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D/C Kevin Wehrmann, S

Ahoy There District 10,



Welcome to the first edition of the 2021/2022 Watch year **D10 Communicator**. On behalf of the District Bridge and all the committees of D10 I would like to welcome you to another eventful year with **America's Boating Club!** I have decided to take on the Duties of District Commander for a second year since my first year didn't count due to Covid 19. I think we can all say that 2020 was challenging for all of our squadrons in D-10 and Nationally as well. So, let's get back on plane have some fun and do what we do best and go boating! During the last three years of serving at the district level I have come to realize and fully appreciate how much of an impact we make in our community and its surroundings, Thank you for your service, time and enthusiastic energy!

Let's hit the restart button with the new goals for 2021-22. We didn't make a lot of changes to the goals from last year with the exception of the membership goal and the goals for number of VSC's.

Membership Goal for 2021-22 is 100 New Members

Vessel Safety Checks, 1000

I challenge all of our membership to move "**Onward & Upward 2021-22**" and recognize that our membership is the most important resource that we have. I challenge you to commit to finding a new member and welcome them into America's Boating Club. I would also challenge you to commit to taking a class or a seminar this year.

### ONWARD & UPWARD 2021-22

	Objective	2021-2022 Watch Year Goal
Executive	Guide and support our squadrons in the ongoing transformation to America's Boating Club	Geodetic Marker Recovery, At least one individual to reach Honor Status. One Squadron to reach honor roll status. Get at least 3 squadron's set up for Geodetic Recovery Conduct America's Boating Club seminar at conferences Include America's Boating Club updates in D10 communications
	Expand our civic outreach across D10	Number of VSC's in D10 to 1000 Define and implement D10 wide civic plan. Roll out improved tracking process and use to apply for the Boat US Civic award at Squadron and District levels
Admin	Guide and support our squadrons in membership and membership retention efforts	Add at least 100 new members to D10 Improve member retention in 2021 to 85% across D10. Increase the number of merit marks earned to >40%
		Support struggling squadrons through sharing of best practice membership / retention techniques and/or through consideration of District 10 operational changes Earn at least 3 squadron growth awards Increase number of MIRA applications to at least 3
		Increase the number of Jump Start students across the District Increase utilization of the Brunswick (or other dealer/marina) program and promote Jump Start
		Increase the current D-10 Certified Instructor roster via On Line education Conduct required Instructor Re-certification for all D-10 members with expiration dates through March 2020 via On Line process
Education	Increase "on the water" boating education across D10	100% of Squadrons meet National Education Fund objectives
	Maintain our pool of instructors	Submit a Chapman Award nomination
	Support the Education Fund	
	Recognize our talented pool of instructors	
Secretary	Improve Communication between District and Squadrons to better understand and support Squadron needs	Publish Communicator quarterly Continue with D10 Top 10 with at least 3 publications At least quarterly department meetings Increase the number of members we reach via email
Treas.	Define strategies for a balanced budget in light of declining membership	Coordinate Planning and Budget committees to bring revised approach to the Fall Conference

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## [News from National Meeting in February](#)

All Meetings and Seminars were recorded

Visit the national Website and view the meetings on your own time

## [Covid 19 Highlights 2020](#)

District 10 Submitted 232 Merit marks

Vessel Safety Checks 469. Starting August 1st

All squadrons achieved 100% Education Fund Honor Roll

District 10 received 100% Education Fund Honor Roll

Duluth Squadron takes 2<sup>nd</sup> Place MIRA Award

Minnetonka receives New Member Award

Duluth receives New Member Award

## [The Following squadrons received Distinctive Communicator Award for Websites](#)

Central Wisconsin Sail and Power Squadron

Duluth Sail and Power Squadron

Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron

District 10

## [The Following Squadrons received Distinctive Communicator Award for Publications](#)

Door County – The Door Scuttlebutt

Green bay – The Ship's Log

Milwaukee – Deck Watch

Minnetonka – TonkaNauts

D10 – D10 Communicator

## [Congratulations to 2020 class of Life Members 25 Merit Marks](#)

Central Wisconsin – Donn Van Dreser

St. Paul – Rachael Harvey and David West

## [Celebrating 50 Years](#)

Duluth - Robert J Byrne, SN

Milwaukee – Lawrence Graff, P

Join us for a [Virtual Awards Celebration and Chief's Message](#) Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm followed by the Installation of Bridge Officers for 2021-22.



### Spring Conference District 10, Going Virtual April 23-25

The General Membership Meeting will be held Online via Go-To Meeting on the morning of Saturday April 24 at 0900. This online version of the meeting will give everyone in District 10 a chance to attend. The meeting is open to ALL squadron members of District 10.

