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District 11 Northern Region**

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Date: November 2008
To: Mike Williams, VCO & District Board/Staff
From: D11N DSO-OP
Subject: District OPS Report

Included at end of this report:

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All,

This will be the final report for 2008: I will send to you, in a separate email, any important information that comes out from National between now and January 2009..

AUX LIFE JACKET REQUIREMENTS, FROM NATIONAL, AS OF NOV 11TH 2008

“After special consideration for our Auxiliary members safety by the Coast Guard, the inflatable vests listed in the Rescue and Survival Systems Manual, COMDTINST M10470.10F will continue to be authorized after 01 JUN 2009 for use on facilities that can exceed 50 MPH in lieu of Type III dynamic strength tested vests rated for 50MPH.

Specifically, the vests as listed in the R&SS Manual are:

- * LSC 485CG INFLATABLE
- * LSC 481CG/481CGM INFLATABLE
- * MUSTANG MD3183 INFLATABLE
- * MUSTANG MD0450 22 INFLATABLE

In addition to inflatables, Mustang Survival, Inc. has independently certified their MJ6214 (Type III Float Coat) to the 50 MPH Dynamic Strength Tested standard.

For any facility (including PWCs) that are capable of exceeding 50 MPH, it is recommended that an appropriate speed dynamic strength tested vests be used.

Please pass this information through your communications chain down to the members at the deck plate.”

HAVE PRINTED COPIES OF YOUR ORDERS ON BOARD:

I realize all of us always have our order numbers on board when we do patrols. CWO2 Danny Kilburger requests that you also have printed copies of your orders on board. This will be one thing he will ask to see if he comes aboard your facility.

IMPORTANT PEPIRB INFORMATION:

All Coxswains and PWC Operators should have been issued a PEPIRB. If you have not received one please let the office know so one can be issued to you.

DIRAUX is trying to update files as to who is in possession of a Coast Guard issued PEPIRB. If you currently have one, please notify YN3 Stacy Curtin (Stacy.L.Curtin@uscg.mil) to update our information. Her direct phone number is: (510) 437-3308.

The PEPIRB needs to be registered every two years with NOAA. If you have not registered it within the last two years please do so.

PEPIRB Registration address:

NOAA SARSAT Beacon Registration

E/SP3, RM 3320, FB-4

5200 Auth Rd

Suitland, MD 20746-4304

Email: <http://www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov>

Fax: 301-568-8649

Help Line: 301-457-5678 or

Toll Free: 1-888-212-7283

Blank forms are available at DIRAUX if you are in need.

NOAA will send you a new bar code to be placed on the PEPIRB. After you receive the new bar code, remove the old code and place the new code on your PEPIRB. Once you receive the new code, notify YN3 Stacy Curtin in order to keep the PEPIRB records up to date.

CHECK YOUR FACILITY AND CREWS QUALIFICATIONS:

- If you do a patrol on say June the 1st and your facility inspection expires June the 15th but you put in your request for reimbursement until June the 16th you will not be reimbursed. In addition neither you nor your crew will gain credit for the underway hours. Always stay cognizant of when your Facility inspection, Crew and Coxswains recertifications are due. It will save many headaches for all.

REPORT TO INCOMING 2009 BOARD:

I received a request to present an overview (in five minutes) of D11N Operations to the incoming 2009 District Board. The following is the material I presented:

The missions available in Operations are changing just as titles and many other things in the Auxiliary continue to change. We no longer go out and have five or six tows a day, Linda Vetter and Terry Blanchard along with their facility Silver Charm, save sailboarders from heading to Hawaii on a weekly basis, and by doing so save the CG thousands of man hours and fuel costs from having to get their vessels underway. Many Coxswains and their crews are now training with CG stations in their Area of Responsibilities (AORs) on a regular basis. We are also working more and more with different agencies for regatta patrols for swimmers, kayakers, high speed racers and other events. Thanks to Roger Haynes for the ongoing leadership of a project set up by Bob Hendry involving an AUX team to work with the Aids to Navigation (ANT) team on YBI. We now have more missions available in the Aids to Navigation arena. More and more opportunities are presenting themselves as our training is also changing. Another underused patrol opportunity involves Chart Updating. An efficient approach to these patrols is to compare satellite imagery from Map Quest or Google Earth with a chart to identify differences, and then document them for NOAA.

