

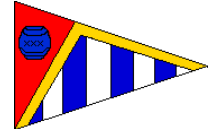


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# The Southwind

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## Coming Events



- SHPS Picnic Meeting 8 September
- USPS Governing Board  
Jacksonville, FL 8 - 12 September
- GPS Seminar 25 September Gander Mountain Washington, PA
- USPS D/7 Fall Conference Elyria, OH 29 - 31 October
- USPS Annual Meeting Orlando, FL 5 - 9 January 2005

## South Hills Power Squadron Picnic Meeting Beach Club Marina, New Eagle, PA



**8 Sept 2004  
1800 (6:00 PM)**

Come for Hot Dogs, Beverages, and Snacks.  
Share your Summer adventures with your SHPS friends.

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Thanks everyone for the boating photographs!

### WE WANT YOU AND YOUR BOAT

in *The SouthWind*.

Send photographs for publication in a future issue.

We also welcome your boating and safety articles.



Don and Marjie Stark's new Klepper kayak. Next month we will have more on how a couple of small bags can hold a 17 foot boat.

## Ain't Boating Grand!



Look at the smiles on the faces of these happy boaters. P/C Bob McKeever and his wife, Pat, are proud owners of a new 21 foot Striper. Congratulations to Bob and Pat.



## Last Horizons

We are saddened to report the passing of two fine members of South Hills Power Squadron.

**P/Lt/C Thomas E. Cross, Jr, SN** passed away on 30 July 2004. Tom served as our SEO for several years, was dedicated to education, and instructed many classes. He earned 23 merit marks. We at SHPS will sorely miss Tom and his expertise in the field of Navigation and Piloting. He was always there for anyone needing help. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Nathalie and her family.

**P/D/C L Lynn Leslie Jr** was a charter member of the South Hills Power Squadron. Prior to the formation of SHPS he was a member of Pittsburgh Power Squadron. He performed numerous duties for our squadron. He served many years as squadron secretary. He served as Administrative Officer and Executive Officer. He was Squadron Commander in 1976 and after being District Administrative Officer and District Executive Officer, he became District 7 Commander in 1982. He had 33 merit marks. Lynn was also active with the Masons and was a 32nd degree member of the Syria Shriners. Lynn passed away on 21 August 2004. Our sincere sympathy to Irene, his wife of 48 years.

We also would like to express our sympathy to the families of **P/C M. Francis "Frank" Evans, SN** and **P/C William McMillen, AP** of Ten Mile Squadron. This is a tragic loss for their families, Ten Mile Squadron and the entire United States Power Squadrons.

## SUNSHINE CORNER



Our Sincere Get Well Wishes To:

Dave Bonta, AP  
P/D/C Robert Colteryahn  
Robert Jenkins, AP  
Gerri Marzarella

P/C Hank Marzina, JN  
Lana Timmins  
Nancy Toler

## The Commander Says . . .



Well, another summer is coming to an end and I hope everyone has enjoyed the season to its best extent. I know it has been quite a busy and fast moving time in my life. The Dory-J (that's my boat) is back in the water after a full month on dry land to have her Out-drive Unit rebuilt. She took a hard fall last winter and required a lot of TLC to get her back to normal.

However, I'm trying hard to swing my mind back to the squadron and face up to the upcoming events that need attention. First I must say that the June Picnic meeting was a great success and very well attended. It was a super way to end the regular business season. Thanks to all who attended and especially those who worked hard to make it an enjoyable event.

Also, another great success was Sail Day. It was a fun filled day, and I personally can attest to the sailing skill of the Masters of the Sheets. Dick Toler and Chris Orié treated me to the most exciting sailing experience that I have ever had on Lake Arthur.

Back to the future, don't forget the meeting at the Beach Club Marina on 8 September. and also keep in mind the GPS Class at Gander Mountain and the Boating Class that will follow in September. The SEO will update us as to the dates of these events. I hope all who can will call Jim Stark, our SEO, and offer to help him carry out these classes.

The meeting at the Beach Club should be a nice kind of outdoor event. I hope to see all of you there. It seems like a great way to kick off the Fall Season.

Cdr. Tom Merritt, JN



Dory J is afloat again !

**SOUTH HILLS POWER SQUADRON  
MEETING MINUTES  
9 June 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 1915. There was a quorum present. Thirty-one people were in attendance. The minutes of the May meeting were approved.

New members Vira Doughton and Dan Marino were sworn in by P/R/C Mac McDonald.

**COMMANDER'S REPORT**

The 8 September meeting will be at Beach Club Marina in New Eagle. However, we are not sure where the next meetings after that will be held. The Windsor Court Hotel is under reconstruction at this time and cannot supply us with any information as to whether they can accommodate future meetings. If anyone has any ideas, please contact Cdr. Merritt. P/C Marzina and Cdr. Merritt will look into the riverboat idea near the West End Bridge for a meeting. Parking may be a problem.