#### ***Workshop: Build a 5 second Facebook Ad as easy as 1-2-3!***

Join Cdr Kevin Shutes and Kevin Cooper from the Minnetonka Squadron as they start the day off Saturday morning with a Workshop focusing on building three - 5 second Facebook ads. Two ads that gear up for Membership and one ad that targets Education! These Ads are getting amazing results for Minnetonka, don't miss this workshop!

#### ***Education Seminar: AIS Electronics for Boaters***

AIS Electronics for Boaters, can help you decide if AIS is right for you. Automatic Identification System electronics aren't just for commercial vessels. Using AIS can help you navigate crowded waterways easily and safely. Instructor, Ben Coons

#### ***Workshop: Zoom***

Learn the ins & outs of teleconferencing, telecommuting, distance education and social relations. Instructor DSO Jennine Fine & Boy Scout Troop 409 Committee Chair Steve Livermore

#### ***Education Seminar: Man Overboard***

People fall overboard, especially in rough weather and high seas. Discover how to equip and maneuver your boat to retrieve someone in the water. Instructor, Tim Levens.

### Virtual and in Person, Squadron Change of Watch schedule for 2021

Congratulations to the following Newly Installed Squadron Commanders:

Central Wisconsin – Dennis Schultz

Door County – Bob DeNoto

Green Bay - Robert Rondou

Hiawatha Valley – Marie Coons

Madison – Jim Pahl-Washa

Minnetonka – Kevin Shutes

St. Paul – Kris Harmon

I have not had the opportunity to Install a new bridge in person for over a year due to Covid 19! But things are looking up, on March 25 I was able to attend (in person) the Change of Watch for the Hiawatha Squadron. March 27<sup>th</sup>, I drove to Wausau to install a new bridge for Central Wisconsin. I want to thank both squadrons for their generous hospitality and camaraderie.



### District 10 is Building a New Website

On March 11<sup>th</sup> during the Monthly D10 Bridge meeting a motion to build a new website for the district was approved unanimously. The discussion in the last few months was to build a new website that will help drive membership and boost education for all the squadrons in the district. During the watch year of 2020-21 District 10 members of the bridge were not able to travel to the Governing Board meeting in Raleigh NC, or the National Meeting in Ponte Vedra, Florida last February. By not being able to travel we saved a substantial amount of money scheduled for travel. The money to fund the website was shifted from the travel budget and the balance of the travel budget will drop into the Enrichment fund.

**Thank You** Leo Loeb has been serving as the District Webmaster for over ten years!! Leo thank you for all that you have done for District 10 ..... You Rock!!

**We need your HELP!** The Marketing committee is seeking photos for the new website. Photos of interest in your boating backyard, send to [kevin@anchorconstructionanddesign.com](mailto:kevin@anchorconstructionanddesign.com) Topics Include:

- Mississippi River scenery with boaters
- Great Lakes, Superior and Lake Michigan
- Tall Ships, Green Bay and Milwaukee
- Fox Locks Rendezvous pictures of the Locks and bridges in Oshkosh
- Wisconsin Dells boat trip Rendezvous
- Light house photo's anywhere in our boating area from the Great Lakes
- St. Croix River
- Canoeing or Kayaking photos
- Safe Boating week activities

The photographs we do not use will be stored in a photo vault for future use.

Remember with a Boat and a little Imagination We can Go Anywhere!

Onward and Upward in 2021-22

D/C Kevin Wehrmann, S





## District Educational Department

As District 10 Education Officer, I want to invite you to our Spring Virtual Conference. While I would enjoy seeing you in person I also look forward to seeing you virtually. As with the last conference, we have made an effort to offer a full slate of events.

### Educational Department Virtual Workshop

Our District 10 Educational Workshop will take place on Wednesday April 21, 2021 at 1900 hours. Included in the discussion will be the Educational Department goals as well as opportunities available to all members in regards to district-wide education.

I am excited about our ADEO Dennis Schultz and will invite his input in explaining the details of having a “Go to place” on our D-10 website for virtual internet education.

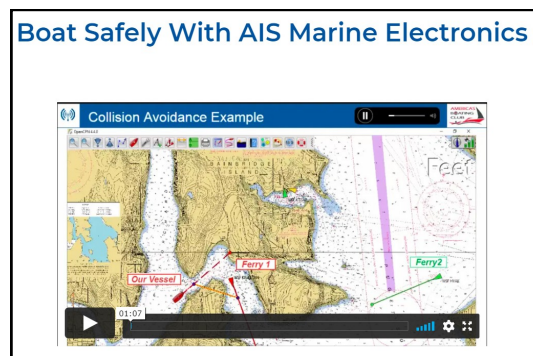
This event will also have interactive opportunities for all attendees to voice their comments and concerns on the future of USPS Education.