Qualification Examiners (QEs) have been greatly impressed with a number of the Divisions' OPEX/OPTREXs. By having the QEs come early, do orals for those going for Initial Qualifications, and getting underway an hour later with all Initial and recerts on board, leaves the balance of the weekend for additional training and takes the pressure off the candidates. We will

always try to have enough QEs available to do this. Please take these thoughts into consideration when your Division or Flotilla in your Division puts on an Operational event. This means you might wish to hold a familiarization patrol BEFORE the OPEX/OPTREX so all crewmen, especially those being tested, are familiar with the equipment they will be using. Qualification Examiners are to be a “fly on the wall” while on board for a check ride. Check rides are not for training; they are to show what the Coxswain and Crew are trained to do without any outside guidance. If the QE has to train during the check ride the check ride is over and a training session has started without any sign offs given. Suggestions of other ways to do things may be given during the debrief of a task by the QE, not during the time a task is being performed. I have passed out this month’s Operational Report. Included are the needed requirements for candidates prior to going before a QE. Please be sure the members of your divisions are familiar with them. Reason I say this is that there are still many members who arrive at an event expecting a check ride, and they have not finished all the requirements needed. All tasks have to be finished before going before a QE. QE sessions should be as efficient as possible, so assembling multiple candidates is preferred but QEs will continue to be made available for a single candidate if requested.

PHOTOS IN POMS – Additional Flotilla Tool

I sent this information out last month but many said they were unable to open the attachments so this time I have printed and enclosed them at the end of this report.

Mrs. Noreen Folkerts, from D17 (Alaska) has figured out how to add photo's to POMS (and print it out by flotilla). It looks awesome & has helped Command Centers have a good visual when dealing with Auxiliary facilities.

Mrs. Folkerts enclosed her Sitka Flotilla to show you what it looks like with the picture of the facility & without. All the instructions are below.

2009	UNIT	LOCATION	CONTACT
APR 30-MAY 3	OPTREX FLOTILLA 39	ANTLERS, LAKE SHASTA	POC: Charlie Duncan IPDCP

Please use this link for past DSO-OPs Reports and Robert Peterson’s “Coxswain Shack” articles: <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/surface/archive.html>

Respectfully Submitted, Gail

HAVE GREAT HOLIDAYS !!

This information has been requested by many to be in print one more time.

REQUIREMENTS BEFORE REQUESTING A QUALIFICATION EXAMINER:

The below information has been requested again. Suggestions how to make it simpler are welcome.

<p>All tasks in the AUX Boat Crew Qualification Guide are to be signed off by a Mentor. The below tasks are included in the qualification guides for Crew, Coxswain and PWC Operator but here is a run down of some of the classes and tests that are required. All tasks are to be done prior to requesting a Qualification Examiner.</p>		
<p>Crew: Can be in an AP Status ICS 100 ICS 700 8 Hour TCT (Within past 5 years)</p>	<p>COXSWAIN: Be BQ Qualified Not be in REYR as a Crew Member 28 Hours underway as a qualified Crew Member 8 Hour TCT (Within past 5 years) ICS 100 ICS 200 ICS 700 ICS 800 ICS 210 (in place by March 31, 2009) Initial Written Closed Book NAV Rules (Within past 5 years) Proctored by QE Operations Policy Test</p>	
<p>PWC Operator: 8 Hour TCT ICS 100 ICS 200 ICS 700 ICS 800 ICS 210 (in place by March 31, 2009) Initial Written Closed Book NAV Rules # 075 (Within past 5 years) Proctored by QE Operations Policy Test</p>	<p>Schedule for Three Year Re-Qualifications: Last check ride 2004–due in 2008 Last check ride 2005/2006–due in 2009 Last check ride 2007–due in 2010 Last check ride 2008–due in 2011 <i>Please have your FSO-IS check the status of when you are due and plan accordingly.</i></p>	
<p>FC arranges for two Facilities, that have qualified Crew and Coxswains to man the vessels (NOTE: QE CANNOT COUNT AS PART OF QUALIFIED CREW)</p>	<p>FC contacts Chief QE Coordinator: COMO Gail Ramsey gives desired date, along with an alternate date that QE is needed.</p>	<p>Proficiencies both dockside and on the water; will be demonstrated for the QE's signature. If candidates come from more than one Flotilla please have all candidates' names on one form. Only one form per QE session.</p>

