



U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
District Eleven North Region
DIVISION COMMANDERS REPORT



To: Wally Smith, Commodore

August, 2018
for July Activities

From : Lana Visser, Division Commander

Division: 113-07 Utah

HIGHLIGHTS/"3 UPS":

1. Division 7 PA report details Public Affairs Events for July:
 - Freedom Festival Parade Participation on July 4, 2018
 - *Fire on the Water* at Jordanel Reservoir
 - PE Class at Cabela's
 - PA Booth at the *Water Safety Bash and Cardboard Boat Race* at East Canyon State Park
2. Division 7 OPTREX
3. Dues and Elections
4. Division 7 COW

DETAILS:

- Division 7 had several PA events in July that are detailed in the PA report submitted by Jane Smith, DSO-PA. In addition to those events, Division 7 members represented the Auxiliary by participating in on-the-water special events held at many of the lakes - triathlons and paddle board races at Jordanelle, a swim across the width of Bear Lake, and events at Willard Bay. In all these events, Division 7 Auxiliarists presented a professional image of the Auxiliary and further strengthened relationships with Utah State Parks rangers and personnel. I would like to commend all our Auxiliarists who participated in the many events and activities in July for their support and the example they set as they interacted with the public, boaters, and state employees.
- Division 7 will hold its annual OPTREX August 17-19. Many hours of training have gone into preparing for this event as ten coxswains and boat crew members, and one new candidate studied and trained since we started summer patrols. I would like to especially commend COMOI Mike Williams for all his hard work organizing our OPTREX. He has done an outstanding job, and we are looking forward to a very successful OPTREX and the fellowship we have during it.
- Division 7 flotillas are continuing to collect dues and contact Auxiliarists who have not yet sent in their dues. They have also sent out letters of intent solicitations to their flotilla members and are getting for elections in November. Division 7 will have Board elections on September 27 for a new Division Commander and Vice Division Commander. At the time we have one candidate for DCDR and two candidates for VDCR.
- Planning has also started for Division 7's COW to be held December 8, 2018. We will be having a luncheon this year instead of our evening event and are exciting about it as plans progress.

PROJECTS:

1. none at this time

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES (3 Downs’):

1. Continuing poor Division involvement in PA events
2. Boat Crew availability for weekend patrols
3. Lack of participate in other mission activities by division members

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. Utah State Parks rangers and park personnel

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. Continue to work with the FCs to identify members to work on re-activation.
2. Identify the reasons Division members are not participating in PA activities. This may be done with a poll of division members to find out their hesitancy about joining PA activities (plus other activities!). After identifying reasons, we will start working on overcoming those concerns.

DIVISION 7			
	2017	2018	
	Actual	Goals	July YTD
MT (hrs)	480.90	500	301.80
OPS (underway hours)	3757.90	3800	1814.30
PA (hrs) Division Events	225.00	250	202.80
PE (hrs)	43.00	50	92.00
PV (#)	270	300	49
VE (#)	235	250	148
Total Division Hours - all missions	15519.15	11,000	4539.90

Respectfully,

Lana Visser
DCDR
Division 7 Utah