



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



To: DCO Dean McFarren; Curtis Han, DCOS

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From: Michael Brown, Division Commander

Division: South Bay

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Phase III
2. Sea Scout Training
3. New members

HIGHLIGHT DETAILS:

1. Phase III loosening of regulations (especially the end of facility “bubbles”) have had a gratifying effect upon our crew; Morale is beginning to lift and requests for assignments to duty and related questions have started up again.
2. Auxiliary/Sea Scout Liaison training being promoted as our local Sea Scout chapter is looking forward to our soon working together when CoVid restrictions are fully lifted.
3. We have added two new members to our division, with a third lateral coming in from D11s. Seven more will bring us to our goal for the year.

PROJECTS:

1. Flotilla Redwood City has started remodeling and “Spring cleaning” of their meeting place at the Port of Redwood City’s “tower” this month. Upgrades will continue.

TEMPORARY PROBLEMS:

1. Encouraging members to get out of AP status. Assisting those who are struggling with any qualification to maintain currency.
2. Three SO positions remain vacant: NS, DV, and PV.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

Kristine Zortman, Executive Director for the Port of Redwood City, was our guest speaker for our April division meeting. The positive follow-up discussion included ways the Auxiliary and the Port could support each other’s goals, especially in boating safety.

ADDITIONAL

Division leadership continues to focus on retention, maintaining relevance, and morale-building for 2021. Recruiting efforts continue in all flotillas. Overall, this last month has been quiet again for our division. Periodic email reminders to the division to turn in hours has not resulted in a dramatically higher increase of hours over previous months.

We hope to have several members join Division Gold Coast in supporting various NSBW activities at Santa Cruz Harbor on 22MAY.

DIVISION SOUTH BAY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: Leading through proactive mentoring and support, we intend to empower all of our shipmates. Our vision: Never be satisfied with standards.

- Bring 100% of existing members in AP status into IQ or BQ by mid-year, reinforcing retention
- Emphasize the reporting of all hours
- Qualify Two new Vessel Examiners
- OPTREX to be held at Port of Redwood City 31JUL21
- Increase the number of patrols out of our port at Redwood City
- Encourage members to try new offices outside their comfort zones
- Increase participation in mission areas that are currently staffed and build interest/awareness of new mission areas
- Continue our close partnering with Division Gold Coast in surface operations and overall activities
- Bring in ~~Ten~~ Seven new members
- Always striving to be "*Semper Paratus*"

Photo Gallery

No photos for MAY

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Brown

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