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## MEMORANDUM

From:  Dale Fajardo  
Division Commander, Division 1 (113-01)

To: COMO Dean McFarren  
District Commodore, D11NR

Subj: DIVISION 1 REPORT: MAY 2022

### Highlights:

1. OPTREX
2. NSBW
3. Flotilla Leadership Changes
4. Dockwalking
5. NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity in *Northwind*

### Details:

1. **OPTREX.**
  - The Division 1 OPTREX has been approved by Station San Francisco and will be held on two consecutive Saturdays:
    - Saturday 09JUL22: Training Day
    - Saturday 16JUL22: QE Check Rides only
  - Three OPFACs are committed to provide event support:
    - *Silver Charm*, Coxswain: Terry Blanchard
    - *Seahorse*, Coxswain: Peter Shamray
    - *76*, Coxswain: Bruce Martin
  - Carol Paz (SO-CM) has reserved the ACV (Auxiliary Communications Vehicle) to provide OPCOM for the OPFACs and TCO communications training on both days.
  - Registration form has been circulated (see page 5).
2. **NSBW.** Lilli Ferguson is the Division 1 NSBW Chair and communicated messaging to Division 1 (see photographs on page 2). Water Safety Fair to be conducted at CG Station Golden Gate on 21 MAY 2022 to kick off NSBW (see flyer on page 3).
3. **Flotilla Leadership Changes.** Due to personal commitments, the flotilla commanders for Flotillas 17 and 19 had to step down. Flotilla 17 held interim elections, and Desmond Thorsson was elected as FC. Flotilla 19 will hold its elections on 11 MAY 2022.
4. **Dockwalking.** California State Dockwalker Training was held on 30 APR 2022 at Oakland Yacht Club (see photograph on page 4).
5. **NACO Three Star Award for Excellence and Inclusion in Diversity in *Northwind*.** At the request of the DSO-PB, the SO-DV (Nancy Peterson) and DCDR submitted an article that was published in the Q1-2022 issue of *Northwind*.

Projects:

1. OPTREX.
2. Develop deeper fellowship and member engagement.
3. Leverage HR development opportunities.
4. Focus on professionalism.
5. Continue to support member training requirements to include AUXCT currency requirements and AUXDATA II competency.

Goals & Objectives:

1. Attain the NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity. Completed.
2. Provide training opportunities based on need.
3. Rotate members into training patrols for OPTREX preparation and to build underway hour. In addition, provide training opportunities for current crew members and initial qualification candidates.
4. Increase interaction, communication, shared events, and training between flotillas.
5. Increase AUXDATA II reporting of member hours.
6. Improve member recruitment and retention.

Challenges and Opportunities:

1. Reduce membership attrition while emphasizing recruiting opportunities.
2. Threat from COVID variants may limit activities in the future. Will continue to leverage remote meeting capabilities as needed.
3. Monthly division meetings will ensure good lines of communication across division flotillas.

Photographs:

(L) Division 1 Chair, NSBW, Lilli Ferguson, presenting on NSBW at Flotilla 1-2's April meeting (photo by Roger Bazeley). Dash, the rabbit, (remaining photos by Lilli Ferguson) wears his life jacket on Easter like all good pets who go boating on a holiday or any other day. He's getting ready for National Safe Boating Week 2022 with the help of Auxiliarist Lilli Ferguson.

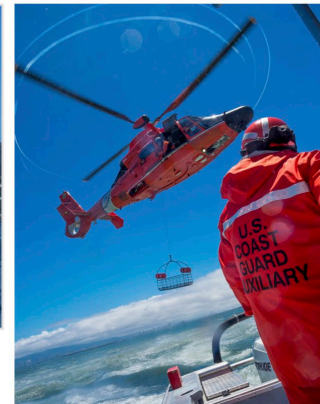


Water Safety Fair flyer to kick off National Safe Boating Week developed by Flotilla 12.



## WATER SAFETY FAIR

*Make a Splash with Your Local First Responders!*



**Saturday May 21, 2022  
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate  
435 Murray Circle in Fort Baker, Sausalito**

*Join us for an exciting, fun & free family event!*

- **FREE** Life Jackets (while supplies last)
- Coast Guard, Fire, & Police **Boats & Trucks**
- Meet friendly Search & Rescue **Dogs**
- Play with **"Coastie"** the Remotely Operated Vehicle
- Learn **knot tying** & how to throw **heaving lines**
- Interactive **Cliff Rescue** demonstrations
- Practice your **marine radio** communications skills
- **Clean Boating Kit** giveaways
- **Paddle Craft** Safety & free ID Stickers
- **Helicopter Rescue Swimmer** demonstration (unless called away on duty)



*Plenty of Free Parking*



*This event is hosted by U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 12 (Sausalito-Tiburon) and U.S. Coast Guard Station Golden Gate with support from U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 14 (Central Marin) to kick off National Safe Boating Week.*

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California State Dockwalker Training 30 APR 2022 at Oakland Yacht Club. L to R: Adam Kovalevsky (113-12-91), Vivian Matuk, Environmental Boating Program Manager (Instructor), Alvin Cura III (113-04-03), & David Bell (113-01-04). Photo by Nancy Marion (113-01-04)



**Division 113-01 OPTREX:**  
**Station San Francisco**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Yerba Buena Island**

**Saturday July 9th: (Registration Deadline June 10<sup>th</sup>)**

**On-the-Water training:** Practice & Initial Crew Training evolutions and Signoffs for line handling, person overboard, anchoring and towing. Subject to availability, training evolutions may include working with active-duty vessels and crew. This is an excellent opportunity to train, secure signoffs for tasks and build underway hours.

**Telecommunications (TCO) Training & Comms Support:** The ACV (Auxiliary Communications Vehicle) will be handling OPCON for our OPFACs, providing both COMS and TCO Training opportunities both days.

**Saturday, July 16th: (Registration Deadline June 10<sup>th</sup>)**

**Qualification Check-Rides:** Initial Qualification or Re-Qualification check rides for Basic Crew and Coxswain. NO TRAINING Rides.

**Telecommunications (TCO) Training & Comms Support**

**REGISTRATION FORM: (Deadline June 10<sup>th</sup>)**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Aux #: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**I wish to attend the Division 113-01 OPTREX as followings. Place a check mark by all that apply:**

**( ) Saturday July 9th: On-the-Water Boat Crew Training**

I am Boat Crew Qualified

I am a Boat Crew Trainee/Do you have PPE  YES  NO

Telecommunications Participant (TCO)

ACV Coms support/TCO Certified: Preference  AM or  PM

Request TCO Introduction/Training: Preference  AM or  PM

**( ) Saturday, July 16th: Qualification Check Rides ONLY. \*Required-Include with Registration, D11N Vetting Form signed by Unit Flotilla Commander, confirming all qualification prerequisites have been met for requested Qualification Examination. Work with your FSO-OP to confirm standards and compliance:**

**Initial Qualification Check Ride**

Basic Boat Crew

Coxswain

**Re-Qualification Check Ride**

Basic Boat Crew

Coxswain

**Telecommunications Participant (TCO)**

ACV Coms support/TCO Certified: Preference  AM or  PM

Request TCO Introduction/Training: Preference  AM or  PM

Email Completed Registration form and required backup documentation for QE Check Ride Requests to:

Nancy Marion, Division 1 SO-OP: [Nmarion9@gmail.com](mailto:Nmarion9@gmail.com)

For Questions Call: Cell: (415) 377-9884

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