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Comes the brass polish. Comes the time. Comes the big shoving off. In a matter of days, now, GSEPS is tangling with the biggest event of the 1942 cruising season.

What's ticking is the first annual inter-squadron rendez-vous, dinner-dance, and piloting contest to be held jointly by the Great South Bay and South Shore Power Squadrons. A four star package - all jammed into two colossal days, Saturday and Sunday, July 18 and 19, at Timber Point.

On features 1,2,&3, no further elaboration from this source, other than the dinner starts at seven and costs \$2. On item 4, however - the piloting contest - an earnest word of assurance from committee chairman, G. Rowe Whitcomb --

"Everyone, E.P. and N alike, stands an equal chance to win!"

There will be nothing super-complicated or tricky. Courses to be handed out will be good honest Methodist affairs, which anyone who knows his deviations and speed (or lack of same) can approach with an easy mind. The toughest part of the whole contest, in

AZZYAWERE!

The Coast Guard now requires identification cards of all persons on boats, other than ferry boats, on waters surrounding Long Island. This new regulation is effective July 1, and is a reversion to the early April rules which were subsequently amended. Only children under 14 are exempt. All visitors, day fishermen, etc. must have.

PUSH WATER PUSHED UP

Now it's official. OPA has confirmed all rosy pre-publication assurances that the new gasoline allowances for boats would be more liberal by July 22. Inboards are permitted 4 gallons per horse power per six months period, with a maximum total of 250 gallons in that time. Outboards get 5 gals. per horsepower, with a limit of forty gals. All you have to do now is find it.

fact, will be the time of the start: 10 A.M. Sunday - on the button.

There will be prizes, of course, Piece de resistance will be a perpetual inter-squadron trophy, to be towed home by the squadron which piles up the largest point score. Individual baubles will be awarded to first, second, and third place skippers.

Inasmuch as this is the first contest between the two major Southern Long Island squadrons, G. Rowe Whitcomb has announced it will be run as honestly as possible. Chief judge will be a dignitary from the South Shore Squadron, assisted by an official each from GSEPS and South Shore. And just to make sure, Chief Commander William L. Sayers, and Rear Commander Harold Haedrich are planning to be on hand.

Although the tussle for the Squadron trophy will be a private matter between GSEPS and South Shore, there is nothing on the books to say that any USPS member cannot compete as an individual. Every member is invited, nay brother-urged!

FLASH from Seaview: GSEPS's warm-up cruise over Fire Island way has been appraised a whirling whizzoo. It was like you see in LIFE. Everything was perfect - the weather, the anchorage, and the spirits of all concerned. All together, 17 boats put in an appearance, headed by such impressive barges as Commander Joe Carlin's HUGENOT, Lt. Commander Howard Coleman's HOW-IS-GIN, and Ben Bromberg's BARNIE C. A minor navigational record was hung up inasmuch as no one admitted running aground, and no "soundings" were taken throughout the week-end. Lots of sun, lots of food, and lots of good healthy drink. Allah, may all other cruises turn out half as well!!

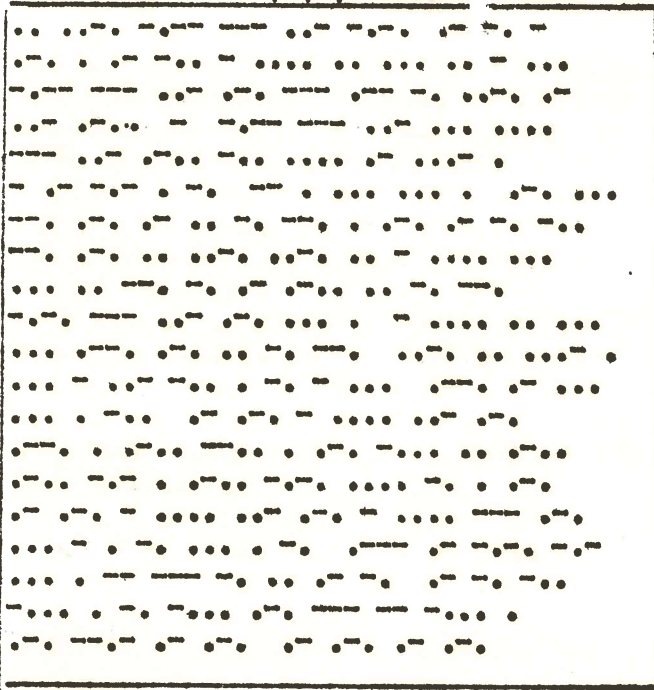
REMEMBER "handies" ... the Big Apple... NRA? Way back then (or so it seems) a band of intrepid salts ventured upon the JN course. Well, the boys had quite a voyage. They reckoned and they reckoned, they traversed, and they rhumbed. They sailed great circles and polished up a few small circles besides. Now word comes via barnacle express, that the great event has happened - seven souls all told have reached port. Our new, and thoroughly experienced JN's are as follows:

JIM ALVAREZ	BILL LEVINE
BEN BROMBERG	JOHN MENAH
JIM GRIFFITHS	ELLIS PURDY

DICK THACKERY

-- all hail, comrades, all hail!

