



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



To: Mary Kirkwood, Commodore

10/17/2020

From: Alan Stanton, Division Commander

Division: 4

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

1. Division and Flotilla Elections
2. Flotilla 46 (Redwood City) – National Commodores Achievement Award
3. RBS Program Visits
4. Sector SF - VADM Breckenridge USCG (Ret) LDAC Event

**DETAILS:**

1. Our Division elections were held on September 23<sup>rd</sup> and the following members have been elected to office for 2021:
  - DCDR Mike Brown
  - VCDR Eddie LamBoth candidates were elected unopposed.  
The Flotillas have also been conducting their elections and the results to date are:  
FL43 (Palo Alto) – FC Derek Chan, VFC Cyrus Cary  
FL46 (Redwood City) – FC Stephan Guttman, VFC Gregory Mast  
FL49 (Silicon Valley) – FC Judy Esteban, VFC Derek Lyon-McKeil  
FL41 (San Jose) and FL48 (Almaden) have still to conduct their elections
2. Flotilla 46 (Redwood City) received the National Commodores Achievement Award in recognition of their outstanding contributions over the last 60 years (see photo section). A press release was issued to celebrate the event and this will be highlighted in the Redwood City Port Newsletter during the month of November (press release attached).
3. Member Jimmin Chang of Flotilla 48 (Almaden) continues to conduct no-contact RBS Program Visits, distributing children activity and boating safety books to outdoor “Little Free Library” kiosks located in the front yards of private residences throughout the South Bay area (please see photo section).
4. Sector San Francisco held an online Leadership Development Event with guest speaker - VADM Breckenridge USCG (Ret). The Auxiliary was well represented in attendance (screen shots in photo section).

**PROJECTS:**

1. Operations Training – surface and communications (on hold)
2. Engage with local Sea Scout ships –
  - a. May 1-3 at CGI – Old Salts Regatta (activity cancelled due to shelter in place)
  - b. May 22-23 Ancient Mariners Regatta (cancelled)
  - c. Will alternate in hosting meetings during June and July (cancelled)

## **CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES:**

1. Shelter in place order has suspended most activities.
2. New Member Recruitment – recruitment remains a challenge but has seen a recent improvement.
3. Surface Operations – the Division has not been very active in our AOR. Boat crew members have been supporting DIV 6 in their AOR.
4. Reluctance of members to stand for elected office.

## **AGENCY INTERACTION:**

None

## **DIVISION 4 LEADERSHIP VISION**

- We will consistently lead by example with integrity, humility, fairness and compassion.
- We will foster open and honest communication.
- We will mentor, support and provide direction to our team mates, empowering them to reach their full potential.
- We will create a professional and enjoyable working environment that fully embraces and respects our diversity and core values.
- We will acknowledge and reward success.

## **DIVISION 4 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:**

### **ATON - Aids to Navigation**

Complete and report all assigned activities - 2 Bridges, 68 PATONS by 30 September 2020

### **AUXMP - Auxiliary Marine Patrols**

Increase AUXMP hours by 10% on 2019 total – Goal 677hrs (2019 Total = 616hrs)

### **Marine Safety**

Promote and assist at the 2020 California Coastal Clean-up Day (September 26, 2020). 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 15% on 2019 total - Goal 252hrs (2019 Total = 219hrs)

### **Marine Dealer Visits**

Increase the Marine Dealer visit count by 10% on the 2019 total – Goal 57 visits (2019 Total = 52).

### **Member Training**

Qualify 1 new IS Officer – **Completed**

Qualify 2 new Telecommunications Operators (TCO) **in progress**

Increase Member Training Hours by 15% over 2019 total - Goal 224hrs (2019 Total = 195hrs).

## New Member Recruitment

Recruit 6 new members to Division 4 – in progress

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.

## Public Affairs

Have members attend 5 Public Affair Events which may include:

- Opening Day on the Bay – 2<sup>nd</sup> May (activity cancelled due to shelter in place)
- National Safe Boating Week – 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> of May (activity cancelled due to shelter in place)
- Coastal Clean-up Day – 26<sup>th</sup> of September (activity cancelled due to shelter in place)
- Redwood City Port Festival – 3<sup>rd</sup> of October (cancelled)
- Fleet Week 2020 - 4<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> October (cancelled)
- Alviso Day on the Bay – TBD
- Special Event Radio Day – November 6 - 8
- Veterans Day - Veterans Hospital Menlo Park – 11<sup>th</sup> of November (checking on status).

