



DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORT

To: DCO Dean McFarren, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
Date: January Report
Division: 6 – Gold Coast
From: COMO Wally Smith

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Not really a 'Highlight' – there have been no surface or air patrols since early October.
2. All three Flotillas conducted elections in October.
3. Division 6 held its first Division meeting on 08 January
4. Successful Change of Watch held 20 November

DETAILS

1. Patrol activities remain “on hold” due to the Coast Guard’s software conversion that affected funding for Auxiliary activities.
2. All three Flotillas have new Flotilla Commanders and two have new Vice Flotilla Commanders. It is great to have “new blood” stepping up to leadership positions.
3. Division 6 held a hybrid meeting at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room. Eleven were physically in attendance including the Commanding Officer and the Operations Officer from CG Station Monterey, and District Captain Alan Stanton; five attended virtually. The two-hour meeting focused on the “3 R’s” – Recruitment, Retention, Re-engagement. Ideas and initial plans were discussed. Also, each Flotilla was asked to develop goals for 2022 at their next meeting with those goals reported to the DCDR to aid in setting Division goals. Photos below by Jane Smith, DSO-PA.
4. The Division Change of Watch was held on 20 November at the Bayonet – Blackhorse Golf Course Club House. The event was so successful that it has been rebooked for the next C.O.W. on 05 November 2022.

PROJECTS

- 14 February (date TBD) – Valentine Day Party – at CG Station Monterey sponsored by Division 6.
- 25 – 27 March – D-TRAIN – Work to maximize the number of Division 6 attendees.
- August – CG Birthday Barbeque for CG Station Monterey, the crew of the CGC Hawksbill, and Auxiliary personnel
- Division 6 – 9-10 September – OPTREX – Santa Cruz
- Change of Watch – 05 November at Bayonet / Black Horse Golf Club.

AGENCY INTERACTION

- Nothing additional to report.



GOALS OF DIVISION 6

- Flotilla goals to be filed and compiled, and Division goals to be reported next month.
- Retain and Recruit – Contact inactive members, encourage activity, learn roadblocks to activity
- Conduct PA & VE combined events (PAVE) to present the Auxiliary to the public. Goal – minimum two in 2022.
- Continue to offer training to members as requested.
- Maintain operational readiness.
- Add new Operational Facilities.
- Coordinate emergency services throughout Division 6
- Increase interaction, communication, shared events, and training between Flotillas.
- Goals will be reviewed for RBS monthly.
- Continue the excellent rapport with CG Station Monterey, USCG Cutter Hawksbill, the local harbors and other local agencies and always looking for ways we can help by our interaction.
- Multiple events involving more than one flotilla allowing for great fellowship and awareness. This allows for timely acquisition of information from many entities and allows for timely dissemination to the flotilla member.

Respectfully submitted,

COMO Wally Smith
DCDR – Division 6



Division 6 Board (from left): Bruce Krogstad, FC 6-10, VCDR Dave Frisbey, DCDR Wally Smith, IPDCDR & DCAPT Chuck Cobery, John Fisher, FC 67.





Attendees (from left): CG Station Monterey Commanding Officer LT Matt Peryea, BMC Bryan Terry, Operations Officer, Mark McLaughlin, SO-OP

