



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



**Date:** September 9, 2020  
**To:** Mary Kirkwood, Commodore  
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**CC:** DCOS, DCAPT, VCDR, IPDCDR, SO-SR, 113-06 Flotilla Commanders  
**Division:** August 2020 DCDR Report, 113-06 Gold Coast Area

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

1. All members accounted for during NORCAL fires.
2. Vessel Examination Centurions and Admissions Partner Service Award
3. Station Monterey to assist the Auxiliary.

**DETAILS:**

1. At the request of the Division Commander, all three Flotilla Commanders in Division 6 conducted a thorough accounting of all hands during the recent NORCAL fires. There were several evacuees, however none needed outside assistance and all were accounted for. Most have now returned to their homes. Outstanding coordination and efforts by Division 6 Flotilla Commanders **Alex Urciuoli, Sean Sheehan, and David Frisbey!**
2. **Craig Johnson**, Flotilla 6-4, and **Sean Sheehan**, Flotilla 6-7, were recognized and given the Century Club Award for conducting over 100 vessel examinations or Program Visits during 2019. Great job, gentlemen! Additionally, **Tracy Schultz** received the Admissions Partner Service Award from the USCG Academy. Partners, who give over 1,000 hours of volunteer service and have made a positive impact on the Admissions Partner program, are recommended for the USCGA Admissions Partner Service Award. Each year ten members are selected and are added to a perpetual plaque in Admissions and formally recognized by the Superintendent for their contributions. This year Tracy was the only one from California. BZ Tracy!
3. USCG Station Monterey CO and crew have offered to help a Flotilla 6-4 member **Mike Kaplan** get his communications antenna operational after the recent lightning storms. Mobile Communications specialist Mike Kaplan's antenna reaches farther than any other base or mobile station on the Monterey Bay, so it's important to have it available. When Mike said he needed help to get it operational again after being blown down in the latest storm, Station Monterey CO, **Lt. John Gatti**, offered to send some active duty crew to help

reassemble it when Mike obtains the necessary parts that were destroyed. This time, it is the Active Duty helping us volunteers when we need it.

### CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES/OPPORTUNITIES:

1. The shutdown in activities has been a huge challenge, not only in lost proficiency but in recruiting and retention. It is also recognized that a rebuilding process will have to take place once things return to whatever normal may be. Division 6 is slowly beginning activities at a modified pace and are ready now for full resumption of all of our operations, with particular emphasis on **rebuilding our organization, safety in operations, and retention and recruitment.**

### AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. None.

### GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

Our short-term goals continue to 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 (at least that is what I was told).

Semper Gumby,  
Chuck Cobery  
DCDR, Division 6

This is Division 6 -- what we are and what we will be again soon!