## Public Education

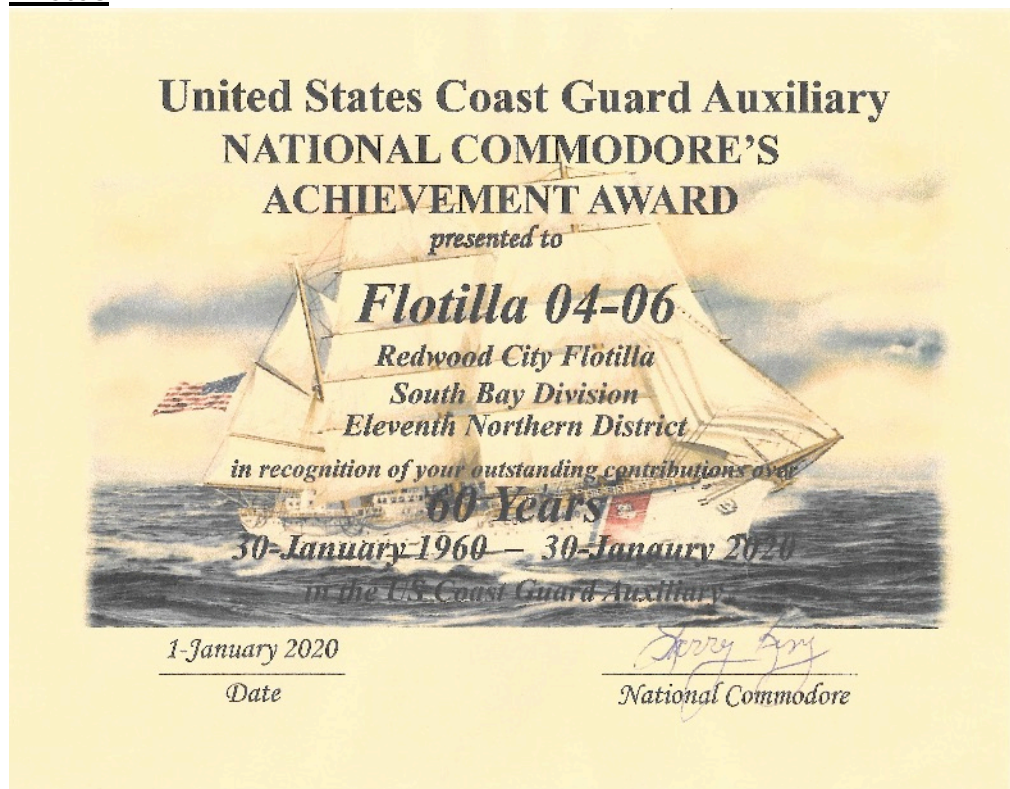
Conduct 6 ABS classes in Division 4 area of operation (activity on-hold due to shelter in place).

## Vessel Safety Checks

Host 2 VE blitzes at local lakes (cancelled).

Increase the VE count by 15% on 2019 total - Goal 82 (2019 Total = 72).

## Photos





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## News Release

### Sixty Years of Service

REDWOOD CITY, Calif — When Flotilla 04-06 was formed, Dwight Eisenhower was President of the United States and gasoline was 25 cents per gallon. Many things have changed since that time, but the volunteers of Flotilla 04-06 have remained on duty through it all, providing valuable services to the public and to the United States Coast Guard. Located at the Port of Redwood City, the only deepwater port in the South San Francisco Bay, the flotilla was recognized by the National Commodore for this milestone achievement of service earlier this year.

