



MEMORANDUM

From: Bill Ross, DCDR, 113-07 Utah

To:

- District Commodore
- District 113

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- DIVISION 0-7 COMMANDER'S REPORT – July, 2024

Highlights

1. Utah State Boats
2. Limited Participation in Operations
3. Limited Participants at OPTREX

Details

1. The two Utah State Patrol boats had been reported to not be released from the shops for Auxiliary use until July 24, 2024
 - A. The Challenger was delivered to Jordanelle Reservoir July 3, 2024
The boat was tied up in a public slip due to repairs being made to the Ranger dock. A boater caused the stern of his boat to collide with the stern of the Challenger causing damage to the outboard cowlings. The Challenger has been removed from service and it is unknown if the Auxiliary will have access to this boat for patrols.
 - B. The Momma Bear normally assigned to Bear Lake has not yet been released from the shops for service by the Auxiliary.
2. This boating season we have the Zocchi's patrolling Willard Bay on a weekly basis. Don Moyle is actively engaged in coxswain training with his facility at Jordanelle Reservoir. He is taking trainees on board as time permits. Kevin Woodruff with his facility has been participating in patrols as time permits. He is recently remarried and is involved in moving his new wife into his home. There will be a severe shortage of facilities and qualified crewmembers and coxswains to perform operations this year.
3. We have six members desiring to participate in QE at our August 23 OPTREX, however, the shortage of facilities and qualified crews will prevent sufficient time to get these members time on the water to meet the 30-day requirement for submission of their training documentation.

Goals

1. Increase numbers of Coxswains and Crewmembers for OPTREX
2. Work toward increasing the number of facilities available
3. Recruiting

Challenges

1. Lack of facilities
2. Lack of qualified Crew Members and Coxswains.

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