

Date: March 2023
From: Jane D. Smith, DSO-Public Affairs
Thru: Dale Fajardo, DCAPT-Prevention
To: Commodore Curtis Han
Subject: Activities Report from February 2023

Doug Manifold – Deputy ADSO – PA – National Division Chief of Ethics, Standards & Oral Boards

From the Deputy Corner:

Nothing to Report at this time.

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Division 1 – Tiffany Townsend – FSO-FC-1-2, SO-PA

No report submitted.

Division 3 – SO-PA – Rich Celia

No report submitted.

Division 4 – Neil Slawson – FC and FSO-PA

Tuesday, February 26th Tyson Shearer and Denver Drieberg of Flotilla 41 made an effort to get some VE's done for boaters to ensure there currency and safety.



FSO-VE Tyson Shearer from Flotilla San Jose (113-04-01) conducting vessels exams on February 26 2023, on a cold and windy day in Suisun City, CA.



FSO-MT Denver Driberg from Flotilla San Jose (113-04-01) conducting vessels exams and discussing recreational boater safety on February 26 th , 2023 in Suisan City, CA.

Division 5 – Jim Matthies–SO-PA/ FC – 53, Kit Galvin FSO-PA

Respectfully submitted, Kit Galvin, FSO-PA Public Affairs Officer II

Flotilla 55 Sonoma County

On February 11th Flotilla 55 participated in it's first PA event of 2023 at the Lake Sonoma Visitor's Center and Hatchery in Geyserville CA. It was a beautiful day although it was hard to spot the fish in Dry Creek as the water was still pretty muddy do to recent rains. Special Thanks to all participants working the RBS booth were Therese Van Weile, Frank Capurro, Randy Saxe and Jim Matthies. Also, there on a recruiting mission were gold side members from Station Bodega Bay BM2 Aaron Shuster an BM3 Zane Smith. We had lots of Sonoma County residents stop in to talk with us about the Coast Guard and the Auxiliary. We had a Marlin Spike station for demonstrating knots, bends and eye

splices. We had many people participate and learn new knots. Randy Saxe Brought Flotilla 55's newest Facility

Great White and decked it out with PPE and Recruiting posters for the Coast Guard.

We were also visited by other members of our Flotilla that were just here to enjoy the day with their families. Jeff and Jill Tuttle showed up with grand kids. Gary and Shirley Murray stopped in to say hello and also Pat O Reilly made an appearance. It was nice to see them there all supporting our flotilla. Thanks everyone for your support.

Lake Sonoma Visitors Center Feb. 11th 2023

Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival 2023 BM2 Aaron Shuster, BM3 Zane Smith and Auxiliarist Randy Saxe working on Recruiting efforts for the US. Coast Guard.

Auxiliarist Therese Van Wiele explains to this young festival goer what the Coast Guard does and how the Auxiliary assists in it's missions.

Lake Sonoma Steelhead Festival 2023 BM2 Aaron Shuster, BM3





Zane Smith and Auxiliarist Randy Saxe working on Recruiting efforts for the US. Coast Guard.

Division 6 – Jane D. Smith – DSO-PA & VCDR

Saturday, February 18th – Valentines Party for Station Monterey Coasties and Families. Every year Division 6 always puts on a special meal for Valentines, including decorations and great interaction with our Coast Guard. Thanks to all mentioned in the following photos, as well as Bard Mansinger, Peter Gerbino, John Itelson & Michael Goldbery Flt. 64. Great fun had by all!



Mark McLaughlin SO-OPS, of Flotilla 64 was the cook of the day on the barbeque for the February Valentines Party for Station Monterey Coasties and Families



Como Wally and Jane Smith – DSO- PA Flotilla 6-10 with Craig Johnson Flotilla 64, Listen to instructions of Bobbi Kamil our Culinary Specialist of Flotilla 64 For the preparations for the meal at the galley



Here is part of our team of Auxiliarists serving from left to right Bobbi Kamil Ft. 64, Jane & Wally Smith Ft. 6-10 & Jerry Edelen Ft. 64 with Tracy Schultz Ft. 64 in the background



LT. Matt Peryea and Como Wally Smith enjoy the meal together.