### Seminars

Please attend one or two USPS seminars listed.

#### **1. AIS Electronics for Boaters (Saturday, April 24th at noon):**

*AIS Electronics for Boaters* can help you decide if Automatic Identification System (AIS) electronics are right for you. AIS electronics aren’t just for commercial vessels. Using AIS can help you navigate crowded waterways easily and safely.

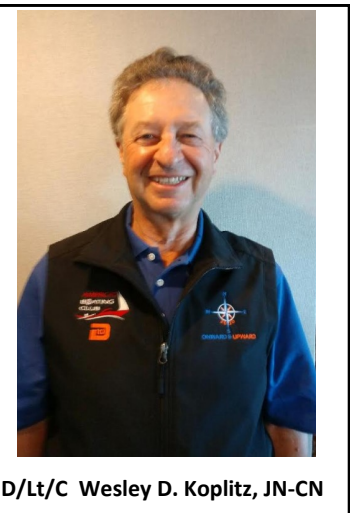


With AIS marine electronics onboard, you can identify potential dangers and quickly make decisions on the water. Many systems share your boat’s information with other boats so they can also make better, safer boating decisions.

In this course, you will learn what AIS does, how it works, whether you need an AIS system, how AIS is different from radar, how to use AIS to navigate more

safely, and what to consider when integrating AIS with your existing electronics.

Classroom materials include a 40-page full-color student guide in your choice of print or eBook format. Instructor materials are also available in hard copy or eBook format.



D/Lt/C Wesley D. Koplitz, JN-CN





## District Educational Department

### 2. Man Overboard (Saturday, April 24th at 3pm):

People fall overboard, especially in rough weather and high seas. Discover how to equip and maneuver your boat to retrieve someone in the water. Essential for all boaters, this seminar teaches you what to do if you fall overboard, as well as how to retrieve someone else. The seminar includes a full color Student Guide for the seminar.

#### What's Included?

- How to recover a crewmember who has fallen overboard
- Vessel set-up and man overboard (MOB) equipment
- Maneuvering to keep the rescuer close to the person in the water
- Methods of recovering the person overboard



### New Federal Law in Effect as of 1 April 2021

#### **New Boat Engine Cutoff Switch Law Goes Into Effect April 1** ***Applies to boats less than 26 feet operating on plane or above displacement speed***

SPRINGFIELD, Va., March 15, 2021 – There are new engine cutoff device wear requirements for recreational boat operators as part of the January 1, 2021, passage of National Defense Authorization Act that included a U.S. Coast Guard Reauthorization. These devices, commonly referred to as engine cutoff switches (ECOS), are designed to prevent a boat-strike injury if an operator is accidentally ejected overboard while underway. Engine cutoff devices can be located at the helm of the boat or on the tiller or body of an outboard engine and typically connect a boat's operator to the cutoff switch with a lanyard. Some ECOS devices eliminate the lanyard and rely on wireless proximity devices to shut down an engine if the operator goes overboard. Effective April 1, 2021, the new law requires a vessel operator to use either a helm or outboard lanyard or wireless ECOS on certain vessels less than 26 feet when traveling on plane or above displacement speed. These vessels include:

- (1) Boats that have a functioning engine cutoff device installed at the helm or on an outboard engine or have wireless ECOS, or
- (2) Boats manufactured beginning January 2020. The Coast Guard increased the number of boats required to have ECOS installed after this date in an effort to reduce boating accidents and fatalities.

The new law applies to ***all federally navigable waterways***. As this is a federal law, states do not have the ability to enforce the new ECOS regulation — though seven states (Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Louisiana, Nevada, New Jersey and Texas) currently have their own ECOS laws. BoatUS expects most states to amend their regulations to match federal law over the coming years. While boat operators who fail to follow the new requirement could face a \$100 civil penalty for the first offense, BoatUS expects the U.S. Coast Guard's initial focus will be education.

District Education Officer

D/Lt/C Wesley D. Koplitz, AP







## District Administrative Department

It has been a pleasure to serve on the bridge as your administrative officer for the last two watch years. I couldn't ask for a finer group of people for fellow officers.

