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MEMORANDUM

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To: District Commodore

District 113

Subj: DIVISION 12 COMMANDER REPORT – May, 2024

Highlights

1. Operations in avation and surface partols

Details

- 2 operational vessels in the Flotilla. SERVANT is undertaking many missions on SF Bay. On April 28, while SERVANT was performing a kayak regatta safety patrol, Sector SF requested SERVANT to participate in 2 SARs ... one was a search for a possibly overboard fisherman, the other was assistance to a capsized vessel in the San Leandro Channel.
- SERVANT performed a Kite Surfer Safety Patrol on San Francisco Bay on Sat May 11. The crew of SERVANT rescued one kite surfer who was stranded due to an equipment failure. The crew picked the site surfer out of the water, along with his equipment. One of his lines fouled the starboard engine propellor but fortunately we successfully cleared the line and safely returned him to St Francis Yacht Club.
- 4 operational aircraft in the Flotilla. C8320 participated in our 2nd annual joint ICS training exercise with Coast Guard Reserves. This year's exercise simulated widespread flooding of the Bay Area triggered by an atmospheric river. The air mission took photographs of the simulated flooded area and chemical spills at the mouth of the Sacramento River, and used the "MAGE" cell phone application to transmit reports and photographs real-time to the incident command center at CGI.
- Today (Sat April 11), our FSO-MS (also ADSO-MS) Morgan Swiggett is leading our 2nd annual CGI Shoreline Cleanup.
- Our biggest PA event of the year is coming up: the San Ramon Art & Wind Festival on Memorial Day weekend, Sunday May 26 and Monday May 27. A highlight of the event is member Doug Kerr flying in with his Bell 47 helicopter.

- Our VFC and FSO-PA Jean-Pierre Carjuzaa experimented with holding a PA booth at the Martinez Farmers Market on April 21, and held many discussions with boaters and possibly interested future Auxiliarists.
- We had 1 new member join us in April, Olga Pekelny. And we have 2 new member applicants in process, 1 a transfer from an Auxiliary flotilla in Chicago.
- Members Bob Coackley and Ron Darcey both moved to Retired status after each gave 20+ years of meritorious service to the Auxiliary. Bob's service was primarily in Surface Ops at the helm of his vessel, MELODY. Ron's service was primarily in AuxAir, flying his beautiful Luscombe airplane out of Livermore Airport.
- We had very sad news this week ... our long-time dearly beloved Flotilla member and leader at the Flotilla, Division and District level, Georgie Scheuerman, crossed the bar on Monday May 6. We are terribly saddened by her passing and we strive to do our duties to our utmost capability in her honor, as Georgie would have guided us. She will guide us forever more.
- Lastly, we wish all mothers and their families a very Happy Mothers Day for May 12.

Upcoming Events

- 1. Division Meeting on Zoom
- 2. San Ramon Art and Wind Festival
- 3. San Leandro Cherry Festival

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