

Updater Notes from Education



Our department has some success to report! We have two new Inland Navigator's qualified, P/D/Lt/C Denny Peterson, SN and P/D/C Al Harmon, JN, completed their skill demonstrations at the Winneconne District Rendezvous this past weekend. They also received a waiver for a seminar called Navigating Rivers, Dams and Locks. With this waiver they will also have an endorsement on their Certificate for IW (inland waters) that covers those areas noted in the seminar. I want to thank Denny and Al for going the extra mile to get the necessary seminars taken and doing the "check ride".

Does your marine radio ring like a telephone when a fellow boater calls you? My radio does! Do you know what the "red" button on your radio with the cover on it does when you push it? Do you have a MMSI number? If you attended the seminar in Red Wing for VHF/DSC you would know the answers to these questions. I will cover these topics in the Educational Notes published in July.

Now for a little ad from your Education Department: We will be offering the USPS Elective Engine Maintenance this fall beginning October 7, 2009 and running six nights from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Advanced



Wireless Corporate office in Lakeville.

Ken Goewey will teach the class. Ken is one of the best "gear head wrench turners" I've ever met. Ken will have some assistance with our member Dale Hutter who owns a small marine engine shop in Farmington. This is a very worthwhile course and I encourage you to attend. More details will be in the Educational Notes in July. Stay tuned!

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