Alex Urcioli, regular Watch Stander at Station with wife Angela and MK1 Coastie and wife



Valentines desert for the Valentines Party

Division 7 – Lana Visser – SO-PA

2023 Utah Boat Show

After a two-year absence, Division 7 had a booth once again in the 2023 Utah Boat Show. This year we had a 10'x20' booth, which we used to showcase paddleboard safety and promoted wearing life jackets, having a VSC, and taking a boating class.



SANDY, UTAH - DIVISION 7 BOOTH FOR 2023 UTAH BOAT SHOW AT THE MOUNTAIN AMERICA EXPO CENTER. FEBRUARY 9, 2023. PHOTOS BY LANA VISSER.

Division 7 has been fortunate to be a part of the Utah Boat Show for many years, which is one of our major PA activities for the year. This show always well attended, and this year was no exception with an estimated 20,000+ attendees. Our Auxiliarists talked to many people during the four days of the show. We had two podiums at the front of the booth featuring interactive questions on general boating safety and paddle board safety. Created by Auxiliarist Bill Ross, attendees could read each multiple-choice question and answer the question by touching a stylus on a corresponding metal screw, which would activate the “Correct” or “Incorrect” light and sound. It was a great way to engage the public and start conversations about boating safety and boating education.



SANDY, UTAH - AUXILIARISTS HARLEY HOPKINS AND MICHAEL BOWSER STAND READY TO GREET SHOW ATTENDEES FEBRUARY 9, 2023. PHOTO BY



SANDY, UTAH - OUR SHOW MASCOT SHOWS OFF HIS DOGGY LIFE JACKET. FEBRUARY 9, 2023. PHOTO BY LANA



SANDY, UTAH - AUXILIARIST ANTHONY KING (LEFT) WATCHES AS A SHOW ATTENDEE TAKES THE INTERACTIVE TEST ON BOATING SAFETY. AUXILIARIST TONY ZOCCHI (RIGHT) TALKS ABOUT PADDLE BOARD SAFETY WITH TWO SHOW ATTENDEES AFTER THEY HAVE TAKEN THE PADDLE BOARD INTERACTIVE TEST



SANDY, UTAH - AUXILIARIST DON MOYLE TALKS TO SHOW ATTENDEES ABOUT LIFE JACKETS. FEBRUARY 10, 2023. PHOTO BY LANA VISSER.



SANDY, UTAH - ANTHONY KING (LEFT) AND DON MOYLE TALK WITH A SHOW ATTENDEE AND SCHEDULES A VSC VISIT. FEBRUARY 10, 2023.

With coloring books to hand out to the kids, paddle craft reflector kits, “If Found-Contact” stickers for the paddle craft enthusiasts, and swag provided by our recruiter contact, there was lots to draw attention to our booth. Graciously loaned to us by one of the vendors, our puppy mascot (named Delta Oscar Golf), with his doggy life jacket was a big hit, especially with the small children who wanted to pet him. We had to really watch him, though, as one little girl was so enamored with him that she was determined to take him home!

We talked to many people this year who were interested in taking a boating education class and gathered referrals for boaters wanting a vessel safety check. We will be contacting those who indicated interest in a boating class and getting them scheduled into a class, and contacting those wanting a vessel safety check when the weather warms up and boats are out of storage.

The Utah Boat Show was open to the public for a total of 34 hours over four days. We had eleven Auxiliary members stand multiple watches during the course of the show, plus the crew of eight who helped to either set up or take down our booth. Their time and willingness to help with this big event was much appreciated.

