



Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron

To: District 10 Council
Date: October 20, 2007
Subject: 2007 Fall Conference Report

I submit the following update for activities in the Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron that have occurred since the 2007 Spring Conference.

Education

- Two Boat Smart classes were held in April and May with 57 graduates.
- Squadron course graduates:
 - Pilot--2
 - Advanced Pilot--5
 - Engine Maintenance—3
 - Weather--5
 - Operations Training—3
 - JN in progress with 8 students
- Safe Boating Week activities included:
 - May membership meeting with fire extinguisher and flare demonstrations.
 - Participation in New Berlin, WI Safety Saturday Event.

Membership

- Summer activities highlights:
 - Squadron BBQ at South Shore Yacht Club
 - Winnecone Rendezvous with members of Milwaukee, Oshkosh and Sheboygan
 - Tiki Tuesday Sunset Cruise on the Milwaukee River

Civic Service

- We have conducted 2 VSC events.
- An Adopt-a-Chart activity was held at Bender Park on Lake Michigan. This launch facility is not on the charts—yet.
- New PR Tool—We will be presenting Boat Smart graduates with a cooler cup that says “USPS Course Graduate” and provides contact information for USPS

Global

- The MSPS newsletter Deck Watch has been completely redesigned: new mast head on the front page, color throughout, a 3 month rolling calendar of activities, new features (On Deck With an member featured every month, From the Galley recipes and more) and a more articles from member contributions.
- The MSPS website is currently being overhauled to provide more timely information in a better format. These changes should be complete before the end of the year.
- MSPS financial information is managed in Quick Books

The Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron's entry in the Carl C. Mahnken Commander's Cup Contest was awarded third place in the National competition. This power point presentation was designed by Stf/C Mike Wiedel, AP and is used in the booth during boat shows.

Respectfully submitted,
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