It looks like our annual spring conference meeting will be virtual. We were hoping that it could be an "in person" event, but alas, 'twas not meant to be. The dates for the conference are April 24 and 25. The officers for the new watch year are elected and installed on Saturday, so please plan to attend.

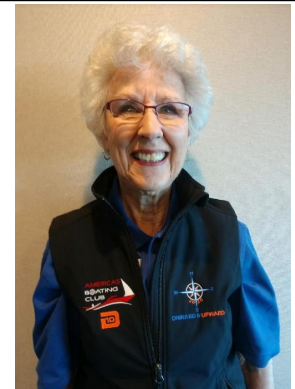
During the watch year I have been receiving squadron non-renewal lists from our national administrative officer Ralph Bernard. Using this information, I contacted the squadrons involved asking them to get in touch with the members on their list in an effort to have them renew. If they chose not to renew, USPS would like to know the reason in the event there might be something that could be done to change their minds.

The Ensign magazine has moved to electronic distribution. We are in a trial period. I prefer the hard copy but understand that moving away from print saves several thousand dollars a year. Any input you have on this would be appreciated; just contact your administrative officer.

Upcoming events: The national fall governing board meeting in Raleigh, NC August 29-September 5 and the D/10 summer rendezvous hosted by Duluth Sail & Power Squadron on Labor Day weekend September 4-6. The corn roast is an annual event for Duluth and we appreciate being asked to join them this year.

Bernadette Dohr

District Administrative Officer



D/Lt/C Bernadette Dohr, AP

## the Ensign

[Read The Ensign Spring 2021 Online Now](#)



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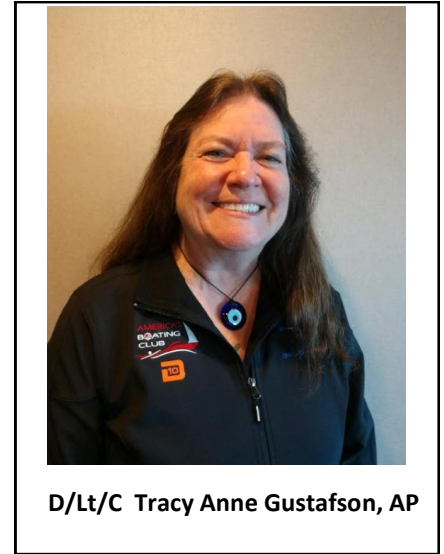
We announce the **Looking Back Photo Contest** winners.

The **2020 Chapman Award** recipients share thoughts on teaching and more.

In **Cruising America's Great Loop** part five, cruisers journey from Stuart, Florida, to Norfolk, Virginia, and much more!



## District Treasurer



D/Lt/C Tracy Anne Gustafson, AP

**Ahoy from the D-10 Treasurer's Department !**

**Our financial position is Ship Shape !! We are staying within our budget - Thanks to mostly virtual meetings, there is not a lot going on with Financials. With travel for meetings virtually at a standstill, (pun intended he he) the bridge has voted on taking this opportunity to stay within our Budget and revise our website.**

**I really appreciate how the bridge works together to keep an eye on the budget and the district finances. We can keep our squadrons strong by renewing our own memberships and bringing in new people who share our enjoyment of boating and community service. It is our membership dues that keep us afloat.**

**It has been a very enjoyable voyage sailing through as District Treasurer for the past few years 😊 I am looking forward to cruising into the next watch year ahead as I continue onboard as the District Treasurer.**

**There are positions available for interested members to come onboard and serve in a district capacity. Contact anyone on the bridge for more information !**

**I am available to provide the Squadron Treasurer's with assistance on any problems that arise. Feel free to contact me any time.**

**I appreciate the opportunity to have served as your Treasurer this past watch year !**

**Have a Safe and Enjoyable 2021 Boating Season J**

**Fraternaly - D/Lt/C Tracy Gustafson, AP-IN**

**26 March 2021**

**"Never Regret The Things That Make You Smile !"**





## District Secretary

Greetings:

Hoppy Spring !!! It's so nice to hear the birds chirping and see trees budding. It was a strange winter and now that we are seeing improvements in the Covid War we may once again resume some in person activities.

Due to many uncertainties, D10 will have a virtual 2021 Spring Conference. The Call to Meeting was sent along with the 2021-22 Slate of Officers. I have attached the Slate for your convenience. Voting to approve this slate will be via email. D10 Council Members, PDCs, and Delegates planning to attend the Conference meeting will be allowed to vote starting 9 April 2021. If you are interested in becoming a delegate for your squadron please contact your Squadron Commander if you haven't already.

