



DIVISION COMMANDER'S REPORT

To: COMO Curtis Han, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
Date: 15 September 2023
Division: 6 – Gold Coast
From: DCDR Dave Frisbey
RE: Division Report - August 2023

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Prepared for fall semester class registration of BS&S course
2. Two surface operations
3. Organized USCG birthday barbecue at Station Monterey

DETAILS:

1. Public Education

1. Fall semester class registration of BS&S course will be on the 6th of September. A public announcement, a posting on the Santa Cruz Harbor website, and flyers were distributed throughout the SC Harbor. Class commences on 13 SEP.

2. Surface Operations

1. Only 2 surface patrols were conducted, one on No Worries and another on CRAFT Moment. One shoreside crew training session was held for two crew members currently in training for the upcoming OPTREX.
2. Only one Helo op was completed this month due to helo availability. A joint Flotilla 6-4, and 6-10 crew patrolled on Dolphin Dreams in moderate seas on the Monterey Bay.

3. Navigation Systems

1. Well on our way to completing 100% of the 70+ aids assigned to Division 6 by District.

4. Public Affairs

1. Have not yet received the Division 6 Coastie back from Coast Guard Island. Awaiting confirmation of status.

5. AUXScout

1. Ship 669, Pearls, returned from their annual “long cruise” on August 5. District Captain Cobery provided his steady hand on the tiller to guide Pearls to and from the event. Ship 669 leadership received a proposed training calendar for both Shoreside and Underway events for the balance of the year.

6. Member Training

1. At the Flotilla 6-10 meeting a guest and prospective new member presented a compelling story of survival and rescue from his 68’ fishing vessel 60 miles off Morro Bay. He remains a big fan of the USCG for saving his life.
2. Also at the meeting, Flotilla 6-10’s newest member, Maggie Grymes, presented a very informative training titled Eyes on Drowning 101. Maggie’s experience as a lifeguard and swim coach gave even the old salts in the audience a new perspective on skills needed for awareness, rescue, and recovery of drowning victims.

7. Vessel Examinations

1. No vessel examinations were reported.

8. Member Achievements

1. Flotilla 6-7 VFC Bard Mansager returned from serving 6 weeks on the USCGC HEALY on its Arctic patrol.

9. Coast Guard Station Monterey Support

1. Flotilla 6-7 member Bobbi Kamil organized a BBQ and party for Station Monterey on 05 AUG to celebrate the USCG birthday. Many Division 6 members assisted with cooking and preparations. 67 active duty and their families attended. A great time was had by all.
2. LT Peryea presented a hand-made wooden plaque that is now hanging in the Station Monterey quarterdeck, recognizing the extensive support they receive from Auxiliarists in Division 6.
3. Flotilla 6-7 member Alex Urciuoli continued to stand watch in support of Station Monterey.

PROJECTS/EVENTS

- 8 - 9 SEP – OPTREX – Santa Cruz
- 17 SEP - Missions Day - Monterey Coast Guard Pier
- Saturday 23 SEP 1000 - 1200 - Div 6 Mtg and Election- Santa Cruz Harbor Meeting Room
- Change of Watch – 11 NOV at Bayonet / Black Horse Golf Course - Seaside, CA
- Saturday 2 DEC - Lighted Boat Parade - Santa Cruz Harbor
- Saturday 9 DEC - Division Holiday Party - Location TBD

- Ongoing - updating homepages of Division 6, Flotilla 6-10 and 6-4 websites
- Communications – Auxiliary Com Station at Santa Cruz Harbor needs upgrades. Searching for grants.

GOALS OF DIVISION 6

- Retain and Recruit – Contact inactive members, encourage activity, learn roadblocks to activity
- Continue to offer training to members as requested
- Maintain operational readiness
- Add new operational facilities
- Coordinate emergency services throughout Division 6
- 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. Always looking for ways we can help by our interaction
- Plan multiple events involving more than one flotilla allowing for fellowship and awareness
- Increase number of qualified instructors
- Provide trainings to increase participation in Aux Data II
- Expand number of vessel examinations
- Diversity
 1. Continue to have all units receive the NACO 3-Star award
 2. Ensure that all units have appointed a DV Staff Officer
 3. Have every unit conduct at least one diversity and inclusion class for its staff/members

Respectfully submitted,
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