



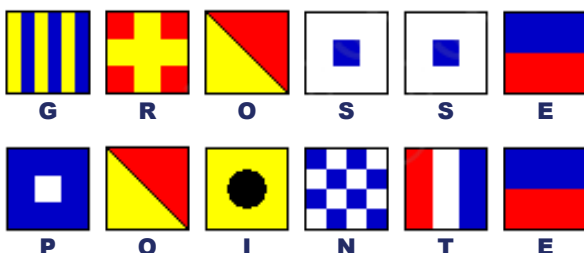
United States Power Squadrons

"Come for the Boating Education...Stay for the FriendsSM"

TARS & TRIPE



Official Publication of the
Grosse Pointe Power Squadron



VOLUME 49 NO.5
Dec. 2021 | Jan. 2022
www.gpps-d9.com





Bridge

COMMANDER

Cdr. Joan McCarron, AP
jmccarron@wideopenwest.com

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Lt/C Rose Stano, AP
rstano@comcast.net

EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Dt/Lt/C Chester Dunbar Jr., AP
chetdunbar@yahoo.com

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

SECRETARY

Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP
mbabz@comcast.net

TREASURER

Lt/C John Bennett, SN
John3839@aol.com

ASSISTANT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER

Lt William P. Quinlan, AP
billquinlan@gmail.com

ASSISTANT TREASURER

1st/Lt Jay Kaiser, JN
jkaiser113@comcast.net

**Is there a subject or topic
you'd like to read about?
Contact your Editor(s):**

Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP
mbabz@comcast.net

Publisher: Copyrite Printing
bpalo@copyriteprinting.net



<https://americasboatingclub.org>

www.americasboatingcourse.com

americasboatingchannel.com (YouTube & Digital Information)

<http://twitter.com/americasboating> (@AmericasBoating)

Calendar of Upcoming Events



DECEMBER

- | | |
|------------|---|
| 1 December | WEDNESDAY - Christmas Party and Elections
GPYC |
| 2 December | THURSDAY - America's Boating Club of Detroit
2021 Change of Watch
Detroit Yacht Club |
| 4 December | SATURDAY - Anchor Bay Yachting Association
2021 Charity Christmas Ball
Rochester Hills Banquet Center |

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 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

Seasons Greetings to All!

Hopefully you are all well and looking forward to the festivities of the holidays and have the opportunity to share them with loved ones, families and friends.

This is my last Tars and Tripe article as Commander. It has been my privilege to serve as Commander of America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe in 2012, 2020, and 2021. I continue to be involved because I believe: we help save lives, through teaching safe boating, sharing brotherhood through our events and rendezvous, and fulfill our civic duty by doing VSC, participating in local parades etc...

In March of 2020, the world changed. Covid-19 was upon us. We had to adjust in many ways: with zoom meetings, wearing masks, delayed classes, distancing, bag lunches, hand sanitizers and many cancelled events. Since all activities came to a halt, the entire Bridge and E-Board were asked to serve another year. I applaud you for your dedication, time, energy, and support for our Squadron.

In 2020 we were able to have Change of Watch and the Commander's Ball. This was especially exciting for me as some of our members performed various Ballroom Dance routines. Performers were: Lt/C Rose Stano, P/D/C Michael Babiarz, Dave and Rita Charvat, Dan and Rose Claus, guest dancers from Arthur Murray's Dance Studio and myself. We were also able to celebrate The Year of the Rat, a Beer Tasting, and a Steak Roast. Thanks Chet for being our Grill Master.

In 2021, we had no Change of Watch or Commander's Ball. However, when the Covid-19 restrictions started to lighten up, we were able to enjoy some of our scheduled activities such as: the Spring Launch at GPW park (Thanks Michael for arranging for individual lunches), VSE, Great Lakes Boating Festival, Member Appreciation Picnic at the GPF Pier Park, the Milliken Rendezvous, Predicted Log, Algonac Harbor Club Rendezvous, Lobster Fest, Commander's Tea and the Christmas Party at the GPYC. A huge thank you goes to our Rendezvous Committee members, all who helped out and attended. These events gave us all a chance to get together and become the great family that we are. We couldn't have done it without you.

Of course we have to show our appreciation to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club for providing us with an exceptionally beautiful venue, exceptional food and service.

I sincerely wish you a healthy, happy and safe New Year.
Commander Joan McCarron, AP





Executive Department *Lt/C Rose Stano, AP*

As we enter December, I feel honored and blessed. Honored

by all the support I have received as the newly elected Commander of America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe and Blessed to have found such a valuable community to serve. Being part of this group has molded and grown both Bill and my life and marriage in so many ways and for this, I am Thankful. I am also thankful for all the help we have received with our events and activities this year. We can't make it without you.

