



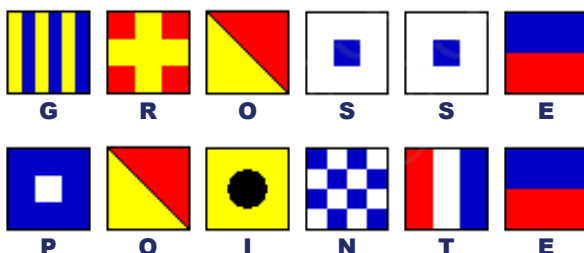
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## Calendar of Upcoming Events



### OCTOBER .....

23 October SATURDAY - Annual Steak Roast

### NOVEMBER .....

10 November WEDNESDAY - General Membership Meeting  
26 November FRIDAY - Grosse Pointe Santa Parade - (if safe)  
Grosse Pointe, MI

### DECEMBER .....

1 December WEDNESDAY - Election Christmas Celebration  
- (if gathering is safe)  
GPYC

### JANUARY 2022 .....

5 January WEDNESDAY - Change of Watch  
GPYC  
15 January SATURDAY - 2022 Commander's Ball  
GPYC



**Attention!**

All dates on the Calendar  
are tentative.

**\*\*See [www.d9-usps.org](http://www.d9-usps.org) for other Squadrons Activities you are invited to join.**  
Note: Refer to the GPPS web site for more details - Unless otherwise posted -  
All GPPS General Membership Meetings are on the second Wednesday - Sept. through May  
All GPPS Executive Committee Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday - Aug. through May



## Commander's Message

*Cdr. Joan McCarron, AP*

Greetings All,

Welcome back! I hope you have had a wonderful summer filled with travel, family activities and lots of rendezvous. It was so good to see many of you this summer at the GPFPP, St Andrews for Chet's retirement party and Natalie's Birthday, Milliken Marina, and Algonac. We did get rained out twice, but we made up for it. We've had fun, but there is a lot more to come. It starts with a Lobster Fest at the GPYC on Sunday, 26 September 2021. See flyer for details. We were unable to have a Commanders Ball this year, due to Covid, so I thought it would be great to have something a little different. I hope you can all make it. We will be following the Covid guidelines.

We are in the process of setting up classes. Keep an eye out for announcements. Hopefully we'll be able to meet in person and things will start to get better rather than worse.

We are looking for new members. It would be wonderful if each member came up with one new member. Wouldn't that be something. Why not give it a try.

I'm looking forward to all the fall and winter activities. I hope you are to.

Respectfully yours,  
Cdr Joan McCarron, AP



Cdr Joan McCarron with Detroit P/C's Wendy Caldwell and Gail Graham at the Metro Boat Show.







## Executive Department *Lt/C Rose Stano, AP*

It's a wrap and we did it. Season 5 videos for **America's Boating Channel** are finished and will debut at Governing Board on Friday, September 3rd in Raleigh. Bill and I will be there to present what it meant for Grosse Pointe and District 9 to be a part of this project. I want to thank everyone who stepped forward to help in any way. Those who signed up at first but were unable to help – Ron LaPlante and Tom Fisher from Mt Clemens, Greg Heath from Grand Rapids, and the Radcliffs from Wyandotte. Those who used their boats in the video- Joan McCarron, Michael Babiarz, Dale Ellis, Mike Pipia, Vince Cooley, Bill Stano, Mitch Gawrysiak and Walter Strong. Those who participated in the Inflatable Life Jacket Seminar, were participants in boats and/or attended the opening meeting at GP Woods Lake Front Park- Michael Boyle from St Clair Shores, Wendy Caldwell, David Caldwell, Delphine Cooley, Raven Harris, Amira Harris, Nancy Gawrysiak, Sally Lemus, Jonell Murphree, Mike Murphree, Peggy Schwaller, Al Schwaller from Detroit, Alanna Harvey and Judi Miller from Lansing, Scott Homuth, Tony Kuras, Madeline McDonald, Carson McDonald, Lavonia Criner, Jane Ellis, Debi Rowe, John Sulkowski, Bonnie Utz, Ron Utz from Grosse Pointe. Plus a very special thank you to those whom swam for the video- Delphine Cooley, Madeline McDonald, Carson McDonald and Jana Smith from Dearborn who participated in 2 shoots doing falls off boat and swimming in the lake water. Despite COVID, we were able to do the shoots outside with good weather. Those involved shared a wonderful experience, learning new skills and supporting each other. The fruits of our labors will be available on YouTube after Labor Day. Delphine Cooley made special buttons that I have shared with our Stars and many of you received t-shirts, hats, magnet, or stickers to wear celebrating America's Boating Channel. Wear them proudly for a job well done and remember the fun. Anyone who would like to see the videos now, can contact me and I will forward them.

