



United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

District Eleven North Region
DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORT



To: Curtis Han, Commodore
Division 5 report to District 11N

Date: 7/6/23

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Awards and recognition
2. Committee progress
3. Flotilla Goals

DETAILS

1. Division Changes and Updates
 - Mini Dtrain scheduled for June 17 at Coast Guard Island. A door prize valued at \$50 was donated.
 - Mark Waters has resigned as Flotilla Commander for 53. Lew Derfuss has been elected as FC for 53 for the remainder of 2023.
 - Flotilla 51 staff positions are in discussion to replace members (Minkel and Sargent) standing down at the end of 2023. This remains unchanged from last month.
 - MOU's – Jimmy Matthies will investigate seeing if a MOU is available with Lake Sonoma officials. We are still waiting for a response.
 - The Port Chicago memorial is scheduled for July 15. See Mike Smith, Flotilla 52, for details and to register their names prior to admission to the event.
 - Ray Tanaka is an employee of Solano College campus Vallejo and offered to host the Division meetings there so that the on-line communication link is more reliable than what is being used at the current Vallejo Yacht Club. This is pending contractual review. I have asked Ray to send a copy of the existing agreement with the college so that I can pass the document by legal.
2. Awards
 - No activity since we are dark for July
3. Operations and Optrex Committee
 - Optrex weekend June 2-3 for nine auxiliaries.
 - Coxswain requals included Michael Hay and Ingemar Olssen.
 - Boat Crew requals included Stephen Kilgariff, Bill Malloy, Ron Nathan, Giovanni Bacigalupi, Robert Gleason, Roger Haynes, Bard Manasager and Randy Saxe.
 - QE provided by BOSN Perez, Angelo Perata, Anita Farnholtz, Wayne Farnholtz, and Jim Losi.
 - Facilities used were Randy McCormick's Kokua II, Bill Malloy's Bucket List and Tom Hurley's Audrey L.
 - Lew Derfuss' SAR DOG II had to stand down after experiencing fuel pump issues. A study is underway regarding these issues.
4. Change of Watch Committee
 - The contract for our COW Chardonnay Club in Napa has been reviewed and accepted by legal, and has been signed by both parties, and a deposit made.
 - Invitations have been sent to COW special guests from DIRAUX, Coast Guard Stations and Sector San Francisco.



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5. National Safe Boating Week: No activity since we are dark for July.
6. Fleet Week Committee: - No activity since we are dark for July.
7. Awards Committee – No change from June.
 - The 2023 Awards Committee will consist of Randy McCormick, Lew Derfuss and Tom Sarnicola.
 - Derfuss and McCormick to engrave the award for individual winners.
 - Perpetual award honorees due in September.
8. Flotilla Goals
 - Flotilla Succession planning for elected offices remains the same as reported in April.
 - Flotilla 51: Nathan: Report on file. The flotilla needs an FSO-FN to replace J. Minkel. There is no FSO-CS & IS officers.

	Flotilla 51 - Ron Nathan	Flotilla 52 - Dan Glenn	Flotilla 53 - Mark Waters	Flotilla 55 - Jimmy Matthies
Goal 1	Increase Mtg. Attendance	Increase patrols MOM	Public Education blitz	Increase PA & VE events/visits
Goal 2	Recruit younger members	Grow VSC Program	VE Campaigns	Activities with Stn. Bodega Bay
Goal 3	Fill staff positions	Increase boating safety classes	Republish flotilla newsletters	Form idea committee

PHOTOS