Division 8 – Dorothy DeLope – FSO-PA

Nothing to Report

Division 10 – Dock Pierce – FC -Flotilla 10-5

Nothing to report

4Division 11 Linda Ravett– SO–PA – Flotilla 11-03

Nothing to Report

Division 12 – Jean-Pierre Carjuzaa – FSO-PA

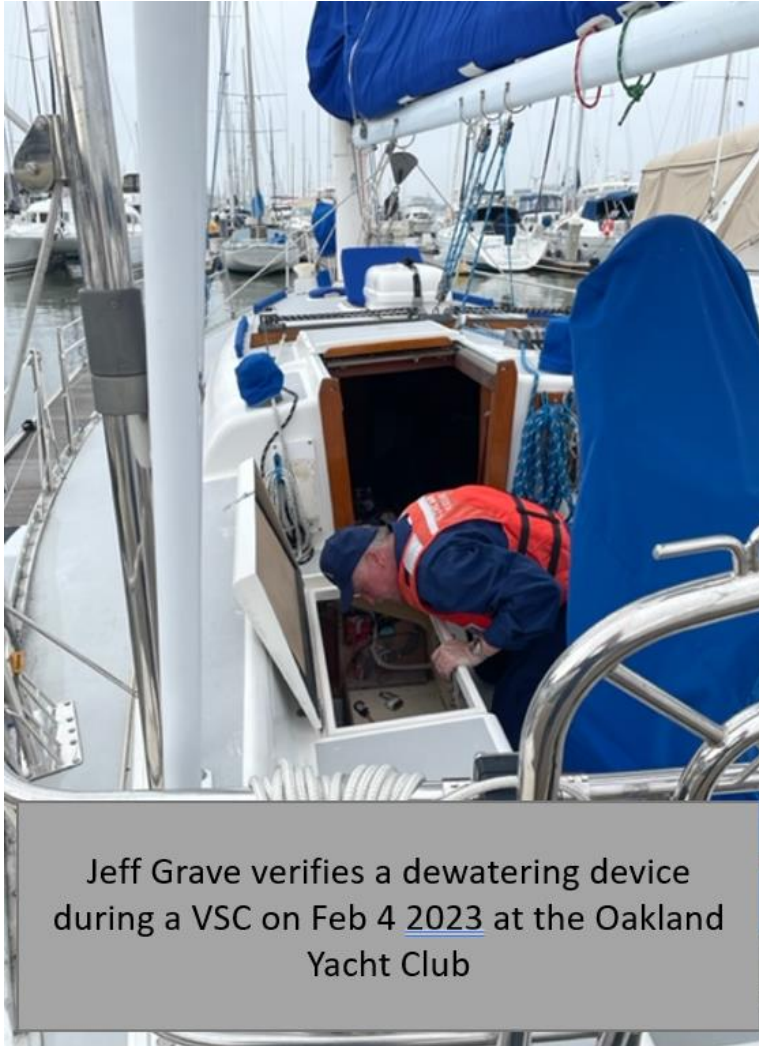
February 4,th Flotilla 12-01 and Flotilla 12-91 conducted a series of VSC at the Oakland Yacht Club. 12-01 was represented by Adam Kovalevsky, Jeff Grave, Stephen Busch, and Jean-Pierre Carjuzaa while 12-91 was represented by Gerry Gragg and Ricard Gabor.

Congratulations to Jeff Grave who completed also his 5 VSC's and officially became a certified Vessel Examiner on that day. Jeff was able to also award a new 2023 decal to each one of his 5 vessel checks.

While we were able to award decals to most vessels, we were unable to pass a few due to outdated Visual Distress Signals, missing ties on a Y valve for a Marine Sanitation Device and missing double clamps on an output discharge line.



Jeff Grave addressing boat owner during VSC on Feb 4, 2023 at the Oakland Yacht Club



Jeff Grave verifies a dewatering device during a VSC on Feb 4 [2023](#) at the Oakland Yacht Club



Jeff Grave completing a VSC on Feb 4, 2023 at the Oakland Yacht Club



Jean-Pierre Carjuzaa congratulating Jack McGillis on his well-kept Sailboat during a VSC on February 4, 2023 at the Oakland Yacht Club

Special thanks to Gerry Gragg and Richard Gabor of Flotilla 12-01 for setting this up!

Very respectfully submitted,
Jane D. Smith,



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