



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



**Date:** April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
**To:** Mary Kirkwood, Commodore  
**From:** Nancy Marion, Division Commander  
**CC:** VCDR, IPDCDR, SO-SR  
**Division:** 113-01 Senior Area

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

1. OPTREX Planning
2. Gar 2.0/Risk Management update
3. Facility Development
4. Core Training Refresher & Annual OP's Workshop
5. NSBW & Opening Day on the Bay Events
6. Safe Boating Talk given at Tiburon Yacht Club

**DETAILS:**

1. OPTREX Planning: Planning has intensified as we fine tune the details for our Joint OPTREX scheduled for June 20-23, at Richmond Harbor.
2. Gar 2.0 / Risk Management Update: We continue to encourage members to complete the initial on-line Risk Management course no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>. Division will make every effort to provide a resource for the in-class segment as trainers become available.
3. Facility Development: The OPFAC Inspection has been completed on a new Facility in Flotilla 113-01-04, and the documentation has been forwarded to DIRAUX for processing and approval.
4. Core Training Refresher & Annual OP's Workshop: We're communicating with our Flotilla leadership and OP's & MT Officers to assure members know when their 5-year Core Training classes expire so that refresher courses can be completed in a timely manner. Division will be coordinating class offerings as the year progresses to assure all needs are met.
5. NSBW & Opening Day on the Bay Events:
  - a. NSBW events will include:
    - i. Water Safety Fair at Station Golden Gate sponsored by Flotilla 113-01-02 on May 18<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. Flotilla 113-01-04 is working with the Pacific Strike Team in Novato to hold a joint Auxiliary & Gold Side neighborhood open house on May 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>.
    - iii. Flotilla's 113-01-07 & 113-01-09 are working to schedule VSC and Marine Safety Booths at Marinas in their respective AOR's.
  - b. Division is sponsoring two events on Opening Day:
    - i. The Treasure Island Sailing Center will be holding an Opening Day on the Bay open house on April 27<sup>th</sup> at their Treasure Island facility. Division 1 has been asked to set up an Auxiliary PA Booth including a free Life Jacket give away. The PFD's are provided by the California Department of Boating & Waterways.

- ii. The St Francis Yacht Club has invited us back to set up a PA and VSC booth.
  - iii. Our POC and Event Coordinator for both events is Gail Giacomini of 113-01-04.
6. Safe Boating Talk at Tiburon Yacht Club: On April 5<sup>th</sup>, Auxiliarist & Coxswain Steven Bustin of Flotilla 113-01-04 gave a boating safety talk at the Tiburon Yacht Club entitled “Boating Accidents on the San Francisco Bay (& How to Avoid Them!)”. This was an excellent 40-minute interactive talk and slide presentation, well attended by the boating public.

**PROJECTS:**

- 1. OPTREX Planning with Division 113-12
- 2. Gar 2.0-Continuing to assist our members with transitional training to the new GAR 2.0 protocols as the training becomes available.
- 3. Core Training Refresher Opportunities

**CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES / GOALS & OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Member Recruitment and retention.
- 2. Increase Hours reporting
- 3. Facility development

**AGENCY INTERACTION:**

- 1. Continue to develop our relationship with Station Golden Gate.