

WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

Minutes of 27th meeting of Board of Directors held on 13 September 1977, Room 6200, Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

The following were in attendance:

J. M. Beukers	E. L. McGann
J. F. Culbertson	J. P. VanEtten
L. F. Fehlner	L. D. Higginbotham
W. F. Roland	B. Uttam
D. T. Haislip	W. N. Dean

Absent from the meeting:

P. R. Reynolds	R. A. Pasciuti
R. H. Doherty	W. Polhemus

Also in attendance:

V. Johnson
W. J. Frederick

Meeting Called to Order at 9:40 by President J. Beukers.

Minutes of the 26th meeting were accepted with correction on P7 "council" to "counsel".

President's Report given by J. Beukers, attachment 1.

Radionavigation Journal - B. Uttam - Attachment 2

No receiver specs in Journal, awaiting RTCM Committee

A request for reprints of Convention papers for Japan was forwarded by L. Higginbotham for the Secretary. J. VanEtten will investigate the problem of obtaining reprints.

Convention Committee Report - W. Frederick - Attachment 3

There will be no Miss Wild Goose this year

Members of the B.O.D. are requested to help solicit company contributions for the cocktail party. E. McGann will coordinate.

The WGA booth at Fish Expo will be open 11 - 6 Fri - Mon. Volunteers are needed to man it.

Contributors will have access to the WGA booth to leave literature. Copies of the '76 Journal will be given away.

Guidelines are needed for gratuities to workers and speakers at future conventions.

A Gulf Coast spot was suggested for '78. New Orleans was mentioned. A chairman is needed.

Constitution Committee - V. Johnson distributed Attachment 4

Membership Committee - L. Higgenbotham reported (Attachment 5)
454 members, of which 356 paid dues this year.
Lloyd was reappointed membership chairman
Membership applications will be at the booth at the
convention

Treasurer's Report - W. Roland provided Attachment 6 showing bank
balance of \$5,384.22

Historical Committee - W. Dean reported asking W. Roland and
L. Fehlner to provide inputs on the Southeast Asia ex-
perience, and L. Higginbotham to report on Loran-D in
Germany.

Awards Committee - L. Fehlner - There will be two service awards,
one paper award, no honorary memberships this year. A Medal
of Merit will be given to Bob Frank.

Congressional Liaison - F. McGann - No activity

Loran-C Specification - J. VanEtten - Drafts expected by 1 November.
Committee will solicit volunteers to critique part of the
spec.

Spectrum Clearance - D. Haislip - CCIR will meet in January '78.
Coast Guard WAN-3 is following spectrum problems.

Publicity - Attachment 7

Newsletter - L. Higginbotham has no facilities to carry on, will
search for a substitute editor.

Rule making for 200 mile limit will be oriented toward hardware
rather than specifying accuracies.

Meeting adjourned 12:08

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WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

TO: ✓ Walter Dean, Acting Secretary for Board of Directors Meeting
 FROM: John M. Beukers, President *MB*
 DATE: September 23, 1977
 SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR WGA BOARD MEETING

The following is the President's Report for the 27th Meeting held on September 13, 1977 at U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters.

1. Attendance

Notification was received from Dick Pasciuti and Bill Polhemus that they would be unable to attend the meeting.

2. Elections

As a result of the elections and the resignation of three Coast Guard personnel from the Board, the following changes to the Board of Directors for the year 1977-1978 are noted:

a. Director for Three Years

Walter Dean
 Leo Fehlner
 Hank Hilbun
 Vern Johnson

b. Resignations

James Culbertson
 David Haislip

Note: Roland did not resign since his period of office terminated at this election. He did not run for re-election.

c. Board Positions Filled Due to Resignations

Arthur Pankopf
Ray Abraczinskas

(the term of office for Pankopf and Abraczinskas has to be determined since I am not sure when Culbertson and Haislip's term of office run out). 1979

d. Appointments

Leo Fehlner, Vice President
Bahar Uttam, Treasurer
Bill Polhemus, Secretary

3. U. S. Coast Guard Headquarters Instruction Regarding Conflict of Interest

I met with Capt. Cope of the Office of Public and International Affairs to discuss the background behind the resignation of Coast Guard personnel from the Board of Directors. Capt. Cope gave me a copy of the recent instruction handed down which is administered by his office. It is quite clear that this is a sweeping instruction which does not permit Coast Guard personnel to hold positions of control or management in such organizations as the WGA. I stated to Capt. Cope that I would be writing to the Commandant of the Coast Guard commenting on the instruction. The points to be raised in this letter are as follows:

- a. Commendation of contributions made by Coast Guard personnel;
- b. An expression of disappointment of their resignation;
- c. To solicit a statement from the Commandant that the WGA was not singled out because of any actions that it might have taken in the past;
- d. To make sure that there is no antagonism to the WGA within the Coast Guard;
- e. To request a reply which can be circulated amongst the membership.

