

**DOOR COUNTY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON
COMMANDER'S REPORT
D10 SPRING COUNCIL 2007**

DCS&PS is vigorous. Performance against 2006 benchmarks was recognized at National and District levels, especially for Coop Charting and, in Education, the Prince Henry and First in Nation awards. As the newly installed Commander I look forward to serving with our qualified and committed Executive Committee. Plans and goals for the new watch year are ambitious and reflect a strong outreach across departments.

EDUCATION

The three new instructors qualified in 2006 and two more this year are already being put to work. Four students completed Weather in February. AP is underway with 4 students as well. Boat Smart begins 4 April. Sail will start in mid-May. A GPS seminar will be conducted at Quarterdeck Marina 5 May with other seminars to follow during June through August.

CIVIC SERVICE

We continue to strengthen our relationship with the USCGA and have set a goal of 120 VSCs for the new season. Therefore five new examiners are being qualified for the start of the season. Sign ups for marina dates are well underway. In addition to our annual safe boating event and our booth at the Wooden Boat Show, we are pleased to answer the request for a USPS booth at the Quarterdeck Marina boat show 30 June. DCS&PS is newsworthy in the Door County Advocate.

FRATERNAL

We are delighted to report an inflow of new members: 2 in October, 3 in November, 1 in December, 1 in February and 1 in process at National in March.

The annual Rendezvous Cruise, always well attended, including guests from Green Bay Squadron, will take place 24-26 August. A new event last September, the Pig Roast, was well attended, including a guest from USCGA, will be repeated this September.

One new event and two new cruises are in the plans. Blessing of the Fleet is scheduled for 16 June at the Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club and will be open to the community. VSCs will, of course, be promoted. The first new cruise is to be a powerboat cruise, across "the pond" to which other squadrons and the Sturgeon Bay Yacht Club will be invited. The second cruise is to be a day of sailing on Green Bay. Our sailors will host their "stink boat" friends.

The Door County Squadron is in a receptive community surrounded by great cruising waters and supported by a strong Executive Committee. We believe that USPS's new initiatives in membership and education will help us as we encourage safe boating in the community.

Respectfully submitted,
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