

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



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Division:	May 2020 DCDR Report, 113-06 Gold Coast Area

HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1. Boating Skills and Safety and Coastal Navigation classed completed.
- 2. Virtual Flotilla meetings continue
- 3. Health and Welfare checks

DETAILS:

- 1. In the face of discontinuing all in-person Public Education classes, Flotilla 6-7 Instructors Scott Galloway, Bruce Krogstad and Marius Landauer were able to finish their Boating Skills and Safety and Coastal Navigation courses online in a very innovative way. Taking the courses on-line involved making the course slide sets available to students on Google Drive, the publication of weekly Instructor's Commentaries to accompany the slide sets, weekly two-hour on-line classes utilizing the "Zoom" video conferencing platform, and interactive on-line computer chart plotting exercises using Open CPN, a free marine chart plotting program. For the Coastal Navigation course, a new final examination was created and administered. The final examinations were completed by mid May. Bravo Zulu to Scott and his instructor team!
- 2. Division 6 Flotilla Commanders continue to hold regular meetings utilizing video conferencing technology.
- 3. Electronic contact with flotilla members by the Flotilla Commanders continues on a regular basis to ensure all members are accounted for and in good health.

PROJECTS

The Safe Boating classes being taught by Flotilla 6-10 members are still suspended. The instructors have notified students that classes will be resumed when restrictions have been lifted.

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES/OPPORTUNITIES:

1. The shutdown in activities is in itself a challenge, however the Division will be prepared for resumption of all of our operations, with particular emphasis on **safety**, **safety** and adhering to proper **standard procedures**.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. None.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

Our short-term goals remain the same:

- 1. Stay Connected. Keep in touch with one other.
- 2. Control the Controllable (and don't sweat what you can't control).
- 3. Take the long view. This ain't going to last forever

Semper Gumby, Chuck Cobery DCDR, Division 6



"Aux Control, Aux Control, Aux Control, this is Aux Vessel Mei Long on One-Six. Ready and able to rock and roll when you give the green light.

Aux Control, Mei Long. Nothing heard. Mei Long standing by, out"