



District Eleven Northern Region  
DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORT – 113-03

MONTH ENDING: 31 MAY 2019

TO: DCO Mary Kirkwood

FROM: DCDR 03 Jeff Fite

**Highlights:**

- National Safe Boating Week
- New Levee Breaches on the Upper Sacramento River
- Division 3 has a PWC Coxswain

**Details:**

- Inclement weather curtailed nearly all of Division 3's planned NSBW activity, but we were able to secure space inside the Arden Fair Mall, which generated a fair amount of foot traffic. We were honored to be visited by Herself, COMO Mary Kirkwood at the event.
- Construction is complete on set-back levees on the west bank of the Sacramento River, about a mile downstream from Miller Park Boat Ramp and farther down. The old levee has been breached in three places, to allow high water to enter the area behind the old breaches and mitigate flooding and erosion. SO-NS (and DSO-NS) Jim Duncan has documented these for chart updating, but members are cautioned to watch for unexpected dead-ends in the area.
- After a many-year hiatus, Division 3 again has a PWC Facility, and a new PWC Coxswain. Congratulations to COX Johan Lai.

**Projects**

- Division Commander's member preparedness initiative: CERT preparedness course TBD
- Family Appreciation Day to coincide (roughly) with USCGAUX Birthday, 22 June, Folsom Lake
- SAR exercise to include air and surface assets is in the planing stages, and will probably start with a sand-table OPEX.

**Future Activities**

- Family Appreciation Day, June 22nd at Folsom Lake
- California Capital Airshow, October 5-6th
- Division 3 COW, January 11th. Sacramento Yacht Club docks and clubhouse.

**Challenges**

- Additional surface facilities needed
- Air facilities are struggling to get mission hours (maintenance, aging of aircraft owners)
- Insufficient IS officers, and little interest by members in becoming IS qualified
- Recruitment and retention

**Agency Interactions:**

- State Parks Folsom Lake (ongoing radio guard for patrols)
- Sacramento PD Marine Patrol, Sacramento SO Marine Patrol (ongoing, plus safety zone for recovery of sunken tow truck and two victims)
- Sea Scouts by 3-10 on 24 April, in Galt
- Delta Sailing School (ongoing) by 3-10

**Goals and Objectives**

- Complete assembly of the Photo Op Banner frame
- Complete repairs to DIV 3's Coastie

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Fite', with a stylized flourish at the end.

—Jeff Fite, DCDR 03  
Division 113-03 (Greater Sacramento and the California Delta)