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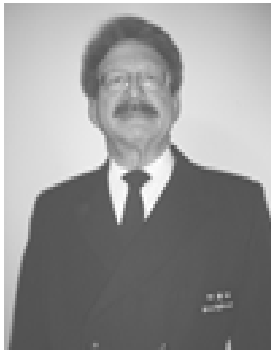
THE PELORUS
United States Power Squadrons®
District 13 Spring Conference
28-30 March 2014
Hosted by District 13



CROWN PLAZA HOTEL L.A. HARBOR
601 S. PALOS VERDES AVE
SAN PEDRO, CA 90731

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Code: District 13

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**Doug Dworski, AP
District Commander**

Welcome to the District 13 Spring Conference, being held in beautiful San Pedro, California, home of the Port of Los Angeles, the busiest port in the United States. Right next door is the Port of Long Beach, and between the two ports, they handle over 40% of the cargo coming into or leaving the USA. What better place for a boating organization to hold a meeting.

We are going to do a few things differently at this conference, starting with our Friday night activities aboard the Battleship Iowa, which is now permanently berthed right here in Los Angeles. Friday afternoon and evening will include tours of the ship, as well as food and drink. Another new event at this conference will be a public boating class being held concurrently with conference activities on Saturday. In addition, we will have a full slate of interesting seminars on Saturday morning. The full detailed schedule of all of our activities can be found elsewhere in the Pelorus.

The Spring Conference marks the end of the Watch for each District Commander and Bridge, leaving us to wonder where the time has gone so rapidly. I will be passing the baton to District Executive Officer Dick Daybell and a full slate of capable officers who will be supporting him to carry the mission of District 13 forward. I want to thank the existing District 13 Bridge, as well as all of the other committees and individuals who have supported our mission this year. It has been very rewarding to represent District 13 at National meetings and other functions, as we easily have the most geographically diverse collection of squadrons anywhere in the USPS organization.

Thanks to all of you individual members who make the USPS the great organization that it is. Now it's up to you to make the most of your time in San Pedro.

Registration Form

Makes checks payable to: USPS District 13
Mail To: Hal Hoadley, 2119 Jolley Drive, Burbank, CA 91504-2440

Please include a check with this form.
Prices are per person.

Squadron: _____

Member: _____ Rank _____ Grade _____

Member: _____ Rank _____ Grade _____

Spouse/Guest: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

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IOWA TOUR AND DINNER	\$40.00	_____	\$ _____
BREAKFAST	On your own		
LUNCHEON:	On your own	_____	\$ _____
DINNER Buffet	\$60.00	_____	\$ _____
SUNDAY Morning Breakfast	\$21.00	_____	\$ _____
LADIES Fun Seminar	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
DONATION TICKETS: 11 for	\$10.00	_____	\$ _____
	TOTAL	_____	\$ _____

- Special Dietary requests will be available please advise down below.

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Incoming Bridge meeting at Sunday Breakfast 0800

“D” Special workshop for Ship Mates-1400-1600

Create your very own Nautical Wreath to take home. All supplies provided. RSVP and fees required in advance.

Charge is \$10.00 per person



A note on the Fall conference. As you may or may not know Honolulu Sail and Power is hosting the conference in Hawaii. The date is October 21-26, 2014.

Social activities begin Tuesday October 21, 2014 for early arrivals with a tour of local yacht clubs and fireworks over Waikiki! Conference events include an evening dinner cruise, a farewell luau and conclude with a [cruise to the Kaneohe Bay sandbar](#) on Sunday October 26, 2014.

For more information go to www.uspshon.org

Call to the Spring D/13 Conference 2014

To: District 13 Bridge Officers
Squadron Commanders
Squadron Educational Officers
Squadron Delegates (see section 4.02.1 of the District 13 Bylaws)
District 13 Past Commanders
All Squadron Members

The Spring 2014 District 13 Conference will be held:

Date: 28-30 March 2014

Place: Crown Plaza Hotel, 601 S. Palos Verdes Ave,
San Pedro, CA 90731

Purposes:

To pass upon all matters pertaining to District 13,
USPS;
To hear and act upon reports of all District Officers;
To hear and act upon reports of all District Committees;
and
To conduct such other business of the District as may properly come before the conference.

D/Lt/C Betty Koch, P
Secretary District 13



**Vice Commander
Robert Miller, SN**

Bob Miller, Chief Commander Representative and his wife Kathy, of Normandy Park, WA joined Poverty Bay Sail and Power Squadron (and USPS) in 1994. His first job was Squadron Safety Officer but he soon became fully involved in the Education department teaching the Squadron Boating Course, Seamanship and Piloting. He became Assistant Squadron Education Officer and then Squadron Education Officer. Next he was the Executive Officer then Commander. He also acted as the Squadron Technical Officer for many years as well as started the Vessel Safety Check program for the squadron and was also District VSC Chair.

