



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



To: Dean McFarren, Commodore
From: Randy McCormick, Division Commander
Re: Div. 5 July 2022 Report – Respectfully Submitted

July 17, 2022
Division: 05

HIGHLIGHTS/"UPS":

1. More than the AUX (FL55)
2. USCG Sta. Vallejo (Opening?)
3. OPS Support
4. Diversity and Inclusion (FL51, FL52, FL53)
5. NSBW 2022 (All)
6. Bravo Zulu (All)


DETAILS:

1. **More than the AUX (FL55)** – Force multiplying is a key to successful events. The members of Flotilla 55 know that going it alone limits the results. In the spirit of we need every to contribute, a standard VE event became much more. FL55 enlisted the help of Spud Point Marina to get the boats lined up, active duty from Sta. Bodega Bay supported the commercial inspection side and the FL55 members tackled the recreational boaters. Great team work by all.
2. **USCG Sta. Vallejo (Opening?)** – Sta. Vallejo AUC Glenn Hunter gets asked this question every time he meets up with a shipmate. Glenn reports the following: Construction of the new USCG Station Vallejo is now completed, however, unfortunately, there is a delay in getting their communications fully installed by the assigned telecommunications provider. Estimate now is that Sta Personnel will occupy facilities in October 2022. A committee is planning the details of the Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting of the New Station, which will be tentatively held in October or November 2022.
3. **OPS Support** – Along with all the challenges Sta. Vallejo faces, they are also challenged with crew turn over as most all stations are this time of the year. Lew Derfuss SO-OPS along with Glenn Hunter AUC, are working with Station Vallejo to create an augmented support plan whereby AUX facilities and Crew and be on the water in standby mode during those times Active Duty Facilities are committed elsewhere. More to come but we are thinking this may become more frequent over time so planning is being done with a broader prospective.
4. **Diversity and Inclusion** – D&I has become an embedded pillar of the Auxiliary. Flotillas in Div. 5 continue to ensure D&I is part of their DNA and part of everything they do. Dinia Paananen SO-DV has provided endless support to the Flotillas and the results show. Congrats to Flotillas 51, 52 and 53 for achieving NACO 3-Star Award for Diversity recognition for 2021.
5. **NSBW 2022** – Wrapping up the NSBW 2022 Campaign, Div. 5 and its Flotillas were active across the RBS and Operations sphere throughout the month. Jim Matthies (FL55) did an excellent job as our Div. 5 chair and congrats to Kit Galvin doing an outstanding job as the District Chair and providing a ton of support at the Division level.
6. **Bravo Zulu and Other Notes:**
 - Bob Bain – Congratulations to Bob Bain who assumed the critical role of Division Vice Commander.
 - Ray Van Cleave (FL55) – After a lengthy rehab, we all welcome Ray Van Cleave's return as the AUC for the Petaluma TRACEN.
 - Gary Murray (FL55) – BV for supporting the Boarder deployment as a CA.
 - Thomas Herbst (FL55) – BV for stepping up to fill the FSO-MT gap (along with his many other duties) while his shipmate was recuperating. Thomas was very busy supporting members as quals/certs/WK were expiring at the end of June.

PROJECTS:**Standing Meetings:**

Date	Time	Description	Contact	Contact Info	Sponsor
Second Thursday	1930	Flotilla 51	Steve Johnson	stevenjohnson.uscgau@gmail.com	FL51
Third Saturday	1000	Flotilla 52	Dan Glenn	dguscgau@gmail.com	FL52
Third Tuesday	1900	Flotilla 53	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FL53
Second Tuesday	1930	Flotilla 55	Frank Capurro	frankcapurro@yahoo.com	FL55
First Thursday	1930	Div. 5 Meeting	Randy McCormick	randy_uscgau@att.net	Div. 5
Third Wednesday	1900	District Meeting	Randy McCormick	randy_uscgau@att.net	District
Fourth Monday	1900	FC Working Meeting	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FCs

Events and Important Dates:

