text Bonnie Rogers at (209)351-5170. Susan will need a head count to make sure there is enough food for all.

Island Chair: Roland Bod

Roland was out on August 27 to cut the weeds in preparation for the Seafood Boil. Jill and Dick were out and replaced the solar lights on the 5 MPH signs.

Secretary: Bonnie Rogers

Membership: Doug Sherman 89 members, plus 1 associate

Roster: Doug Sherman Current

Web Site: Doug Sherman Up and running

Old Business:

District 25 will be having their combination council and fall conference on October 17th. Log in information attached to this email.

New Business:

It was brought to the attention after the swearing in ceremony that there should be a discussion regarding the wording of “abiding to the by-laws of the USPS” and should it also include SJDPS by-laws as well.

It will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:43 PM

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

To all the members celebrating birthdays this month!

Please keep special thoughts and prayers for those members who are having health issues, facing surgeries and in need of special attention.

Welcome to our newest Member, Bob Cain



See legislative report below.

San Joaquin Delta Power Squadron

October 12, 2026 — Legislative Update

Updates since September 14 meeting

- Golden Mussels — AB 2032 is now law

- Governor Newsom signed the Golden Mussel Response Act on September 29.
- The law took effect immediately and helps water agencies respond more quickly to infestations.

- Delta Cross Channel — closure

- The Delta Cross Channel gates near Walnut Grove were closed October 5 to protect migrating salmon.
- The closure affects recreational navigation between the Sacramento River and interior Delta.
- Boaters should verify current gate status before planning their routes.

- Delta Conveyance — Hearing October 15

- The Delta Stewardship Council has scheduled a hearing for Thursday, October 15, regarding appeals of the project's consistency with the Delta Plan.
- Navigation, recreation and water-quality impacts remain important concerns.

- Bay-Delta Water Quality Plan — October 28–29

- The State Water Board is scheduled to consider adoption of the updated Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan.
- The plan could affect Delta water flows, water quality and habitat management.
- The State Water Board is considering a major update to how freshwater flows through the Sacramento River and Delta. The plan would establish new environmental flow requirements or allow water agencies to meet obligations through agreements combining water flows and habitat restoration. The proposal includes more than 27,000 acres of habitat restoration and approximately \$2.9 billion in related commitments. For recreational boaters, the issues to watch are how changes to water flows, water quality and habitat restoration might affect navigation and recreational access. The Board is scheduled to consider adopting the plan October 28 and 29.

- Federal Golden Mussel legislation

- H.R. 3717 received a congressional subcommittee hearing on September 16.
- The proposal would provide federal support for Golden Mussel prevention, research and control.
- A hearing is progress, but the bill has not become law.

Overall, Golden Mussel prevention remains our biggest boating concern. AB 2032 is now law, but we're continuing to see infestations spread to additional waterways. Closer to home, the Cross Channel closure affects navigation, and two important Delta water-policy proceedings are coming up later this month. I'll continue watching those developments, along with any renewed effort to impose California registration requirements on federally documented boats.