



MINUTES FOR LAKE GEORGE POWER SQUADRON BRIDGE/EXEC. COMMITTEE
HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST, 2009 – OFFICE OF THE LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION
2392 STATE ROUTE 9-N, LAKE GEORGE, NY

(Next Meeting – Wednesday, November 18 – 1900 – Office of the Lake George Association)

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Commander Stephen Traver called the meeting to order at 1911. A quorum was present.

PRESENT

Commander Stephen Traver (Membership)
Lt/C Bruce Catrambone, Executive Officer
Lt/C David Wilkinson, Secretary
George Williams, Audit Committee
Anthony Rozek, Member at Large (Audit)
Lt/C Kevin McCarthy – Education Officer
P/C Armand Canestraro – D2 Conference

EXCUSED

Lt/C James Kelley, Safety Officer
P/C Chuck Everson, Public Relations Officer
Lt/C Max Gollmer, Assistant Treasurer

ABSENT

P/C Joan Londynsky, Immediate Past Commander
and Member at Large
Peter Weill, Member at Large

GUESTS

Barbara Catrambone
Denise, Robert, & Kevin Terry

COMMANDER'S REMARKS:

- Commander Traver noted that Certificates of Membership have been offered to Jim McAndrews and Mary McCarthy. Barbara Catrambone's membership application is pending.

EXECUTIVE/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

1. We will try for a rendezvous at Manna's restaurant in January.
2. Lt/C Catrambone noted that his boat registration renewal materials included a flyer from the State of New York and referenced a web site, which noted organizations offering boating safety classes. Discussion about getting us listed. (Editor's note: A subsequent discussion with a representative from NYS Parks and Recreation indicated the State representative responsible for maintaining this list is Mr. Brian Kempf, Director of Marine Services, telephone 518-473-0179. His office is located on the 11th floor of 1 Empire State Plaza.)

EDUCATION OFFICER'S REPORT:

- P/C McCarthy noted that the exam for the Weather course would be given on December 16th at office of the Lake George Association ("LGA"). The next advanced grade course to be offered will most likely be Cruise Planning.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- No formal report was presented, as the Treasurer was out of town. Things are reported to be going smoothly.

MEMBER AT LARGE:

- No report.

CHARTS:

1. Commander Traver reported that the Chart Committee (Jim McAndrews, Chuck McGavin, Bruce Catrambone, Steven Traver, Armand Canestraro, and Max Gollmer) met at the LGA at 1800 today.
2. We need to be prepared to print more charts. Over the winter, Commander Traver would like us to update the chart and get it ready for printing in time for next season. The cost to update is expected to be low and turnaround is anticipated to be about two weeks.
3. Jim McAndrews is looking into the possibility of publishing electronic versions of the charts.

SAFETY OFFICER:

- No activity to report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

- Commander Traver noted that the Nominating Committee includes P/C Joan Londynsky, P/C Armand Canestraro, and George Williams. Commander Traver presented the forms to **P/C Canestraro**** so he can submit the report of their efforts to National at the appropriate time.

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

- No activity to report.

D-2 FALL CONFERENCE:

1. We are ready to go. Details were finalized with the hotel yesterday. Armand will confirm the wording on the hotel marquis with hotel staff. We are not the only group meeting there but it should be OK. Armand has spoken with the District Commander about arrangements.
2. Packets and sign-in sheets are ready. The registration table will open at 1500 on Friday, which is also check-in time for the hotel.
3. The Hospitality Suite should open late afternoon on Friday through just before dinner.
4. Some last minute reservations are coming in. Almost 70 people registered to date.
5. We may have the *Adirondac* to ourselves unless they sell cruise tickets to the public that day, which is not likely. There is a shuttle available from the hotel to the pier but guests must make their own arrangements. It is possible to walk to the pier from the hotel, but the forecast may call for rain. During the conference announcement time, we will stress the need to board on time, as the boat will not wait for latecomers.

6. Two cruise tickets may be available for resale due to an unforeseen emergency experienced by registrants.
7. Negotiations with a local helicopter flight provider and the hotel did not prove fruitful. We had hoped to offer flights in groups of three at a very reasonable price, but the hotel expressed concern. Lt/C Wilkinson suggested using the copter to ferry our National Representative but it turns out he is driving to the conference. Although the idea did not fly this time, we will keep the idea in mind for a future event.
8. The D2 Conferences & Councils Committee meeting will take place on Saturday immediately following the business meeting and will be held in the hospitality room.
9. The hotel will provide easels and Flip Charts. Breakout rooms will be set up classroom style.
10. Six chairs and a podium will be placed on the dais in the main room. We may need a stool for the podium.
11. Denise Terry advised us to expect walk-in registrants.
12. Armand presented a detailed outline for conference logistics. He can offer two FRS radios and Commander Traver noted that can offer three so that conference helpers can better communicate amongst themselves.
13. Armand will arrange for a cash box.
14. Armand will follow up with P/C Joan Londynsky for a previously discussed raffle prize of wine.
15. Commander Traver asked if the media had been invited. Armand said they had not be we could issue a press release if we thought it was appropriate, perhaps even afterwards.
16. Commander Traver asked about the possibility of getting engraved name badges for members, like he has seen folks wear at other D2 events. Discussion ensued.
17. Commander Traver noted that we owe a debt of thanks to P/C Canestraro for is incredible effort in putting the event together.

MEMBERSHIP:

1. Lt/C Catrambone noted that he attempted to deliver brochures to West Marine in Latham; however, they have curtailed the store's hours of operation until the spring. P/C Canestraro noted that brochures were already delivered to West.
2. Commander Traver noted no recent interest in membership either from the web site or brochures. End of the boating season may be a factor.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Anthony Rozek made a motion to approve the minutes from the September Bridge/Executive Committee, as distributed. Second by Lt/C Bruce Catrambone. Motion passed.

SAFETY OFFICER:

- No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

- No report.

SOUNDINGS:

- Barbara Catrambone noted that she located an article on the names of moons and will submit it to Joan and Peter for possible use in *Soundings*.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. None to report

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Denise Terry noted that the Tri-Squadron Holiday Party will be held at Crystal Ristorante, 72 Lyon Street, Amsterdam (842-9050) beginning at 13:00 on December 6th. The event will feature a buffet, cash bar, door prizes, and a two-piece band. The cost will be \$35 per person and a flyer is being developed. Amsterdam is about one and one half hours from Lake George.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

1. Saturday is Denise Terry's birthday. We may make a note of it during the Conference dinner cruise.
2. Past Commander of the Hudson Sail and Power Squadron Lewis Golub recently passed away. Barbara Catrambone presented the obituary to P/C Canestraro for review. In addition to his work with the Power Squadron and with the Golub Corporation, Mr. Golub was a noted area philanthropist and community supporter.

Motion to adjourn made by Commander Traver. Second by Anthony Rozek. Passed and meeting adjourned at 20:51

NEXT MEETING – NOVEMBER 18, 2009 – OFFICES OF THE LAKE GEORGE ASSOCIATION

*Respectfully submitted,
Lt./C David J. Wilkinson, Secretary*

**** - Action Item**

cc: Committee members
Guests present

Historian/File
Susan Darcy (website – once approved)