Please attend the "Zoom" Workshop presented by BSA Troop 409 Committee Chair Steve, an expert in Zoom. The second subscription for D10 "GoToMeeting" will be replaced by Zoom on May 30. Questions in advance will be helpful.

Many attended the Virtual Annual Meeting held by the National Organization. You can still view any of the recorded meetings on the National "Members" Website. You will need your Certificate # and password to login to the Member's Website.

Lastly the bounced list has come along quite nicely. However, according to National, all correspondence should go through the Information Technology website instead of accessing DB2000. Squadron secretaries were asked to view two seminars, "Understanding the Information Center" and "Life after DB2000".

Please join us virtually, at the 2021 Spring Conference on April 24th and 25th. The Agenda is attached for your convenience.

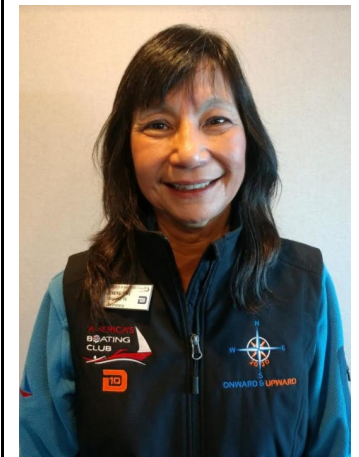
Hoping you are enjoying time with family and friends as you receive your vaccine.

Please remember ... The Life of Our Waters are perpetuated by You !!! Take Care & stay Safe !!!

Respectfully Submitted,

D/Lt/C Jennine Fine

District 10 Secretary



D/Lt/C Jennine Fine

D10 Bounced List		
Squadron Name	5/1/2019	3/23/2021
Central Wisconsin Sail &	2	2
Door County	1	2
Duluth	30	7
Green Bay Sail &	6	4
Hiawatha Valley Sail &	3	1
Madison	3	2
Marinette-Menominee Sail &	7	1
Milwaukee Sail &	3	2
Minnetonka	25	14
Oshkosh	4	3
St. Paul Sail &	7	4
Totals	91	42

### District Webmaster



HELP WANTED: District 10 needs your help. I've been serving as the D10 webmaster for the past 10+ years and have decided it's time to put out the retirement sign - "Gone Fishing". It has been a pleasure supporting the mission of the district, I've worked with so many amazing people over the years, and I am hopeful that the next volunteer will find the role as rewarding as I have.

Key tasks are maintaining the website and sending out periodic mass emails announcing events. You can accomplish the tasks on your own schedule and with internet access, from anywhere in the world. It's been a fulfilling experience and you can shape the work to fit your personality and curiosity. I've learned so much! Developing a social media presence would be a great enhancement to the role. If you know of a member who might be interested please share the need. If you are interested, please reach out via email:

[leoloeb3@gmail.com](mailto:leoloeb3@gmail.com)

phone: 920-362-8801

P/C Leo Loeb, SN

D10 Webmaster





## USPS® DISTRICT TEN

### Nominating Committee Report



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### District 10

#### Slate of Officers for Election, 2021-22

Commander	D/C Kevin Wehrmann, S
Executive Officer	D/Lt/C Chad Lowney, AP
Educational Officer	D/Lt/C Wesley Koplitz, JN
Assistant Educational Officer	D/1Lt Dennis Schultz, AP
Administrative Officer	P/C Suzanne Carman, S
Assistant Administrative Officer	Open
Secretary	D/Lt/C Jennine Fine
Assistant Secretary	Open
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Tracy Gustafson, AP
Assistant Treasurer	Open
Immediate Past Commander	P/D/C David Fine, JN

		<u>Term Ending</u>
Rules Committee (3-year term)	*P/R/C Maury Rice, JN	2022
	*P/R/C Greg Korstad, JN	2023
	P/D/C Dick Baker, AP	2024
Planning Committee (3-year term)	*Lt Donald Duncan, JN	2022
	*P/D/C Dale Perry, N	2022
	*P/R/C Jim Pahl-Washa, JN	2023
	*P/D/C David Fine, JN	2023
	Cdr Bob DeNoto, JN	2024
	P/C Len Robinson, S	2024
Audit Committee (3-year term)	*Lt Rebecca Skelley, S	2022
	P/C John Paprocki, SN	2024
	Cdr David Muscarella, N	2024
<b>Budget and Finance Committee (3-year term)</b>		
(Appointed by the District Commander and recommended by the Nominating Committee)		
	*P/D Lt/C Sandra Broekema, S	2022
	*P/C Jim Martell, AP	2023
	*P/C Onis Budde, AP	2024