Missions to date for 2008

Missi on Hour s as value s	CHART - Aton/Ch art Update Patrol (03)	LOG - Logist ics Missio n (54a)	REGATT A - (02) Regatta/S afety Zone Support	SAFETY - (01a) Maritime Observatio n (Mom)	TRN - (22a) Ops Training (Qualific ations)	AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,0 2,03,22a,54 a,55a)
11 NR - Div 01	7.90	1.00	49.30	1,268.50	308.80	1,690.50
11 NR - Div 03	120.50	2.00	379.90	2,890.80	658.50	4,139.50
11 NR - Div 04	15.80	11.40	152.70	594.50	100.70	875.10
11 NR - Div 05	76.30	0.00	365.20	2,325.40	1,283.20	4,081.10
11 NR - Div 06	0.00	0.00	319.80	481.10	101.00	901.90
11 NR - Div 07	0.00	0.00	171.50	4,528.90	0.00	4,700.40
11 NR - Div 08	10.00	22.00	83.00	1,130.90	558.30	1,930.60
11 NR - Div 10	16.80	0.00	74.50	691.00	147.10	929.40
11 NR - Div 11	26.00	41.00	420.70	183.40	449.30	1,120.40
11 NR - Div 12	179.40	40.00	63.70	1,124.40	492.20	1,899.70