Encourage your family and boating friends to view the America's Boating Channel videos from the first 4 seasons and like the **ABC Facebook** page. Bill and I will also be presenting at the Penta Conference, Saturday, Oct 9th at Kalahari Resort in Sandusky, OH. They have a full day of educational opportunities, so come cheer us on. Plus the Utzs are planning another fun Halloween Hospitality room for Friday night with Coffee and continental breakfast Saturday morning before the meeting starts.

Remember the **Metro Boat Show at Lake St. Clair Metropark** is coming up **Thursday 9/16 thru Sunday 9/19**. Please consider volunteering to work at our D9 booth or the Boating Skills Virtual Trainer. Volunteers get into the show free, and parking is free (just let them know at the gate that you are on the list as a worker). Contact John Sulkowski to sign up- 586-219-9428.

### VESSEL SAFETY CHECK PROGRAM

Bill Stano reports that Grosse Pointe was able to perform 155 **Vessel Safety Exams** this summer with 131 passing. It was a challenging year due to the concerns for COVID and the bad weather at Jefferson Beach Marina on June 19. The Examiners had a successful day at Beacon Cove, June 5 with Jerry Lalonde and Jana Smith coming from Dearborn to help. Bill and John Sulkowski were able to do 5 VSE for the Walleye Club at the Boat Launch on May 15. Good job. Anyone wishing to still have an exam this year or interested in becoming an examiner, please contact Bill Stano at [wstano@comcast.net](mailto:wstano@comcast.net)



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## EDUCATION UPDATE

We are currently working on a return to classes for both members and the public after the first of the year. It has been challenging lately to find places to have classes and the fall classes have never been well attended. Being that the Public Classes are also DNR/State certified those have had their own restrictions as well. We are working with The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club to offer Public and Member classes as we did Pre-Covid. We've also been approached by other groups for classes with possible locations.

## Look for Class Schedules



**Facebook at: GrossepointePowerSquadron**



**Instagram at: americaboatingclub\_grossepte**



## ***Congratulations***

to D/Lt/C Chet Dunbar on his recent retirement.  
We're certain that between his volunteer activities with the Squadron, District and his church that he's not slowing down and will be busier than ever.





## Administrative Department *Lt/C Debi Rowe, S*

Ahoy,

It's been great seeing everyone at our past General Membership Meetings and recent Rendezvous'. Thank you Jim Simpson for inviting us to join you & The Poor Man's Yacht Club at the Algonac marina. What a great place!

The Predicted Log contest...WOW the more I learn about this event the more fun I have. Shout out to P/C Dale Ellis and Dave Charvet for their time and help putting the 2021 contest together. What a great way to be out on the lake learning more about your boat. Congratulations to Dave and The Dolphin!

You'll find a lot of great things planned in this issue of the T&T and we thank you for your ongoing flexibility with the scheduling of events.

Thank you for your continued support in America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe. May this article find you & yours safe and well. Hope 2 sea u soon.



# Annual STEAK ROAST

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## Secretary Department P/D/C Michael Babiarz

Well there goes another summer. They just seem to fly by. But that must mean we're having fun. The temperatures are still summerlike but the days are definitely shorter. Going through pictures to put this issue together I was reminded that we had some good times this summer and did a lot from trying our hand at acting to enjoying the company of friends at our different rendezvous. This summer we tried to get back to normal... whatever that may be and it felt good.

*Just a reminder that  
summer's not over yet  
and there is plenty more  
boating and a few activities  
that are being planned.  
The weather seems to be  
cooperating temperature  
wise and the rain, well we'll  
just have to keep working  
around that one.*

### From the Rendezvous Committee

I hope that everyone had a nice summer and that it felt more like normal. We're not always sure where that "Normal" is and for everyone it's different. The same goes when planning squadron activities. Looking around at things like the different festivals, concerts and sporting events people want to get back to doing things. Likewise so do we and will keep moving in that direction. We do understand that not everyone feels comfortable yet and we are relying on everyone's personal responsibility when it comes to Vaccinations and knowing when they are not feeling well. We are also trying to take into consideration measures to distance more and keep things safe. We still have a few things planned, like the Lobster Fest and we hope that you will join us and know we are working to make everyone comfortable and safe. We're about safety both on and off the water.