Bob is the United States Power Squadrons representative to the State of Washington and has served on the State Boating Safety Advisory Council for the last 10 years.

His first national job was on the Vessel Safety Check Committee where he became Staff Commander and Rear Commander. He later combined the Vessel Safety Check and the Recreational Boating Safety Committees and was R/C of the new Safety Committee. He then joined the Budget Committee as Staff Commander in 2012 where he is today.

Bob and his wife Kathy joined the squadron together in 1994. Their daughter and her husband joined the squadron in 2004 and their twin six year old grandsons became members in 2007. They also have a son who is a member. Bob claims their latest boat, a Navigator “Our Brigadoon”, was necessary in order to provide a separate stateroom for the twins. That was how he sold the idea to Kathy anyway. Kathy swears “this is our last boat”. Yeah right!

**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HOST SQUADRON
P/C Hal Hoadley.**

Track “1” Instructor Recertification

**Instructor: P/C John walker, SN (Arrowhead Sail and Power Squadron)
As of January 2014, there are over 30 members of district 13 that are nearing or past their Instructor Certification “Expiration Dates”. Please come and join with your fellow instructors to refresh your certification in the most important part of USPS training: which is a requirement for our instructors when offering our public boating courses.**

Track “2” Web Sites and Use of Other Social Media for USPS

**Presented by: D/Lt/C Kristi Cascadden, S (the Valley Sail & Power)
This seminar will focus on the use of websites and other uses of “Social Media” for members and non-members of USPS. Topics of discussion will include the use of FaceBook, Twitter and other types of Social Media applications. The topics will include setting up personal accounts and breaking down the general aspect of websites for both members and non-members, with an emphasis on how their state-of-the-art technology is used today.**

Track “3” “Marine RADAR” Seminar

**Instructor: Lt Phillip Dee, AP (Alamitos Sail & Power)
This seminar covers how RADAR functions, RADAR selection, operation of the RADAR under various conditions including setting of controls, display interpretation, basic navigation, and collision avoidance using RADAR. All students re encouraged to order a Marine RADAR seminar Kit.. The kit includes the RADAR book written by Kevin Monahan and Student Notes with copies of slides. Cost of the seminar and Student Kit is \$35.00 to be paid at the conference. All prospective students should sign up online at:**

www.usps.org/cgi-bin-nat/eddept/800/getregform.cgi?S-5143

(Description of workshops)

“A” Workshops - 0830 to 0930

Track “1” CRD/XO/AO Responsibilities and Round Table

Chairs: D/Lt/C Dick Daybell, SN: D/Lt/C Ray Paul, AP

An introduction to ob Description and “round Table” discussion for all new and ongoing Squadron Commanders, Executive and Administrative Officer. Intent is to discuss how to lead the way forward and what Strategies and Pitfalls may be encountered. Learn about the annual requirements Bridge Officers must meet and discuss the various “Do’s & Don'ts that have been learned by other Bridge Officers

Track “2” SEO Review, Responsibilities and Round Table

Chairs: D/Lt/C Tom Koch, SN: D/1st/Lt Roger Dickey, JN

This is for all existing, incoming (or interested) Squadron SEOs and ASEOs to catch up on the forms, plans and statistic for the past years and prepare for the upcoming year’s educational opportunities. Join with the district educational Officers to refresh your educational opportunities. Join with the District Educational Officers to refresh your educational engines. Learn what characteristics are used and weighed when choosing a District Nominee for the National Chapman Excellence in teaching Award. Learn what submittal documentation is necessary and how to prepare the nomination letters and from for submittal to the District Educational Officer.

Track “3” Secretary/Treasurer Responsibilities and Round Table

Chairs: D/Lt/C Betty Koch, P; D/Lt/C Kristi Cascadden, S

for all new and ongoing Squadron Secretaries and/or Treasurers. The workshop is intended to provide an introduction to the Job Descriptions and hold an open discussion where those “in the know” can help you to understand the duties of your office and what requirement need to be fulfilled.

(Description of workshops-Cont.)

“B” Workshop - 0945-1145

**Welcome to the spring Conference, we hope you will enjoy our changes, come and have some fun. Below is some information about the IOWA
USS IOWA**

The USS IOWA is the lead ship in the last class of Battleships to be designed and built in the world. She was laid down on 27 June 1940 and was commissioned on 22 February 1943 to support our efforts in World War II. As the first of a proposed 6 fast battleships (only 4 were completed) she served with distinction in the later part of the World War II and Korea. After her commissioning, she served in the Atlantic Ocean, and was modified to convey President Franklin Roosevelt to his conference in North Africa. The Presidential suite is still available on board her today and will be a part of the tour for our group. The IOWA served most of her career in the Atlantic Ocean, providing support for drug interdiction efforts off Southern Florida as well as along the coast of South America. She also served in the Mediterranean Fleets as well as participating in numerous exercises with our allies. Retired and re-commissioned on several occasions, she is currently on display with all of her propulsion and armaments still relatively intact; however, all of the ammunition has been removed. Space does not allow for a complete description of this historic ship, and thus we open our Conference on board her. Since she was built long before ADA was passed, she is not totally wheel chair accessible, but her main deck where we will be meeting is relatively accessible. The ramps leading to her decks are well constructed, but the steepness varies with the tide.

