

NORTHERN VIRGINIA SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING May 12, 2010

The General Meeting was held at the Boat US conference room. Building access at door and security badging done by P/C Francis Williamson, AP. NVSPS Social time started at 7 P.M. @ BOATUS Headquarters, Alexandria, VA. Drinks, cheese, fruit and vegetable tray refreshments provided by P/C Francis & Georgia Williamson. Seventeen squadron members in attendance. CDR George Nartsissov, P closed the social time and called the meeting to order @ 1935. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and led by Lt/C George Nartsissov. Invocation was given by P/C Gale Alls.

In attendance: **Bridge:** Officers present: CDR George Nartsissov, P

Absent: Bridge: Officers not present: Lt/C John Karjala, P Lt/C Rich Unis, JN Lt/C Sue Karjala, P Lt/C Steve Hall, AP

Past Commanders Present: P/C Gale Alls, SN; P/C Richard Durgin, JN; P/C Alan R. Hart, AP; P/C Francis Williamson, AP

Secretary's Report: No report.

Executive Officer's Report: No report

Treasurer Report: No report

Administrative Officer's Report: No report

Education Officer's Report: No report

Commander's Report:

CDR Nartsissov called for PRO & Chairman reports since the last meeting.

PRO - Lt. Frank Shults, AP reported on the highly successful NVSPS WWC theme in the squadron hospitality suite March 25-27. He added that a NVSPS WWC article was in PROP TALK (this week) and will also appear in Chesapeake Bay Magazine (CBM) and SPIN SHEET.

Legislative Affairs – Tom Martin, AP reported that the administration - NOAA is requiring national registration for each person fishing regardless of location. This year NOAA registration is voluntary & free but will soon be required (2011) for each person fishing – this is in addition to the State fishing licenses. Vessel fishing licenses are still available from the State, but do not replace the NOAA cards for individuals. Cost for NOAA national fishing registration could be as high as \$30 a person next year. Use of the registration funds is unknown. P/C Gale Alls – commented that the lifejacket requirement for any child 13 or younger is now in force for any boat underway in MD.

CDR Nartsissov, P made the following bridge report:

- OT&T articles for June 2010 are due to Lt Manette Lazear, AP by 12:59 15 May.
- NVSPS Spring Picnic will be 15 May @ the Fairfax Yacht Club (FYC). VSC's start
 @ 0800 and continue to 1600. The lunch will be served @ 1245.
- The NVSPS 2010 WWC is scheduled for 7 May 2010. CDR Nartsissov reported that he had emailed the Commander Naval Air Station Patuxent River, MD requesting support for the WWC.
- P/C Keith Segerson, AP is the WWC Chair this year.
- CDR Nartsissov commented that WRAMC will only accept one date for planning the cruise (no alternatives until first cancelled).
- D5 Summer Council is scheduled for August 13-15 @ Holiday Inn Solomon's Island, MD.

P/C Alan Hart, SN: Recommended that WWC articles be submitted to ENSIGN.

Lt. Ed Phillips, AP attended the NOAA Co-Operative Charting meeting in Portsmouth, VA 1 May. Please submit any depth charting ideas to him. The squadron would like to adopt a waterway and submit depth reports. A 20' run-about is the preferred vessel for this type effort.

Guest Speaker Presentations:

CDR George Nartsissov introduced the guest speaker for the evening – Captain Kip Loutit, USCG (ret).

Guest Speaker - Captain Loutit was born in Long Island, NY, has boated since he was a boy, had three CG commands and has cruised the CB, Cape Cod to Mayport, Fla. and from Newport, RI to Bermuda. The Captain's thorough presentation covered how to plan, prepare and respond to unexpected emergencies on the water. He highlighted what to expect from the USCG and how to best help them in a rescue. It was informative, interesting and instructional. His presentation is available in paper and will be posted on the NVSPS Award Winning Website! Captain Loutit commended USPS for the quality of their public boating service – "USPS is a great example of how to do it right on the water!"

CDR George Nartsissov, AP

- presented a NVSPS Certificate of Appreciation to Captain Loutit for his contribution to the squadron and boating in general.

- adjourned the meeting @ 2055.

Respectfully submitted,

P/C Francis Williamson, AP Northern Virginia Sail & Power Squadron