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			<u>Term Ending</u>
Nominating Committee (3-year term)	P/D/Lt/C Bernie Dohr, AP	Central Wisconsin	2024
	*Cdr. Bob DeNoto, JN	Door County	2022
	Chad Lowney, AP	Duluth	2024
	*P/C David Budde, AP	Green Bay	2022
	P/V/C Ben Coons, JN	Hiawatha Valley	2024
	P/C Cindy Parisi, P	Madison	2024
	Open	M & M	2024
	*P/D/C Thaddeus Smyczek, SN	Milwaukee	2022
	P/R/C Gregory Korstad JN	Minnetonka	2024
	Cdr Geoff Carman, JN	Oshkosh	2024
	*P/ C Ed Manor, S	St. Paul	2022

Nominating Committee Alternates (1-year term)

P/R/C Maury Rice, JN	Central Wisconsin
P/R/C Alan Wentworth SN	Door County
Open	Duluth
P/C Onis Budde AP	Green Bay
P/D/C Marie Coons, P	Hiawatha Valley
Lt Julie Pahl-Washa, P	Madison
Open	M & M
P/Stf/C Kim Rutkowski P	Milwaukee
P/C Andy Lalim	Minnetonka
D/Lt/C Suzanne Carman. S	Oshkosh
P/D/C Kris Harmon, AP	St. Paul

\*Not to be voted upon, previously elected or appointed and listed for information only.

Respectfully submitted,

P/D/C Marie Coons, P  
Chairperson  
D/10 Nominating Committee



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## District 10 Spring Conference

20 – 25 April 2021

### Agenda



#### April

Audit Committee  
Budget and Finance Committee  
Nominations Committee  
Planning Committee  
Rules Committee  
Task Force Committee  
Secretary Department Workshop  
Treasurer Department Workshop

#### Notes

Mid April  
Done, no report  
Report submitted 8 March 2021, updated 3/24  
Early April  
Email March ongoing  
15 April 2021 via GoToMeeting  
Email March ongoing  
Email March ongoing

#### Tuesday, April 20

7:00-9:00p D10 Council Meeting <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/941922509>

#### Wednesday, April 21

7:00-9:00p Admin Department Workshop <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/233488037>  
7:00-9:00p Educational Department Workshop <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/945146189>  
(2nd GoToMeeting Subscription)

#### Thursday, April 22

7:00-9:00p Commanders Workshop <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/912685221>  
7:00-9:00p Executive Department Workshop <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/209977317>  
(2nd GoToMeeting Subscription)

#### Saturday, April 24

8:00-9:00a Build a 5 Second Facebook Ad as easy as 1-2-3  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85879244119?pwd=azlxTlZlEaEd6U05QSIvTL1YzNHU4UT09>  
9:00-11:00a Conference Meeting <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/517230621>  
12:00-2:00p AIS Electronics for Boaters Seminar <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/278150029>  
2:00-3:00p "Zoom" Workshop <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/278150029>  
3:00-5:00p Man Overboard Seminar <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/278150029>  
5:00-7:00p Awards Ceremony, Chief's Message, & Installation  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/278150029>

#### Sunday, April 25

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/351626885>  
10:30-11:45a Brunch "Round Table" with the Bridge  
12:00-1:15p Bridge Meeting



### What is the first thing you did or will do once you receive(d) the Covid Vaccine?

I'll get my 2nd vaccine this week. Two weeks after, I'll visit my dad for his bday! Haven't seen him for 6+ months!! Remember.... masks are still a must, even after being vaccinated.

Have received the cure and have book a summer vacation in WY. Will also be traveling to warmer islands and the old world next year. Bud

Haven't decided if we're getting vaccine

Vivian and I flew up from Florida to receive coronavirus vaccinations at our Mayo Clinic Health System site in Red Wing, and stayed in Minnesota for 5 weeks to complete the 2-shot sequence and allow for any adverse reactions.

Before returning to Florida, I resumed "the good life in Minnesota" by buying a 6-pack of Point Special Lager and two orders of Smokin Oak barbecue. The accompanying snowfall and subzero temperature surrounding our home just added atmosphere to our stay. Our best treats will begin with the visits for spring break by our three granddaughters and their parents! Dale

Maybe not the first thing but the most important thing, and Jenny and I have our two shots, would be to go to California to see the grandkids and their parents. Maury

Went out to dinner with friends that also received the two Moderna Vaccines. Lou

I want to see grands, especially go to the graduations, for the three graduates in the family. Jenny

After my 1st shot of the Pfizer vaccine I smiled and continued my usual precautions until 3 weeks later when I received the 2nd shot. Then I looked happy again. I continue to wear a mask when appropriate. Two weeks after the 2nd shot I did sit down to eat in a restaurant for the 1st time since the pandemic began. I noted no side effects from either shot except slight tenderness at the vaccine site for 24 to 48 hrs. Don

I have been fully vaccinated with both shots as of 3/1/21. My thoughts upon getting the second shot were of relief and feeling more comfortable around people outside of my immediate circle.

