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BOAT SHOWS - Mike Wiedel

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This year's participation at the Milwaukee Boat Show at State Fair Park January 20th to the 29th will bring some changes to the Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron booth. First and foremost we will be partnering with our fellow safe boating partners in the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. Since the Local Auxiliary Flotillas and the Milwaukee Squadron essentially have the same safe boating message, and the new Memorandum of Understanding between the two national organizations promotes the use of synergetic efforts in the areas of Public Education, Public Affairs, Vessel Safety Checks, and the Marine Dealer Visitor Program, it seemed logical to have a booth partnership program to bring a coordinated safe boating message to show attendees.

The Milwaukee Squadron will be in Booth 186, in an aisle that is on the North end of the show hall. The entire line has been set for various safety organizations. Set up will be on the 19th of January at 2:00 pm. If you can make time to help set up, any and all are welcome to assist. We will have the Life Jacket Demo, various media presentations, course promotion material, and our ABC class schedule available for hand out to the show attendees.

At our booth, members also encouraged to promote the Rescue 21 system that is now operational on the Great Lakes, and most importantly, in the Milwaukee Area, to Lake Michigan Boaters. Boaters need to be made aware of the capabilities, limitations and end user requirements of the R21 System. Boat operators will need to be sure to have the proper type of radio, properly interfaced and registered for the system to help them. We will also be promoting our classes, and the benefits of membership in USPS.

Members, especially members who will be working the booth are encouraged to attend the January 17th membership meeting to receive information on the Rescue 21 System. Receive information on the proper answers to give to the most common questions about the new R21 system, as well as going thru the show booth guidelines, how to gain access to the show, proper

dress, class schedules, and answer any questions. I am also inviting members of the Auxiliary to our membership meeting as guests, to foster a cohesive working relationship between our two organizations. As a member of both organizations, I am sure will be able to build on each other's strengths, and knowledge.

The MSPS One Day "America's Boating Course" will be held on Saturday January 21st this year. This course, which is promoted by the show producer, has proved to be very popular in past years. If you can help at the class please let me know, as we always need proctors to assist students, and do other housekeeping chores.

The signup sheet has been posted on our website on the member's only page

http://www.milwaukeepowersquadron.org/Membership/Membership_Page.html

. You will need your login and password to access the page to view the schedule. Instructions are on the page if you do not know your Username or Password. A link is also on the Home page under "Important Announcements" If you can fill a slot please send an Email to educational@milwaukeepowersquadron.org or call me at 414-353-8240. Or use the online sign up sheet.

January 17th Member's Meetings

South Shore Yacht Club 7:00 pm

The Milwaukee Boat Show runs Jan 20-29. This year we will be combining our booth with the Coast Guard Aux.

January's member's meeting will be an orientation for working the boat show booth.

All members interested in working the boat show booth or just learning more about working the boat show are asked to attend this meeting.

Jan 10th Executive Board Meeting SSYC 7:00 pm

Weekly Seminars to Continue in January

We have been fortunate to get the opportunity to teach all the USPS Seminars beginning October 5th. They will be held at South Wind Marine Ships Store, at 147 E. Becher Street Across from the North Yard Entrance with Parking behind Building

All seminars will go from 6:30-8:30 PM

For more information contact: Mike Wiedel

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Wednesday, January 4th, 2012	Basic Coastal Navigation
Wednesday, January 11th	Marine RADAR
Wednesday, January 18th	Advanced Powerboat Handling
Wednesday, January 25th	No Seminar
Wednesday, February 1st	Using VHF/DSC Radios
Wednesday, February 8th	Sail Trim
Wednesday, February 15th	Interfacing Your Electronics
Wednesday, February 22nd	Mastering the Rules of the Road
Wednesday, February 29th	Marine RADAR
Wednesday, March 7th	Using GPS
Wednesday, March 14th	Basic Weather and Forecasting
Wednesday, March 21st	Advanced Sail Trim
Wednesday, March 28th	America's Boating Course - Lesson 1
Wednesday, April 4th	America's Boating Course - Lesson 2
Wednesday, April 11th	America's Boating Course - Lesson 3
Wednesday, April 18th	America's Boating Course - Exam

Change of Watch

Milwaukee Sail and Power Squadron
cordially invites you to attend
The 73rd Annual Change of Watch

Join us for the installation of
new officers for the 2012-2013 watch year

A brunch will be held
Sunday March 18, 2012
at Weissgerber's Golden Mast Inn
on Okauchee Lake
from 1130 ~ 1400
\$30.00 per person

Please RSVP by March 11, 2012
To: Kim Rutkowski commander@milwaukeepowersquadron.org
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