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To: COMO Mike Williams, COS & District Board/Staff  
From: D11N DSO-OP, Commodore Gail L. Ramsey  
Subject: District OPS Report

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PHOTO MISSION: We can do more than put holes in the water, the below from Jim Duncan, DSO-NS

1. Request for Digital Photographs of all Bridges. The Auxiliary has received a request from D11 (dpw) Bridge Section for two (2) current clear and sharp daylight digital photographs of the straight on approach to all bridges one up and one downstream, by facilities while on patrols. A good opportunity to photograph bridges is while already out on an official patrol. Some of the key points of this request are:

**Locations** - This request is from D11 (dpw) Bridge Section for their AOR. Basically that would mean **all** waterway bridges in San Francisco Bay area up to inland areas including the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers and sloughs and up and down the coast of California.

**Safety First** - Ignore photo opportunities if there are ANY safety concerns. Gather photos during the course of normal Safety or ATON patrols - Separate orders will not be issued for this activity. The photos are only to be taken while you are already out there patrolling under official orders, with the boat and crew fully identified as CG Auxiliary

Take photos when and where it is convenient to do so without separate patrols diversions from original purposes and duties of a patrol, deviating from normal courses, or unsafe in any way. In other words, only as an opportunity presents itself while you are otherwise out there.

**Photo Subjects & Good Photos** -Try to get two (2) the clear & sharp digital photograph showing the bridge's main approach channel from bank to bank in narrow waterways, one up and one downstream. For large waterway bridges photographs showing the main channel approach with at least one bridge section on each side of the approach. Always have the bridge, straight on approach, in the center of the photograph. The Bridge should fill at least 2/3rds of the shot (but do not crop or alter the photo)

**Photo Submission** - Forward current, clear & sharp digital photos to James B Duncan, DSO-NS ([dvc.on@comcast.net](mailto:dvc.on@comcast.net)). If you take any relevant photos, then Include in the cover email with your submission what information you happen to notice about the bridge that would identify it. (Bridge name, waterway name, the approximate location, date and time of the photo, possible damage needing correction etc.)

## **GAR (Green Amber Red) Great Tool!**

All - Hot off the press. September 2009 - GAR (Green Amber Red) GAR is based on a team discussion to understand and evaluate the risks attendant to a mission and how they will be managed. This worksheet has been developed and is recommended by National Surface Operations Division and Surface STAN Team <<http://www.cgaux.org/response/documents/GAR%20Model%20Surface%20Ops.pdf>> . Please note that this is for use as a GAR Worksheet where local commands have not already provided one. Be sure to check with your OIA (order issuing authority) for specific forms in your AOR before using this version. [Posted 01 Sept 2009, Source: Gary Taylor DD-Rd]  
Click on the underlined link to download the form or go to the Surface home page and click on the Forms link. <http://www.cgaux.org/response/SurfaceOps/>

## **REYR????**

Sorry to be redundant, but the office has received three more complaints from members who did their make-up hours but failed to send in the MT-3 to DIRAUX so the REYR status could be removed, thus the below (*again*).

### **REYR / REWK PROPER WAY TO REGAIN OPERATIONAL STATUS:**

REYR is when you have a lack of a currency maintenance requirement recorded in AUXDATA for the qualification you have worked so hard to achieve. This may be due to lack of hours underway and/or tasks not accomplished (TCT, Workshops, and ICS courses as examples). REWK is when you have not done the required workshops in a specified time and at the end of the year REWK will change to REYR. To regain Operational Status you must do the required time; this should be entered into AUXDATA showing you as a Trainee. Then submit to DIRAUX the Form MT-3 (1-09). This form is on the District Web Site: <http://d11nuscgaur.info/docs/Downloads/D11NR-MT3.pdf>. Only the Director's office can remove the REYR or REWK. This procedure is being followed for Boat Crew, Coxswain or PWC Operator. If the REYR is due to lack of hours from the prior year, these hours need to be made up. Be sure to get this year's requirement hours in also or you will end up REYR again in January.

## **DSC RADIO VIDEO AVAILABLE:**

A very informative new CGAUX video on DSC radio is available at:  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9IcBezzgDW4> Excellent for our members as well as Safe Boating Classes.

