

SAN JOAQUIN DELTA POWER SQUADRON'S



Education Blast

Hi All,

Here is a look at what is happening in our squadron educational department:

ABC Course

March 1 we are starting a new ABC Course. Feel free to join us if you would like a refresher or want to have a current completion certificate for your Calif Boaters Card. The course is provided at no charge for our members unless you would like a book (\$35). If you know of folks who would benefit from this course, please pass the flyer on to them.

Seamanship

National is coming out with a new Seamanship course and as soon as things are finalized and available, we will be sending out information to see who is interested. As we understand at this time, it will be a set of seminars that can be taken either individually or sequentially depending on what the student interest is and will exclude many things covered in the ABC Course and concentrate more on boat handling techniques. We will keep you updated.

Piloting

Scott and Candace are seeking members who are interested in taking the initial Piloting course. We currently have 2 members interested.

Advanced Piloting

Following our Piloting Course, we will see what the interest is in Advanced Piloting. This course is more in depth than the basic course.

Engine Maintenance

We are currently working with a member with the goal of presenting an engine maintenance course. If you are interested, please contact either Gary or Doug.

Marine Electrical Systems

We have in our library the necessary resources to teach a Marine Electrical Systems course. We just need someone interested/qualified to teach it and members interested in taking the course.

Marine Navigation

Again, we have in our library the necessary resources to teach a Marine Navigation course. We just need someone interested/qualified to teach it and members interested in taking the course.

Other courses/seminars

Our Partner in Command classes will begin in June and go through September. This class is geared to teach folks who boat with the skipper on a regular basis how to handle the boat in the event of an emergency if the skipper becomes disabled. This is a one on one student/instructor course with the skipper being on board as a non-verbal first mate. More info and a flyer can be found on our website, SJDPS.org.

Jump Start

This is a new program developed by National last year and, as we teach it, it is a more intensive program covering everything we do in Partner in Command plus additional training. It is designed for the first time boater or the boater who has a new boat (to him) and would like additional training on that vessel in order to become a more proficient boat handler. In most instances thus far, the student has completed our ABC Course and followed it with this program. The time is variable depending on the desires of the skipper and can be from a few hours to multiple sessions given until the skipper feels comfortable. This is also a one on one program. If you know of someone who might benefit from this program, please have them contact your education team. There is no cost for this program.

VHF/DSC

This seminar was taught by Nick Patterson a couple of years ago and was a huge success. Members interested in having this seminar presented again are encouraged to let us know.

If you have any other interests, please let your education team know and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Happy Boating,

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