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Commander's Message

I'm finding that my time as District 10 Commander has been more rewarding than I had originally thought. My years on the District Bridge have enriched Stacy and me far more than words can describe or money can buy. Our group is diverse with all professions represented. Your feedback has encouraged me to seek innovative ways to help our fellow members and Squadrons. Remember, there are 3 ways to engage a volunteer:

Þ Get them involved

P Show appreciation

P Remuneration (award merit marks)

You may be thinking, 2 and 3 are easy, however, I can't get people to step up and get involved. They have to want to be there. If others see us having fun, they won't be able to resist us. Taking on a Bridge position is a great way to get involved. Overcome nomination objections such as "I'm too busy" or "I'm too new". Leaders are never alone. Our committee structure allows others to help while having fun at the same time. The leadership track of our Squadrons and District parallels the best corporate and social management programs. Those that have partaken have no regrets. My favorite part of this year involved my Squadron visits. I treasured the face-to-face time with many of you during Change of Watches, parties, cruises, and boat shows. Our District is large. Your camaraderie merits my travel time.

As summer winds down and we roll into the fall months, Stacy and I have a full calendar. Labor Day weekend starts Duluth's annual Corn Roast. Dinghy Hops, BBQ's, and live bands fill in this 3 day event. All District members are invited. Come by car, boat, or even float plane (it has been done), this event will not disappoint. Immediately the following weekend we will be heading to the D10 Rendezvous in Door County. Bob DeNoto and his crew have a fun-filled weekend hosted by his great squadron! If you've never been to Door County, make it a bucket list stop, it's truly a place like no other. As soon as the Rendezvous is wrapped up, Stacy and I will be jumping in a plane and heading to Raleigh, North Carolina for the USPS Governing Board meeting. I'll make sure D10 is represented in full force!

Whew! With all of that going on we still have to get our daughter Dakota back in school. After a whole summer of being an island hoping marina rat, she'll have plenty to talk (brag) about with new and old friends. After all, isn't this what it is all about? Talking about boating, going boating, and enjoying friends? I know it is for us. I mean what would we even do if we didn't have boating?

Stay safe and remember, always come into the dock as fast as you would want to hit it.

Chad Lowney, D10 Commander



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District Executive Department

Greetings Friends:

Hoping you and yours are well and have enjoyed your summer. Dave tells me that there are 8 more weeks of our boating season. Lake Minnetonka has been receding but we will continue to boat until Halloween.

Know that the D10 team continues to help others to help themselves. Vessel Safety Checks are down but my heart comes to realize that the pandemic caused a lot of changes. D10 has reached the halfway point of 615 as of August 1st. The goal is 1,238. THAT'S OKAY !!!! Just try your best... That is all I can ask for.



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D/Lt/C Jennine Fine, S

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Vessel Safety Check Examiners Keep your Engines Going !!! 2022 D10 Goal is 1,238

2022



8/1/2022	2021	J	F	М	Α	М	J	J	Α	S	0	Ν	D	2021
Central Wisconsin	275	0	0	0	2	9	177	195						71%
Door County	157	0	0	0	0	0	67	99						63%
Duluth	166	0	0	0	0	17	48	75						45%
Green Bay	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	14						56%
Hiawatha Valley	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	5						10%
Madison	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2						100%
Marinette-Menominee	43	0	0	0	0	1	14	39						91%
Milwaukee	26	0	0	0	2	10	11	11						42%
Minnetonka	155	0	0	0	0	9	38	38						25%
Oshkosh	49	0	0	0	0	3	26	27						55%
St. Paul	159	0	0	0	0	0	79	110						69%
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District Executive Department (continued)

Cooperative Charting Program: Geodetic Marker Recovery Program







Lt/C Sandra Broekema, of Minnetonka Power Squadron, does a thorough job educating members about the Geodetic Marker Recovery Program. I am counting on her to continue to lend her expertise on this activity. She will be having a class on this activity early this fall, so grab your family, some fellow members, and enroll in her class. I will be sending out more information soon.

Missing you and looking forward to seeing many of you at the D10 Summer Rendezvous in Door County. What a great venue Cdr Bob Denoto and Door County Squadron has planned for us.

If I don't see you then ... Have a great fall and know that I care substantially about you and yours.

Stay safe & healthy. Keep in touch and know that I am always here to help !!! Take care my friends.

