



DSO-MA THIRD REPORT FOR MARCH 2023

Date: April 14, 2023

To: COMO Curtis Han
Jim Losi, District Chief of Staff
Randy McCormick, DCAPT-Support
District 11N Board and Staff

From: John Brandenburg, DSO-MA

IMPORTANT NOTES: PLEASE ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOUR PERSONNEL TO:

- a. ORDER THEIR UNIFORM ITEMS/ ACCESSORIES FROM:
Our Coast Guard Auxiliary Association on-line store www.auxcen.com. The prices are very reasonable, and a portion of each sale comes back to our District to support our Association.
- b. No longer does Amazon give .5% to the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association. It was good while it lasted. I want to thank Amazon for the time it supported the Coast Guard Auxiliary Association.

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. District Store will continue to have items available for purchase at all upcoming events.
2. Getting an accurate inventory on issued Yellow Bags. I will continue to reach-out to all Division MAs to assist them as needed to get this inventory completed.



3. Progress is still on-going fixing all District Robot Coasties & Trailers, Food Service Trailer and Two Communications Trailers.

DETAILS:

1. The Store will continue to support all approved District function when directed. The store will continue to purchase items to keep products on hand for members uniform and devices. Continue to focus on having new items on hand for purchase and member's needs. Received approved purchase order two days before the cancelled D-Train. These items will increase depleted inventory of items on hand. I will be sending another request to purchase additional items for the District Store.
2. Progress is still being made on fixing all of the District Robot Coasties and Food Service and Communication Trailers. We still have several price proposals waiting approval for funds. Will be sending additional price proposals to repair and replace items on the Communication Trailer currently being stored at Fallen Nevada. Once, moved back to Sacramento Air Station. I will request orders to transport this trailer to Coast Guard Station Alameda for repairs. Currently, two Robots have been rebuilt and operational for use. Two Robots remain to be rebuilt. Three of the Coastie Trailers repairs have been completed and have been certified for use. Food Service Trailer still "Dead Lined". Waiting for price proposal to be funded to complete repairs. The Communications Trailer in Utah is operational. Contacted Custodian of this trailer and asked him to send me the completed repair invoices. Also, asked for pictures of the outside and inside of this trailer to review overall condition of this Trailer.
3. The District Auxiliary Communications Vehicle (ACV) is operational and ready to support "Emergency Requests Only". I will be requesting funds for service and needed repairs to be able to support all requested use. Will be sending this unit to a repair facility to get accurate costs for



repairs. Will notify Randy McCormick, DCAPT-Support before moving vehicle.

DISTRICT MATERIALS TEAM- CORRECTIONS ARE CURRENTLY BEING MADE FOR 2023:

According to AUXOFFICER, our District 11N Materials Team consists of the personnel listed in the following table. This table is being updated as new personnel are appointed. Please provide John with any changes/updated information you might have.

Position	Name	Confirmed?
DSO-MA	John Brandenburg	Yes
Deputy DSO-MA	Dave Sequeira	Yes
DSO-MA (Rolling Stock Manager)	John Brandenburg	Yes
ADSO-MA	Open	No
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Division	SO-MAs	
Div 1	John Fortner	Yes
Div 3	Jeff Fite	Yes
Div 4	Denver Driberg	Yes
Div 5	Ronald Nathan	Yes
Div 6	Jerry Edelen	Yes
Div 7	Frank Boice	Yes
Div 8	Donald Cromwell	No
Div 10	Linda Bradon	Yes
Div 11	Peter Rast	Yes
Div 12	Laurie Kerr	No

CHALLENGES/ OBSTACLES (2023): (Final Progress made is in bold)



1. All restrictions have been lifted.
2. Obtaining Coast Guard funding to repair and all Coast Guards trailers and Coastie's. maintain our ACV and Coasties. **More funds will be required in the near future to get them all back into fully functional condition.**
3. Working getting actuate report on issued "Yellow Bags".
4. Keeping "ACV" Operational Readiness.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

There is constant communication with Stan Feldman of AUXCEN.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, 2023: (Progress made is in bold.)

1. Have Fun, Enjoy the work!
2. Encourage the National Materials Team to hold quarterly webinars and participate in all of them.
3. Hold District Materials Team Webinars quarterly with all SO-MA's and FSO-MAs and assist the SO-MAs with any problems they might have.
4. Repair all 4 Coasties and the Food Service Trailer to full operational condition once Coast Guard Funds become available and ensure they remain fully operational.
5. Make necessary repairs on the Auxiliary Communications Vehicle when Coast Guard funds become available and institute/ maintain a reservation program for its use
6. Provide Materials Store support for our District Past Commander's Conferences and DTrain.
7. Provide any other Materials support required by our District Commodore and/or Chief of Staff.
8. Make our District Store even more relevant by asking District MA Personnel what they would like to see stocked; and purchase those items.



9. Continue to train SO-MA's so that they can support their divisions to the fullest.
10. Create a succession plan for smooth transition of the District MA staff.
11. Institute ACV and Coastie Training after PCA.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Reminder, if you serve in an elected position in the Auxiliary, you CANNOT also serve in either a Materials or Finance Staff Position!

DIVISION SO-MA RECEIVED REPORTS THIS LAST MONTH:

Division SO-MAs are encouraged to submit their monthly reports for inclusion in our District MA Report to inform EXCOM and other staff officers of your activities. It is also valuable for SO-MAs and FSO-MAs to read this section to see what their Materials shipmates are doing and to get some great ideas for their own organizations!

