



**NORTHERN VIRGINIA SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
12 September 2012**

BoatUS® Headquarters conference room, Alexandria, Virginia, was the venue for the General Meeting. Building access and security badges were handled by CDR. G. Jay Nelson, AP. NVSPS social time started at 1900 hrs. Refreshments were provided by Sue Karjala. 16 squadron members were in attendance. CDR G. Jay Nelson, AP, called the meeting to order at 1930 hrs and a quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lt/C George Nartsissov. John Shivik gave the invocation. The business meeting followed and was adjourned at 2148 hrs. Thereafter, a presentation was made by Rich Unis on Sailing at night.

**In Attendance:**

**Bridge:**

Commander, CDR. G. Jay Nelson, AP  
Secretary, Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins  
Treasurer, Lt/C Ann Nartsissov, P-Absent  
Assistant Treasurer, 1Lt Dave Hinkins, S  
Admin Officer, Lt/C Cathleen Sheffield, AP  
Executive Officer, Lt/C Steve Hall, AP  
Education Officer, Lt/C Sean Gallagher, AP-Absent

**Members at Large:**

P/C John G. Karjala, P  
P/C George Nartsissov, AP  
P/C Francis Williamson  
Lt Frederick Zugay, JN

**Past Commanders Present:** SN; P/C Richard Durgin, JN; P/C Francis Williamson,  
P/C John G. Karjala;

**Announcements:**

**Commanders Report:** CDR. G. Jay Nelson, AP, Announced upcoming events - D-5 Sailing and Fishing Tournament is set for September 21-23, Annapolis Sailboat show is October 4-8 and Power Boat Show is October 12-14, and this weekend is the Sterling Weather Center open house. Also we want to check out the weather center's site and go through their marine products, for such things as Noah weather radio and website. The open house should have good information. They will also have a weather balloon launches. Good place to get exposure for the squadron. We can have a booth. He asked for volunteers.

**Executive Office Report:** Lt/C Steve Hall, asked Francis to speak on this Saturday's WW Event.

**Chair for the Wounded Warrior Cruise:** Francis Williamson: We should all meet at 0900 at the West Basin Marina. We will have a table with our NVSPS's banner in front at the pavilion. He passed out lists with vital information for the captains and shore parties. As of Monday we have 66 WW and 46 supporting crew or shore party. We had to cut back WW's to 53. Slip assignments, are preassigned, all approved by dock master. Skipper and one crew are listed. The costs of our meals are as follows: \$8.50/box lunch and catered meal is 13/head. Dick Cohen will be the Greeter. Shore party will be headed by Sue Karjala and assisted by Mary-Jane Hinkins; Steve Hall will assist WW off the bus and give them a short safety meeting which will include the life jacket information and vessel

safety. Then they will be divvied up amongst the boats. We will try, if possible to give them their preference of power or sailing vessel. Captains check for special needs. Once float plans are filled out you will get your box lunches. Power boat racing is having 3rd annual races and part of the bay will be blocked off from 1300-1800. These are big cigarette boats. We will need to get the sailboats and any smaller boats out before the races begin. Shore party should take ice (which Steve will obtain) to the boats to keep drinks cold. We will have Sea Scouts available as well. We have asked for no children under 10. Riverø Edge Catering will arrive after 1300, we have enough catered meals and box lunches for 100, and we will be able to take tables and chairs out of the sailing club. Dock Master John Karjala and assisted by Dave Hinkins will be assisting loading from the docks and unloading E Dock, the gas dock. We want the boats by at 1600. At the end of day, we will pass out floating key chains provided by the Inland Game and Fishers with a sticker from our squadron attached. Questions or volunteers the date is September 15, 0900, please call or email Francis or Steve Hall.

**Administrative Officer's Report:**

Admin Officer, Lt/C Cathy Sheffield, announced that Oktoberfest is scheduled for October 13 around 11 am at Fairfax Yacht club. Call or email Cathy with what you will be bringing. Dec. 1 we will have our Holiday party. She also announced that personal watercraft are going to have to be licensed, the same as all boat. Calendar is up to date on the website.

**Education Officer's Report: Absent**

**Treasurer Report:** 1/Lt Dave Hinkins, S, Assistant Treasurer, reported that we have \$2000 for Wounded Warriors. Current account balance is \$6643. We might be over budget on postage. Other expenses are: Rivers Edge will be approximately \$1920 WW, new laptop, and Microsoft office package purchase.

**Secretary's Report:** Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins provided the minutes from the June meeting and they were approved. There were no minutes for the July meeting as the Secretary was out of town and no volunteers stepped forward to provide minutes. June's minutes were approved.

**Committee Reports:**

**Vessel Safety Check Report:** PC George Nartsissov, AP, reported that Vessel Safety checks completed so far has reached 113. The next safety check is Alexandria City docks on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Also on the schedule is Fort Belvoir

**Public Relations:** Frank Schults was absent

**Boat Show:** Lt Ed Phillips ó was absent

**New Business:** none

**Guest Speaker:**

Rich Unis spoke on Sailing at night.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary-Jane Hinkins*

Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins

Secretary

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