

MINUTES  
US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY  
DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING  
17 July 2010  
Coast Guard Island, Alameda CA

The meeting was called to order at 0940 by DCO Mike Williams and the following special guests were introduced:

Jeanne Sharkey, **Waesche** Commissioning Chairman  
Bill Sharkey, **Waesche** Commissioning Vice-Chairman  
Pat Eider, Daughter of Harry McBain

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Duncan, DSO-NS and the Guardian Ethos was led by Robert Firehock, DSO-LP.

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR called the roll, and DCO Williams declared that a quorum was present. The attendance list is attached to these minutes as Attachment 1.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

DCO Williams called for approval of the 26 March 2010 minutes.

Motion: Curtis Han, DCDR-5 moved and Angelo Perata, DCOS seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

DCO Williams called for approval of the 21 April 2010 minutes.

Motion: Rod Rollins, DCDR-10 moved and Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1 seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

DCO Williams called for approval of the 19 May 2010 minutes.

Motion: Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 moved and Rod Collins, DCAPT seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

DCO Williams called for approval of the 16 June 2010 minutes.

Motion: Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1 moved and Judy Esteban, P-PCA seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY

DCO Williams called for a moment of silence in recognition of Harry McBain who recently crossed over the bar.

DCO Williams, assisted by CWO Kilburger presented a token of appreciation to Stacy Curtin for her service in the DIRAUX office, as she leaves for her next duty station.

DCO Williams and CWO Kilburger introduced YN2 Kara Ingerson, who will be working in the DIRAUX office.

DCO Williams called on Nick Tarlson, who introduced Jean Sharkey, Chairman of the **CG Waesche** Commissioning Committee. Sharkey described the function of the committee. DCO Williams, assisted by CWO Kilburger, presented Meritorious Commendation certificates to the following committee members:

Simone Adair	Bob Golden	Robert Niccum
Robert Aston	Joel Hammer	Art Park
Bill Bermudez	Linda Haynes	Bart Rugo
Richard Celia	Roger Haynes	Rick Saber
Stephen Dolgin	Bob Hendry	Steve Salmon
Cynthia Dragon	James Higgins	Robin Stewart
Joann Dunaway	Stuart Hunter	Dave Talton
Ray Dunaway	Mary Kirkwood	Nick Tarlson
Jerry Eaton	Jim Losi	Bob Tucknott
Greg Fonzino	Gerald McAlwee	

DCO Williams, assisted by CWO Kilburger presented an Auxiliary Letter of Commendation to Simone Adair, who served as lead Auxiliary liaison on the commissioning of the **CG Waesche**.

DCO Williams and CWO Kilburger presented a Meritorious Service Award to COMO Vic Connell for his service in creating and serving as Branch Chief, CG Academy Medical Service and AIM Partners Program.

DCO Williams and CWO Kilburger presented a plaque to Jerome Francheski to commemorate 60 years of Coast Guard Auxiliary membership.

## DCO REPORT

DCO Williams reported on the following:

- RADM Castillo visited Utah as keynote speaker for the WSBA conference held in Park City, UT. While there he attended a Division 7 OPTREX and interacted with Auxiliary members there.
- We will continue to operate under an austere budget situation, and need to adapt our activities to meet the lessening budget.
- RADM Castillo continues to stress the importance of our RBS missions and the importance of prevention.
- Inland waters are where the accidents are happening, and we need to continue our support there.
- The importance of GAR and safety at all times.

## DNACO-R COMMENTS

COMO Connell reported on the following:

- NACON is in Scottsdale, AZ on 23-28 August, with the main conference for members on Friday and Saturday. The original hotel has sold out of rooms; however a neighboring hotel has accommodations that are being offered at the same price. A shuttle will transport attendees from the hotel to the conference.
- National elections will be held on Friday.
- Deploying Auxiliarists to Gulf – National is still working on putting this program together. District 11N has three Auxiliarists already deployed. This is a work in progress. CDR Chareonsuphiphat is currently serving in the gulf.

## REPORTS

Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1 – Report on file (Attachment B). The division continues to be active in Communications, MT and PE. FL 1-4 recognized member Herb Golenpaul for his PV work. FL 1-4 has a “Kids Don’t Float” campaign for marinas.

Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3 – Report on file (Attachment B). Flotillas 39 and 35 have done 157 VSCs in June. Patrols and assistance requests have increased.

Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4 – Report on file (Attachment B). The division has 6 new members who are being processed. One division member is working on Chinese interpretation cards for Guam.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file (Attachment B). The division held a QE session where 18 candidates attended. Flotillas are working on updating their Standing Rules and contingency plans. One flotilla has completed a one-hour boating safety presentation to kids in elementary schools.

Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6 – Report on file (Attachment B). The division continues to have good rapport with CG Stn Monterey, Mobile Bay and the guided missile facility. Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 are assisting. Flotilla 6-4 has a new member from Monterey. He is the Fire Boat Captain. He is interested in involving the Auxiliary to help with pollution response. There will be a picnic for the Coast Guard on August 6, during Coast Guard Week.

Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 – Report on file (Attachment B). The division Appreciates the QE’s who worked during our June OPTREX.

Richard Thomas, DCDR-8 – Excused. Report on file (Attachment B).

Rod Rollins, DCDR- 10 – Report on file (Attachment B). VSCs and PE’s are continuing. The division has logged 8000 hours on missions.

David Law, DCDR-11 – The division web site has a video showing parachute drops on Lake Tahoe on July 4.

Roger Haynes, DCDR-12 – Report on file (Attachment B). FL 12-1 has recruited 20 new members

Judy Esteban, P-PCA – Report on file (Attachment B). The August PCA Fair still needs instructors as follows: TCT (both days), NavRules (Sunday). DCDRs are eligible to join the PCA after being in office for 6 months. The Poker Run is next week. There are still some openings. See Roger Haynes or COMO Marilyn McBain to sign up.

Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS – Report on file (Attachment B). Thanks to all of the divisions who submitted NSBW reports. Collins thanked Jerry McAlwee, DSO-PA who put together the district combined report.

Wayne, Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES – The Strategic Contingency Planning Report survey request has had response from only Division 7. Other divisions are asked to need to get theirs in. The District report has been signed.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP – Report on file (Attachment B). LaChapelle has been looking at teleconferencing options. This method would be good for training and communications for meetings. COMO Mike Maddox, DSO-MT has put together the course outline for the November Elected Officers Academy. He is still looking for some instructors.

Angelo Perata, COS – Report on file (Attachment B). Perata attended the WSBA conference in Utah. While there he gathered information on life jackets that are available. There are many new life jackets coming on line, even some to accommodate paddle boards. The safety color has changed from orange to a safety yellow.

CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO – Deep Horizons program. Even though the well has been capped, according to the news, there is still a lot of cleanup work to be done. There will be a consistent response for the cleanup. The procedure for Auxiliary response will be as follows:

- DIRAUX sent out an all-hand request to D11N Auxiliarists.
- Each Auxiliarist who responded is being sent a form to fill out to identify skills, training, physical health, etc.
- Auxiliarists must be vetted through the DIRAUX office.
- There is a list of jobs available on line.

Three Auxiliarists are down there now, plus several are working backfill locally.

The budget climate is not looking good for 2011 and 2012. We can expect more budget cuts next year. CWO Kilburger reviewed the SAMA, fuel and trailering

accounts and situations. GAR = risk management. It is important, and all facilities should use the GAR check sheet.

Recess – 1110

Reconvene – 1220

## STAFF REPORTS

Angelo Perata, COS called for staff reports as follows:

Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES called for the following staff reports:

Larry Olsen, DSO-AV – Everything is quiet. The squadron is performing three missions/week, with others as needed. Safety and training are going well.

Jeff Price, DSO-CM – Report on file (Attachment C). Price recognized and dedicated his report to Harry McBain.

COMO Gail Ramsey, DSO-OP – Report on file (Attachment C). Ramsey described the POMS glitch which occurred recently. One way to avoid this kind of problem would be to request orders 1-2 weeks in advance. If POMS is down, and there is an emergency, contact coordinator to get pocket orders. Rachel Wellman is the new POMS coordinator, but she is working on a learning curve right now. While Wellman is learning, if you have a problem with POMS, contact Ramsey first. QE's will want to see a full vessel pre-brief while the QE is on board. Every station is doing GAR differently. Encourage members to read the information contained in the OPS reports because things are changing. Every year we run out of SAMA before the end of the year, so put in your reimbursement requests ASAP. Ray Tsuniohi is no longer California Boating Coordinator. He will be attending the Poker Run.

CWO Kilburger reminded the board and staff that the Auxiliary serves in an advisory position for regatta "safety zones." If a vessel attempts to enter the safety zone, we notify the agency in charge. We do not pursue the vessel. Kilburger explained that accident liability defense will depend on whether or not the incident occurred under "scope of employment" for Auxiliarists under orders.

Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS called for the following staff reports:

Sue Fry, DSO-MS – Report on file (Attachment C). The prevention program has just been set up. 15 people have been added since D-Train training. In AWW, we are not getting info about what events are being covered. Al Coddington is the new ADSO for AWW. The Port of SF would like to establish a program for inspecting their work vessels. Fry hopes to use this as a model for other ports in

the area. We have good training sessions going on right now. The PCA Fair will have 3 MS classes.

Jim Duncan, DSO-NS – Report on file (Attachment C). All divisions have completed their bridge reports, and on time. We are running slow on the PATON survey – only 30% done. Reports need to be submitted in a timely manner so they can be repaired, if necessary. Duncan trained 8 verifiers in Crescent City using Go to Meeting.

Jerry McAlwee, DSO-PA – Report on file (Attachment C). The district NSBW final report has gone out. Any outstanding division reports would still be accepted. A memorial service for Harry McBain will be held on Saturday, 24 July. Curtis Han is taking over Harry's ADSO responsibility as photographer. Water 'n Kids is an important training program. If you are out doing life jacket info, make sure you know the equipment. There is a PA opportunity with the AT&T safety fair with the Giants. We need one *Coastie* operator plus 2 more PA Auxiliaries. We are working on revamping scheduling process for *Coastie*.

Roger Haynes, DSO-PE – The California PFD law has been changed to match national law. Flotilla 5-11 is doing well with PE classes. Brannan Island has requested the Auxiliary put on campfire program once a month. Attendance is about 50 visitors/program. The CG morale fund has canoes and kayaks available. CG users must take a boating safety class from Auxiliary before they can be used.

Phillip Grove, DSO-PV – Report on file (Attachment C). Nothing further to report.

Mike Lauro, DSO-VE – Report on file (Attachment C). The 2010 ABCs are out, but are in limited supply. There will be a Delta Blitz going on at 2 locations. New kayak decals will be available through ANSC by the middle of next month.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP called for the following staff reports:

COMO Marilyn McBain, DSO-IS – Nothing new is happening in IS. Divisions are reminded to be sure to run a list of those eligible for election before nominations.

Steve Johnson DSO-MA – Report on file (Attachment C). The store has insignias for parkas and also RBS sew-on devices. Johnson asks that SO-MA's please send reports.

COMO Mike Maddox, DSO-MT – The new AUXCOM course has been released, with slides. Correction: In comms, when one vessel says "out," other vessel does not have to. There is a new AUXSEA course, which is scheduled to be tentatively approved at National, and is more extensive. The Elected Officer Academy schedule is in the works. Those who have orders need to plan to

attend both days. The Leadership course will be taught at the PCA Fair. This course can replace the APC course. There is a new SAR Incident form.

Angelo Perata, COS acknowledged the accomplishment of Mike Lauro who recently completed his 10,000th VSC and thanked Linda Haynes for all of her work. Perata called for the following staff reports:

Larry Olsen for Randy Parent, DFSO – Nothing to report

Fran Fisher, DSO-FN – Report on file. All DCDR's received reports of pending audits and financial reports. Divisions 3, 7 and 8 audits are all completed.

Robert Firehock, DSO-LP – Nothing to report

Jeff Price for Robert Hendry, ASC – Report on file (Attachment C). Nothing further to report.

Neil Nevesny, CRC – Report on file (Attachment C). Nothing further to report.

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR – Nothing to report

George Knies, DSO-PB – Absent

## OLD BUSINESS

November Elected Officer Training – DCO Williams stated the COMO Maddox has already covered the information on the November Elected Officer Academy. Uniform will be ODUs.

Retirement – DCO Williams reminded the board that the retirement date for CAPT Gugg is 11 August at YBI.

## NEW BUSINESS

NACON – DCO Williams reminded members of the information from COMO Connell on NACON in Scottsdale, AZ

Resolution to Amend District Standing Rules – Number of Meetings – DCO Williams asked for a motion to adopt the resolution which was reviewed by the commanders in their meeting.

Motion: Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3 moved and Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 seconded that the following resolution be adopted as submitted:

“Whereas, the District Standing Rules in Section 5.1 call for a minimum of six (6) District Board regular meetings in a calendar year; and

“Whereas, the form of the Standing rules is mandated by the National Board of the Auxiliary, but the minimum number of regular board meetings is a matter of local choice; and

“Whereas, District budget concerns have made the six (6) annual meetings requirement unnecessarily burdensome; and

“Whereas, in order to reduce this burden and increase District flexibility, the Board wishes to reduce the required minimum number of regular annual meetings to two (2);

“Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of the Eleventh District, Northern Region, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, that there shall be a minimum of two (2) District Board regular meetings in each calendar year; and

“Further resolved that this Resolution shall supersede the requirements of Section 5.1 of the District Standing rules adopted July 15, 2006.”

Robert Firehock, DSO-LP described the rationale for the motion. The number of meetings to be held is an optional item and can be changed by resolution. This change to 2 meetings is a minimum requirement, and can be increased by the district board. It is the intent that the district will hold 5 meetings, with no fewer than 4 meetings per year.

There being no further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

Nominations Committee Report – DCO Williams called on COMO Vic Connell who reported for the nominations committee as follows:

For the office of DCO – Angelo Perata

For the office of DCOS – Rodney Collins

For the offices of DCAPT (3) – Dean LaChapelle and Mary Kirkwood

The committee will accept nominations until August 11. After that date, nominations can be made from the floor on the day of elections.

PCA Fair – Previously reported by Esteban.

Fleet Week – DCO Williams announced that anyone interested in participating in Fleet Week should contact Linda Vetter.

Deployment to Assist the Coast Guard – Previously covered by CWO Kilburger.



ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1340.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

## ATTACHMENT A

### ATTENDANCE LIST DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING 17 July 2010

#### DISTRICT BOARD:

DCO Mike Williams  
Angelo Perata, DCOS  
COMO Vic Connell, DNACO-R/IPDCO  
Rodney Collins, DCAPT-RBS  
Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES  
Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP  
CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO  
Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1  
Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3

Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4  
Curtis Han, DCDR-5  
Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6  
Larry Kelley, DCDR-7  
Rod Rollins, DCDR-10  
David Law, DCDR-11  
Roger Haynes, DCDR-12/DSO-PE  
Judy Esteban, P-PCA

#### DISTRICT STAFF:

Larry Olsen, DSO-AV  
Jeff Price, DSO-CM  
Fran Fisher, DSO-FN  
COMO Marilyn McBain, DSO-IS  
Robert Firehock, DSO-LP  
Steve Johnson, DSO-MA  
Sue Fry, DSO-MS  
COMO Mike Maddox, DSO-MT  
Jim Duncan, DSO-NS

COMO Gail Ramsey, DSO-OP  
Jerry McAlwee, DSO-PA  
Phil Grove, DSO-PV  
Joyce Bell, DSO-SR  
Mike Lauro, DSO-VE  
Linda Haynes, D-AD/H  
Neil Nevesny, CRC  
Denis Eaton, CTO/VCDR-10

#### GUESTS:

Nick Tarlson, VCDR-12  
Gary Murray, ADSO-PV  
Jim Blackburn, BC-VFQ  
Dan Tinney, ADSO-HR  
Joanna Leighton-Nevesny, ADSO-LP  
Steve Dolgin, ADSO-PA  
Robert Liu, ADSO-LP  
Anita Farnholtz, ADSO-OP

Dave Talton, FSO-PE/MA/VE FL-17  
Pat Eider  
Gregory Fonzo, VFC-12-03  
Jack Kane, FSO-MA/MT FL-12-01  
Carl Pierce, FC-39  
Robert Niccum, FC-12-03  
Monica Eaton, IPDCDR-10

## **ATTACHMENT B**

### **DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING 17 July 2010**

#### **Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1**

**HIGHLIGHTS** (since last report e.g. Public Affairs, Member Training, Vessel Exams, Operations, Public Education, etc.)

- PE classes underway
- Continue to support communications activities
- Spring OPTREX planned
- NSBW activities planned
- Member qualified as interpreter
- Flotilla 12 made 3mo commitment to training with Station Golden Gate

#### **DETAILS**

- Flotillas 12, 14 and 17 PE classes underway: BS&S, SS&S, ABS and GPS for Mariners
- Communications activities included watchstanding at the Pacific Strike Team, and assistance in several SAR cases, including 2 high profile SARs
- Spring OPTREX scheduled for June 12 at the Berkeley Yacht Club. To be a one-day event, with QE checkoffs and dockside classes for crew trainees.
- NSBW activities planned for South Beach Yacht Club in SF, Oyster Point Yacht Club, West Marine
- Daniel Merle, Flotilla 12, qualified as Interpreter in French
- Flotilla 12 committed to 3months of training each Sunday afternoon with Station Golden Gate

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- Continue to cross-train with Station Golden Gate, Air Station San Francisco, and Pacific Area Training Team
- Continue watchstanding at the Pacific Strike Team

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

- Spring OPTREX June 12 at Berkeley Yacht Club
- KOPS and KIDS, June
- Dream Machines, April
- NSBW activities- various marinas and yacht clubs
- Sunday afternoon/evening trainings with Station Golden Gate
- 6/14 training (Flotilla 12)- emphasis on kite and wind surfers: how to approach a downed surfer, how to disassemble to get on your facility, etc.

