



**NORTHERN VIRGINIA SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2010**

The General Meeting was held at the BoatUS® conference room, Alexandria Virginia. Refreshments were provided by P/C Jay Nelson. The meeting was called to order at 1934 hrs by CDR George Nartsissov, AP who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. The Invocation was given by P/C John Shivik, AP. A quorum was present.

In attendance:

BRIDGE:

Commander, CDR George Nartsissov, AP
Executive Officer, Lt/C John G. Karjala, P
Education Officer, LT/C Richard E. Unis, JN
Secretary, Lt/C Sue Karjala, P

Members at Large

P/C G. J. Nelson, AP
P/C Francis Williamson, AP

Absent:

BRIDGE: Treasurer, Lt/C Steven Hall, AP
Assistant Treasurer, P/C Keith Segerson, P

Members at Large:

P/Lt/C Cathleen Sheffield, AP
Steven Wanbaugh, S

Past Commanders Present:

P/C Gale Alls, SN; P/C Alan Hart, AP; P/C Richard Durgin, JN; P/C John Shivik, AP; P/C Jay Nelson, AP; P/C Francis Williamson, AP

Commander's Report: CDR George Nartsissov, AP reported the 15 May 2010 picnic was a success at the Fairfax Yacht Club with 20 people attending and more than 20 vessel safety checks completed.

- The Wounded Warrior Cruise is planned for 7 August at NAS PAX River in Solomons, MD. P/C Keith Segerson is in charge of this event.
- The next issue OT & Terns will be a combined issue for July and August. The deadline for articles will not change; however, Lt Manette Lazear will be unable to publish this addition. Stf/C Richard Davis will be publishing this newsletter. Please forward your articles to his e-mail address by the deadline.
- The D-5 Summer Rendezvous will be August 12-15 in Solomons, Maryland. Check the D-5 website for reservation forms and details.

Executive Officer's Report: Lt/C John Karjala, P gave an update on the new NOAA issued Federal fishing license for salt water fishing. If you fish in U.S.A. salt water you will now need to personally register at NOAA's website: www.countmyfish.noaa.gov.

The license is free for 2010, but there will be a charge starting in 2011. This license is required in addition to the state required license.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer was absent but sent a message that 181 have renewed their membership in the Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadron and 61 have not. He will mail out follow-up reminders shortly.

Secretary's Report: **Lt/C Sue Karjala, P** thanked P/C Francis Williamson for taking the minutes for her at the May "All Hands Meeting". She asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of April 14, 2010. There were none. The minutes were accepted and approved. Next, the Secretary asked for corrections or additions to the May 12, 2010 minutes. A few corrections and additions were made and the minutes were approved as amended. Sue and John have volunteered to head the International Pot Luck in October. Suggested dates are Saturday, October 9th or 16th. We will try and have it at the Fairfax Yacht Club again unless someone knows of a place more centrally located that will allow us to use their facilities at no or limited charge and allows the Squadron to bring in food and liquor.

Safety/Vessel Safety Check Chair: **Lt John von Senden, AP**, was absent but it was reported that over 80 vessel safety checks have been completed.

Education Officer: **Lt/C Unis, JN**, reported that the ABC Basic Boating Class ending on May 25th had 12 people pass. The next one will be held at Chantilly High School beginning on June 29th. Eight people recently passed the Advanced Piloting Class, including Commander Nartsissov. Five have passed the Engine Maintenance course.

Public Relations: **Frank Shults, S**, reported that the June Issue of *Spin Sheet* published an article that he had written about our NVSPS Wounded Warrior Cruises.

Supply Officer/Ship's Store: **P/C John Shivik, AP**, promoted items from the Ship's Store. John has many items available and requested that members call him if any items are needed. He also hopes to have the items advertised on our web site shortly.

There being no further business the general business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 1955 hrs.

Guest Speaker: P/C John Shivik AP introduced **Brandon Peloquin**, Senior Forecaster at the NOAA Baltimore/ Washington Weather Forecast Office at Dulles Airport. Brandon leads both the Aviation and Marine Programs. His presentation covered information a boater needs to know before leaving for a day or more on the water. After his informative presentation, the Commander presented him with a NVSPS cap.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Karjala

Lt/C Sue Karjala, P

Secretary

Northern Virginia Sail and Power Squadron