The Grosse Pointe Santa Parade- a Frosty Christmas was a big success with Frosty, the Safe Sipper, riding in the dinky with his 3XL Sea Tow lifejacket from our loaner program. He had his Boater Education Card, Sober Skipper key float and whistle. Thank you to Bill Stano who drove the car and John Sulkowski, Tony Kuras, and Michael Babiarz who all walked briskly in the Parade wearing life jackets. But the big hit was Ollie, my grand-puppy, who walked with his life jacket on. We were thankful for the dry weather and not bothered by the cold gray day.

I hope you all saw the article in the Grosse Ponte News, November 4, about America's Boating Channel video shoot we participated in this summer. Season 5 videos are all available on YouTube. Inflatable Lifejacket was shot exclusively in MI but we also participating in ECOS, BUI, Fire Extinguisher, and Marine Communication. Check them out to see what fun we had. See if you can find us.

By now you have all received your invitations to my Commanders Ball, Saturday, January 15 at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Dinner choices will be Prime Rib or Crab Cake, with Caesar salad, pee wee potatoes, vegetable medley, and mini Bundt cakes. We will be entertained by Julie Bannerton as Marilyn Monroe. She will be accompanied by the TFO Orchestra, with the Ladezz opening the show. I hope you can all make

it to celebrate and hear my plans for the upcoming year.

As winter sets in, Bill and I have plans to attend United States Power Squadron National meeting in Sawgrass, FL, February 23 -27, 2022 to represent you and bring back new ideas. Then we will head down to Fort Lauderdale for a Caribbean cruise with Dawn Travels and 150+ other America's Boating Club members. You are all welcome to join us on these 2 great events. Then before returning home, we will be stopping in Washington, DC, mid-March to help the Lafferty's present America's Boating Channel at the International Boating and Water Safety Summit. I can't wait to see what Marty has planned for us to do. Stay safe.





Education Department
Educational Officer

Dt/Lt/C Chet Dunbar Jr., AP

Phone: 313-744-7472

gpps@comcast.net

www.gpps-d9.com

Assistant Educational Officer

1st/Lt William P. Quinlan, AP

GOOD NEWS!

Classes will begin again in February 2022.

EDUCATION UPDATE

GOOD NEWS! Classes will begin again in February 2022. The ABC Classes will start with the resumption of classes at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. We'll start first with the classes that were in progress when Covid brought an abrupt end to any in person learning. After that we'll be announcing new ABC Classes as well as Member Courses and Seminars.

Our hope is that we'll be able to do summer classes at the Pier Park again and there is the possibility of doing something in conjunction with the Anchor Bay Yachting Association. Boat sales have been brisk and the dealers cannot keep them in stock. Good sales and lack of inventory has led to discussions that there probably will not be a Detroit Boat Show in January. The need for education is great and hopefully the many new boaters out there realize it. If you know someone who has purchased a boat recently suggest that a Safe Boating Class would be a Great Idea. It even makes a good Christmas Gift!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!

Look for Class Schedules



Facebook at: GrossepointePowerSquadron



Instagram at: americaboatingclub_grossepte





Commander Rose C. Stano, ADP
and her Captain Bill

REQUEST THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE 82ND ANNUAL
AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB OF GROSSE POINTE

Commander's Ball

SATURDAY THE 15TH OF JANUARY, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-TWO

GROSSE POINTE YACHT CLUB
788 LAKESHORE ROAD
GROSSE POINTE SHORES
MICHIGAN 48236

RECEPTION AND COCKTAILS 1800
DINNER 1900
PROGRAM 2000
FOLLOWED BY ENTERTAINMENT

UNIFORM A WITH BOW TIE, SEMI FORMAL ATTIRE
GUESTS CORDIALLY INVITED, FREE VALET PARKING
ENTERTAINMENT BY MARILYN MONROE AND THE TFO ORCHESTRA



Annual Meeting
February 19-27, 2022
Ponte Vedra, Florida

America's Boating Club
United States Power
Squadrons

Annual Meeting February 19, 2022 -
February 27, 2022

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa
1000 PGA Tour Boulevard
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32082



Secretary Department *P/D/C Michael Babiarz*

Well it's a wrap and just like that our 2 big social events of the Holiday season are over. It was

kind of weird having them done so early. Thankfully we were able to pull off the Commander's Tea and a Christmas Party with everyone having a great time. Yes ongoing Covid concerns just adds another stress to the planning but I'm comfortable that our group is responsible enough to take proper precautions and stay home if not feeling well.

I'd like to thank everyone that attended either or both events. I'm often thanked for putting these events together but I return the thanks because unless we have attendance the work is not worth the effort. I

know that the situation is ever-changing but we'll keep informed and hopefully continue the fun into 2022 and that starts with the Commander's Ball.