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Among GSEPS members forming the backbone of Flotilla 303 C.G.A. in Babylon are: ED STEVENSON, Commander; EARLE GRAINGER, Jr, Commander; JOE CAFERO; JIM GRIFFITHS; and BEN BROMBERG. Flotilla 303 has an advantage over some of the other offshore patrol groups. They, at least, are never going to get stuck with a lack of stuff to drop overboard. If worse comes to worse, they always have that mountain of iron that Ed Stevenson called an engine in the SEA EAGLE last year.

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SAM HAUSER, who spends 49 weeks a year within a capstan's throw of salt water, has been vacationing at Big Timber Camps way up yonder in Quebec.

JIM ALVAREZ put in an appearance last meeting endraped in his new stripe-and-a-half outfit. Lt. Alvarez J.G., U.S.N. has been assigned to deck duty - somewhere.

BILL WELTON got his SEA BEE in shape early this season - and promptly was called into service before he could use it. Just as well, though. It kept Bill and all his guests busy manning the three pumps aboard.

*** ARTHUR N. PEDERSON is now entitled to wear a big black N after his name as well as in the middle of it. Yes, he passed the exam, all right, and now joins the sacrosanct ranks of GSEPS brain trusters.

A private communique received by Commander Joe Carlin indicates that GSEPS produced as many good prospects for the new Army "Engineer Amphibian Corps" as any other Squadron - some with several times our membership.

PETER J. GRADY JR., of Sayville way, has installed a new mast on his boat and is a ripe prospect for a squadron flag. (Custodian of the Bunting, please note.) Among Pete's other problems: his considerable weight tends to affect the trim of his boat.

NEW BLOOD

Among the more tangible results of GSEPS's first privately-conducted chart wrassle and true-false been, known in official circles as the E.P. examination, is just about as impressive a list of new members as may be found on anybody's roster. Practically the entire class managed to see eye-to eye with the examiners on the niceties of piloting, and an even 39 saw Treasurer Aaron Jacobsen's proposition, as well. Herewith the SPRAY pipes our 39 new members on board, recording the meanwhile that our total membership now stands at 116. The new hands, reading from left to right ---

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| Ackerly, Spencer E. | Sayville |
| Ande, Edwin F. | Blue Point |
| Beere, Vincent A. | East Patchogue |
| Bennett, Edward P. | Lindenhurst |
| Bennett, Frank P. | Jamaica |
| Burns, Edward J. | Lindenhurst |
| Burns, John E. | Lindenhurst |
| Cooper, William J. | Bay Shore |
| Dorn, Albert T. | Babylon |
| Dunkerley, Everett B. | Bayport |
| Erholm, William H. | Oakdale |
| Furman, Hugh S. | Patchogue |
| Grady, Peter J. Jr. | Bayport |
| Higgins, Keith A. | Islip |
| Kelchner, William E. | Bayport |
| Kennedy, George W. | Sayville |
| Koncelik, William J. | Brightwaters |
| Logan, George R. | Sayville |
| Lounsberry, Claude E. | Oakdale |
| McGrath, John M. | West Islip |
| McGrath, Peter J. | Islip |
| Mahler, Frank E. | Amityville |
| Munsell, Robert W. | Bay Shore |
| Nelke, Charles M. | Massapequa |
| Ney, John A. | Sayville |
| Pelzer, Arthur H. | Babylon |
| Porter, Jack B. | Brightwaters |
| Post, Waldron | Bayport |
| Semonian, Jack N. | Sayville |
| Shelbourne, Arthur M. | Patchogue |
| Shellas, George A. Jr. | Bay Shore |
| Singiser, Frank K. Jr. | Brightwaters |
| Smith, Arthur R. | Amityville |
| Smith, Edward S. | Sayville |
| Trenkle, Charles J. | Central Islip |
| Wagner, Adolph J. | Wyandanch |
| Wallace, William A. | Bay Shore |
| Warnken, Ralph O. | Brightwaters |
| Weeks, Joseph H. | Patchogue |

MEN IN SERVICE:
WE WANT YOUR ADDRESS

This item is inserted in response to Secretary Wihstutz' plea that we do something about helping him keep in touch with men in the service. What with skipping here and there, many men forget to tell the Squadron where they are. So, if it's not fouling any regulations, please drop Bill a line, 39 Annuskemunnica Road, Babylon. We've dozens of miscellaneous post cards, bulletins, rosters etc. which might make fairly newsy reading those rainy nights. RSVP.

EXTRA! EXTRA!

FRED WALTMAN, reporting for the Waterways Committee at last meeting (June 12), states "the ice is now out of the bay." Keep tuned to this station for other last-minute bulletins.

"If he'll take it, he'll do a bang-up job", was the immortal tribute someone paid to HAROLD ALBERSTON when the B/G was casting around for a Cruise Committee Chairman recently. Harold took. Job being done.

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EVERETT B. DUNKERLEY is now head man of Flotilla 1308 C.G.A. in Sayville.

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Personal Oddity Dept.: Although he is manager of the Sinclair Oil Company plant in Patchogue, GEORGE KENNEDY hasn't been seen out on the bay much this year. Wassamat, bud, no gas?

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