District Rolling Stock Mangers report:

- **Auxiliary Communications Vehicle (ACV):**
The ACV wasn't schedule for any events for the first three months of the new calendar year. The monthly inspection was completed for January and February. The PM work needs to be done soon. Will contact two facilities for price proposal for the work needed. Will get approval before work is performed. Will need to take this unit on its monthly two-hour drive to assure reliability of this unit. Received estimate for service and required work in the amount of \$3,900.00. Still waiting for second estimate.
- **Four Coastie Trailers: (On-going)**
Three of the Coastie trailers have been repaired using DIRAUX and personnel funds. The fourth Coastie trailer requires additional repairs to the wiring and install new brake light unit. DIRAUX funds covered majority of the repairs, However, personnel funds were used to complete



additional repairs needed. However, due to limited funds, members Dave Sequeira and John Brandenburg used personnel funds to complete needed repairs for this trailer.

- **Four Coastie Robots: (On-going)**

Received parts order by DIRAUX to repair and refurbishment the four (4) Robot Coasties, Due to limited DIRAUX funds, the parts received will repair and refurbish two robots Coasties, leaving two 80% repaired. Dave and myself will use old parts to try and get the other two robots operational. However, some of the features will not be functional.

- **Food Service Trailer: (On-going)**

This trailer is awaiting additional funds from DIRAUX to complete this trailer. Waiting funds to replace the bearing assembly. Personnel funds were use to replace running lights and repairs on the trailer frame.

- **Two Communications Trailers:**

The Communications Trailer #1 stored at Sacramento Air Station is currently at the members resistance in Fallen Nevada. This trailer is currently out-of-service. I will be requesting funds to replace the air condition unit, brakes, wiring, frame repairs, safety items and batteries. Sent proposal to two vendors. Waiting for quotes.

Divisions Reports

Division 1 (John Fortner)

Highlights 1. FSO-MA reports 2. PPE issuance and inspections 3. Retrieval of PPE sets from REYR members Details 1. FSO-MA reports: a. Flotilla 12: no report received. b. Flotilla 14: report received – copy attached c. Flotilla 17: no report received d. Flotilla 19: no report received. 2. PPE issuance and inspections: Flotilla 14 reports no new PPE sets issued; two PPE sets inspected by FSO-MA during reporting period. 3. Retrieval of PPE sets from REYR members: Flotilla 14 reports one Out-Of-Service PPE set was turned in and delivered to DIRAUX. Projects 1. Assist Division FCs, FSO-MAs and FSO-OPs in establishing and maintaining a uniform PPE inspection log and record-keeping system. 2. Retrieve Out-Of-Service PPE sets from members not participating in operations.

Division 3 (Jeff Fite)

Highlights:

- No activity in February
- Coastie #3 remains in a holding pattern
- SO-MA Waiver expires 18 APR 2023

Details:

- Noteworthy FSO activity:
 - oPete Hnat, FLT 31, no report



- oJames Stewart, FC-FLT 33, no report
- oGreg VanKoersel, FLT 35, no report
- oJoseph Heap, FLT 3-10, no report
- The Coastie trailer and robot are still held by John Brandenburg for trailer refurbishment. Still awaiting word on refurbishment of the Robot.
- The waiver granted by DIRAUX allowing me to hold the SO-MA office at the same time as being Flotilla Commander 3-10 will expire 18 APR 2023.

Projects

- Coastie #3 and trailer remain fully out-of-service
 - Trailer repair & refurbishment: underway
 - Coastie repair & refurbishment: awaiting word

Future Activities

- Determine which FSO's have their own ordering accounts with Division of Boating and Waterways, and obtain one for those in need

Challenges

- Cultivate regular reports from FSO's

Agency Interactions:

- None reported

Goals and Objectives

- ~~Coastie and trailer back in Service in time for NSBW 2023?~~
- Coastie and trailer back in service in time for Regional Safety Day 17 JUN 2023
- Coastie and trailer back in service in time for Veteran's Day 2023

Working on "Yellow Bag" reports.

Division 4 (SO-MA Trish Votta

Summary:

*No materials ordered by any Flotilla in Mar.2023.

Flotilla Activity:

Flotilla 4-1:

*No materials ordered in Mar.2023.

Flotilla 4-3:

*No materials ordered in Mar.2023.

Flotilla 4-6:

*No materials ordered in Mar.2023.

Flotilla 4-8:

*No materials ordered in Mar.2023.



Flotilla 4-9:

*No materials ordered in Mar.2023.

Division 5 (SO-MA Ronald Nathan)

Nothing to report

Division 6 (DSO Jerry Edelen)

Nothing to report

Division 7 (DSO Frank Boice)

No significant activity for last month.

Division 8 (FSO-MA Donald Cromwell)

Nothing to report

Division 10 (SO-MA Linda Bradon)

Nothing to report

Division 11 (SO-MA Nathan Jeffrey)

Nothing to report

Division 12 (FSO-MA Laurie Kerr)

Flotilla 12-01:

Order material to support both San Ramon's Art and Wind and San Leandro Cherry Festival.

Sent to each member issued a "Yellow Bag" the form sent from DIRAUX to be fill-out and send back to Flotilla Commander. Will continue to get actuate count of all bags issued at this Flotilla.

Respectfully submitted,



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