I'd like to thank everyone for their help and support over the past 2 years as Secretary. I'm moving on to Administrative Officer where we'll continue planning some great events. I'd like to congratulate Chris Jenkins on becoming Secretary. It's good to have some new faces.

Finally I'd like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and all the best for the coming year.





America's Boating Club of Grosse Pointe Change of Watch



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/CHANGE OF WATCH

05 January 2022

**Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
788 Lake Shore Rd. Grosse Pointe Shores, MI 48236
1900-2100**

**Please join members of America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe
at the installation ceremony to meet and greet the
2022 Commander Rose Stano, AP,
the 2022 Bridge Officers and Committee Members.**

Beer, wine, soda and water provided by America's Boating Club Grosse Pointe

Uniform A with standard black tie or Business Casual

RSVP by 03 January 2022 to wstano@comcast.net

*Members and guests are welcome have dinner at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club
at their own expense (313-884-2500).
The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club accepts most credit cards.*



America's Boating Club of Grosse Pointe 2022 Bridge

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE OFFICERS ELECTED FOR 2022.

2022 BRIDGE

Commander	Rose Stano, AP
Executive Officer	Natalie Dunbar, AP
Administrative Officer	Michael Babiarz, AP
Educational Officer	Chester Dunbar, AP
Assistant Educational Officer	William Quinlan, AP
Secretary	Christopher Jenkins
Treasurer	John Bennett, SN
Assistant Treasurer	Jay Kaiser, JN

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Member at Large

Jonathan Eadie, AP
Robert Wiczorek, SN
Dave Charvat, JN
Livonia Criner
Tana Jenkins
Immediate Past Commander

Past Commanders

P/C John Sulkowski, AP
P/C Patrick Beard, AP
P/C Ronald Utz, AP
P/C Robert Malicki, JN
P/C William Stano, JN
P/C Joan McCarron, AP

COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee

P/C John Sulkowski, AP – 1 year
P/Lt/C Sheryl Kline Totte, JN – 1 year
P/C Scott Homuth, AP – 1 year

Rules Committee

P/C/C Theodore Smith, SN – 1 year
Lt Dave Charvat, JN – 2 years
P/C Michael Pipia, AP – 3 years

Auditing Committee

P/C Robert Malicki, JN – 1 year
Lt Daniel Claus, P – 1 year
P/Lt/C Blaise Klenow, AP – 3 years

Election of the officers in this uncontested election may be effected by a supported motion, a ballot cast and recorded by the secretary. This vote was taken at the General Membership/Christmas Dinner on 01 December 2021. If you have any questions, you can email me at wstano@comcast.net

P/D/C Bill Stano, JN
Chair, Nominating Committee



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

December Birthdays

P/C Patrick A. Beard, AP
Patricia A. Brasseur
LtMarita S. Grobbel, P
Howard H. Johnson, S

John J. Loporto, P
Raymond E. Oset, N
Gregory J. Peters
Walter L. Weber, P



January Birthdays

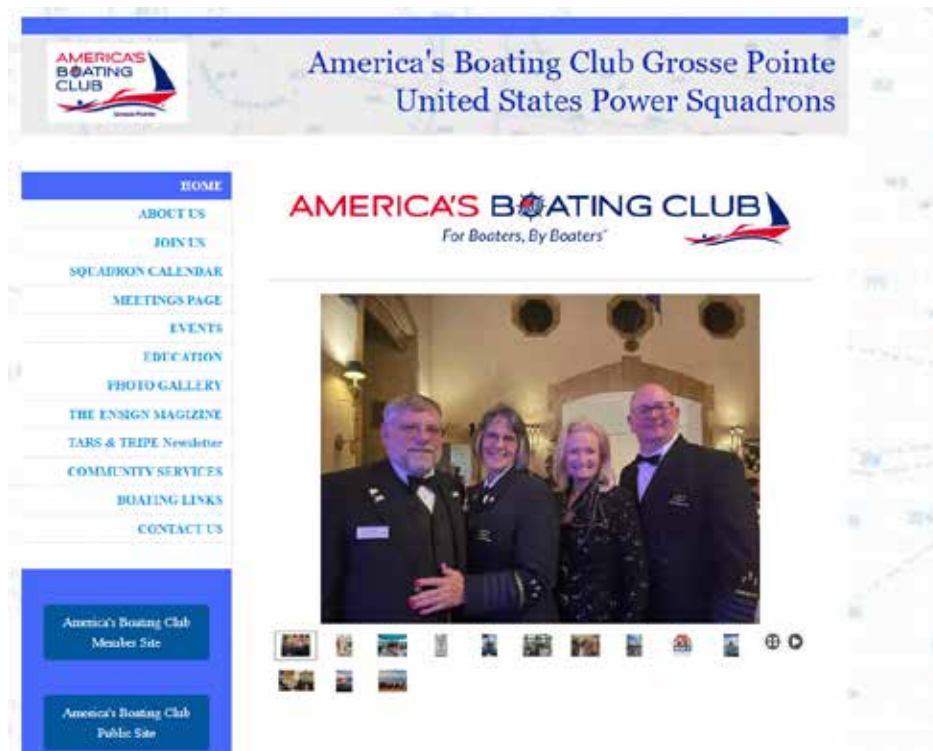
Scott D. Bade
Lt David L. Charvat, JN
Lt Lavonia Criner
Jeanne B. Flynn
John G. Marshall
James T. Mestdagh
Barbara A. Roddis

