

LGPS SOUNDINGS

July – August 2015



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Commander Message

By Cmdr. Armand Canestraro, P

Summer – yes, it is finally here. Despite the on-again off-again rainy weather, hopefully everyone has launched their boats for the season and had an opportunity to be out on the water.

To update the membership, here are some of the on-going projects we have been doing as a Squadron so far this year. (1) We had a chart rolling event at the last Bridge meeting (thank you to all who participated). (2) We continue to fulfill chart orders coming in from our authorized vendors who are replenishing their stock for the 2015 boating season. (3) We were invited to attend a safety fair at General Electric's Global Research Center in Niskayuna. (4) We have distributed nearly two-hundred 2015 NYS Boaters Guides to marinas around the lake. (5) and lastly we have performed several Vessel Safety Checks during the annual NYS Boat Safety Week this past May.

Remember, it's that time of year again to check your safety equipment and to renew your Vessel Safety Check – please call me on 372-7220 and I will be happy to inspect either your boat, PWC's or both.

Important update - So that we may enjoy the summer season, there will be **NO July Bridge meeting on July 15th**. Until the next newsletter, Donna and I both wish you a safe and enjoyable boating season – hope to see you all on the water!

WANTED

Your help in serving on the
2015-16 Squadron Bridge!
Open positions are

Administrative Officer

Member-at-Large

LAKE GEORGE POWER
SQUADRON
BRIDGE/EDUCATIONAL
MEETING

Wednesday, August 19th
to be held at the
Church of the Good Shepard
Route 50
Burnt Hills, NY
6:30pm

NO JULY MEETING

Upcoming District 2 Events

Find more details at <http://www.usps.org/d2/d2event.html#District>

District 2 Summer Council 01 August 2015 184 Diner 853 Route 52 Fishkill, NY	District 2 Fall Conference 17 October 2015 The Hyatt House 100 Westage Business Center Drive Fishkill, NY
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Wear It! Campaign

The Wear It! Campaign reminds boaters of the importance of boating safety, including always wearing a life jacket. The campaign is produced under a grant from the Sports Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund, administered by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Visit SafeBoatingCampaign.com for **free** resources and information that you can use for your own Wear It! outreach efforts.

LGPS at GE Global Research Center Safety Fair

The Squadron Commander received a last minute request from the safety and health committee at the Global Research Center asking us if we might be available to participate in their safety fair. Quickly packing up a few items, Commander Canestraro and member Tina Russell left for the fair. They had the opportunity to discuss our educational offerings, vessel safety checks and PFD use to attendees while distributing Squadron literature.



Members Armand Canestraro and Tina Russell representing LGPS - above Tina is stationed at the Squadron table while Armand snaps a smartphone photo.

Vessel Safety Check 2015



Vessel Safety Check Vision: *Safe, Fun & Responsible Recreational Boating*

The VSC Program helps to achieve voluntary compliance with federal and state recreational boating safety laws, particularly with regard to the carriage of safety equipment while raising boater awareness about safety and environmental issues through voluntary contact by a Vessel Examiner (VE). Vessel Examiner discussions with recreational boaters is designed to motivate recreational boaters to maintain and operate their boats in a safe manner, taking boating safety courses to increase their knowledge and skills in boating and promoting overall safe boating. Call Armand at 372-7220 to schedule your VSC.

P/C Richard Mathews Memorial Service Scheduled

We have been contacted by P/C Dick Mathews daughter that a memorial service has been planned for Saturday, July 11th at 10:00am at the Grace Memorial Chapel at Sabbath Day Point on Lake George. For directions visit <http://gracememorialchapel.org/directions/> and chapel details visit www.gracememorialchapel.org. His daughter Emily can be reached by e-mail at schmemc@aol.com.

Bridge Meetings at the Church of the Good Shepard

We have been reminded that on Squadron meeting nights, we cannot enter the Church meeting space area until 6:15pm. The church facility has a contract with the YMCA for after school child care and cannot have anyone in the building until the last child has been picked-up. Thank you for following this rule.

Sacandaga Power Squadron Announces Summer Events

The following three events have been planned: Concert at Riverlink Park – Amsterdam – July 18th at 5pm; Picnic at Schodack Island State Park - August 16th at 10am and Captain JP Cruise, Troy – September 11 at 7pm. For complete details or questions please contact Denise Terry at celticfun2@gmail.com or call 518-649-6303



UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®

D/2 Summer Council

Saturday, 01 August 2015

Held at the I84 Diner 853 Route 52, Fishkill, NY 12524-1561
PHONE – 845.896.6537



The cost for the day is \$27 - includes continental breakfast, full Lunch and breaks. The room is located on the left side of the I84 Diner, park on the left and use either the side entrance or the front.

General Directions:

- **From: South.** Take the NY State Thruway (Interstate 87) North to Exit 17 (Route 17K) - follow the directions from the West below.

or

Take the Taconic State Parkway to Interstate 84 W - follow the directions from the East below.

- **From: North.** Take the New York Thruway (Interstate 87) South. Take the Route 17K exit, Exit 17 toward Newburgh/Stewart Airport. Merge onto Interstate 84 East. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 - Fishkill). At the end of the exit ramp, turn right and right again into the I84 Diner parking lot.
- **From: East.** Take Interstate 84 West. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 - Fishkill). At the end of the exit ramp, turn left onto Route 52 South. After the underpass, turn right into the I84 Diner parking lot.
- **From: West.** Take Interstate 84 East. Take Exit 12 (Route 52 - Fishkill). At the end of the ramp, turn right and right again into the I84 Diner parking lot.

Registration will begin at 0830

Reservations must be received by **21 July 2015** - Late Registration fee: **\$5.00**

Mail reservations and payment to: P/D/C Susan L. Darcy, JN
7 Hutchinson Lane
Lenox, MA 01240-2217
Questions? Call (413) 637-2275 or susan@darcy-systems.com

CUT & MAIL

District 2 Summer Council

Due Date 21 July 2015

First Registrant Name _____ Grade _____ Rank/Position _____

Second Registrant Name _____ Grade _____ Rank/Position _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Squadron: _____

Email: _____ Confirmation of reservations will be sent via Email.

LUNCH: \$27.00 PER PERSON

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: USPS District 2 Amount Enclosed _____

Please note ALL checks should be made out to *USPS District 2*.