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

Lt/C Dorothy Meloy reminded Vessel Examiners to examine boats as the weather permits. Ten Mile has invited us to attend several of their events.

**EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Lt/C James Stark stated that the Gander Mountain GPS class must be rescheduled because of the Jacksonville Governing Board meeting in September. The boating class will start soon after this GPS seminar. There are no takers for the Skipper Saver course. JN sights will continue throughout the summer on the last Thursday of each month. Engine Maintenance and Seamanship are also possible offerings for the Fall.

**ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT**

Lt/C Chris Orie, reminded everyone of Sail Day at Moraine State Park on 19 June. VSC's will be a part of this event. Chris is also in contact with Vira Doughton about a Little Lake Theater event in the Fall. We have only six non-renewals. Two were reminded at the meeting, leaving four to contact if

**Scenes from Sail Day**



Two boy scouts, Matt and Andrew Dudik, are going for their Sailing Merit Badge.

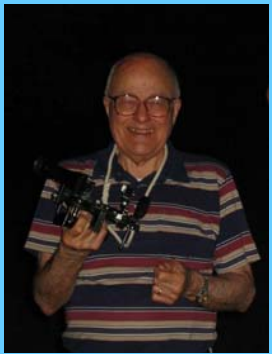


Christine Orie performs a Vessel Safety Check for *Nearly Nirvana* owned by Jim Stark.



And, as always, good food gets everyone and every creature to come to Lake Arthur

## June Star Party



Why is this man smiling? You just have to admire P/Lt/C Art Schock, JN and his enthusiasm for celestial navigation. Art led the group of JN candidates on a trip to Lake Arthur to see the celestial sights.

The group included Selden Campen, Helen Davis, Frank Falvo, Blake Parker, and Jim Stark

they do not respond to the second notice.

### SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT

Donations in support of The SouthWind have been most generous. The total to date is \$263. Lt Mike Hollis, P, is continuing to enhance our website. The address is [www.SH-PS.org](http://www.SH-PS.org). Lt/C Marjorie Stark would like to thank Cdr Merritt and Lt/C Meloy for their assistance in compiling these minutes of the June meeting.

### TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Lt/C Warren Bell continues to collect money for dues renewal. Raffle tickets were sold to raffle off ten pounds of P/C William Macko's famous home-made sausage. Emily Schock won the money in the drawing.

The attendance at our picnic meeting was great. The food was exceptionally good and plentiful. Thanks to all for your contributions.

The meeting adjourned at 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

Lt/C Marjorie G. Stark, S

### Thanks SUPPORTERS OF THE SOUTHWIND – 2004

*Warren and Liz Bell  
Robert Colteryahn  
Lou and Vira Doughton  
Dan Marino  
Malcolm McDonald  
Dorothy Meloy*

*Tom and Dory Merritt  
Chris and Jack Orie  
SEO  
Emily and Art Schock  
Don and Marjie Stark  
Dick and Nancy Toler*

## Directions to Beach Club Marina for the September 8 SHPS meeting

**From Pittsburgh:** Route 51 South to PA Turnpike 43 South (\$1.00 toll). Exit Route 136 - Monongahela. Follow signs to Monongahela, at Route 88, turn left - Route 88 North. Turn on the 6th street on right - Robinson Street. There will be an insurance company: Rupp & Fiore Insurance at this intersection. Follow road - cross over railroad tracks, then road turns right and runs parallel with the railroad. The marina will be on the left just past the water treatment plant.

**From Washington PA:** Follow Route 136 to Monongahela, PA - follow above directions at Route 88.

**From Bethel Park or South Park:** Take Route 88 South. Go past "The TWIST" ice cream shop 0.1 miles and turn left onto Robinson Street. The TWIST is on Route 88, 1/2 mile South of the stop sign on the Route 88 / Route 837 South intersection.

## Scenes from the June Picnic meeting in South Park



## Sailboat for Sale



**1976 McGregor Venture 22'**  
Swing Keel, 3 sails, Radio, Johnson 9.9  
Outboard motor. Trailer

All this and more for \$3000  
Contact Bruce or Kate Arkwright

Erie PA 814-455-9680 or email: [erie\\_sailor@verizon.net](mailto:erie_sailor@verizon.net)

## Morry and Margie Miller's New Boat



## Education Department announces Fall Courses

There will be a GPS seminar at the Gander Mountain Store in Washington, PA on Saturday, 25 September. It will run from 1000 to 1100 and there will be a question and answer and hands-on GPS time from 1100 to 1200. For any additional details call the SEO, Lt/ C Jim Stark, AP at home (724-225-7605) or at work (724-746-4300). Good support by SHPS members is critical to the success of the seminar. **We Need You!**

The Boating Class will then follow, starting on Tuesday 28 September at Mt. Lebanon High School.

The course will run 8 weeks, and the final exam will be held on 23 November. Those of you that teach and proctor this course, please, contact Jim Stark at the above telephone numbers.

Please support Jim and the South Hills Power Squadron in these efforts.