## **ALL DIVISION OPERATIONAL EVENTS:**

## **PRIOR REQUEST FOR QES NECESSARY**

<u><b>DATE - 2009</b></u>	<u><b>LOCATION</b></u>	<u><b>CONTACT</b></u>	<u><b>EVENT</b></u>
13-SEPT	SOUTH LAKE TAHOE- DIV 11	SNELL, JIM <a href="mailto:jims22@sbcglobal.net">jims22@sbcglobal.net</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
21-SEPT	UTAH LAKE – DIV 7	ROGER BENNETT <a href="mailto:roger@bennettwoods.com">roger@bennettwoods.com</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
25-26-SEPT	WHISKEYTOWN –FLT 39 OPTREX	Lonny Singer <a href="mailto:Zingerfamily@sbcglobal.net">Zingerfamily@sbcglobal.net</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
27-SEPT	SANTA CRUZ	SEAN SHEEHAN <a href="mailto:sshee11126@aol.com">sshee11126@aol.com</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
3-OCT	BERKELEY YACHT CLUB DIV 1 & 12 - OPTREX	STEVE SALMON <a href="mailto:anotherhorizon@sbcglobal.net">anotherhorizon@sbcglobal.net</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
9-OCT	LAKE SONOMA		QE AVAILABLE
OCT 16 <sup>TH</sup>	BRANNAN ISLAND – DIV 3 OPTREX	DEAN LA CHAPELLE <a href="mailto:deanvic@yahoo.com">deanvic@yahoo.com</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE
OCT 24/25TH	LAKE MILLERTON, FRESNO FLT 10-5 OPTREX	DOUGLAS LAZO <a href="mailto:Lazo2dm@juno.com">Lazo2dm@juno.com</a>	QEs-AVAILABLE

### QUALIFICATION EXAMINERS AVAILABILITY:

Please try to attend one of the above events if you are in need a a Qualification Examiner. This is the only year where Qualification Examiners have both 2005/2006 plus initial check ride duties to accomplish. We also have two Qualification Examiners that are currently disabled. All disruptions are temporary so please bear with the situation.

### CURRENT STATION RADIO FREQUENCIES:

<b>STATION/SECTOR</b>	<b>PRIMARY</b>	<b>SECONDARY</b>
SECTOR SAN FRANCISCO	21A	ALL WORKING FREQS
STATION SAN FRANCISCO	23A	16
STATION VALLEJO	81A	16
STATION GOLDEN GATE	21A	16
STATION MONTEREY	23A	16
STATION BODEGA BAY	81A	16
STATION RIO VISTA	21A	16
STATION LAKE TAHOE	21A	16
STA/GRP HUMBOLDT BAY	83A	16
STATION NOYO RIVER	83A	16

NOTES: CHANNEL 22A USED FOR CG COMMS WITH PUBLIC. AIRCRAFT/CUTTERS NORMALLY ARE ON SECTOR/GROUP CHANNEL

### UNDERWAY HOURS TO DATE FROM AUXINFO.

[All Missions][11NR - Eleventh Northern][All Facilities][All Unit Locations][U/W - Underway][CY 2009][All Statuses][All Positions][All Operations][All Claimants]MEASURES

Mission Hours as values	11NR - Div 01	11NR - Div 03	11NR - Div 04	11NR - Div 05	11NR - Div 06	11NR - Div 07	11NR - Div 08	11NR - Div 10	11NR - Div 11	11NR - Div 12	11NR - Eleventh Northern
AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,02,03, 22a,54a,55a)	1,426.60	2,986.40	777.70	1,906.60	470.30	2,101.60	795.40	488.80	1,260.70	735.70	12,949.80
GOVSUP - Government Agency Support (41,42,43)	0.00	150.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	153.50
MS - Marine Safety SAR - Search And Rescue (23,24)	0.00	0.00	8.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.60
	31.40	60.00	6.00	54.80	3.10	121.40	21.70	17.70	11.60	5.30	333.00
All Missions	1,458.00	3,196.90	792.30	1,961.40	473.40	2,223.00	820.10	506.50	1,272.30	741.00	13,444.90

All :  
I will be in Bellingham, Washington helping my Mother September 14<sup>th</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup> . I will have my phone with me and I can check email (please no attachments). Please contact Mr. Kilburger ([Danny.W.Kilburger@USCG.MIL](mailto:Danny.W.Kilburger@USCG.MIL)) for operational and training questions.

Stay safe,

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gail