Kindest Regards, D/Lt/C Jennine Fine, S District 10 Executive Officer





District Educational Department

I hope everyone has had a great summer. I know mine has been busy. As we start looking at the fall, we need to start thinking about what classes our squadrons will be offering. I would like to see our squadrons work together on this by if possible offering an online version or option for the classes that you offer. When we do this, it will create more opportunities for district 10 members take classes. If you would let me know what you schedule is I will get it added to the D10 calendar so other members can see what is being offered.



D/Lt/C Dennis Schultz AP-IN

I would like to thank John Raby and Bob Denoto for running a BOC certifier in Sturgeon Bay. This summer they had students from district 10 and 20 attend classes over the 2 days of training in the classroom and on the water. We all received some great tips on how to run our own classes and give our students more confidence running their boats.

Wes and I will be offering an instructor class on line this winter so if you are interested in becoming an instructor please let me know. I will be setting up a JN class for this winter. The Milwaukee squadron offered the Partner in command seminar this summer but we canceled that due to low enrollment so I will be working with Thad to get this rescheduled for this winter. So watch the D10 website for more information on these classes.

It would be nice if we had an instructor for the district to nominate for the Chapman award so think about the exceptional instructors that you have in your squadron and consider nominating them. Contact me and I will help you thru the process.

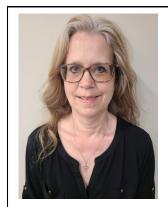
Dennis Schultz AP-IN
Life is simple just add water
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District Administrative Department

Membership is still job 1 in 2022 as District 10 is off to a pretty good start this year. As of the end of June, 2022 District 10 is up 1.5% in membership. This includes the 69 new members that we have added this year. We are well under way to meeting our goal of adding 100 new members in 2022. We also have a retention rate of 93.3%. Work still remains to build membership, but keep up your good work in retaining members.



D/Lt/C Suzanne Carman, S

Please be sure to attend our summer rendezvous in beautiful Door County, Wisconsin September 9-11th. Bob DeNoto has a great weekend planned for us that includes a self-guided tour of the Door County Maritime Museum which is included in your registration! Located along Sturgeon Bay's busy waterfront, the Door County Maritime Museum showcases the area's rich maritime roots. Hard working fishermen, brave ship captains, skilled craftsmen, bold inventers and lonely light house keepers, are just some of the personalities that you will discover in the galleries of this museum. On Saturday you will have an opportunity to explore their beautiful peninsula and end your day with dinner and live music. On Sunday you will be served your made to order omelet! Round up your whole family including your grandchildren and plan to attend this great opportunity that awaits you in Door County, Wisconsin.

I would like to thank those who submitted a MIRA application this year. Thanks goes out to Duluth, Minnetonka, Central Wisconsin, and Oshkosh. Last year Duluth was number one in our entire organization and Minnetonka was in second place. Congratulation to them and I am hopeful that will be repeated in 2022!

During the watch year I have been receiving a squadron non-renewal list from our National Administration Officer V/C Mike Wiedel, JN-IN. Using this information, I contact squadron Administration Officers asking them to get in touch with members on this list in an effort to have them renew. I wish to thank all Administration Officers for your efforts.



District Administrative Department

Up and coming events include:

- Summer Rendezvous September 9-11th in Door County, Wisconsin
- Fall Governing Board Meeting September 11-18th in Raleigh, North Carolina 2023 ABClub Annual Meeting February 19-26th in Orlando, Florida

Thank you, D/Lt/C Suzanne Carman, S **District Administrative Officer**





District Treasurer

Ahoy from the D-10 Treasurer's Department!

Our financial position continues to be Ship Shape!!

The Enrichment Fund is available for any of the District squadrons to submit an Application for up to \$500 to help launch a squadron membership, education, civic, fraternal, or administrative initiative. Please find this form on the district website under forms.



D/Lt/C Tracy Anne Gustafson, AP-IN

All of the books and records are up to date and filed accordingly. The bank statements are reconciled on a timely basis each month. I will be working with the audit committee to finalize the audit for the 2021-2022 watch year.

I appreciate and I am excited about DJ Delahousaye who has stepped up and joined the District Bridge as the Assistant District Treasurer- Yippee !!! I am looking forward to cruising through the rest of this watch year with DJ and the rest of our team!

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

Remember - The more rowing the boat, the less work for a few and the more fun we can have.

Keep Enjoying the 2022 Boating Season Fraternally D/Lt/C Tracy Gustafson, AP-IN
15 August 2022

"Never Regret The Things That Make You Smile!" (3)





District Secretary

Hello from Duluth!

Hard to believe we are already into our fall season. Lots going on within the squadrons and District. Chad, Dakota, and I will be heading to the rendezvous in Door County early Sept and then to the Fall Governing Board in NC mid-Sept. Looking forward to Change of Watch in April, location TBD.

