



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

MONTH ENDING: 31 DECEMBER 2019

TO: DCO Mary Kirkwood

FROM: DCDR 03 Jeff Fite (DCDR 03 Russ Kaiser for Jeff Fite)

Highlights:

- USCG Station Rio Vista Holiday Dinner
- Two new IS Officers coming to Division 3
- Changes to PPE Management upcoming in 2020

Details:

- Under the leadership of SO-FS Nancy Holtzman, FS members from Divisions 3, 5, and 10 prepared and served a holiday-themed dinner for USCG Station Rio Vista personnel and their families on 14 December 2019. Donations totaling more than \$600 from the various Divisions and Flotilla provided funding. This event is a long-standing tradition, and was started by AUX Steve Allen (FLT 3-10) and AUX Steve Harrison (FLT 35) nearly 20 years ago.
- After a years-long search for interested members, Division 3 will be sending two candidates to AUX-10 C-schools in 2020: Bob Waterman and Greg Van Koersel.
- SO-MA Greg Van Koersel started implementation of changes to PPE management under the direction of 'PPE Czar' Mike Brown: PLB's can be dormant during the off-season, without monthly inspections or tests; notification of PPE battery expiry can wait until one month ahead of time, rather than six months, because instead of battery replacement, PLB's will be replaced with new units from stock and the old units destroyed, and; prolific Boat Crew trainer John Hardin's supply of loaner PPE will be expanded to include all typical sizes.

Projects

- Complete assembly of the Photo Op Banner frame

Future Activities

- 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)
- Getting the Flotillas to work together and fill the "gaps"
- Recruitment and retention

Agency Interactions:

- Sea Scout Ship 1119 *Nebula* with Flotilla 3-10.

Goals and Objectives

- Implement the recruitment and retention strategies being developed by HR and EXCOM
- Increase the number of surface facilities by 2
- Increase the number of Marine Safety-qualified members by 3
- Advance all members in IQ status to BQ (and scan for 'stuck' AP members)

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Division 113-03 (Greater Sacramento and the California Delta)



Don Anderson (03-03) Instructing Public Ed class



Tommy Holtzman (05-02) and Patricia McSwain as Mr & Mrs Claus at STE Rio Vista