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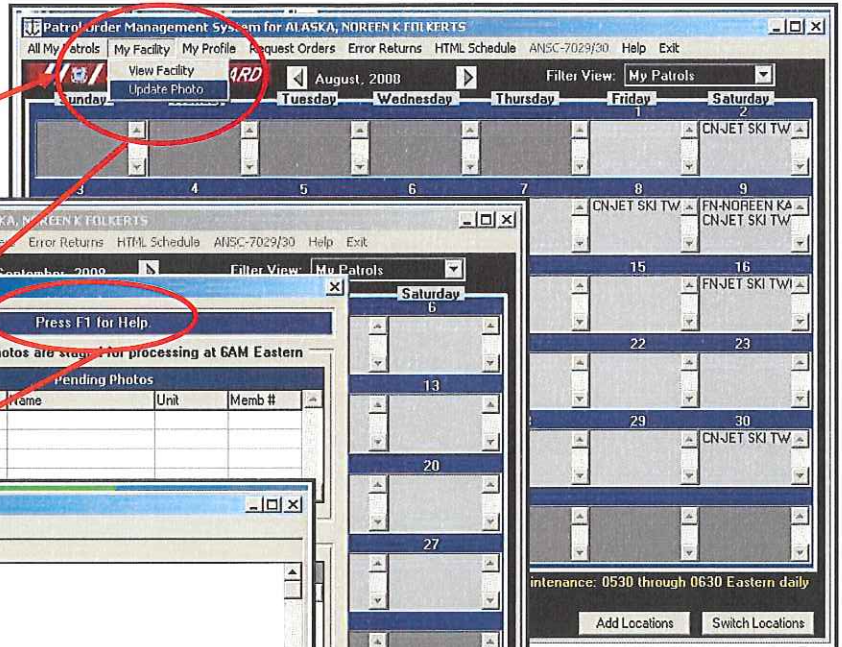
<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>ISSUE</u>
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BOAT CREW BASICS BY R. PETERSON	AUG-07 "TOUGHEST BOAT CREW TASKS (COND'T)"
BOAT CREW BASICS BY R. PETERSON	FEB-08 "STANDING LOOKOUT"
BOAT CREW BASICS BY R. PETERSON	JUL-07 " TOUGHEST BOAT CREW TASKS (COND'T)"
BOAT CREW BASICS BY R. PETERSON	JUN-07 "TOUGHEST BOAT CREW TASKS?"
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BOAT CREW BASICS BY R. PETERSON	MAY-08 "COMMUNICATIONS, USE OF PROWORDS"
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NAV RULES UPDATE AS TO DATES AND REQUIREMENTS	May-08
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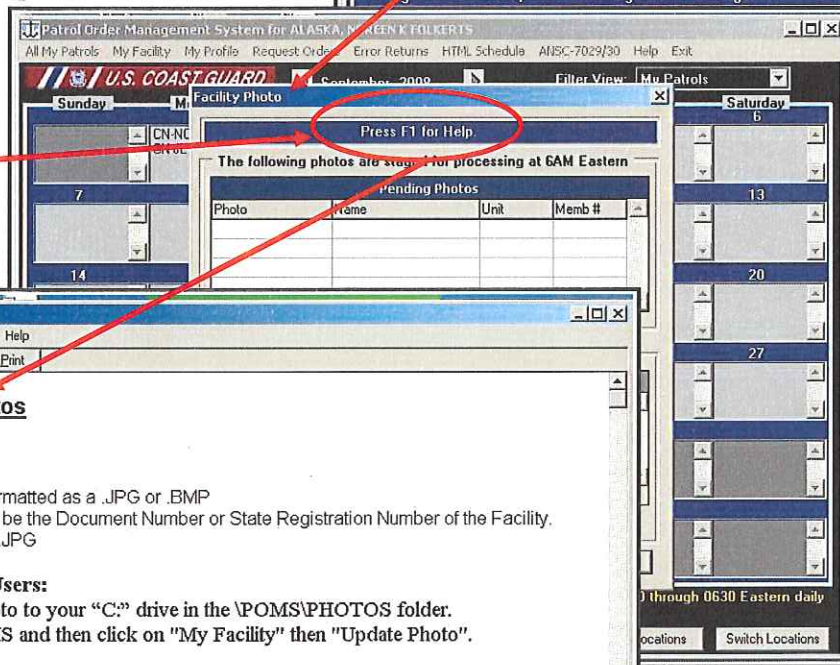
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PLACING YOUR FACILITY PHOTO IN POMS

