

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



To: Mary Kirkwood, Commodore CC: District Chief of Staff, District Board and Staff

From: Alan Stanton, Division Commander

08/10/2019

Division: 4

<u>HIGHLIGHTS:</u>

- 1. Marine Safety
- 2. Member Training
- 3. Recruitment

DETAILS:

- 1. Marine Safety:
 - Flotilla 41 (San Jose) hosted a VE/Dockwalker blitz at Lake Calero on Sunday the 4th of August. A total of 15 VSCs were performed (only 30 vessels are allowed to operate on the lake at any given time). There was also some time for fellowship with an excellent BBQ cooked by Gilbert Smith of Flotilla 49.
 - Flotilla 41(San Jose) will host a paddle craft VE Blitz at Lake Calero on Saturday the 13th of September from 1845hrs to 2200hrs during a 'Moonlight Paddle' event hosted by Santa Clara County Parks.
- 2. Member Training:
 - Jill Weeks (FC Flotilla 49) completed the VE qualification at the Lake Celero VE Blitz. The Division has qualified 4 new VEs this year.
 - TCO Training will take place at Flotilla 46 (Redwood City) on Saturday the 17th of August and Saturday the 7th of September at 0900hrs.
 - Our SO-MT (Judy Esteban) has conducted several presentations informing our members of the teaching material available for paddle craft safety classes.
- 3. Recruitment:
 - The Division has recruited 8 new members to date against a loss of 4 members.
 - All Division 4 members are now aware of our recruitment drive following distribution of the D11N Recruitment presentation.
 - We continue to conduct recruitment activity at all of our events. Gilbert Smith from Flotilla 49 has obtained a large stock of recruitment material for use at up-coming events.

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES ("3 Downs"):

- 1. New Member Recruitment
- 2. Lack of Vessel Facilities Division 4 has only 3 vessels registered as a facility.

PROJECTS:

- Updated the Division 4 website to present current and meaningful information to Division 4 members and the general public – in progress.
- 2. TCO Training in progress.
- Marine and Environmental Safety establish a close working relationship with the California State Parks Division of Boating & Waterways to better promote the Dockwalker program, coastal clean-ups and fishing line recycling program – in progress.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. Lake Calero Rangers.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

ATON - Aids to Navigation

Complete and report all assigned activities – 2 Bridges, 68 PATONS by 30 September 2019 - complete

AUXMP – Auxiliary Marine Patrols

Qualify 4 new Boatcrew Crew Members Increase AUXMP hours by 10% on 2018 total – Goal 1,108hrs (2018 Total = 1,007.80)

Marine Safety

Host 2 Dockwalker Training Classes - complete Promote and assist at the 2019 California Coastal Clean-up Day (date to be announced) Increase awareness of Marine Safety programs at all PE classes and PA booth activities (Dockwalker, coastal clean-up, fishing line recycling program) Increase Marine Safety Hours by 20% on 2018 total – Goal 298hrs (2018 Total = 248.3)

Marine Dealer Visits

Increase the Marine Dealer visit count by 10% on the 2018 total – Goal 286 (2018 Total = 260)

Member Training

Qualify 1 new IS Officer Qualify 4 new Telecommunications Operators (TCO) Increase Member Training Hours by 20% over 2018 total – Goal 238hrs (2018 Total = 198.04)

New Member Recruitment

Recruit 6 new members to Division 4 - complete All Flotillas should be active in the recruitment drive and make good use of all PA and Public Education events to attract potential new members – in progress

Public Affairs

Have members attend 5 Public Affair Events:

- Palo Alto Airport Day (date to be announced)
- Coastal Clean-up Day 21st of September
- Alviso Day on the Bay 13th of October
- Fleet Week 2019 6th -14th October
- Special Event Radio Day 19 October
- Veterans Day Veterans Hospital Menlo Park complete

Public Education

Conduct 6 ABS classes in Division 4 area of operation. – in progress

Vessel Safety Checks

Qualify 4 new Vessel Examiners - complete Host 2 VE blitzes at local lakes (locations to be decided) - complete Increase the VE count by 10% on 2018 total – Goal 174 (2018 Total = 158) – in progress