As we all know, communication and involvement are key factors for success! Please see the results below from the April-Aug D10 eBlasts and help us find the right "communication" fit for our membership.



D/Lt/C Stacy Lowney

Reports							
Name	Туре	Launch Date	Sent	Open	Click	Bounce	Unsub
2022 D10 Summer Rendezvous 3	Wizard	Aug 16, 2022 9:16PM	648	50%	3%	0%	0%
2022 D10 Summer Rendezvous 2	Wizard	Jul 27, 2022 8:12PM	652	51%	7%	0%	0%
2022 D10 Summer Rendezvous & BOC	Wizard	Jul 09, 2022 2:14AM	691	47%	13%	1%	0%
2022 D10 Summer Rendezvous	Wizard	May 26, 2022 1:21PM	689	50%	11%	0%	0%
April 2022 Communicator	Wizard	Apr 28, 2022 11:43AM	688	48%	13%	0%	0%

Wondering how we can enhance communication between D10 and squadron members. We would love your feedback on the following subjects:

- Promotion of educational courses
- Promotion of D10 and Squadron Events
- Likes or dislikes about messages sent
- Are messages infrequent or too frequent?
- How can we get more people to read and click on messages?
- How can we get more people to opt in to receive emails from D10? Many have unsubscribed or don't have emails in the system. Should we get around this and have squadron members forward eBlasts?

Feel free to contact <u>jennine.fine@gmail.com</u> as she continues to be the D10 Editor if you have comments or would like to feature a story, joke, pictures, or any other news item.



District Secretary

Be creative in your feedback and suggestions. How do you communicate with your kids, spouses, parents, friends, or siblings? How do you communicate with your co-workers? If there is a better way we can communicate to the squadron members, please make suggestions! At this point email is the best we can do, but unfortunately not all members open our eBlasts and very few click on links. As you continue spending time at your squadrons meetings and events, please ask your members how we can better communicate and improve involvement. We are open to all suggestions.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your boating season and hope to see many of you in Door County, Raleigh, and at the Change of Watch in the Spring.

Sincerely, Stacy Lowney D10 Secretary



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Boat Operators Certification: Boc School '22 was hosted by the Door County Squadron the weekend of 29-31 July. Instructors were Bob DeNoto, John Raby, Assistant Midwest Regional Director, BOC, and Alan Wentworth. Boats used were John Raby's 17' Whaler and Bob DeNoto's *Carefree*. We had students from District 20 as well as District 10. Midwest BOC Director, Mike Ludtke, was with us as well. Three of the four levels were taught: Inland Navigator, Coastal Navigator & Advanced Coastal Navigator. We were developing "Certifiers", who can then go back to their respective Squadrons and teach the IN, CN & ACN levels.

The on-the-water skills demonstrations are similar for CN and ACN. ACN skills, however, are to be performed in reduced visibility. On the east coast that means "fog". Around here, that means "dark". The plan was to do MOB exercises on the north side of Green Island (off Menominee, MI) after dark. Carefree left G "1" (west end of Green Island) to starboard at 2115 ("real dark"). We had a following swell on the leg up to G "1". At rounding, the Bay got angry: real angry! Switch to plan B: Head for the Mid Channel Buoy at the Bay end of the Sturgeon Bay Shipping Canal and conduct MOB exercises in calmer waters. Coarse set for ~165 magnetic. Fincantieri, Bay Ship lights were visible, as were the Sherwood Light, and the red towers on the bluff. We definitely knew where we were. It was a pretty wild ride in, but we completed the MOB in the Canal. We arrived at *Carefree's* slip at 2330. A long, but fun day.



St. Paul Sail & Power Squadron

A river trip up through the most northern three locks on the Mississippi





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SE PART BASINS

Annual Boater Appreciation picnic



Commander Kris and Al Harmon earning the coveted Bent Prop award.



ABC class with students and instructors

Madison Sail & Power Squadron

Madison held an end of summer picnic on Monday, August 22nd. They celebrated P/C Glenn Deedon's 50th Anniversary of Membership and the reinstatement of members John and Judy Hastie





August Member Picnic



Second Annual Picnic Rescheduled!

Thanks to the generosity
of Dane County Parks,
our annual picnic will be
held at
Token Creek
Picnics, Paddling and
County Park Shelter #2

County Park Shelter #2 Monday, August 22nd 4:00 pm—8:00 pm

Hot Beef sandwiches, potato salad, chips and dessert will be served compliments of the Club.