Space does not allow for her complete history here, several complete books have been published about the ship, including one in preparation on President Roosevelt’s trip on her. The on board Book Store will be open for us as well. We will also have a private Docent available for tours and questions about the ship. The Bridge area and the armored tower area close at dusk for safety reasons (a combat ship is not lighted at night) but the lower decks and the interior will be available all the time. Join us for our Friday Night Welcome to the Conference party, on board a historical ship.

Report from the District Nominating Committee
In accordance with section 7.01 of the D/13 Bylaws, the following
slate of officers is proposed for election
by the 2014 Spring Conference:

USPS DISTRICT 13
2014 Spring
CONFERENCE AGENDA
Friday 28 - Saturday 29
March 2014

Office	Candidate	Squadron
District Commander	D/Lt/C Richard Daybell, SN	Alamitos
District Executive Officer	D/Lt/C Raymond Paul, AP	The Valley
District Educational Officer	D/1st/Lt Roger Dickey, JN	Alamitos
District Administrative Officer	P/C Llad Phillips, SN	Santa Barbara
District Secretary	P/C Janet Lawson, P	Ventura
District Treasurer	D/Lt/C Kristi Cascadden, S	Valley
Asst. Dist. Educational Officer	Lt/C Mike Wythe, SN	Alamitos
Asst. Dist. Treasurer	D/1st/Lt Joan M. Faircloth, SN	Alamitos
Rules Committee (3 year)	P/C Thomas Cantrell, JN	Alamitos
Rules Committee (2 year)*	R/C Ken Griffing, SN	Arrowhead
Rules Committee (1 year)*	P/D/Lt/C Rosemarie Radomsky, AP	Redondo Bch
Audit Committee (3 year)	P/R/C Ken Henry, SN	The Valley
Audit Committee (2 year)	P/C Catherine Anderson, AP	Las Vegas
Audit Committee (1year)*	P/C Frank Radomsky, AP	Redondo Bch
Nominating Committee (Chair)	P/D/C Doug Dworski, AP	Long Beach
Nominating Committee	(3) P/C Karen Moore, S	Hawaii
Nominating Committee	(3) P/C Tish Cullen, P	Las Vegas
Nominating Committee*	(3) P/D/C Don Crowder, SN	Santa Barbara
Nominating Committee*	(3) P/C Dolores Tripp, P	Tres Rios
Nominating Committee*	(2) Lt. John Marshall, AP	Tokyo
Nominating Committee*	(2) P/C Fredric Comaroto, JN	Long Beach
Nominating Committee*	(2) P/C Hal Gayer, SN	Arrowhead
Nominating Committee*	(1) P/C Walt Plegel, P	Alamitos
Nominating Committee*	(1) Lt Phil Haff, P	Honolulu
Nominating Committee*	(1) P/R/C Ken Henry, SN	The Valley
Nominating Committee*	(1) P/C Jim Baldwin, P	Ventura

*Provided for information only: not being elected at this Conference.
 All candidates have indicated their willingness to serve if elected. The candidates for the District Educational Officer and Assistant Educational Officer have been submitted to the National Educational Officer for approval.
 Officer for the Committee, P/D/C Don Crowder, SN

Friday, March 28,

1500-2000 Members Reception and buffet dinner, Conference registration on board the USS Iowa , 250 S. Harbor Bl., San Pedro

Saturday, March 29

Uniform of the day G: White Short-Sleeve Shirt, Black Pants/Skirt

0700 Breakfast on your own

0800-0815 Opening Ceremonies

0800-1800 Public ABC Boating Class

0830-0930 “A” Workshops

1- CDR/XO/AO Responsibilities

2- SEO Review, Responsibilities

3- Secretary/Treasurer Responsibilities

0945-1145 “B” Workshops

1- Instructor Recertification

2- Web Sites and Use of other Social Media

3- Marine Radar Seminar

1145-1330 Lunch on your own

1330-1600 Business Meeting Awards & Change of Watch

Note: Ending Time is approximate

1400-1600 Special D Seminar for Shipmates

1700-1730 Meetings for D13 Committees(time approx.)

1730 Pool side Incoming DC Reception

1900-1100 Saturday Evening—Buffet Dinner No Dance

Casual USPS 100 year and Hawaiian 100 yr. tops if available