#### **2010 DIVISION GOALS**

- ❖ Recruiting and Retention:
  - Make 1<sup>st</sup> contact within 2 weeks of identified interest

- ❖ RBS Programs:
  - Vessel Safety Checks (pending)
  - Program Visits: coordinate PV sites to identify overlaps and voids to ensure maximum coverage
  - Public Education (pending)
  - Public Affairs: add outreach to schools, scouts, sea scouts
- ❖ Marine Safety
  - AWW: Each Flotilla to make 3 AWW presentations, all PVs and VE to include AWW on form when submitted
  - All MS officers to obtain MS ribbon
  - For each Flotilla: MS, MT, OPS, VE, RBS-PV, FC and VFC to obtain MS ribbon
  - Ferry Vessel Audits (pending)
- ❖ Operational Activity
  - Hold 2 OPTREXs
  - Arrange QE check rides for initial/requalifications
  - Coordinate with SO-MT to include members who need training/QEs
  - Work/train with gold side: Flotilla 12 to patrol with StaGG, Flotilla 19 to work with StaSF, participate in Fleet Week, continue helo Ops training with SF Air Station
- ❖ Establish, cultivate, maintain relationships
  - participate in the commissioning of the Waesche
  - Work with California Boating & Waterways on Dock Walkers program
  - Develop and publish a matrix of liaisons with governmental/nongovernmental agencies

### **Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

1. Two Flotillas very active in VSC..
2. Public Education classes growing.
3. Warm weather and high water brings out patrols
4. Poker Run in Rio Vista July 31.

#### **DETAILS**

1. FL-35 and FL-39 Completed 307 Vessel Safety Checks in June.
2. FL-39 Gave three ABS classes . On 8<sup>th</sup> with 29 students, 9<sup>th</sup> with 19 students, and on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> with 14 Sea Cadets. FL-33 Now in 6<sup>th</sup> week of BS&S class.FL-35 Had 75 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students attend Kids On the Water. .
3. 4<sup>th</sup> of July saw patrols on Folsom Lake, Donner, Delta, Shasta, Whiskeytown, and Sacramento River. Shortage of available jet boats prevented filling requests by outside agencies for more coverage on river.
4. Poker Run at Brannan Island July 31 is major fun day for everyone, plan to be there.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

Shortage of funds available to outside agencies is raising number of requests for patrols and assistance from C G Auxiliary. Coxns and crews at high priority.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

Poker Run July 31 Brannan Island  
PCA Fair Aug. 21 & 22 CG Island, Alameda

Chico Air Show 25&26 Sept.  
OPTREX 7,-10 Oct. Whiskeytown  
Salmon Festival 16 Oct Colman Fish Hatchery, Anderson.  
OPTREX 15 -17 Oct. Brannan Island

### **DIVISION GOALS AND FUTURE PLANS**

Train more Cox,ns and Crews , and get more Facility Boats available. Reach more Recreational Boaters with more VEs. Some Flotillas still not responding. Keep up Public Education classes. Starting to reach more people.

### **Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- South Bay Opening Day – successful with 8 OPFACS OTW, Sector comms trailer, and interaction with Redwood City PD.
- Continued OPS Training with STA SF and STA RIO VISTA.
- Crew qualifications remain a priority and are actively pursued
- Dockwalker training completed, several new trained personnel
- Working with Northern California Outrigger Canoe Association for heightened safety awareness and development of formal safety program.

#### **DETAILS**

- NSBW activities with West Marine include having a public booth and VSCs for 22 MAY. For 23 MAY will be booth only, no VSCs.
- PE Class for SJ Water Dept. had 9 students; all passed the test.
- Vessel Safety Checks conducted for 6 boats of Santa Clara Water District.
- VSC Event at Anderson Lake in Morgan Hill on 03 APR.
- VSC Event at Calero Lake in San Jose on 17 APR.
- OPTREX set for 05JUN – QEs have been assigned.
- Dockwalkers training took place on 03 APR in San Jose – 9 members attended.
- South Bay Opening Day – Eight OPFACs participated from multiple flotillas, as well as Sector Comms trailer manned by DSO-CM Jeff Price and Mike Nolan. All went smoothly, although weather resulted in low participant turnout. CGC Tern attended as a static display. Worked with Redwood City PD patrol boat. Flotilla 41 manned their VE/PA trailer.
- OPS Training with Station San Francisco on 05 and 22 APR
- A Standard First Aid and CPR class was conducted for several members in late March.
- Various new quals are progressing (crew, VE, UPV examiner).
- Two members attended the ICS 400 class organized by D11 Prevention.
- One TCT Annual Refresher Workshop has been completed.
- A BS&S graduate invited one member to attend the Coastside Fishing Club social at Westpoint Harbor Marina in Redwood City on March 6th. Served as a PA and recruiting event with brochures distributed.
- Additional flotilla websites have begun switching over to the District template and are “Under Construction”.
- Numerous members working on or have completed various quals – Telecommunications Operator (TCO), boat crew, MS-OM, VE, UPV Examiner. Two crewmembers are completely signed off and awaiting OPTREX.
- Two members incorrectly lost their boat crew currency due to clerical errors – have been

corrected.

- Provided a safety seminar to the Northern California Outrigger Canoe Association (NCOCA). This was attended by 20 club representatives for this annual event. Will likely participate more to help foster safety for this high risk group.
- Contacted by Operations Mgr at Treasure Island Sailing Center for assistance with activities on NSBW. Handed off to DSO-PA and Div 01 since in their AOR.
- Division website conversion to district template still underway.

### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- The residents of Menlo Park's VA Hospital moved to a new building in the last few days of March – special thanks to FL43 John Gordon for participating in moving day(s).
- Redwood City Police Dept provided a vessel to assist with South Bay Opening Day.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

- Flotilla 49 - New meeting Place is at Santa Clara Adult Education Center on Benton Street, Santa Clara, Room 36. Flotilla 49 will again join Flotilla 41 for joint meetings in May and July.
- Boating Safety Course on Saturday 24 APR at West Marine on Saratoga Ave, San Jose
- OPS training with Station Rio Vista on 05 MAY
- West Marine NSBW activities on 22 MAY
- VSC Weekend scheduled at Calero Reservoir on 29 May
- Participation in upcoming Opening Day and KFOG Kaboom.

### **DIVISION GOALS & FUTURE PLANS**

- Lose no quals in 2010
- Improve satisfaction levels by membership involvement in their “favorite” activities
- Increase focus on MS-OM activities
- Support NSBW
- Prep for upcoming OPTREX

### **Curtis Han, DCDR-5**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Another successful DTRAIN at Rohnert Park, hosted by Division 5
- Division 5/CGSTA Bodega Bay wins Robert Phifer Award at DTRAIN
- 90 PV and 73 VSC performed in the month of March
- Digital photos of deep-draft vessels taken and submitted to Coast Guard
- Flotilla 51 and 52 hosted Dockwalker training programs in Benicia and Napa
- Flotilla 52 continues to assist California Maritime Academy cadets with their community service program.
- 3 Flotilla newsletters issued and distributed in March.
- Public education courses taught throughout the Division in March, including a class at Travis AFB.

#### **DETAILS**

- On March 26-28, Division 5 hosted another successful DTRAIN. Thanks to Phil Sanchez and his dedicated DTRAIN staff, the event was very successful and well attended.

- At DTRAIN awards banquet, Division 5 and Coast Guard Station Bodega Bay were presented with the 'Robert Phifer Award'. Station Bodega Bay works closely with Division 5 members, mostly with Flotilla 55 members.
- In the month of March, total of 90 program visits and 73 vessel safety checks were performed throughout the Division AOR.
- During the safety patrol aboard Flotilla 51 and 57 surface facilities, total of 11 deep draft vessels were taken and submitted to the appropriate Coast Guard officials.
- Flotilla 52 hosted a Dockwalker training program at Napa Valley Yacht Club on March 16 with 18 students attending. Flotilla 51 also hosted a training session at Benicia Yacht Club on April 1. 24 students attended this event.
- Members of Flotilla 52 have been working with selected cadets from California Maritime Academy in their community service program where the cadets observe and participate in some of the Coast Guard Auxiliary activities. Recent activities included a cadet attending a Dockwalker training session and Ferry Vessel Audits.
- Flotillas 51, 52 and 57 have continued to issue and publish monthly newsletters. Flotilla 55 has just appointed a new Flotilla Publication Staff Officer and will resume working on their Flotilla newsletter.
- 7 public education classes were taught in the month of March, with all 5 Flotillas participating, including a class at Travis Air Force Base on March 20, as part of Travis AFB Recreational Boating Safety Task Force program.

### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- Flotillas in Division 5 have been working closely with local yacht clubs in establishing annual vessel safety check days and safety days, in helping promote recreational boating safety.
- A group of members from Division 5 continues to participate in recreational boating safety activities at Travis Air Force Base. Recent activity involved a boating safety class (ABS) made available to the active, reserve and civilian members of the U.S. Air Force.
- Division 5 is working closely with Vivian Matuk and California Coastal Commission (DBW) in providing Dockwalker Training throughout the Division at each Flotilla levels.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Dockwalker Training and AWW/MSOM training session is scheduled on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Location -Grey Eagle Farm, 201 Meadowlark Ln, Sonoma, CA. For more information, contact Wil Sumner -wilsumner\_cgaux@yahoo.com
- Division 5 Operation Training Exercise is scheduled for April 24 at CGSTA Vallejo. There will not be a QE session on this date. Contact Curtis Han curtis.s.han@gmail.com.
- QE-only event is scheduled for June 26 at CGSTA Vallejo.

### **Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6**

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

1. A major QE session is being planned by Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 to be held at Santa Cruz Harbor on Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup>. The plans are for one initial coxswain, two requal coxswain, three crew in REYER requal and five initial crew. With eleven qualifications needed to be carried out the QEs' will have a full schedule.
2. Preparations are being made by all four Division 6 flotillas for NSBW. Events at Monterey and Morro Bay are being planned in conjunction with Coast Guard Stations Monterey and Morro Bay respectively. Santa Cruz and Capitola will utilize Coastie and

will both flotillas will be organizing events with West Marine and the Santa Cruz Harbor District.

3. Robert Burt FSO-MS for Flotilla 6-4 has taken on the task of being the Division 6 coordinator for AWW. Robert is an ex active duty USCG commander and should be a productive and knowledgeable liaison between Division 6 and Sector.

#### **DETAILS:**

1. Division 6 AuxNet call out continues on each Monday of the month. Currently 11 Auxiliary radio facilities are participating with occasional communication with Station Monterey Comms
2. The Agreement was completed with Monterey Bay Kayaks for the 2010 Kayak Vendor Project. The vessel examinations have begun with over 70 kayaks receiving their VE decal after completion of a successful examination. The Paddle Safe PE course is being reviewed and a presentation will be made to the vendors for possible classes to be given to their clients.
3. Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 taught AUXPAT on two consecutive Saturdays, March 6 and March 13, with eleven members taking the course.
4. Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 provided safety patrols in Monterey Bay for the opening of salmon season on April 3. Prior to opening day a safety booth was set up at West Marine and close to 180 boaters were contacted.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS:**

1. On March 31<sup>st</sup> Station Monterey held an eight hour TCT class was held for active duty and auxiliary members. Senior Chief Prentice from Coast Guard Island was the instructor for the class. Four auxiliary members attended as well as active duty members from Station Monterey and Station Vallejo
2. Members of Flotilla 6-4 are continuing to provide fingerprinting service for the active duty members of Station Monterey. This is a great service for the active duty members as it negates their having to go to Oakland for this requirement.
3. Tony Budlong FC 6-4 will begin training at Station Monterey Comms
4. Flotilla 6-4 will be participating in a Safety Fair at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey on May 28<sup>th</sup>.
5. Flotilla 6-1 participated in the Station Morro Bay Change of Command on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **UPCOMING Events, Dates and Location:**

Plans are being formulated for a Coast Guard Week recognition and activities to be held on Monterey during the first week of August.

#### **DIVISION GOALS**

- Retain current members, recruit new members.
- To have more interaction, communication, shared events and training between the flotillas making up Division 6.
- To mentor new members and to continue to provide training for current members. To continue our excellent rapport with USCG Station Monterey and USCG Station Morro Bay and USCG Cutter Hawksbill.

#### **Larry Kelley, DCDR-7**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Utah Lake Festival



- June OPTREX
- Unit Strategic and Contingency Plans

## **DETAILS**

1. Agency Interactions: Utah lake State Park. Division 7 staffed one of our facilities in a slip (by request of the Utah Department of Natural Resources) at the 5 June Utah Lake Festival. The weather was wonderful – bright sunny day, moderately warm, no hint of rain or high wind. The Festival drew several hundred visitors. The Auxiliary members supporting the event talked to many people and distributed literature to their visitors.
2. OPTREX: Saturday, 12 June saw the first of the two OPTREX's planned for the summer season. The event was held on Jordanelle Reservoir – one of Utah's most popular boating venues. The Auxiliary used the State Park's headquarters building as our Central Staging Area. Six members completed initial or requalification examinations for both crew and coxswain ratings in the morning. The afternoon was turned over to training sessions: marlinspike work and running compass courses on the water were two of the classes offered.

The event was marred by inclement weather. The day was cold, the wind blustery, and a light rain fell until late afternoon. But COMO Gail Ramsey and her QE's donned foul weather gear and went out in the wet with the candidates to put them through their paces. All candidates successfully passed their examinations. The Auxiliary boats outnumbered the recreational public's presence on the lake this day.

The day concluded with a dinner graced by the attendance of RADM Castillo, who had come to Park City to attend a conference, and Commodore Mike Williams. The boating program coordinators from several of our surrounding states who were also attending the same conference came to our dinner. The attendance numbered over fifty. The Admiral talked about the importance of the Auxiliary's work, and both he and Commodore Williams awarded certificates to the members who had completed their qualifications earlier in the day. Over fifty guests attended.

3. Unit Strategic and Contingency Plans: Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES distributed a survey form inquiring into the Division's readiness to respond to an emergency. Copies of the survey form were sent on by the Division to the four Flotillas in the Division for their reply. By coincidence, the need to review the emergency Division's and Flotilla's plans had been discussed at the previous Division Board meeting, and each of the Flotilla Commanders had been asked to add it to their "to-do" list.

## **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

The Auxiliary has been asked to provide perimeter control and (as needed) search and rescue support for the Utah Summer Games Sailing Regatta on Deer Creek Reservoir in early July. This event had been scheduled for mid-June, but was cancelled the night before the event was to take place because of inclement weather. This event last year was severely disrupted by a thunderstorm accompanied by high winds, and this year, the sponsors wanted to not repeat that experience.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES, AND LOCATIONS**

1. Utah Summer Games Sailing Regatta on 10 June.
2. Second OPTREX of the season at Strawberry Reservoir over 12-15 August.  
This lake is the highest large body of water in the State at 7602 feet above sea level, and it covers 17,300 acres. The elevation, weather patterns, and topography provide a good test of Operations.

## **Richard Thomas, DCDR-8**

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

Crescent City – New RBS boat

Eureka – New members and Safe Boating Class

Mendocino – Meeting and BBQ and Participation Noyo River Open House

Lake County – VE-activity.

### **DETAILS:**

**Crescent City** – Flotilla Commander – Becky Barlow has been on vacation. 851 has been taken out of service and the flotilla has been provided a replacement RBS and six of the flotilla are now totally qualified. Members had joint bbq with Coast Guard Crew of the Dorado and marched with active Guardians in the local 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. The flotilla also has completed several VE's and has a few new members in process. The flotilla hosted the chamber mixer and was a successful event.

**Eureka** – Flotilla Commander Thom O'Connor reports that there is a strong possibility that a husband and wife team who both are in active Coast Guard are going to join the flotilla. This Sat. the flotilla will present a safe boating class. Member Richard Kerr is working on pdf instruction guide for Coastie and will attempt to generate a new system for reserving Coastie with DIRAUX Coastie.

**Mendocino** – The flotilla marched in the Fort Bragg 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and had an information booth. The flotilla also had an out-reach info booth at Lake Mendocino with VE's being completed in each location. At their next flotilla meeting they will have a fellowship bbq immediately following as well as tours of the Pt Cabrillo Light House.

**Lake County** – Flotilla meeting covered a variety of up-coming events, ie. Thanksgiving luncheon at Noyo River Coast Guard Station. Tie-out for October. Preparations for the Lake County Fairgrounds booth. Rich Thomas' annual bbq and pool party. Auxiliary will be involved in the Special Event Radio Day to commemorate the 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the Auxiliary. The flotilla had a bbq immediately following their July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The flotilla continues to have high numbers of VE's.

**DIVISION EIGHT** - I met with members of Flotilla 87 at Lake Mendocino and performed VE's and did 8 dock-walker interviews.

### **Up-Coming/Events**

#### **Division Eight** –

Board & Staff - August 12<sup>th</sup> – Phone conference meeting

#### **Flotilla 88**

August 7<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla meeting

#### **Flotilla 8-11**

July 21<sup>st</sup> – Flotilla Meeting

#### **Flotilla 86**

July 24<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla Meeting and safe boating week

## **Flotilla 87**

July 24<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla Meeting at Point Cabrillo Light House with BBQ to follow.

### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS:**

Crescent City had Joint BBQ with Dorado Crew

New RBS and training completed with Coast Guard – six qualified members

Mendocino – provided training with Coast Guard personnel. Auxiliarists took part in the Noyo River Coast Guard Station open house.

