



The Pilot



Monthly Newsletter of the

Lake Hartwell Boating Club

From the Bridge - Billy Owens

Our social distancing has been working out pretty well, with no congregating or close contact at our meetings or raft outs. Our Float, Bob, and Sips are allowing everyone to socialize with our boating friends, while still keeping a safe distance. Speaking of that, we will be having a Labor Day “Float, Bob, and Sip with a Little Beach” coming up on Sunday September 6th.

Details in this issue.

D/26 has taken the D/26 COW to a virtual event. There will be seminars, awards, conferences, and the Change of Watch. Details and the schedule are being finalized and will be included in next month’s *Pilot*. Try to check some of the offerings. D/26 has put a lot of work into making this the best they can given the current situation.

We are considering making our Change of Watch a group picnic. Everyone will be responsible for their own provisions, and we should be able to keep a reasonable distance.

Speaking of the Change of Watch, do you think you may want to help out with our club? We need some new blood on the bridge. It is not a major commitment of time, and it is very rewarding. Please let me know if you can help out next year.

Calendar of Events

LHS&PS **Calendar of Events**

September

8 Executive Committee Meeting

October

1 - 4 Tennessee River Cruise

13 Executive Committee Meeting

30 - 31 Fall District Teleconference

November

8 Change of Watch

10 Executive Committee Meeting



Our Bridge

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Chris Rose, SN

Don Woodard, N

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Nominating Committee

Charles Guderian, S 1 Yr

Chris Rose, SN 2 Yrs

Lynn Solesbee, AP 3 Yrs

Nathan Reynolds 09/10

Katherine Schmitt 09/13

Blake Roberts 09/19

Tyler Morris 09/24

“Float, Bob, and Sip with a Little Beach”

Come on out to the “Little Beach” Sunday the 6th for a Labor Day Raft Out.

Instead of our usual Kudzu Cove we are going to beach it this weekend.

About ¼ of a mile straight past S-58A there a small white sandy beach with a great cove beside it. Boats wanting to anchor will have a great place to do so, you can get 20’ from shore and still be over 10’ deep.

Lets all meet there Sunday afternoon. Due to us not being able to reserve the beach, we will try to get there around 12ish, and put a few chairs up.

If this beach is taken, we will find something nearby. Look for the Sidewaze, we will be flying the USPS Ensign and of course our Clubs Burgee. My Cell is 864-419-3069, call or text me if you can’t find us.

As to keeping everything at a proper distance, we will not be serving food, so please provision for your own vessel. If you are at anchor and comfortable with someone tying up, put out fenders so others will know.

The coordinates are N34 36.174 W82 50.685



Safety Checklist for a Day of Pontoon Boating

Pontoon boating is unquestionably fun, and when done carefully and responsibly, it's also safe. That "carefully and responsibly" part, however, gives rise to a lot of questions and causes some problems. This is especially true for people who "don't know what they don't know," which includes many new boat owners, people who are unfamiliar with boating, and those who didn't have the best boating education when they got started. So let's review some of the major topics to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment next time you go out on the lake or river.

Check weather conditions

Always check the local forecast before you head out. Because weather conditions can change rapidly, keep a weather radio turned on or keep your VHF tuned to the right channel, and keep an eye on the horizon all around you. Fast-moving storms may outstrip even the latest weather report, but if you see storm clouds moving in, it's time to run for cover.

Complete a boating checklist

The US Coast Guard recommends that you conduct [a pre-departure checklist](#) every time you go out. This includes making sure that certain safety items are aboard (including a suitably sized life jacket for each person on board, an anchor and rode, mechanical spares, and a fire extinguisher), that you have adequate fuel and water, and that major systems are working properly. You should also have the necessary paperwork, including radio and fishing licenses and an operator license and registration papers as required by the state.

Safety on the water

Instruct passengers to keep their arms and legs inside the boat when it's running. Everyone should be alert for objects, persons and other boats in the water and keep away from them. Movement around the boat should be limited when it is in motion. Don't be hesitant about requiring everyone to wear personal flotation devices when conditions warrant it.

It's wise to designate an assistant skipper if something should happen to the driver. Avoid alcohol while on the water, as the risk of an accident nearly doubles when alcohol is involved.

Special precautions for kids and pets

Double-check that each child and pet has an appropriately sized life jacket. Fasten it yourself to ensure that it's worn correctly. Provide a shaded area for kids and pets to take a break from the sun and plenty of fresh drinking water. (Adults need protection from the sun too.)