### Penta Conference 2021

The Penta Conference at the Kalahari Resort in Ohio which was a combined District Conference for 5 local and neighboring Districts will still take place Oct 8-10 however after many Commanders expressing their concerns to D/C Jan Hartesevelt the D9 Conference meeting will be done Via Zoom on Saturday October 9th at 9:00. There will be no Grosse Pointe or D9 activities scheduled at Kalahari. If you made plans to go with your family you are still welcome to do so. Hopefully Spring 2022 will bring a return to our "normal" conference activities.





## **MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

### **September Birthdays**

Daniel J. Aitken, P

Mark A. Baun, AP

P/C Chester Dunbar Jr., AP

James F. Gerlach, AP

P/C Scott R. Homuth, AP

Kenneth C. Kazerski

P/Lt/C Blaise A. Klenow, AP

George E. Metropoulos, AP

P/C Richard L. Sandifer, SN



### **October Birthdays**

Richard J. Bania, AP

Susan S. Bennett, AP

Jonathan B. Eadie, AP

P/Lt/C Franz J. Forster, SN

Kristyl S. Girschner

P/Lt/C George J. A. Heitmanis, SN

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## Dates for release of Season 5 videos Americas Boating Channel

08/20/2021	Launch Live in Raleigh, NC	Bill & Rose Stano
09/03/2021	Knowledge vs. Skills	
09/10/2021	Wear an Engine Cut Off Switch	Grosse Pointe
09/17/2021	Inflatable Life Jackets	District 9 (Exclusive)
09/24/2021	Carbon Monoxide Dangers	
10/01/2021	Collision Avoidance	
10/02/2021	Fall Boating Series	
10/08/2021	BUI Fatalities	Detroit & Dearborn
10/15/2021	New Life Jacket Label Benefits	
10/22/2021	Fire Extinguisher Standards	Grosse Pointe
10/29/2021	Basic Marine Communications	Grosse Pointe
11/05/2021	Cold Weather Boating	

## In Case You Missed It...

### Great Lakes Boating Festival - May, 2021



Carson McDonald and P/D/C Michael Babiarz



Bill and Rose Stano



Doris and Bruce Boutin, David Charvat, P/C Pat Beard

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## In Case You Missed It...

Breacon Cove VSE - June 5, 2021 - Beacon Cove Marina

Our Vessel Safety Examiners, Mike Pipia, Bill Quinlan, Bill Stano, Jim Simpson along with help from Dearborn , Jerry Lalonde and Jana Smith Worked hard doing more than 40 exams on hot and breezy Saturday, June 5 at Beacon Cove Marina in Harrison Twp. We met alot of new boaters and shared the message of boating safety. We encouraged use of new boating app, taking classes and joining the group. Michael Babiarz was a great hot dog flipper feeding us and those who came up. We also had alot of help at our booth , Joan McCarron, Debi Rowe, John Sulkowski, Tony Kuras, Lavonia and Rose. Good job to all and thanks for your help.



1 - P/D/C Bill Stano, Jim Simpson and P/C Jerry Lalonde from Dearborn here to do VSE.



2 - P/C Michael Pipia out doing a VSE



4 - P/C John Sulkowski, Lavonia Criner and Lt/C Debi Rowe helping at booth for VSE

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## *In Case You Missed It...*

Milliken Marina Rendezvous - July 16 - 18, 2021



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## *In Case You Missed It...*

Member Appreciation Picnic - July 30, 2021  
Grosse Pointe Farms Pier Park



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## ***In Case You Missed It...***

Algonac Harbor Club Rendezvous - August 27 - 19, 2021



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## In Case You Missed It...



Congratulations to Dave Charvat winner of the 2021 D9 Predicted Log.

This year's participants Dave Charvat, P/D/C Michael Babiarz, Cdr Joan McCarron and P/C Dale Ellis.

P/C Ron Utz, AP  
Received the "Old Goat"  
award this year for  
competing in his 25th  
Port Huron to Mackinaw Race



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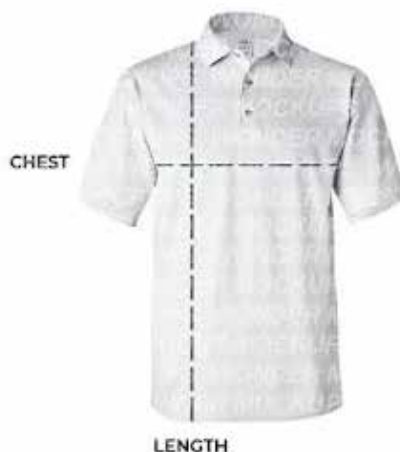
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