My vaccination experience was fairly typical. Nothing noted, other than a slightly sore arm, after the first shot. The second shot brought on a minor reaction similar to that of a cold. It only lasted about 12 hours and then was gone.

I really didn't change my social distancing habits after being vaccinated however I "do" feel more at ease, these days, as a result. Dennis

Both Jan and I have received both of our Pfizer vaccines and we have begun our social visiting and dining. It was a LONG year! Look forward to future D10 conferences. Greg

We plan to go out to dinner at a local restaurant to celebrate a friend's birthday. Bernie

I sat down and waited 15 minutes, got up and drove home. I did NOT stop at a bar, schedule a party, or buy a plane ticket. The vaccine provided a welcome relief from the worry that had been present for a year of acquiring the virus. Way to go Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson and Johnson, and Astra-Zenica! Alan

Travel, travel, travel. Gail

I have been in double quarantine since March 18th working on my Navigation open book exam. You probably already know what that's like since Dave is doing that as well or recently completed it. For my part, I look to spring to hear the news that I passed, and now can find open water to take my sights to finish the course. Jim





## Task Force Update

It's been nearly two years that the Task Force has been working to provide solutions to issues and barriers that deter District 10 squadrons from effectively engaging and retaining members, positioning America's Boating Club in the community and attracting new members. Four solution sets – addressing Education, Member Benefits, Marine Partnerships and sharing Subject Matter Resources – have been developed to make it easier for all of us to meet current goals and position America's Boating Club in District 10 for the future. The Task Force representative from each squadron has been charged with implementing, mentoring and monitoring the application of these tools and processes over the next several months. Once the four initiatives are entrenched and self-sustaining, the team will solicit feedback from the District Bridge and the individual squadrons to effectively move forward to identify what can be tackled next to serve District 10.

Our organization's most active season is upon us; the potential to benefit from what the Task Force has developed is at its peak. Take advantage of these new tools and ideas! Try something new! We think you'll like it ....

## Come Have Fun with Us at National



**2021 Fall  
Governing Board  
August 29 – Sept 5  
Raleigh North Carolina**

**2022 ABClub  
Annual Meeting  
February 19 – 27  
Ponte Vedra, Florida  
SAWGRASS**



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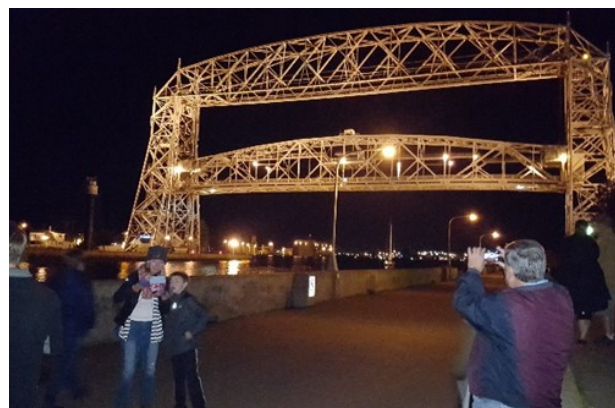
### CORN ROAST—LABOR DAY WEEKEND

#### 2021 Summer Rendezvous

September 4-6, 2021

Camp, Boat, Eat, & Laugh

Hosted by the Duluth Squadron





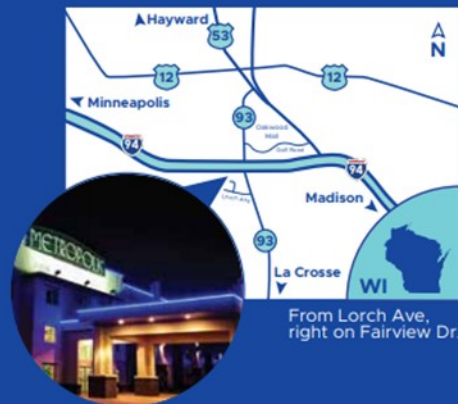
**St. Paul Squadron**  
Presents



**District 10**  
**2021 Fall Conference**  
**5-7 November 2021**



**5150 Fairview Drive | Eau Claire, WI**  
**MetropolisResort.com**  
**844-855-2724**



**ONLY RESORT IN EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN**

Have meetings, rest & relaxation, dining, and entertainment all under one roof.

