



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



To: Mary Kirkwood, Commodore

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Division: 113-07

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Crew and coxswain's operation Workshop
2. PA
3. NSBW
4. Patrolling
5. Gar 2.0
6. Cinco De Mayo Social

DETAILS:

1. **Crew and Coxswain's Operation Workshop.** Division 7 held its annual crew and coxswain's operation workshop training on May 2nd bringing our crews and coxswains up-to-date and starting our operation season, we had 22 members attend. Training was led by our operations officer for the division Mike Thompson with our member trainers Ann Zocchi and Mike Williams QE.
2. **PA** At our last division meeting we had Mr. Doug Manifold come and talk on public affairs and what we can do to enhance public affairs activities in our division. He discussed what is needed to become a PA 1, 2, or 3. We found three members in our division working on becoming PA certified and Doug is going to be working with them to help them in any way he can. We were grateful for him taking a few minutes of his time to talk about public affairs. Bravo Zulu.

Flotilla 7-6 has conducted a number of public affairs activities to date and they have a number of public affairs activities scheduled. Bravo Zulu to the Flotilla 7-6 on that public affairs Outreach.

3. **National Safe Boating Week.** Our Flotillas are putting together a number of activities and events to help get the word out about boating safety. On May 17th, Flotilla 7-6 is conducting two paddle craft safety courses at Hill Air Force Base. One class from 9 to noon and then the second one from 1 to 4. They are conducting a number of vessel safety check events on the 18th of May, one event will be at a local business near Willard Bay named Smith & Edwards. They will be conducting vessel safety checks for two to three hours in their parking lot on the North End and another one will be at Willard Bay State Park at the Northern Marina. Some of the members will be conducting their first patrol of the year. They have a lot of new members and they're excited to get on the water. Bravo Zulu to Flotilla 7-6 for their hard work and getting National Safe Boating Week off to a good start. Flotilla 7-3 will be conducting an ABS classe on May 18th at Cabela's in Lehi, Utah. They will also be conducting Vessel safety checks at Utah Lake State Park for Saturday and Sunday. On the 25th of May Flotilla 7-3 will be conducting two vessel safety check stations, one at Deer Creek State Park and the other at Utah Lake State Park. Flotilla 7-2 will be conducting vessel safety checks at Jordanelle Reservoir on Saturday the 18th of May. Flotilla 7-8 Lana Visser, our division Public Affairs Officer will be leading a public affairs activity on May 21st from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. at Wasatch County Safe Kids Fair in Heber City, Utah. We'll have a number of members from all Flotillas assisting and making this event successful

4. **Patrolling:** Division 7 is now starting operations; we have a number of members putting out orders for this month starting with National Safe Boating Week. We have a number of crew candidates in Flotilla 7-6, they have a lot of eager members looking to become crew and coxswain certified this year. The 4 Utah State boat facilities will not be released from the maintenance shop until June 1st due to a heavier than normal workload this last season.

5. **Gar 2.0:** Gar 2.0 We are still encouraging and working with our members to get their gar 2.0 online certification completed asap.

6. Flotilla 7-3 hosted a Cinco De Mayo Social at Utah Lake State Park on May 4th, all members of the Division were invited to attend the Pot Luck Taco Bar. Twelve attended including four non-member guest.

PROJECTS: None

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES

1. Needing more new membership
 1. Need to keep our current membership active
 2. Need to activate the inactive members through fellowship activities
 3. We need to get more boat crew members!

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. None currently

Upcoming Dates:

- May 15 Summer Expo at Hill Air Force Base
- May 17 Paddle craft Safety Course at Hill Air Force Base (0900-1200; 1300-1600)
- May 18-24 National Safe Boating Week
- May 18 Vessel Safety Check Station (0800-1200) at Smith and Edwards
- May 21 Wasatch County Safe Kids Fair in Heber City
- June 1 Utah Lake Festival from 10 AM to 2 PM
- June 8 Flotilla 7-3 Joint Operation Workshop at Deer Creek security closing the north end of the lake for National Guard parachute jump training
- June 22 Flotilla 7-6 Joint Operation Workshop at Willard Bay

Note: Please check out the flotillas photo galleries in our division they have a number of wonderful photos too many to put on my report



Davis County Kids Safe Event at Northridge High School. From left to right: Ann Zocchi as “Pandora”, Lana Visser, Carl Henning, Zachary Silveous, Tony Zocchi, and Anthony King