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From: DSO-OP Stolz  
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1. After four years as DSO-OP I feel it's time to step down.

It is my pleasure to introduce the DSO-OP for 2020, Virginia Luchetti. She came to the auxiliary in June 2012 and has made a number of accomplishments. She is currently DCDR of Division 12, an avid sailor, American Sailing Association instructor, has her Masters 50 GRT, is a boat crew coxswain, instructor, vessel examiner and has earned the AUXOP device to just name a few.

I am very excited for her and hope you will give her the support that you have given me. Good luck Virginia

2. PPE Request

Just a reminder that Mike Brown handles PPE request and concerns. He can best be contacted by his email at [m.brown.uscgaux@gmail.com](mailto:m.brown.uscgaux@gmail.com). He will need to know your name, ID number, flotilla, size, etc.

If you are done patrolling for the season, now is a great time to clean and take your PPE out of service. It is requested that you do not do a monthly test on your PLB during the off season. If you do decide to do a patrol in the off season your PLB will need to be tested prior to getting underway. Those of you that patrol the entire year should continue with monthly testing.

3. Sea Scouts and the Auxiliary

I'm sure most of you have heard that a "Memorandum of Agreement" has been signed by all the parties. Unfortunately, this is only part of the story. The agreement states what we can and will do but not how we will do it. Many details still need to be worked out before we can actually start working with the Sea Scouts.

However here is something we can all do to prepare. In order to work with the younger scouts under the age of 18 we must all take the "Youth Protection Training" course. It can be found online at

<https://www.scouting.org>

You might also enjoy this video about Sea Scouting at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NseqDILDwzc&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR031QdVVwdcwcoYPmvZ1uB\\_vFKCrY5AMc5aP3tsO2jTCAWz\\_Ni8Ic9IsHc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NseqDILDwzc&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR031QdVVwdcwcoYPmvZ1uB_vFKCrY5AMc5aP3tsO2jTCAWz_Ni8Ic9IsHc)

4. AOM reminder

Please go into AOM and verify that you have completed and submitted all active patrol orders. This includes patrol orders that were never used and still need to be cancelled.

5. History of the Auxiliary during WWII

I found a great YouTube that you might enjoy watching. It can be found at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i\\_HCn3hMrAo&t=9s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i_HCn3hMrAo&t=9s)

6. OPTREX 2020 update

OPTREX Schedule 2020

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Date	Host	Check-ride date	Comments
August 21-23	Division 10	August 22	Location: Contact:
August 28-29	Division 11	August 29	Location: Station Lake Tahoe Contact: Bruce Martin
September 18-19	Division 6	September 19	Location: Contact:
September 25-26	Flotilla 55	September 26	Location: Contact:

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Stolz