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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY
DIVISION 10 COMMANDER'S REPORT

TO: DCO Dean McFarren, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
DATE: SEPT/ OCT 2021 ACTIVITIES REPORT
DIVISION: 10—San Joaquin Valley
DCDR: Donald Pierce

HIGHLIGHTS:

- OPTREX
- TRAINING
- DIVISION
- FLOTILLAS
- PROJECTS

DETAILS:

- **OPTREX: SCHEDULED 24-26 SEP 2021, MILLERTON LAKE.**
 1. 3 BOATS, 3 QEs, 3 DAYS, 3 REQUAL COX'N, 3 CREW (2 INITIAL, 1 REQUAL).
 2. 1 BOAT CREW TRAINEE/ CULINARY ASSISTANT TRAINEE
 3. NIGHT PATROL TRAINING, TESTING, TRAINING NEXT DAY TO IMPROVE WEAK SKILLS. TOMMY HOLTZMAN WAS A WONDERFUL MENTOR!!!
 4. CULINARY ASSISTANCE (NANCY HOLTZMAN AND HER ASSISTANTS) GREAT FOOD.
 5. GREAT FELLOWSHIP, EVERYONE SAFE GOING HOME.
 6. THE QE CREW WERE VERY PROFESSIONAL AND AN HONOR TO WORK WITH.
- **VIRTUAL TRAINING:** The training schedules have been distributed and are being taken advantage of for personal members growth, TCT Refresher, Work Shops.
- **DIVISION:**
 1. FACE TO FACE Change to Virtual Division Meeting, LOCATION MANDATE RESTRICTIONS
 2. LETTERS OF INTENT FOR DCDR AND VCDR SUBMITTED TIMELY
WILLIAM BORSMA candidate DCDR
THOMAS WITT candidate VDCR
VIRTUAL ELECTION 13 OCTOBER
COW DATE NOT SET.
 3. NACO 3 STAR AWARD, AUTHORIZED
- **MODESTO FLOTILLA 10-02:**
 1. TCT Refresher and Workshops being conducted.
 2. NACO 3 Star Award, AUTHORIZED
 3. Face to Face: Aug Flotilla meeting, well attended with Awards presented.
 4. Processing New Members
 5. Flotilla Election 16 October
 6. VSC
- **STOCKTON FLOTILLA 10-03:**
 1. Organizing Face to Face meeting 14 July, PA EVENT being set up for Children's Water Safety Day
 2. Patrols on Delta and New Mellones Reservoir
 3. Flotilla Election 13 October.

4. PA EVENT 10-03 AND 10-02
5. KIDS MATTER SAFETY DAY, STOCKTON SAILING CLUB, PA BOOTH MAINTAINED BY JOSEPH CHAVOEN AND REBECCA OBRIEN-WITT

- **FRESNO FLOTILLA 10-05:**

1. Working with Visalia 10-06 for Surface Operations. Martin Ouellette: BQ, Passed QE Boat Crew, at OPTREX.
2. Fresno Flotilla active membership is short, but working with Visalia to keep both Flotillas running smoothly and rebuilding.
3. 10-06 Member transferring to 10-05 to stabilize the Flotilla.
4. New member being processed.
5. Working to participate FRESNO VETERAN's PARADE
6. Flotilla Election 27 October.

- **KAWEAH FLOTILLA 10-06:**

1. Meeting: Face to Face 2 SEP: TCT Refresher, Work Shops, AUXDATA II. Phase III planning with consideration to new mandates.
2. Major effort to implement AUXDATA 2.0 and PHASE III, assisting all Div 10 Flotillas.
3. Patrols are being scheduled weekends with emphasis on Training and MOM Patrols, 3 Facilities will be available in July and August.
4. Midmonth Fellowship with personal Training on AUXDATA 2
5. Assisting USACE LAKE KAWEAH, Public Lands Day 25 Sept 2021/ cancelled do to Fires in the area.
6. Patrolled Millerton Lake Labor Day weekend.
7. NACO 3 Star Award AUTHORIZED
8. Assisted with DIVISION OPTREX 24-26 SEPT.

PROJECTS

1. Training activities with GOLD SIDE, USACE, PARKS AND REC AND COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT are being setup and planned.
2. Increased request for Boating Safety Classes, coordinating with Multiple Agencies.
3. Including Trainees in all activities with Mentors

CHALLENGES / OBSTICLES / OPPORTUNITIES:

PHASE III, Attrition/Attrition/ Recruitment, Retention, Education.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

Each Flotilla AOR has different environments which teams them up with: GOLD SIDE, many SHERIFF DEPTs, USACE, CA PARKS, FISH AND WILDLIFE. With Covid slow down the communication is still in progress.

GOALS OF DIVISION 10:

1. FLOTILLAS TO WORK AS A TEAM
2. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
3. MORE INSTRUCTORS AND PUBLIC EDUCATION
4. MORE FACILITIES, COX'N AND CREW
5. STRONGER EFFORT FOR VSCs, PROGRAM VISITS and PA EVENTS
6. MORE INVOLVED WITH PUBLIC EDUCATION
7. MAJOR FOCUS ON UNDERWAY HOURS
8. NACO 3 STAR AWARD ALL 4 FLOTILLAS

END OF REPORT