When you log into POMS, the calendar comes up. By clicking on **My Facility**, you will get a drop down. Click on **Update Photo** and the Facility Photo block will come up.



Pressing F1 will give you the instructions for uploading your Facility photo into POMS.



Add Facility Photos

Prerequisites:

1. Digital photo formatted as a .JPG or .BMP
2. File name must be the Document Number or State Registration Number of the Facility. Eg: FL1234AN.JPG

OnLine CG-5132 Users:
Save your photo to your "C:" drive in the \POMS\PHOTOS folder. Log into POMS and then click on "My Facility" then "Update Photo".

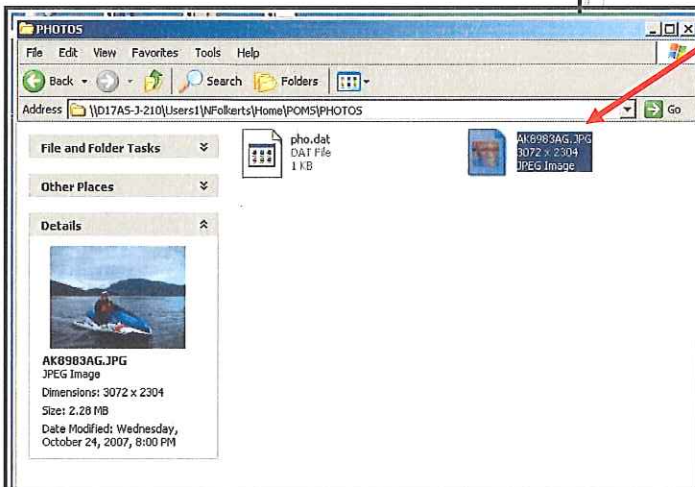
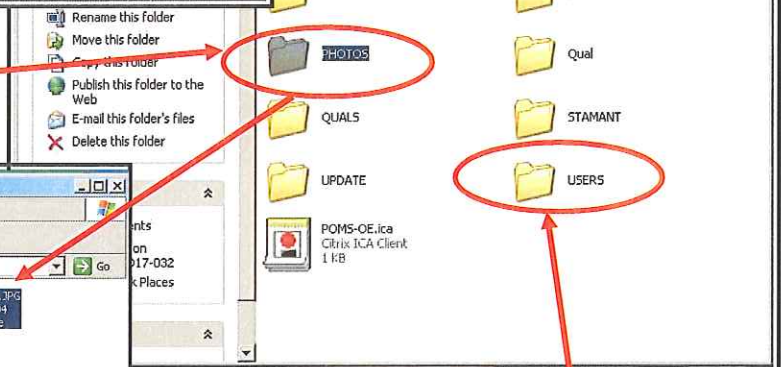
Administrative Users:
Save your photos to your "C:" (home) drive or "U:" (C.G. Workstation III) drive in the \POMS\PHOTOS folder. Log into POMS and then click on "Location" then "Upd Fac Photos".

All:
If the file name is correct, you will see the photo file in the lower box of the Facility Photo dialog. Click on "UpLoad Valid Photos"

File upload may take a while depending on your Internet Connection and the size of the photo file.

POMS will automatically create a folder on your C drive. When you open it, you will find a list of folders.

Open the **PHOTOS** folder and place your Facility photo in that folder . . . POMS will help you with the rest when you log back in.



You will also notice a **USERS** folder. Some of you may already use this folder. When you save your 5132 as a PDF, it is placed in that folder, giving you an electronic file of all your patrol orders.

Unit: 1700103
 Facility: AK7173AJ Owner(s): JAMES E ELSTAD (907) 738-3309
 Registration: AK7173AJ
 CallSign: 113031 NonOwner Operators with Owner onBoard: No
 length: 11 NonOwner Operators without Owner onBoard: No
 Power: S-0
 Trailerable: Yes
 Type: PWC
 Equipment:
 Patrols within the last six months: 0

Not Available

Unit: 1700103
 Facility: CORMORANT Owner(s): MICHAEL R MORRIS (907) 747-8039
 Registration: AK5013K
 CallSign: 212301 NonOwner Operators with Owner onBoard: No
 length: 21 NonOwner Operators without Owner onBoard: Yes
 Power: S-225
 Trailerable: Yes
 Type: Surface
 Equipment:
 Patrols within the last six months: 19



Unit: 1700103
 Facility: JENNISON Owner(s): RALPH K ASH (907) 747-5168
 Registration: AK2552C
 CallSign: 263103 NonOwner Operators with Owner onBoard: No
 length: 26 NonOwner Operators without Owner onBoard: No
 Power: S-40
 Trailerable: No
 Type: Surface
 Equipment:
 Patrols within the last six months: 0

Not Available

Unit: 1700103
 Facility: THREE BEARS Owner(s): RONALD L ROSS (928) 242-1212
 Registration: AK9747AJ
 CallSign: 291304 NonOwner Operators with Owner onBoard: No
 length: 29 NonOwner Operators without Owner onBoard: No
 Power: T-450
 Trailerable: Yes
 Type: Surface
 Equipment:
 Patrols within the last six months: 0



Unit: 1700103
 Facility: WAVE WALKER Owner(s): JAMES E ELSTAD (907) 738-3309
 Registration: 629825
 CallSign: 403292 NonOwner Operators with Owner onBoard: No
 length: 40 NonOwner Operators without Owner onBoard: Yes
 Power: T-400
 Trailerable: No
 Type: Surface
 Equipment:
 Patrols within the last six months: 0