Month	Date	Description	Contact	Contact Info	Sponsor
Jan	31	Gail Ramsey Award nominations due to DCAPT's			D11N
Feb	28	Form 7025 Annual Financial Report - Dues	MaryAnne Collins	mcollins.aux@gmail.com	DSO-FN
Mar	1	Form 7025 Annual Financial Report - Late	MaryAnne Collins	mcollins.aux@gmail.com	DSO-FN
	5	Boat Crew Academy	Glenn Hunter	hunterglenn@att.net	FL52
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	21-25	C-School at DTRAIN – Reno	COMO Kirkwood	mkirkwoodaux@gmail.com	District
	25-27	DTRAIN – RENO	D11N Webpage	DTRAIN INFO	District
	26	Boat Crew Academy	Glenn Hunter	hunterglenn@att.net	FL52
APR	2	Herb Hooser Service– Flotilla 55	Randy McCormick	randymccormick@att.net	FL55
	2	Boating Safely Class – Benicia Yacht Club	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FL53
	9	Sta. Rio Vista Opening Season - Training	Doug MacPherson	dwmacpherson2000@gmail.com	FL35
	9	Boat Crew Academy	Glenn Hunter	hunterglenn@att.net	FL52
	16	C.A.S.T. for Kids, Lake Berryessa	Mike Smith	mrsmith53.uscgau@gmail.com	FL53
	23	Boat Crew Academy	Glenn Hunter	hunterglenn@att.net	FL52
	30	Pleasure Cove Opening Season, Lake Berryessa (VE, PA event)	Mike Smith	mrsmith53.uscgau@gmail.com	FL53
	30	Bodega Bay Fish Fest	Jim Matthies	jamingimy@aol.com	FL55
MAY	1	Bodega Bay Fish Fest	Jim Matthies	jamingimy@aol.com	FL55
	7	Boat America at Sta. Rio Vista	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FL53
	14	Boat America at Solano College	Curtis Han	curtis.s.han@gmail.com	FL52
	20	Rock and Ribs - TRACEN	Frank Capurro	frankcapurro@yahoo.com	FL55
	21	Armed Forces Day – River Cats	Don Anderson	auxdon@yahoo.com	DIV 3
	21-27	National Safe Boating Week	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	DIV 5
	28	Sta. Rio Vista Work Party	Steve Harrison	papasteve01@yahoo.com	FL35
JUN	1	National Staff Applications Due	Various	Staff Postings	NTL
	6	2022 VE Workshop	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	DIV 5
	18	District Meeting – CGI 09:00	Dean McFarren		D11N
	24	Petaluma TRACEN Change of Command	Frank Capurro	frankcapurro@yahoo.com	FL55
	25	MEES and MSAM Classroom Instruction	Jeff Fite	jeff.fite.cgau@frontier.com	FL310
	30	IT Instructor Workshop Due	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	DIV 5
	30	VE Workshop Due	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	DIV 5
	30	OPS/TCT Workshops Due	Lew Derfuss	blueskier@sbcglobal.net	DIV 5
JUL	1	Flotilla Dues Notices sent out	FSO-FNs		FSO-FN
	7	Division 5 Meeting – Dark (No Meeting)	Randy McCormick	Randy_uscgau@att.net	DCDR
	16	Bocce Ball Fellowship  Bocce Flyer 2022 July 16.docx	Tom Sarnicola	thomassarnicola@gmail.com	FL52
	17	Port Chicago Memorial Ceremony - Tentative	Dinia Paananen Mike Smith	dp.uscgau@gmail.com mrsmith53.uscgau@gmail.com	FL52 FL53

	29-30	Div. 5 OPTREX and Sta. Vallejo BBQ	Lew Derfuss	blueskier@sbcglobal.net	DIV 5
AUG	12-14	C-School - AUX-06 ATON & Chart Updating Coast Guard Island - Alameda			D11N
	15-21	NACON			NTL
SEP	11	Annual Luau	Lew Derfuss	blueskier@sbcglobal.net	DIV 5 & FL53
	16-18	C-School - AUX-12 AUX Public Affairs & Marketing – Coast Guard Island Alameda			D11Nd
	17	District Meeting and Elections	Curtis Han	curtis.s.han@gmail.com	District
	17-18	PCA Fair – Coast Guard Island	Jim Losi	jlosi@mac.com	District
	1	Form Financial Audit Committee	Lisa McCormick	lisa_uscgaux@att.net	DIV 5
OCT	6	Div. 5 Election	Randy McCormick	randy_uscgaux@att.net	DIV 5
	11	Flotilla 55 Meeting and Elections	Frank Capurro	frankcapurro@yahoo.com	FL55
	13	Flotilla 51 Meeting and Elections	Steve Johnson	stevenjohnson.uscgaux@gmail.com	FL51
	15	Flotilla 52 Meeting and Elections	Dan Glenn	dguscgaux@gmail.com	FL52
	18	Flotilla 53 Meeting and Elections	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FL53
NOV	1	Start Dis-enroll for Non-Payment of Dues	Kit Galvin	twohalibut@aol.com	FL53
	3	Div. 5 EOY Meeting/Diversity Potluck	Randy McCormick	randy_uscgaux@att.net	DIV 5
	16	PCA Election	Jim Lossi		D11N
DEC	3	DIV. 5 Change of Watch – TRACEN	Lew Derfuss	blueskier@sbcglobal.net	DIV 5

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES (“Downs”):

1. Ramping up Face to Face meetings (attendance).
2. Keeping members motivated.
3. Dwindling number of surface facilities.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. Continue to support small boat stations Vallejo, Bodega Bay and Rio Vista

Goals:

- Re-Engage Members through Fellowship, Training and Missions.
- Ensure members are up to date with certifications (REYR, REWK).
- Recruiting (especially boat owners).



Pictures of BM2 Howell and BM2 Stuber, USCG Station Vallejo, performing classroom Navigation training for 2022 Boat Crew Academy trainees. Held at Station Vallejo on June 18, 2022.



Picture of 2022 Boat Crew Academy trainees, Dinia and Erik Paananen, Deb Rocchild, and John Albrecht, Napa Flotilla 52.



SAR DOG approaches Station Vallejo 29 footer for side tow

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