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**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY**  
**DIVISION 10 COMMANDER'S REPORT**  
**For Division 11 North**

**TO:** DCO Curtis Han, D11NR  
**Cc:** District Board and Staff  
**DATE:** April 2023 ACTIVITIES REPORT  
**DIVISION:** 10 - San Joaquin Valley  
**DCDR:** Thomas Witt

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Flotilla 10-02 Modesto, Chris Bennett
  - Flotilla 10-03 Stockton, Monica Eaton
  - Flotilla 10-05 Fresno, Donald Pierce / working with 10-06
  - Flotilla 10-06 Kaweah, Rod Rollins
- 1. Report combined with flotilla10-05**

**DETAILS:**

1. Flotilla 10-02

1. The Flotilla always has at least 8 to 9 members at our Flotilla meetings and our Flotilla. Staff officers are busy and doing their jobs.
2. We have had 3 new members join since the last Division meeting so we are growing.
3. We are working on getting into the Ceres Street Fair in May and I also have the application for the Modesto 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade.
4. Checking into a lot of local events that we could set up a PA booth at to not only promote boating safety, but to tell people about the mission of the Auxiliary, and get new members.
5. The head Ranger at Don Pedro would like to get some Boaters safety classes done for their staff. I already spoke with Tom Witt about this, and the date has been set for the 8<sup>th</sup> of May.

2. Flotilla 10-03

1. Have tracked down all out of use PPE's and turned over to Division for recycling to District.
2. New ops policies in regards to night ops were discussed. New PPE policy with inspection forms for District distributed. Also the need of an offer for use for the tow vehicle of facilities.
3. Since the cancellation of D-Train, Informed the membership of a forthcoming mini-D-Train in June on 17<sup>th</sup> at CGI.
4. With the members all getting older, the making contact with membership to check on their welfare has to be a normal monthly duty of all members.
5. The need for recruitment is a number one priority for all members.
6. Flotilla 10-03 and 10-02 will be working together on the opening days at Stockton Sailing club on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April and also the opening day at Oxbow marina's opening day on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April.

- Flotilla 10-05
  1. CONTACTING ALL MEMBERS CHECKING STATUS AND GOALS
  2. **MARTIN OUELLETTE** WORKING ON TCO, INSTRUCTOR, PV, VE. PURSUING WATCHSTANDER WITH STATION RIO VISTA.
  3. **JAMES TORRANCE:** PARTICIPATED IN THE VETERAN'S PARADE, COMPLETED INSTRUCTOR, AUXOPS AWARD, WELL ON HIS WAY FOR BOATCREW, CERTIFIED AS INTERPETOR IN GERMAN.
  4. **JOHN FERRETTI:** DUTIES AS VFC, VSC, ORGANIZING EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS TO US NAVAL SEA CADETS, ASSISTING IN RECRUITING FOR COAST GUARD.
  5. **STEVE PITTS:** STILL RECOVERING AND BECOMING HEALTHY. BECOMING CURRENT IN CT REFRESHING VSC, PV AND STAFF OFFICER POSITION. HE IS DOING MUCH BETTER AND REBUILDING PHYSICALLY
  6. **DONALD PIERCE:** HAS BEEN CONTACTED TO ASSIST COAST GUARD RECRUITING, MENTORING MEMBERS. TRYING TO BE FC, TRAINING MARLINSPIKE TO RANGER BOAT CREWS, ORGANIZING PA EVENTS
  7. **SANTIAGO SINSUAN:** RECEIVED AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP BEING BECAME AUXILIARY MEMBER WORKING ON INTERPRETER, BOAT CREW, VE
  8. **SIMON ELMAN:** ASSISTING RED CROSS WITH WEATHER RELATED EVACUATIONS AND STILL WORKING ON AUX CERTIFICATIONS VE, PV, INSTRUCTOR.
  9. **Collecting** all unused PPE's to be returned to District for redistribution.
  10. **UPDATES:** THERE ARE NEW MEMBERS FOR FRESNO AND VISALIA AND LEADERS STEPPING-UP, 2023 IS LOOKING BETTER, 2024 FRAGILE
  
- Flotilla 10-06
  - a. **Report combined with flotilla10-05**

**PROJECTS:**

- Member training and developing future leaders.
- Public education, program visits, VSC increase.
- Underway hours.
- Increase membership.
- **FELLOWSHIP AND FUN**

Respectfully Submitted;  
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