Flotilla 04-06 is headquartered in the old harbormaster's tower, above the Redwood City Marina. From that location, the flotilla members hold their monthly meeting, conduct crew training, coordinate boater safety training and vessel safety inspections, launch patrol missions into San Francisco Bay, and maintain a radio communications facility. Recreational boating safety is one of the prime missions of the Auxiliary and this requires outreach to the public in many different venues, on land and afloat. Flotilla 04-06 also supports U.S. Coast Guard activities in Sector San Francisco, which includes patrols to check navigational aids in the bay and participating in special events such as Fleet Week.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is a volunteer service and Flotilla 04-06 welcomes all who might be interested in this unique opportunity to serve the community and take advantage of the education and training provided by the Auxiliary. Links to the flotilla website and membership eligibility are provided below. Flotilla 04-06 meets on the second Tuesday of the month at our location at the Port of Redwood City. Currently, in person meetings are suspended due to Covid 19 safety protocols but please contact us for more information.

Flotilla 04-06 website: <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=113-04-06>  
USCG Auxiliary Membership Eligibility: <http://join.cgaux.org/eligibility>



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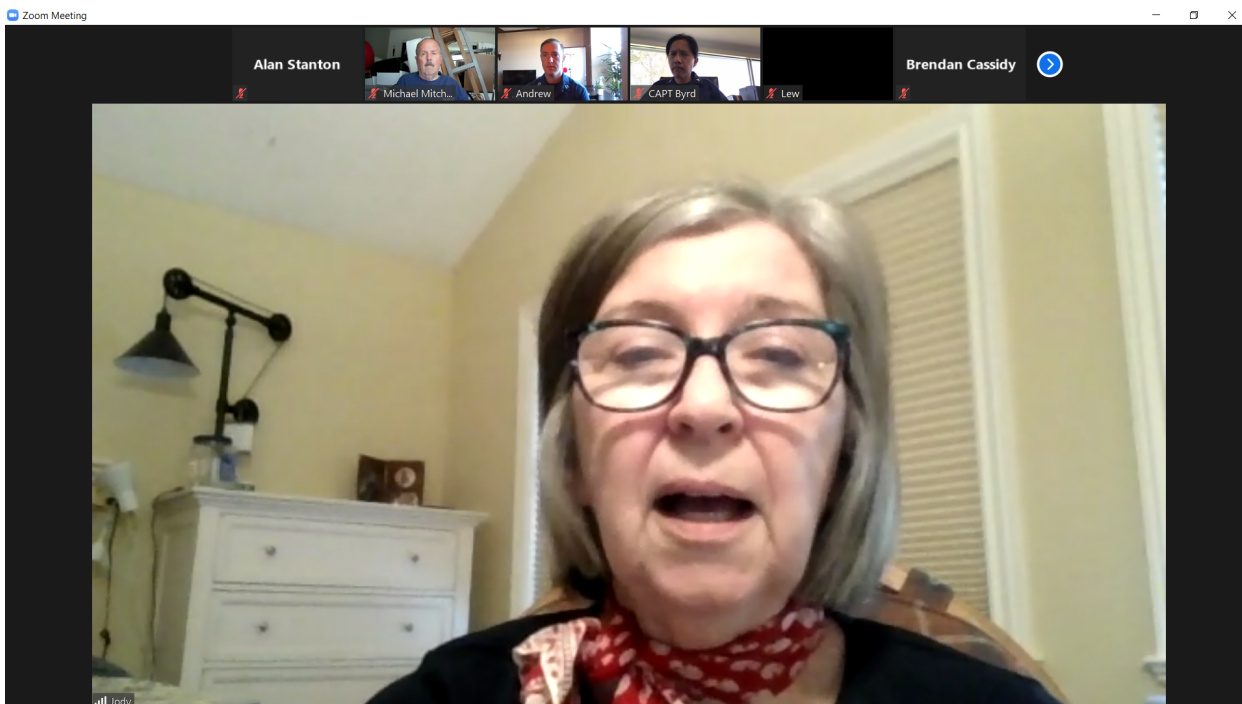
*The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, created by an Act of Congress in 1939, is the uniformed civilian component of the U.S. Coast Guard and supports the Coast Guard in all mission areas. For more information on the Coast Guard Auxiliary and to locate a flotilla near you, visit [cgaux.org](http://cgaux.org)*

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Shown below is one of the 181 kiosks that have been visited so far by member Jimmin Chang.



(US Coast Guard Auxiliary Photo by Jimmin Chang)



VADM Breckenridge USCG (Ret) LDAC Event – screen shot from Zoom Meeting