4. Correspondence

A letter has been received from the Department of Transportation regarding the Loran-C System Specification indicating a delay of publication until May 1978. This letter was passed to Jim Van Etten for generating a draft response.

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To: Board of Directors
From: Radionavigation Journal Committee
Subject: Report for the 27th BOD Meeting

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

Mr. Bahar J. Uttam
Wild Goose Association
12 Hodson Lane
Reading, Massachusetts 01867

Dear Mr. Uttam:

Secretary Adams has asked me to thank you for inviting him to write the Foreword for the 1977 issue of the Radionavigation Journal.

While the Secretary is complimented by your request, he feels that the Commandant of the United States Coast Guard would be better qualified to write knowledgeably about the Loran-C system and its significance to improved navigation.

We are, therefore, taking the liberty of forwarding your request to the office of Admiral Owen W. Siler for consideration or action there.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David A. Jewell", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David A. Jewell
Assistant to the Secretary
and Director of Public Affairs



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

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MAILING ADDRESS:
U.S. COAST GUARD (G-A/83)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590
PHONE: 202-426-2267

• 31 August 1977

• Mr. Bahar J. Uttam
Wild Goose Association
12 Hodson Lane
Reading, Massachusetts 01867

Dear Mr. Uttam:

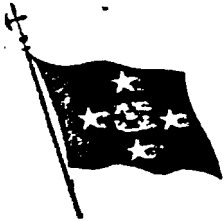
As indicated by Mr. David Jewell's letter of 9 August 1977, the Coast Guard acted in behalf of Secretary Adams in providing a forward for your 1977 issue of the Radionavigation Journal.

Enclosed you will find the forward by Admiral Siler. We trust this will satisfy your requirements and we wish you well in your forthcoming edition.

Sincerely,

E. L. COPE
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard
Deputy Chief, Office of Public and
International Affairs

Encl.



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THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20590

FOREWORD

Since its incorporation in 1972, the Wild Goose Association has been instrumental in maintaining national and international interest in Loran, and has fostered the preservation of the art of Loran. The promotion of an exchange of ideas and information in the field of Loran and the recognition of system advances has been high on the list of the Association's aims and purposes, as has been the documentation of the history of Loran. The Coast Guard notes with pleasure the admirable manner in which the Wild Goose Association is pursuing these aims and purposes.

I salute and congratulate the Wild Goose Association in this their fifth year for their steadfastness of purpose in assuring that the public and private sectors of the radionavigation community are fully apprised of the significant advances in the field of Loran. The Radionavigation Journal is an excellent example of the Association's means of assuring that timely and accurate information reaches the Loran community.

Therefore, it gives me great pleasure to wish the Wild Goose Association success in its ongoing endeavors in the art of Loran. I am confident that its dedication will contribute immeasurably to the continued success of the Loran system and to the benefit of the navigating public.

I shall follow your progress with enthusiasm, and I look forward to forthcoming issues of the Journal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "O. W. Siler".

O. W. SILER
Admiral, U. S. Coast Guard

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WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

September 12, 1977

TO: WGA Board of Directors

FROM: WGA Seattle 77 Convention Committee

SUBJECT: Progress Report

This report will generally follow the format set forth in the President's letter of August 26, 1977 as to presentation of subject matter.

A. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

No travel arrangements are being made for people attending the convention. The air package response was limited to two parties. Reservations were made for neither of these and Mrs. Hilbun has since moved to California. The inclusion of the air package was detrimental to the convention arrangements in that it locked up the hotel reservations for inclusion in the air package and created confusion as to how people not choosing the package could get hotel reservations.

B. TECHNICAL PROGRAM

The technical program work is completed thanks to the great effort put forth by Tom McCarty and Dan Panshin. The program has been printed and distributed to all members in North America. Additional copies will be available at the registration desk at the convention.

C. CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS

At present we can still not make an accurate prediction whether the rooms at the Edgewater Inn will numerically satisfy our needs. To date we have approximately 38 reservations in hand but it has been a relatively short time since the forms went out. The next few days should let us have a reasonable idea as to the number of rooms needed. It was necessary to get a three day extension from the Edgewater Inn to give people this chance to respond.

The printing of registration forms and tickets still remains to be done. Last year's format seemed quite efficient and this year's will be similar.

Two areas which have had nothing done to date are Miss Wild Goose and the solicitation of industry for contributions. It is still my contention that the Miss Wild Goose function should be discontinued. As to industrial solicitation I have been advised, and agree, that letter solicitation was non-productive and that a "person to person" approach was the only one which led to contributions. To this end I request the board members to participate in this solicitation in the belief that their positions, both in the organization and industry, will yield far better results than my solitary efforts.

Final luncheon and banquet arrangements will be accomplished at the hotel. I expect to arrive in Seattle on 10 October and spend the two days prior to the convention finalizing these and other details.

ATTACHMENT 4

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WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

MEMORANDUM TO: MR. W. POLHEMUS, SECRETARY WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION
FROM: VERN JOHNSON, CHAIRMAN, CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

1. The information and materials needed in connection with the filing for registration of the WGA emblem have been provided to Mr. John R. Garber, Patent Attorney at ITT World Headquarters, who reports he is proceeding with the actions required for registration. Cost to the Association is expected to be about \$60.00.