Auxiliary provided an info table and completed VE's and Dock Walker materials at Lake Mendocino on behalf of the Army Corp of Engineers

### **DIVISION GOALS:**

To continue toward the goals set in the beginning of the year in a safe and productive manner.

## **Rod Rollins, DCDR-10**

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- 8000 hours entered in AUXDATA YTD for Division-
- Changed to Division Meeting to telephonic monthly and physical quarterly on a Saturday.

### **DETAILS**

- IS reported over 8000 hours YTD equals 4 people working full time
- The first telephone meeting went well. All four flotillas were represented at the meeting.
- Patrols were conducted at two lakes without incident.
- VSC and PV continue at a rapid rate.

### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- Events noted above.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

- None at this time.

## **Roger Haynes, DCDR-12**

### **HIGHLIGHTS/DETAILS**

1. The Division OPEX qualified a new coxswain and a crewman, and completed the 3 year recert of 4 crew and 1 coxswain. 10 members participated in the night SAR.
2. PE classes: 12-91 holding ABS class July 24 in San Ramon. 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month youth oriented presentations scheduled at Brannan Island as part of the ranger campfire program. Auxiliarists will conduct Paddler's course for gold side at CGI before kayaks and canoes may be checked out from the morale desk.
3. 4<sup>th</sup> cornerstone activity in the Poker Run on July 31 in the Delta. New members encouraged to join in. BBQ and award ceremony, including recognition of Ray, former head of CalBoating, will be held at Outrigger Restaurant/Campground at 5:30 PM.
4. Operations: California changed its life jacket age requirement to match the federal law. Children under 13 must wear a jacket. Crew training program in the works, scheduled to start September. One division boat working Mandaville fireworks in the Delta July 4<sup>th</sup> was

- diverted to the Fisherman's Cut downed power line and grass fire.
5. Flotilla 12-1 signed up 20 new members so far this year. Congratulations!

### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

Held our second monthly youth oriented presentation of the summer at Brannan Island as part of the ranger campfire program. These are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month during the summer.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

4<sup>th</sup> cornerstone July 31 Poker Run  
August 14 campfire at Brannan Island.  
August 18 training OPS patrol with Sta Rio Vista  
August 21-22 PCA  
Start of Paddler's course for CGI Morale desk, date TBD.

### **DIVISION GOALS**

Assist rebuilding of flotillas.  
Provide training opportunities for members of the Division.

### **Judy Esteban, P-PCA**

- Poker Run July 31 - Brannan Island State Park

Poker Run Committee  
Roger Haynes, Chair  
925-837-4647  
Douglass Kerr - AuxAir  
Jim vanFleet - Oscar Herding  
Angelo Perata – Chef

- Next PCA Fair - August 21 – 22, 2010

If a member would like to help with the refreshments that would be awesome

- Memorial - talked to DIRAUX

### **Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Captain Cullen's retirement ceremony
- NSBW Activities Report
- AWW Program

#### **DETAILS**

Attended the retirement ceremony for Captain Cullen. Captain Cullen was a great supporter of the Auxiliary and we wish him well in his new endeavors. Special Thanks to Curtis Han and Jerry McAlwee for their work in putting together the electronic picture frame and pictures for Captain Cullen's gift. It looked great !!!

Congratulations to Divisions 1, 4, 5, 6 & 12 for sending in their NSBW reports. To see the full report from these Divisions please read the latest edition of the Northwind. Thanks goes out to all of the Division NSBW chairpersons for all of their work in coordinating the activities for their Divisions. Special Thanks goes out to Jerry McAlwee for all of the work he did as the District Chairperson and for compiling the final report.

Job well done to all !!!

It looks like we have met the quota for AWW presentations for the first 2 quarters of 2010. Our numbers are down from last year but we will still keep working to get the program on a consistent pace. Al Coddington is the new ADSO for AWW. Thanks to Bill Burns for his efforts as the AWW ADSO for the first part of the year. And Thanks to all of the Division Chairpersons for their efforts to support this important initiative.

### **INTERAGENCY INTERACTIONS**

No contacts so far this month.

### **DISTRICT CAPTAIN'S GOALS & FUTURE PLANS**

Plan to work with Division 11N Commanders Staff and assist them where needed in the completions of their goals for 2010.

Plan to work with Division 11N Staff and assist them where needed in the completions of their goals and projects for 2010.

Plan for activities during NSBW (May 22-28) (complete)

Assist in getting the AWW program restarted in District 11N.

### **Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

1. Video Tele-Conferencing
2. Leadership Class
3. Brannan Island District OPTREX
4. District Calendar

#### **ACTIVITY**

1. Video Teleconferencing Program will be tested at the July EXCOM meeting Friday July 16.
2. Attended Division 5's OPTREX at CG Station Vallejo to observe the operation. Unexpectedly, 16 candidate showed up to be tested, more than had been anticipated. Ramsey, DSO-OP inducted me to assist in the qualifications.
3. Work continues on the November Leadership Class. Maddox, DSO-MT has developed a list of 14 subjects for EXCOMs Review. We will be looking for Instructor-Presenters.
4. Perata, COS and I review the District Calendar considering 3, 4, and 5 Meetings in 2011. A cut from the normal 6 meetings held at CGI. The reduction in the number of meetings is in response to the anticipated District Budget reductions.

5. We are still awaiting information on the Job Guide document, under development by USCG Air Station Sacramento, for the Cal-EMA liaison program.
6. The 2010 Brannan Island OPTREX committee has Table-Topped the exercise and presented it to Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES and COMO Ramsey, DSO-OP. We anticipate a second table top in August or early September.
7. I will attend the Division 6 meeting in Santa Cruz July 25.

### **Angelo Perata, COS**

Had the pleasure of visiting Utah in June for the Western Boating Conference, along with doing some QE work and liaison for Division 07. At the Western Boating Conference I spent time talking to the manufactures for Safety equipment. They were Sterns, Mustang and Revere. Sterns was brought out by Coleman products, looking at all the life jackets present at the show, I see new life jackets on the horizon especially for the Fly fisherman and paddle boarder. I brought home all the literature I could carry. Will be sharing this information soon with our DSO's in the Safety field and they will disseminate to the membership.

While in Utah RADM Castillo toured Utah Lakes with our DCO Mike Williams as host. Being a guest I had the pleasure of visiting with the Admiral, and he was very impressed with the Auxiliary on inland lakes in Utah.

Other events that I was able to attend:

The Commission of USCGC *WAESCHE* May 07 2010 at Coast Guard Island Alameda CA. Our Auxiliary members were in force, helping people in just a few that I saw, Transportation, Displays, Safety Equipment and Radio Comms. Where ever you looked, the Auxiliary was there. BRAVO ZULU Auxiliary for your hard and dedicated work.

May 17 Coast Guard Island Alameda - Attended the Change of Command and Retirement Ceremony VADM Manson K. Brown relieved VADM Jody A. Breckenridge as Pacific Area Commander. Fair Winds and smooth Seas, VADM Breckenridge as you are a great friend of the Auxiliary. We will miss you and your great hugs.

## ATTACHMENT C

### DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING 17 July 2010

#### **Jeff Price, DSO-CM**

**DSO-CM Meets the POTUS:** Sector San Francisco contacted me to help assist with the landside communications while the POTUS was in town. I accepted the task and took care of the two day event (25,26MAY). The day of his departure, I was standing next to a Secret Service agent that I have known for several years and apparently he knew the POTUS because the POTUS came right up to him and thanked him for a job well done. He looked over at me said "so you are in the Auxiliary huh, well thank you for volunteering you're service and coming out today. He shook my hand and then departed to AF1. The Secret Service agent looked over at me and said job well done!

#### **New AWO (Auxiliary Watch Officer) in Rio Vista:**

I am pleased to inform the membership that a newly formed AWO system is now in place and has already produced some excellent results. Mr. Kevin Sellstrom has taken on the task of getting things organized in that area and he has assembled a superb team of Auxiliary Mobile providers that have full knowledge of the area that they are dispatching to. They have the full support of the OinC from Rio Vista as well as the watch standers who work there. Any new mobiles who would like to come out and be available can contact Kevin via the District web site under "Programs and Staff". Kevin can be found under the ADSOCM area.

#### **Use of Coded CG Radios for Auxiliary:**

There has been a lot of talk about the Coast Guard leaving the Auxiliary behind with the new Rescue 21 System. The Coast Guard has several new digital frequencies that they can now use to keep their enforcement process private. The frequencies can be made available to the Auxiliary providing that the Auxiliarist pays for his or her own radio that will be able to transmit and receive digital and encrypted frequencies. The Auxiliarist will be responsible for the programming of the frequencies as the contractor; APLA Technologies will not upload any coded frequencies. The R21 radios will be available to the Auxiliary in the event of an emergency and they will be signed out by the Station if the Station chooses to allow the Auxiliary to take signed out radios. Bottom line here is that we have an existing repeater that the Auxiliary can use 24/7 and each Station can also use that frequency. So, like everything else, you want to play then you need to pay, \$\$\$\$.