**ON-SITE RESORT ATTRACTIONS**

Featuring Chaos Indoor Water Park and Action City Fun Center & Trampoline Park.

**FULL SERVICE RESTAURANT & BAR**

The Pub is open for breakfast & dinner, offers Happy Hour specials, and dishes up flame grilled burgers, wraps, salads, and more! Additional dining options are available in Action City.

**ROOM SERVICE**

Delicious meals off The Pub menu delivered right to your room when it is convenient for you.

**COMPLIMENTARY WIFI**

Wireless Internet is included in all meeting spaces & sleeping rooms. We have two 100 mbps fiber lines, and we can dedicate routers within meeting rooms.

**ON-SITE AUDIO VISUAL**

New projectors and house sound system with touch screen control panels.

**CONVENIENTLY LOCATED**

Metropolis Resort is off of and visible from Interstate 94.

**SPACIOUS RESORT PARKING**

Free parking for all guests attending your event.

**<https://www.metropolisresort.com>**

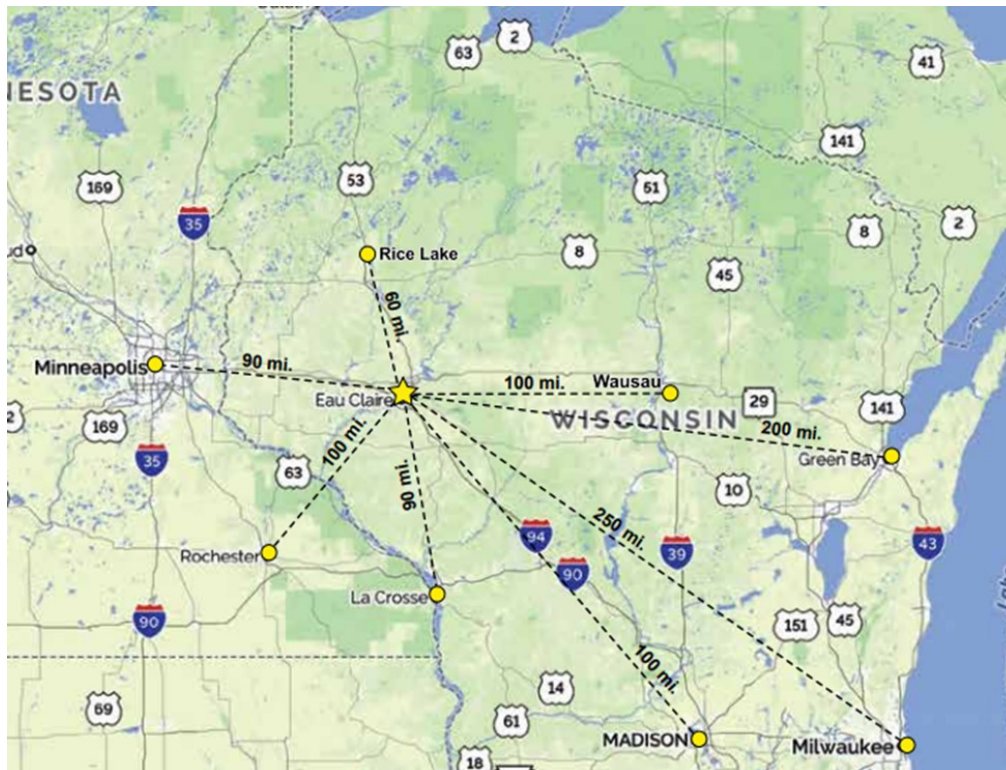




## St. Paul Squadron



# Metropolis Resort



## WE'RE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK

**Milwaukee, WI**  
250 miles

**Green Bay, WI**  
200 miles

**Rochester, MN**  
100 miles

**Madison, WI**  
100 miles

**Wausau, WI**  
100 miles

**Minneapolis, MN**  
90 miles

**La Crosse, WI**  
90 miles

**Rice Lake, WI**  
60 miles

**Marinette, WI** 260 miles

**Duluth, MN** 155 miles



Help Wanted !!! District 10 is looking for people interested in taking on a role at the District level. Key needs are:

- ⇒ Assistant Administrative Officer
- ⇒ Assistant Secretary
- ⇒ Nominating Committee Members—M&M
- ⇒ Nominating Committee Alternate Members — Duluth & M&M
- ⇒ Publications Editor

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