Jerilyn P. Sandifer
Myron G. Sherer
Natalie Simon
P/C Conrad Sobczynski, AP
P/D/C William A. Stano, JN
Kathleen Sullivan





HAVE YOU VISTED OUR SQUADRON'S WEB SITE LATELY?



Web Site Address: www.gpps-d9.com

Our squadron's web site has been updated with new features, information and pictures. You can access our squadron's history, calendar, meetings and event, education information, the latest Ensign Magazine, the latest and previous issues of the Tars and Tripe and boating links. On the home page, you can access the America's Boating Club web sites (members' site and public site), District 9's web site, Boat Live 365 and America's Boating Channel on You Tube. The Community Services has the Safe Boating videos our squadron members shot for the American Boating Channel. On the Photo Gallery Page, I try to place updated photos of squadron activities.

P/D/C Barry DeArmond, web site evaluator for our national organization, stated our website qualifies for the 2021 Distinctive Communicator Award. P/D/C DeArmond stated our web site "has positive and exciting content and should generate interest in your Squadron." Winners of this award will be announced during the USPS Annual Meeting in February 2022. Check out our web site and let me know what you think!

P/D/C Bill Stano, JN
Squadron Web Master

In Case You Missed It...

Commander's Tea



*The author, publisher, or seller assumes no liability with respect to the use of information contained herein.
Photographer: Lt Tana Jenkins*

In Case You Missed It...

Christmas Party



*The author, publisher, or seller assumes no liability with respect to the use of information contained herein.
Photographer: Lt Tana Jenkins*



AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB

FEB 2022 EASTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE

7 days: 27 Feb – 6 Mar 2022

Roundtrip from Fort Lauderdale on the **BRAND NEW ROTTERDAM**
Itinerary: **Grand Turk, San Juan, St Thomas, Half Moon Cay**

BOOK with the HAVE IT ALL PROMOTION!!!

FREE Drink Package, FREE specialty dining, FREE shore excursion & FREE wifi
(Promotion pricing different from Group pricing)

PROMOTION PRICING FROM \$1049pp

Inside stateroom from \$1049pp

Outside from \$1149pp

Verandah from \$1588pp

Suites from \$1999pp

Price does not include \$175 pp taxes & port fees. Travel protection & transfers are additional.

Don't miss sailing on Holland America Line's newest Pinnacle Class ship!
Feel free to invite your friends, family and neighbors to join us.

Everyone must book through Dawn Eckhart in order to be included in our group and receive the exclusive group benefits. USPS will receive remuneration from proceeds of this group event.

Email dawnstraveldeals@gmail.com or call Dawn at
(727) 403-0406 to join our group on this new, exciting cruise!





Jefferson
Beach
Marina

24400 Jefferson Ave.
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080
Ph: 586-778-7600 Ext. 108
Fx: 586-775-9479

Pam Poirier
Administrator/Marina Operations
pam.poirier@jeffersonbeachmarina.com

Reif Carbide Tool Co., Inc.



We promote safe boating

11055 EAST NINE MILE ROAD
BOX 862
WARREN, MICHIGAN
48090

586-754-1890

Fred John Reif



Michael Babiarz



586.541.4000
586.541.4014 direct
586.541.6000 fax
mbabiarz@kw.com

19900 E Ten Mile Road, Saint Clair Shores, MI 48080
Each office is independently owned and operated.

"YOUR PERFORMANCE PRINTER"



DESIGN & PRINT SERVICES

p: 586.774.0006 • f: 586.774.2792

30503 Gratiot • Roseville, MI 48066

copyriteprinting.net

General Marine Service Corporation

22594 Ardmore Park
St. Clair Shores, MI 48081-2011



Mechanical Engineering
Marina & Waterfront Design
Erosion & Wave Damage Control

Phone (586) 777-0945

Fax (586) 777-3394

John C. Bennett
GPPS Member



General Membership Meeting and Change of Watch

January 5, 2022

Grosse Pointe
Yacht Club

Merry Christmas!

and happy New Year!



GROSSE POINTE POWER SQUADRON

SECRETARY - Lt/C Michael Babiarz, AP
gpps@comcast.net