#### **Repeater System on Mt. Diablo and pending locations:**

I am pleased to announce that the Districts repeater team has successfully completed a total switch of repeaters on Mt. Diablo. The old system was replaced by a donated NCIS Motorola Micor repeater. The new system is one of the best made and will make a huge difference when transmitting and receiving. The Repeater team is currently working on the new location which will be Mt. Umunhum, located high above the Santa Cruz Mountains and above San Jose. The repeater will be used for anything that the Auxiliary needs in the Santa Cruz and Monterey areas. The repeater will also be augmenting the Coast Guard in the event that their R21 system goes down. There has been a lot of talk about repeaters in this District handling inland lakes and the simple answer to all of that is that if the Coast Guard does not respond there then the District will not be providing a system there. The frequencies are allocated through the MLCPACAREA and they have made it very clear as to what they expect from the Auxiliary

District Communications. So, if any Division would like to have a repeater then please feel free to make the purchase on your own and make sure that appropriate radios are used. The frequencies that are used are for narrow band and the modification of any amateur radio is prohibited by Federal law. The Repeater Team can provide the frequencies to use if and when someone steps up.

### **HF Program is growing with new net control:**

I have been in contact with the Branch Chief for Contingency Communications and the National Telecommunications Department is very interested in a District Eleven North Net Control. I have put the word out to the HF Operators in this District and I have not one but two that will be utilized. I was asked to pick one but having a stand by or replacement net control is always a little more pro-active. Each District is being asked to come up with their own net Control but that doesn't mean that members from this District can not transmit in on another Districts net. We had a PACAREA Net but that was stood down because of the name. Those who would like to be in the HF program are strongly encouraged to fill out the application at the bottom of this report and get it back to me for processing. We have recently added one more in Division 1 and I hope to get more.

### **Fleet Week Communications:**

I am in the process of getting things ready for Fleet Week. This year Fleet Week will be taking place from 07OCT to 12OCT but I believe we will be getting started a little earlier. This will be the first year that Rescue 21 will be playing a role in the Communications arena. Like years in the past, we will only have the communicators needed for the event such as the VTS communicator for Auxiliary, Muni Pier and PATCOM. I will likely need a communicator at VTS that can commit the time needed to get the job 100% done. More information will come out as the time approaches but I wanted to put this out now to get the folks thinking!

### **HOAX Mayday Caller – CONVICTED!**

A bit of good news was received by all on 16JUN10. The Hoax Mayday caller that our Mobiles worked on in 2008 was convicted and will need to pay \$102,298.00 in fines and spend the next 3 ½ years in Federal prison. Another BRAVO ZULU to ALL who helped with this case!

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM SECTOR SAN FRANCISCO:**

LCDR Lusk – Sector Command Center Chief has asked ALL members of this Auxiliary (radio operator or not) that have marine radios either in their home or vehicle to listen in whenever possible on VHF CH16. There have been a BIG number of FALSE MAYDAYS that have come in. If the member happens to hear the MAYDAY call the member is requested to call the Sector Command Center at 415-399-3530. The Member can really make a difference because he or she can narrow the search field down dramatically if he or she gives either his or her LAT/LONG or geographic location and how strong he or she heard the transmission.

ALL ADSO-CM can be found listed on the District Web Page under Programs and Staff. All the ADSO-CM's email addresses are current and they are and have been ready to receive.

AUX RADIO NET: All Communications units are encouraged to check in and if nothing else, test their equipment to see if it all works both on the VHF marine channels as well as the repeater frequency. The net is being held at 2000 local time each Monday evening on VHF CH83A. If for some reason CH 83A is occupied then we will switch our VHF Marine remote to transmit on VHF CH 06A. The Sector Command has approved this.

ARMS (Auxiliary Resource Management System: This interactive site is fully controlled by the DSOCM and the Auxiliary Watch Officers under the direct Supervision of the OTO, DIRAUX and the CDO at Sector SF. This site that has been established contains several Mobile responders that have stated that they want to be a part of the emergency call out process. The old style of utilizing the 11 N/R roster to make call outs has been replaced by this site. This site emails the communicator with his or her availability for the next 24 hours. These members are only viewed by the DSO-CM and Watch Officer to insure the privacy of the person that has signed up. We



are always looking to add more communicators so if you are interested please let me know and I will get you online with this process. I cannot promise that you will be called out for the SAR, but I can tell you that your services can and will be utilized should the need arise. This service has provided Sector SF with several comms related incidents from D/F to SAR and everything in between. All SO-CM and FSO-CM are encouraged to pass this information along to their membership. This site is the only one of its kind in the entire Coast Guard Auxiliary. Some issues have come up in the recent past as to the exact call out process and who controls that platform. It needs to be noted that the CALL OUT is in direct response to what SECTOR SF wants and therefore they can make advisements as to who they feel can respond to their calls. I strongly encourage all communicators that wish to be called out to be in and active in this system because there is NO OTHER WAY TO GET CALLED OUT. This position is a dispatching port therefore all AWO's have been instructed to utilize the availability list AT ALL TIMES. Bottom line is that if you are not on this list, or you are and not active on the daily list then you will not be activated, period! ALL MOBILES THAT WORK UNDER ORDERS WOULD NEED TO BE IN THIS SYSTEM.

Please see the information below. These are questions and issues that the members of this District have continually asked to know about.

**NOTE FOR LAND MOBILE OPERATORS:** When requesting orders in POMS, please use the drop down box for "Select Station" and select "Land Mobile". This choice is between Sector SF Prevention and Station Rio Vista. Then in the comments section, at the very bottom of the order request page, state which Area, Station or other unit you will be working with and your intentions while on patrol. It should also be noted that the ADSO-OP/PAC/LM is activating all POMS related Mobile missions. This will help in the reporting of all missions. All SO-CM and FSO-CM should encourage each and every mobile to get involved with some kind of patrol within their own Division to get familiar with their area of responsibility. Currently there is no need for mobiles during the week unless approved by the ADSO-OP/PAC/LM. Most of the patrol work should be directed towards the weekend. Please note that the patrols will be looked at very carefully to assure that vehicles are not over saturating areas listed in POMS. Summer is here and this would be the time to get out there and patrol. Please submit through POMS and notify me in advance of the patrol date so I can activate. This is being re-sent with a quote of current policy below: Who can inspect my radio facility? Your **FSO -CM** or anyone in the **CM** Chain can inspect your Radios. The [Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual](#) M16789.3E states: Annex 4, Sec. D.1. Initial Inspection The **facility** owner must arrange to conduct an initial inspection of each fixed land, land mobile, and RDF **facility** and thereafter, a reinspection every three years from the date of acceptance. Only a flotilla, division, district, or National communications Staff officer who has successfully completed the requisite Auxiliary communications inspection qualification (AUXCOM or TCO-PQS), or a member completing such qualification and specially designated by the Director, may conduct an inspection. The inspector must report the results on the Radio **Facility** Inspection and Offer for Use Form (**CG -2736A/ANSC7004**) to the Director. In the [Auxiliary Operations Policy Manual](#), states in Annex 4: B.4. Decal Display. Auxiliarists may display the miniature decal and wreath on the exterior or interior of the building in which the radio equipment is housed, on any legal place on a motor vehicle containing the radio equipment, or on the radio itself. Radio facilities must not use the large size **facility** decal.

### **Irene Wetzel, DSO-CS**

I apologize in not being able to attend the district Board/Staff Meeting. I am still returning home from our Vancouver Island fishing trip. The sockeye salmon made a good run, much to everyone's delight, both sport fisherman and commercial. Frank had most of our salmon canned, his favorite. Our dog Rufus never had it so good, much salmon. Fortunately, no bears

this year and our boat is now an official fishing machine; the motors purred just at the right speed with four lines from the boat in the water at once. Next year, we will have two nets although I could pull many salmon in on the barbless hooks, but we lost just as many.

Good news for our website, we continue to improve! Jan Jewell is now responsible for the MS site, looking good. Stephen Chan continues his outstanding updating for the member services sites. There is now a Goggle calendar for "Coastie", <http://services.d11nuscgaux.info/d11nCoastie/coastie.html> Although there appears to be an irrelevant message about permission on the calendar, I will check that. Roger Haynes has placed content on Mission Multi-Tasking, visit: <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/tasks/multi.html> Joyce keeps us going in the right direction with a ship shape the event calendar.

We are in need of a webmaster for 'In Memoriam'. Simone Adair has volunteered to supply the content, if a skilled webmaster could manage the site. It is in great need of updating. Members could contribute remembrances which are posted as links: <http://memoriam.d11nuscgaux.info/over-the-bar.html>

**Fran Fisher, DSO-FN**

EXCOM and DSOs ... Please get expense reimbursement requests in ASAP.

REMINDER – The audit committee has requested materials from all units not yet audited. Please get them in ASAP. DCAPTs, if you do not know which of your flotillas is delinquent please contact.