Members should bring their own beverages.

Please RSVP by Friday, August 19th Phone (608) 846-8088 or contact Jim & Julie at jpwasha@outlook.com





Membership Meeting

Monday August 22, 2022 Token Creek County Park Shelter #2 (Entrance off Highway 51 by Shell Station)

Central Wisconsin Squadron



Kiosk efforts with Sea Tow Foundation and Tomahawk Campground & RV Park.

Jackets on a stand at Lake DuBay Portage County Park half way between Wausau and Stevens Point. We take care of the PFDs provided by Sea Tow Foundation to be loaned to boaters and report monthly to Sea Tow about usage.



A kiosk at Tomahawk Campground west of Hazelhurst, Wisconsin (Northern Wisconsin). Dennis is the campground manager and built the kiosk from the DNR blueprint.

Mark Motors Safety Day, in May. We have participated in this event for many years.



It is held at the Toyota Dealer's facility in Plover, Wisconsin. Each year it draws a real big attendance. We have a table there, hand out material, run a video about us and how safety matters, and have a blowup PFD event with our Inflatable PFDs. This event is always popular. The big fellow on the left is the Plover Police Chief.

Minnetonka Power Squadron

Minneapolis Aquatenniel Queen Candidates







Hope Kids - Over 100 volunteers





4th of July fireworks in Excelsior from Streater Cove. Fine 4 Cruisin' on the right.



Boat Safety week -manning ramps on Lake Minnetonka



PRESENTS D-10 RENDEZVOUS 9-11 SEPTEMBER '22



FRIDAY-SEPTEMBER 9

4:00 - 6:00 PM CHECK IN

6:00 - 8:00 PM PIZZA PARTY, MEET AND GREET

SATURDAY-SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 - 10:00 AM CHECK IN

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM SELF-SCHEDULE THE DAY EVENTS

- Door County Maritime Museum and Tower allow 3 hours
- POPELKA TRENCHARD GALLERY AND GLASS STUDIO GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS
- WALK THE WORKING AND PUBLIC WATERFRONT
- EXPLORE 3RD AVENUE ART GALLERIES AND GIFT SHOPS
- LAWN GAMES

5:00 PM DINNER

7:00 - 9:30 PM TALK OF THE TOWN - MUSICAL GROUP

9:30 Drawing 50/50 RAFFLE

SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 AM OMELET BREAKFAST

11:00 AM CLEAN UP

Join us in Raleigh North Carolina



2022 Fall Governing BoardSeptember 11 – 18 Raleigh, North Carolina



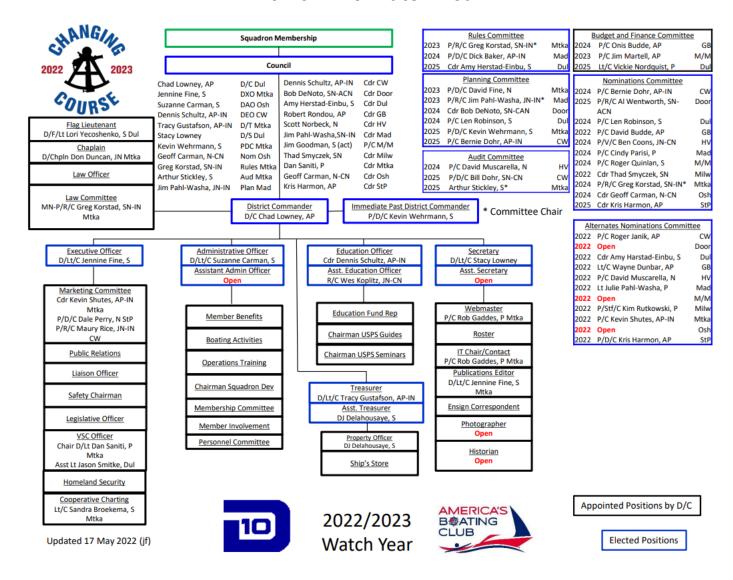
Come Have Fun with Us at National

2023 ABClub Annual Meeting February 19 – 26, Orlando, Florida





D10 2022/23 Watch Year











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

- ⇒ Assistant Administrative Officer
- ⇒ Assistant Secretary
- ⇒ Publications Editor
- ⇒ Alternate Nominations Committee Member: Door, Marinette Menominee, & Oshkosh
- ⇒ Photographer
- ⇒ Historian

Feel free to reach out to any member of the Bridge if you want more info. Taking on one of these roles is a great way to see what goes on at the District level and we could really use your help!

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