

DIVISION COMMANDER REPORT

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

May Report covering April activities

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Flotilla 6-10 is actively engaging with the Sea Scouts; six new members as a direct result.
- 2. A large contingent of new member applications were received from enrollees at the Defense Language Institute (DLI) in Monterey.

DETAILS

- Members of Flotilla 6-10 Capitola have been actively working with the local Sea Scouts Ship. As a result, plans are underway to develop a training program both on and off the water. Auxiliarists interacting with the Scouts have completed the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) "Youth Protection Training" (YPT) that is required prior to engaging in any face-to-face and/or other contact e.g., email, phone, etc. More details are included in Flotilla 6-10's report below.
- 2. Approximately 30 new member applications were submitted from students at DLI, most in the Army. Meetings and/or discussions occurred including the DCDR, the IPDCDR, the C.O. from CG Station Monterey, and the C.O. of DLI to determine how best to proceed, or not, with this large an influx. More to follow in next month's report because, as of this writing, the situation remains in flux.

PROJECTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

- August CG Birthday Barbeque for CG Station Monterey, the crew of the CGC Hawksbill, and Auxiliary personnel. August date TBD.
- OPTREX Division 6: 9-10 September Santa Cruz
- Change of Watch: 19 November at Bayonet / Black Horse Golf Club.

AGENCY INTERACTION

- The C.O. of Station Monterey has requested the following:
 - Increased training opportunities with Auxiliary surface facilities.
 - Watchstanders for the Station.

GOALS OF DIVISION 6

• 3 R's – Recruit, Retain, Re-engage – 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.
- Engage with the local Sea Scouts Ship 669.
- Maintain operational readiness.
- Add new Operational Facilities.
- Increase interaction, communication, shared events, and training between Flotillas.
- 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.
- Plan 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.

FLOTILLA REPORTS

64 Monterey - Karen Yoder FC

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. In Person Meeting and Zoom Meetings are continuing.
- 2. Tracy Schultz's new facility Dolphin Dreams is almost ready to go.
- 3. New members are joining.
- 4. Members are getting more active.
- 5. Antlers Optrex

DETAILS

Format of having Zoom and In Person Meeting is working well to keep members engaged.

- 1. The new facility, Dolphin Dreams, and crew will be having their first patrol in May. The facility will be used for Coast Guard Helo Operations and regular patrols.
- 2. One new member has an air asset. He is working on the plane becoming a facility. Three additional members are starting to finish their coursework.
- 3. Tom Stead and Ray David completed 5 Commercial Fishing Exams for Operation Safe Salmon in Moss Landing and patrols are becoming more frequent.
- 4. Antlers Optrex was a success. Many people qualified or requalified for Coxswain or crew.

67 Santa Cruz - John Fisher FC

No report submitted.

<u>6-10 Capitola – Bruce Krogstad FC</u> Highlights

1. April 5 Flotilla meeting – our in-person meetings continued with a quorums present. COMO Smith led the meeting due to travel by FC Krogstad. Wally and Jane Smith led a training session on uniform standards, including a live modeling of various uniforms.



- 2. Public Education The Spring BS& S semester kicked off with 4 classes this month. Four qualified instructors from 6-10 and 1 from 6-4 participated. The class of 12 includes new members from 6-10 as well as public students interested in CA Boater Cards.
- 3. Progress continues for our 7 new members to achieve BQ status.
- 4. One new member is in process of completing his new member application. With his application acceptance the new members added in 2022 will total 8.
- 5. AUXScout activity continues. FC Krogstad attended the "Old Salts" Regatta at CGI on 4/30 to support the team from Ship699. Great team *esprit de corps* was observed along with adult leaders (also 6-10 members) who are doing a great job.

Details

Our AUXScout activity continues to gain momentum. FC Krogstad attend the SS meeting on 4/20 and reviewed the opportunity for participating in NSBW. They have been invited to join our tent/table and set up collateral material and recruiting aids. They have also requested to moor the *SSS Pearls* at the ramp for public tours.

There were limited Surface Operations/Patrols this month due to D-Train commitments and the need to cancel 2 patrols on 4/23 due to weather that exceed our safety guidelines.

****END OF REPORT****

Respectfully submitted, COMO Wally Smith DCDR – Division 6

SEMPER GUMBY!



BONUS MATERIAL BELOW!





"DOLPHIN DREAMS", owned by Tracy Schultz is now home ported in Moss Landing. She has been accepted as Operational Facility "321322" and is a former Coast Guard Ports & Waterways Boat (32PWB).

