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1. General Comments

As we say good bye to our OTO from the past 3 years, Doug Leavell we will be welcoming our new Operation Training Officer, BOSN Finkelson. However, there will be gap in time before Mr Finkelson assumes his new duties. BOSN Devoy, OTO for D-11 South, will be adding to his current duties to fill in during this gap. During this time period I remind everyone to please follow your chain of leadership and please do not contact Mr. Devoy directly.

Reminder, that Mike Brown will still be handling PPE request and concerns and he can be contacted best by email at m.brown.uscgaux@gmail.com. He will need the requesters name, ID number, flotilla, size, etc.

2. Authorized patrol days

All patrol missions are now authorized Friday thru Sunday. In the past during a 3-day holiday weekend, Monday was added to the list. Check with your OIA for confirmation.

Weekday patrols are authorized for ATON/PATON verification or at the request of the Coast Guard. The purpose of any patrol must be included in the comment section of AOM. Available patrol days may change toward the end of the fiscal year due to budget concerns.

3. New Risk Management On-Line training

The deadline for the online portion, "Introduction to Risk Management" (course # 100202) has passed. If this has not been completed you are at risk of having all of your qualifications frozen. Please complete ASAP.

All new crew candidates need to have this completed prior to their OPTREX.

4. Annual Operation Workshop

The annual OPS WKS for District 11nr operations personnel is mandatory again this year and must be completed by 30JUN2019 to stay out of REWK.

This training should be delivered in a group session and the slides are available at the following URL for the PDF version

<http://rdept.cgaux.org/documents/Workshop%20archives/2019SurfaceOperationsWorkshop.pdf> and

<http://rdept.cgaux.org/documents/Workshop%20archives/2019SurfaceOperationsWorkshop.pptx> for the Power Point version.

5. Operational Excellence Program update



Congratulation to all who have completed and earned their Operational Excellence Ribbon. They are:

Mary Kirkwood, Paul Verveniotis, Steve McCann, Anita Franholz, Wayne Farnholtz, Mike Maddox, Angelo Perata, Bill Stolz, and our newest additions, KayJohn Kavanaugh, Jerry Edelen and Karen Yoder.

I hope to see more names added to the list in the future. Although this is a very challenging program and you must be well prepared, it is achievable. Complete information can be found in COMDTINST 16794.4 and at the URL below.

https://media.defense.gov/2017/Mar/16/2001717332/-1/-1/0/CI_16794_4.PDF

Our Operational Excellence program administrator is Steve McCann and he or our Chief QE Coordinator, Angelo Perata can be contacted for questions or scheduling the exam.

6. OPTREX report and update

We are having a great start for our OPTREX season. So far, we have requalified 11 crew and coxswain candidates and have qualified two new crew members. Congratulations to Binh Ton-That and Peter Danials for earning your crew qualification.

OPTREX Schedule 2019

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Date	Host	Check-ride date	Comments
May 18	10-03	OPEX	CANCELLED
June 20-22	Division 12	June 22 nd	Location: Marina Bay YC, Richmond Contact: Georgie Scheurman
June 29	Division 5	June 29	Location: Suisun City Marina, Launch Ramp Contact: Curtis Han
August 16 & 17	Division 7	August 17 th	Location: Jordanelle Res. Contact: Mike Williams
August 24 & 25	Division 11	August 24 th	Location: Lake Tahoe Contact: Bruce Martin
September 14 & 15	Division 6	Sept 15 th	Location: TBA Contact: Wally Smith
September 27 - 30	Division 10	Sept 28 th	Location: Don Pedro Contact: Howard Ratzlaff
October 18 - 20	Flotilla 55	Oct 19 th	Location: Doran Beach Park, Bodega Bay Contact: Doug Twitchell
October 25-27	Flotilla 88	October 26 th	CANCELLED

Consult the district calendar for additional or missing information shown on this schedule

7. Line Handling Commands

Communications is a very important to promote safe operations so the auxiliary uses standardized terminology for line handling. Unconventional or even incorrect line handling commands can be confusing and may even be dangerous. All commands should be parrioted back and each step of the evolution communicated so everyone knows what has happening.

COMMAND	ACTION
PUT OVER or PASS OVER (Line number or name)	Pass the specified line to the pier or other vessel and provide enough slack to allow line handlers to place line over the bitt, cleat, or bollard
HOLD (Line number or name)	Do not let any more line out even though the risk of parting may exist
TAKE THE SLACK OUT OF (Line number or name)	Take all the slack out of a line, but do not take a strain
EASE (Line number or name)	Let a line out until it is under less tension, but not slack
SLACK (Line number or name)	Take all tension off the line
SHIFT (Line number or name)	Move a line to the specific location
TAKE IN (Line number or name)	Allow the pier line handler or line handler on another vessel enough slack to take the line off a fitting and bring the line aboard your vessel. Used when secured with you own line.
WORKING TURN ON (Line number or name)	Minimum number of turns on a cleat to control a line
MAKE FAST OR MAKE UP (Line number or name)	Moor / attach to cleat
LINE IN THE WATER	Call out to coxswain whenever a line is unexpectedly in the water
BREAK (Line number or name)	Release line from cleat, bitt, or bollard
RIG (Line number or name) TO SLIP	Line put around dock cleat and returned to the vessel with one turn so as to facilitate springing from dock or otherwise departing dock under power
CAST OFF (Line number or name)	When you are secured with another ship's lines, it means to cast off the ends of their lines. Also when leaving dock, lines stay on dock
SECURE (Line number or name)	Stow / put away line(s)

Respectfully Submitted,