NEW—Next year we will request the year end bank statements along with reconciliations be attached to Forms 7025. Please make certain that you inform you SO-FN about this...and remind them that they should inform their respective FSO-FNs.

DUES - Please remind all of your FNs that 2011 dues collection process should be started this month.

**Richard Thomas, DSO-HR**

	TOTAL 2008	TOTAL 2009	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
Approved Members	1456	1465	N/A	1474	1477	N/A	1533	1533	N/A
Members In Process	N/A	N/A	13	15	7	12	19	27	2
Retired Request	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deceased	4	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Natn'l Phone Inquiries	331	192	37	23	16	27	18	14	7
Disenrolled for Non-Dues	94	91	3	0	1	0	0	0	3
Disenrolled by Request	19	36	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Total Disenrollments	127	171	3	1	1	0	1	1	4

During the month of June there was a nice sizeable increase of 27 news member applications and 19 for May. The July figures are not available until the end of July, so show only partial number. Having been gone for 5 weeks on vacation, I again will be gone until the end of July doing my one week support at the AIM program at the Coast Guard Academy. I am beginning to have a few disenrollments being sent to me, and remind you all to urge folks to make sure they meet the October deadline in disenrolling members.

### **Steve Johnson, DSO-MA**

I can sum April, May and June in one report. Slow. The store has been getting orders, including orders for training material for May and June. Also, I have been asked to take over the lucky bag (It is still in the talking stage).

### **Sue Fry, DSO-MS**

#### ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN

America's Water Ways Watch SPECIAL REQUEST for DIVISION COMMANDER'S

Commercial Vessels

    Fishing Vessels

    Uninspected Passenger Vessels

        New Agency support

    Domestic Inspections, K,T, UTV, Liferrafts, Dispatcher request

    Ferry Audits

Marine Safety Observation Missions

Facility and Container Inspections

Marine Safety Training in Support of Active Duty Deployment to the Gulf

Prevention Support and Training : Pac Area, D11, and Sector

    Follow up training

    Upcoming training

PCA Training Fair in August

#### AMERICA'S WATERWAY WATCH

We are asking all Division Captain's to make contact with their AWW Representation and their SO's-Prevention (MS) to be sure to hand out AWW stickers, pamphlets/materials at their Information Booths, PE classes, PA events or other Public gatherings where appropriate.

The AWW is a Coast Guard Mission and what the Auxiliary does not do, the Coasties must do.

That is, to hand out materials at 6 Events per quarter. In this time of crisis the Auxiliary can be a force multiplier and keep the Mission intact. Report to the AWW Representative or the SO-Prevention(MS) to make sure the information gets to the ADSO-AWW, Al Coddington.

#### COMMERCIAL VESSEL PROGRAM

The Salmon "surge" exam period has come and gone with a few vessels examined. Six harbors were served by Auxiliary Examiners and 4 Active Duty trainees. Approximately 15 vessels were examined. Uninspected Passenger Vessels- While the UPV program did not prove to add a substantial number of new vessels to our data base, it showed the many reasons for Mariners to obtain a Coast Guard Mariner's License, especially the OUPV (or six-pack).

#### NEW AGENCY CONTACT

A team of 4 UPV examiners and trainees worked with the Port of San Francisco to assist their Safety Officer in developing Policy Statements and Safety Guidelines that will be used for the

Port of SF workboats for electricians and plumbers, dive boats, construction boats and harbor safety boats. The TEAM performed an exam for each of their 13 boats to provide recommendations for safety equipment to be carried aboard each boat. (none passed the initial exam, 2 were close) The hope is that we can use this model to develop programs for the other ports in the Bay and Delta. This program was initially brought forward from the Harbor Safety Committee meeting attended by Dave Talton, Deputy ASC.

#### DOMESTIC INSPECTIONS

A very exciting development has been the acceptance of Auxiliary assistance in the Domestics Department. We have had few opportunities in the past to participate here. Because of the Gulf demands there are constant rotations from each department, branch and program. There was a call for Auxiliaries to help with Dispatch, however that is on hold in order to examine the credentials that Auxiliaries hold and possible scheduling. There are 4 Aux who are providing support and or training in K,T and Uninspected Towing Vessels areas with 3 additional who are willing to do Dispatch. In Liferafts we need additional Auxiliaries who can train and audit at COMAR in San Francisco (Hyde Street Pier area). Please contact the ADSO-L, Bill Burns for this opportunity.

#### FERRY BOAT AUDITS

We have jumped to 98 audits as of 12 July (from 52 as of mid May). The tutoring program is in full swing and a lot of one on one training has begun again. The ADSO-FV had a call out for the long Memorial Day weekend for the beginning of the tourist season. There will not be a training session at the August PCA Fair because there are 60 auditors at present and that is sufficient staff to do the assigned duties through the end of the year.

#### MARINE SAFETY OBSERVATION MISSIONS

This is an area that has grown under the direction of ADSO-MSOM Robert Liu. During the last of June and 1<sup>st</sup> part of July we have accomplished Observations of 86 sites with 12 observers using 57 hours. These are Missions that the Stations do not have to do. The missions are non-reimbursable and are done out of the true Auxiliary spirit of offer what you can and do it well. The Missions are under the direction of the Sector AUXLO, ENS Rachael E Wellman and LTjg Marcus Brown. At this time the Coast Guard is reviewing the program to make sure it is assisting the Stations properly and that the training is adequate for the job.

#### VOLUNTEERS AT PLANNING AND READINESS D11

Two Marine Safety/Prevention qualified Auxiliaries are volunteering in this Department to input ICS training data for D11 Active Duty and Reserve Forces.

#### TRAINING AT THE AUGUST PCA FAIR

There are 3 Prevention Areas (MS) that will be presented at PCA. 1<sup>st</sup>, is the IIMS Review class and the opportunity to take the IIMS CG proctored test. This is the last step for the MStraining Ribbon Award. ICS 100,200, 210, 700 and 800, Good Mate, and IMSEP are the other requirements. 2<sup>rd</sup>, is the Introduction for the Auxiliary Outreach Prevention Specialist PQS.(MEES) This will give you the necessary info to accomplish the PQS and give you one step in receiving a Trident Award. This is also one of the PQS's that the Coast Guard was looking for so that Auxiliaries could be put forth as qualified to do Gulf coast tasks. 3<sup>rd</sup>, is the IDC (Instructor Development Course) which is required for a few of the PQS requirements and to needed to teach Public Education classes.

#### AUXILIARY TRAINING BY D11 AND SECTOR

Six Auxiliaries attended the D11/Sector Pollution Response Workshop covering the topics of 8 hour Hazwoper Course for Certification, Completion of the ICS 339 course, and the Introduction to the Pollution Investigation (PI) PQS. There was also a very brief introduction to the Role and Responsibility of the Federal On Scene Coordinator Representative, also known as FOSCR. These Auxiliaries are now in a follow up training at Sector to allow them to finish the PI PQS. There are two training sessions scheduled to be given by D11 and Sector for additional interested Auxiliaries.

#### CRITICAL DATABASES DON'T TALK

My last suggestion to both the Auxiliary and the Coast Guard is to make transparent the TMT records to the Auxiliary and the AUXDATA records to the active duty Coast Guard. This would make qualifications that are earned on both the Auxiliary side and the Coast Guard side able to be recognized and acknowledged by both the silver and the gold. Also, Auxiliaries are now earning qualifications and completing tasks that are not included in AUXDATA. We hope there can be some accommodation made so there is a record of these soon.

#### Jim Duncan, DSO-NS

**1. ALL DIVISIONS Completed their Bridge Surveys:** Kudos to all SO-NSs, FSO-NSs & Aid Verifiers for getting their bridges checked and reported on time. These bridges have been classified with all discrepancies reported for immediate action by D11 (dpw-Bridge section).

**2. DATES OF CHART LATEST EDITIONS:** I have added a new column to the “**Dates of Chart Latest Edition Table**” for the latest LNM updates. These latest LNM updates applied to all charts in the NOAA’s On-Line-Viewer and the free downloaded Raster Navigational RNC’s & Electronic Navigational ENC’s charts.