File a float plan

Let someone on land know where you're going, what you'll be doing, and how long you plan to be gone. They should have your vehicle and boat details written down so they can communicate them to authorities should you not return or check in on time.

Boating education and maintenance

Take a safe boating course offered by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, the US Power Squadron, the National Safe Boating Council or another organization. [Check with your dealer](#) regarding ongoing maintenance of your vessel so you can enjoy it safely for years to come.

Boating is one of life's greatest pleasures that you can share with all of your family and friends. Please do it safely

The year 2020 has become a challenge for all.

Plans for our Fall Conference and Change of Watch have changed.

Please read [information sheet](#) from Commander Jim Wilkins.

Due to the threat of the coronavirus, the D26 Fall Conference & Change of Watch will not be conducted at a central location. Instead, it will remotely be conducted by a series of teleconferences to include some or all of the following topics:

- Seminars/Workshops as recommended by the Conference Planning Committee...perhaps topics like SARS, Merit Marks, etc
- An awards teleconference to recognize member and Squadron recipients of 2019 awards. Where possible, pictures of the recipients will be displayed with each announcement
- Subsequently, the awards and recipients will be identified in the next O26 True
- Council/Conference teleconference to complete necessary business, such as approval of 2021 Budget, election of officers, etc
- Change of Watch teleconference, officiated by C/C Mary Paige, to accomplish the installation of the 2021 Bridge officers
- Other teleconference(s) as deemed appropriate

A registration form will be developed to allow members to indicate the teleconferences he or she intends to participate in...this will allow teleconference moderators to know the number of people participating. The teleconferences would be staggered over a two day period of October 30 & 31.

The D26 Conference Planning Committee will assist in defining the teleconferences to be conducted and in defining the media (FreeConferenceCall, Zoom, etc.) best suited for supporting the event.

The D26 Bridge, with assistance from District members, will have responsibility for the accomplishment of this teleconference • Embassy Suites has agreed to a physical postponement of the use of their facilities from October of this year to October of 2021 without penalty. To accommodate this change, the Lake Hartwell Sail & Power Squadron and the Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron have agreed to postpone their hosting of the Fall Conference/COW from 2021 to 2022. Hosting of the October, 2021 Conference/COW has yet to be defined between Dreher Shoals Sail & Power Squadron and Lake Murray Power Squadron. The D26 Conference Planning Committee will revisit the C&R and Conference Rotations to determine if some modifications will be in order.

D/C Jim Wilkins, AP

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Float, Bob and Sip with Some Distance



Tennessee River Color Cruise

October 2, 3, and 4.

Those are the dates of this year's Color Cruise. For those of you who could not make it last year, you missed a great time, so I hope you will plan to join us for this trip!

We are going back to Hales Bar Marina and Resort in Guild TN. <https://halesbarmarina.com/>



This place was awesome last year. You have several options here. There is a RV park, slips at the marina if you plan to stay on your boat, one and three-bedroom land cabins, and my favorite the floating cabins. If you chose a floating cabin you can tie your boat up right in front of your cabin.

They have made improvements from last year. The Floating Cabins have all been remodeled and painted. They have also added a restaurant, The Dam Grill. <https://www.facebook.com/TheDamGrillatHalesBarMarina/>

They are again planning the haunted house at the old dam. Here is a link to last year's event. <https://6fearsdam.com/>

This Haunted House is listed as one of the most "must see" haunted houses in North America by Scary overload. I am already trying to talk Julie into trying it this year.

On Saturday we will cruise up river to Chattanooga, about an hour and half cruise. The City has plenty of free slips and sea walls to tie up to, right in downtown. There is plenty to do there. They have a first-rate Aquarium, <https://www.tnaqua.org/> and a ton of restaurants and bars, all within walking distance of the river.

For those that want to come down a day early, Julie and I will be there. We are planning on locking through up to Chickamauga Lake on Friday for some lunch and then cruise back down. Maybe try MF Jones restaurant this year.

<https://harborlightsmarina.net/mf-jones-restaurant>

The cabins are limited, and they usually sell out every weekend in October, so if you are wanting to go, please don't hesitate on making your reservations.



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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2020

MD 360 Powdersville, SC

1. Call to Order

A quorum was established with seven members attending virtually as follows: Billy Owens, Charles Guderian, Bert Baxter, Chris & Nioka Rose, Craig McQueen and Pete Stevenson.