2. The Board of Directors moved at the last meeting to "delegate to the Membership Committee the authority to accept or reject applications for membership in WGA". A question was then raised as to whether this delegation could be considered to apply to Honorary Members and was referred to the Constitution Committee for opinion.

It is understood that the Board did not intend that this delegation apply to the consideration of honorary membership.

A review of the Constitution and By-Laws indicates no problem in interpretation of the delegation. It is clear that honorary membership is "awarded by the Board of Directors" and there is no provision for candidates to make application.

cc: President, WGA
Constitution Committee Members

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vern Johnson".

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ATTACHMENT 5



WILD GOOSE ASSOCIATION

4 TOWNSEND ROAD, ACTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01720

12 September 1977

Mr. Wm. Polhemus
Secretary WGA

Subject: Report of the Membership Committee to the Board of
Director's Meeting on 13 September 1977.

As of the 12th of September the WGA membership stands at
454 members. Of these, 356 are paid up for 1977 and 98
are paid through 1976.

Fourteen new members have been added since 1 July, 1977.

Notice to delinquents will be given in the next newsletter.

L. D. Higginbotham
L. D. Higginbotham
Chairman

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 TREASURER'S REPORT

Previous Balance, 6/28/77 ----- \$ 4,948.96

Transactions, 6/28/77 to 8/31/77 -----

Receipts:

Dues -----	\$	615.50
Journal Sales -----		8.00
	\$	<u>623.50</u>

Expenses:

Newsletter and postage ----	\$	140.00
Convention '77 -----		48.24
	\$	<u>188.24</u>

New Balance, 8/31/77 ----- \$ 5384.22

Check Book Balance, 8/31/77 ----- \$ 5384.22

Submitted, 9/13/77

Approved by the Board of Directors

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W. F. Roland, Treasurer

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W. L. Polhemus, Secretary

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WGA PUBLICITY COMMITTEE REPORT

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The major publicity effort has been directed to promoting the Seattle Convention. A news release (copy attached) was prepared and distributed broadly. Letters have been sent to individuals at various publications alerting them to the convention and inviting them to attend. An additional follow up news release is planned for the third week in September. Individual editors have been informed that they will be admitted to the convention without charge upon proper identification.

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"LORAN-C COMES TO THE WEST COAST"

Theme of the Wild Goose Association Convention
in Seattle, Washington, October 13-14

"Loran-C Comes to The West Coast" is the theme of the sixth annual Wild Goose Association convention to be held at the Edgewater Inn in Seattle, Washington, on Thursday and Friday, October 13 and 14.

The Wild Goose Association, an organization devoted to the furtherance of Loran with members in industry, government and universities, gets its name and symbol from the Canadian Wild Goose which has one of the finest navigational abilities known to man.

The two-day convention program will be held concurrently with Fish Expo'77, an annual convention and trade show for professional fishermen and fishing fleet operators.

Speaking on the topic "One Fisherman's Reaction to the Coming of Loran-C," R. Barry Fisher, a leading member of the marine community, will be the featured speaker at the Thursday luncheon, one of the Convention highlights.

John D. Lavelle, of Decisions and Designs, Inc., will be the guest speaker at the annual banquet on Thursday evening, October 13. His topic will be "The Future of Loran-C."

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The papers to be presented cover a variety of topics dealing with different aspects of Loran-C. A partial listing of papers and their authors includes -

AN APPLICATION OF LORAN-C FOR A UNIQUE COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEM - Mr. Richard J. Jacobi and Mr. John D. Lavelle; Decisions and Designs, Inc.

THE U.S. LORAN-A COMMUNITY AND ITS PLANS FOR LORAN-C- Mr. Daniel A. Panshin, Oregon State University

WEST COAST LORAN-C - THE PROMISE AND THE PRODUCT - Capt. Alfred P. Manning, USCG, 13th Coast Guard District

MANUAL TO AUTOMATIC...OUTGUESSING THE NUMBERS GAME - Mr. Clyde B. Kirlin, and Mr. Ernest Wilson; Clyde B. Kirlin, Inc., and Wilson Communications and Electronics

EVALUATION OF LORAN-C BY A FULLY AUTOMATIC RECEIVER - Asst. Prof. Yumi Yonezawa; Asst. Prof. Uichi Miyoshi, and Prof. Yoshio Nishitania, Marine Technical College, Kobe University, Japan.

Operated by the U. S. Coast Guard, the West Coast Loran-C chain became fully operational earlier this year and now provides complete coverage from Baja California to Alaska.

"The continuing expansion of Loran-C and the increasing problems associated with the international law of the sea make this WGA Convention an important forum for communicating Loran-C technology, applications and system capability to the user and for discussing the current system implementation program," John M. Beukers, WGA president, said.

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August 26, 1977



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