2. Commander's comments

Billy brought the meeting to order and mentioned that the D26 conference call will be on the evening of August 12th. He announced the selection of Stone Moss to be the Lake Hartwell squadron representative on the district safety committee. He also announced that he is actively seeking input from members so that the merit mark award reporting can be accomplished. A list is being compiled of candidates for the next bridge, your suggestions for nominees are welcome.

3. Financial issues

Craig reported that the 990 form has been filed with the IRS. He reported the account balances as follows:

Two 12 month CDs and one 6month CD totaling \$7,639.96

Sextant Sale Account= \$1,204.56

Operating Account= \$2,829.03

Total = \$11,668.55

Note: This does not include the Ladies Auxiliary account balance.

4. Administration

Nioka mentioned that candidates must be nominated for the incoming bridge so the announcement can be made. The change of watch is scheduled for November 8th which follows the D26 Fall Conference by one week.

5. Education

Bert said that no in person courses are scheduled at this time due to the Corona virus.

6. Vessel Safety Check Statistics, COOP Charting Progress and Upcoming Events,

Pete mentioned that 77 VSC's have been submitted to date and that several ATON zones have been inspected and more inspectors are needed.

Fall Color Cruise October 1, 2 & 3 Hale's Bar Marina on the Tennessee River

D26 Fall Conference October 31

Change of Watch November 8th

7. Pilot Articles Requested:

Billy= From the Bridge article

Charles= Safety article

Nioka= D26 Change of Watch article

8. Next meeting will also be held online via Free Conference Call at 6:45 on Tuesday September 8th at 6:45 via Free Conference Call App

Submitted By: Charles Guderian, Secretary

Ship's Store



Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo.

Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo. Soft and breathable, this baby pique polo has our exclusive Rapid Dry moisture-wicking technology. This unique knit has a soft inner layer which wicks moisture away from your skin to the shirt's surface where it quickly disperses and evaporates. 5.6-ounce, 60/40 cotton/poly Double-needle stitching throughout 3-button placket Pearlized buttons Open hem sleeves Side vents

Price \$26.00

Colors: White; Classic Navy; Dark Green; Royal; Jet Black; Red; Charcoal; Seafoam; Stone; Riviera Blue; Boysenberry Pink;

Moroccan Blue; Dusty Purple

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL; 5XL; 6XL



Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat.

Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat. Trail-ready, this high-performance essential features No Fly Zone insect repellent technology, UPF 30+ sun protection, a concealable sun flap and a moisture wicking sweatband. The foam brim keeps it afloat in water. Fabric: 75/25 poly/nylon rip stop Structure:

Unstructured Features: Adjustable cord at crown, clip-on and adjustable drawcord

Price \$20.00

Colors: Coffee Cream; Olive Leaf; Stone

Sizes: S/M; L/XL



Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt.

Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt. These durable, colorfast quarter-zips feature a better fit with minimal shrinkage, as well as 2x2 rib knit cuffs and waistband. 9-ounce, 65/35 ring spun combed cotton/poly fleece Twill-taped neck 2x2 rib knit cuffs and hem with spandex *Please note: This product is transitioning from woven labels to tag-free labels. Your order may contain a combination of both labels

Price \$31.00

Colors: Athletic Heather; Black; Forest Green; Graphite Heather; Maroon; True Navy; True Red; True Royal; Vintage Heather; White

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4X

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Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt.

Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt. Designed with the needs of fishermen in mind--but equally comfortable anywhere--this shirt has all the bells and whistles: a built-in rod holder, two large fly box pockets, utility loop and more. 3.5-ounce, 100% cotton poplin 100% polyester mesh upper back lining Built-in rod holder Two large fly box pockets with hook and loop closures Zippered chest pocket Utility loop and tool holder Cape back with mesh ...

Price \$47.00



Eddie Bauer - Short Sleeve Fishing Shirt.

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Price \$41.00

Colors: Blue Gill; Driftwood; Goldenrod Yellow; Seagrass Green; White
Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL



Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover

Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover. Contrast sleeve stripes and texture give this moisture-wicking pullover an unrivaled look. 100% polyester Gently contoured silhouette Cadet collar Tag-free label Taped neck Front and back princess seams Contrast Vislon zipper Angled chin guard for additional comfort Set-in sleeves Thumbholes to keep hands warm Open cuffs and hem Slight drop tail hem

Colors: Black/ Iron Grey; Iron Grey/ Black; Pink Raspberry/ Iron Grey; True Royal/ Black; White/ Iron Grey

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 3XL; 4XL; XXL

Price \$33.00

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12" by 18" Burgee
Price 26.00



4" Burgee Decal
1.00



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