**3. COAST PILOT CHART UPDATING:** Have you looked at your Coast Pilot lately? I was reading my new free downloaded electronic copy from the NOAA-NOS web site of the Sacramento River and I found it so out of date it was confusing. I have started to take one paragraph at a time to bring the Sacramento River area up to date. Each member should read each paragraph in your AOR to see what should add, changed, or removed from the Coast Pilot. When reviewing your Coast Pilot remember to look at each paragraph as **visiting boater** to your area. These are the mariners that you rely on for planning and underway in the area. **Ask yourself this question?** Is the paragraph giving a true picture of what are really there, structures, landing, fuel, supplies available and important information about that area? Look at other parts of the coast pilot to get an idea of how they are written. Your Coast Pilot report should be concise, definitive and complete as possible using a **NS-CU05** (Coast Pilot Text Correction Worksheet). It is important to indicate to which edition of the coast pilot the corrections are referenced. Select only the chapter that you want. Most of our area uses the 2010 United States Coast Pilot Volumes 7, 42 Edition, Chapter 7 which covers the San Francisco Bay & Delta areas. Other chapters cover the coast North & South of the San Francisco Bay area. It’s now available on the Internet at:  
**<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm>**

**4. ANT SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED ATON DIGITAL PHOTOS WEB SITE:** All Navigation Systems & OPS members, the San Francisco Aids to Navigation Team (ANT San Francisco) is in need of aids to navigation photos. There is a new web page you should visit before every patrol to review current needs requests, allowing you to multitask and incorporate these missions into your ATON & Safety patrols. It also reminds you of static mission requests

you may incorporate. Bookmark <http://ops.d11nuscgaux.info/tasks/multi.html>. This is where Roger Haynes, ADSO-NS/ANTSF will be updating the weekly request from the Coast Guard Aid to Navigation Team (ANT) for ATON photos. Click on that web site above for more information about this ongoing support project in which everyone may participate - no qualification required.

Whatever the current requests are, they will be posted here. By routinely checking here we hope to cut down on the emails sent out to notify you of these needs.

If you have info to post to this page, I can do that. Send the info to me for posting. I am in the SF Bay area so I particularly need people from other areas to send their multitasking opportunities/needs to be posted. This is an ongoing support project by Auxiliarists to maintain the Coast Guard Aids to Navigation files. Please check the list to see if you can assist while on Safety, ATON patrols or just out on the water with good digital photograph. Any one may participate, no qualification necessary.

**5. 2010 ATON, PATON, BRIDGE, & CHART UPDATING ACTIVITIES:**

D11 (NR) Aids to Navigation, Bridge, & Chart Updating Summary Report Table for Divisional ATON & CU activities to date. This table covers all ATON, PATON, Bridge, & Chart Updating reports received by D11 (dpw), NOAA-NOS & AUXDATA through **July 5, 2010**.

**2010 DIVISIONAL, BRIDGE, ATON, & CHART UPDATING SUMMARY REPORT**

Div.	AIDS TO NAVIGATION						PATON's				BRIDGE's				2010 AV's
	A	AI	P	U	PI	B	AOR	CHECK	% Done	STILL TO DO	BI	AOR	Check	% Done	
1			22	1	5	4	108	22	20	86	3	4	4	100	20
3	12		25	2	1	1	46	25	54	21	11	13	13	100	13
4			55		6	2	65	55	85	10		2	2	100	8
5		8	50		22	9	104	50	48	54		9	9	100	16
6		1	61	2	9	4	115	60	52	55	2	2	2	100	7
8			4			1	4	4	100	0		1	1	100	4
10	1	3	16	1	12	1	45	16	36	29	10	10	10	100	10
11							88		0	88		N/A		N/A	12
12			38		12	1	176	38	22	138	5	9	9	100	12
Total	13	12	271	6	67	59	751	270	36%	481	31	50	50	100%	100

2010-D11 Chart Updating Year Jan 1, 2010 to Dec 31, 2010				2009 NOAA-NOS Chart Updating Year Apr 1, 2009 to Mar 31, 2010			2010 NOAA-NOS Chart Updating Year Apr 1, 2010 to Mar 31, 2011		
Div	Report s	2nd Ob	CUC	Report s	2nd Ob	CUC	Reports	2nd Ob	CUC
1				2		237			
3	4	2					1		
4									
5									
6									
8									
10									
11									
12				14		533			
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>16</b>		<b>770</b>	<b>1</b>		
Total D11 Reports 1/1 through 12/31/10 →					<b>4</b>		Total NOAA CUC 4/1/10 to 3/31/11 →		<b>0</b>
Total Aids to Navigation Reports				349		Total Members Submitting Reports →			54
Total Aids to Navigation in AUXINFO*				110		110 out of 349 reports showing up in AUXINFO →			32%
Total Chart Updating Reports				4		A= ATON, P= PATON, B= Bridges, U= Unauthorized			
Total ATON & Chart Updating				352		NOAA-CUC=Charting Credit Points award by NOS to date.			
➤ Note: *Red numbers above is the information from AUXINFO as of July 5, 2010 update.									
➤ We have started the 2009-2010 NOAA-NOS Chart Updating Year - April 1 through March 31.									
➤ We are in the D11NR Chart Updating Year - January 1 through December 31.									
➤ Note: The Green number under 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ob indicates secondary Chart Updating Observers.									
➤ Note: "ALWAYS submit a 7030 for all ATON, Bridge, & Chart Updating Activity. Your work is not completed until your 7030 is in your FSO-IS hands."									
➤ "Always check AUXINFO for your ATON, Bridge, & Chart Updating activity. If you don't find your activity recorded and you have submitted the proper ANSC 7030, check with your FSO-IS or SO-IS for help."									

**COMO Gail Ramsey, DSO-OP**

**OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES:**

Questions have been raised recently about the proper response of Auxiliary vessels on patrol who observe unsafe boating situations. Auxiliary coxswains and crew are reminded that they must always operate their vessels in a safe manner, taking into account other traffic and hazards within the area as well as sea conditions, facility operational characteristics, crew safety and other factors. Boats (ours or others) changing speed or direction abruptly can cause collisions, distractions, wakes, and additional potential for injuries or damages to themselves or

others. Auxiliary facilities are NOT authorized to chase or cut off other vessels for any reason, even to "protect" regatta safety boxes or for other purposes. Only authorized law enforcement assets can perform chases or request that other boats heave to and not enter secure areas. Having an Auxiliary vessel operating at high speeds or entering secure areas, even if ostensibly only to stop another boat, is both unsafe and unauthorized, and only adds to an already dangerous situation. The Auxiliary can use a loud hailer, marine radio or other visual methods to advise and educate spectator recreational boaters, but not pursue them. If a situation appears to require a law enforcement response, the proper Auxiliary procedure is to contact the Order Issuing Authority (Station or Sector) or local law enforcement and advise them of the situation. An appropriate log entry should be made of that communication, including a description of the vessel in question and the behavior that prompted the concern.

### **INITIAL OR RECERTIFICATION CHECK RIDE CRITERIA:**

Let's talk about Coxswains, Crew or PWC Operators going for their Initial or Recertification Check Ride. Everything you need to know is listed in Auxiliary Boat Crew Training Manual Effective 01 JAN 2007 [M16794.51A](#) as enclosures - there are no secrets. This manual is available on the WEB: <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg3/cg3pcx/publications/comdtinst/default.asp>

Surprising to say but our Initial candidates for Coxswain, Crew or PWC Operator are doing a far more professional job than many of our recertification candidates. You need to verify all equipment is working, current and is on the vessel before the QE comes on board. The QE will be checking. Even if you gave your crew a pre-brief and did the **GAR** before the QE came on board, do it again just as you should do every time a new crew member comes on board. Crew candidates, if your Coxswain does not do the above you should be familiar with what he/she needs to do and ask where the lines are, how does he/she want to do the towing evolution, does the Coxswain want direction to objects (boats, logs, or other items) called out in relative bearing or clock positions. All should not hesitate to ask each other questions, make sure all instructions are clear. **HAVE YOUR PRINTED ORDERS ON BOARD. This also assures that your orders are in POMS and you are under the safety umbrella of the Coast Guard.** It is so easy to become complacent and take for granted that your crew knows everything about how you want things done.

### **OPERATIONS POLICY TEST FOR INITIAL COXSWAINS:**

If you have taken the OPS POLICY EXAM and PASSED, but you do not have the letter or the exam result page, you can retrieve and print them at: <http://ntc.cgaux.org> <<http://ntc.cgaux.org>/ Click "Take a Test" and login with your member # and eDirectory password. Then you will see a tab that reads, "TEST HISTORY". This should list all your exams you took online starting 2007.

### **DIVISION 5 QE EVENT:**

My hat is off to Curtis Han, Division Five Commander. He did an outstanding job of vetting eighteen candidates for sign offs at Coast Guard Station Vallejo held the 26<sup>th</sup> of July. Curtis and I learned a valuable lesson. We started early, had very willing candidates as well as willing QEs. Our problem was not enough boats. Rather than have QEs standing around for hours they were sent home because we were waiting for boats to come in so we could go out again. Hopefully all of us can learn from this; have enough boats for the candidates.

### **AUXCOM NEW COURSE CORRECTION:**

The new AUXCOM course has errors. One correction that needs to get out to our members is slide #6 of chapter 3 has the second vessel responding with "out", we all should know that once one vessel responding with "out" there is no need for another response, another item in the new course is the use of Channel 13 for bridge communications. Channel 13 is for bridge to bridge



(ship to ship) and in our area we use Channel 9 for requesting bridge openings. Hopefully corrections to the course will be made soon. Commodore Mike Maddox has sent the request up the chain to have it corrected. Meanwhile, we should be sure our members know the proper methods for communications. Please refer the Radiotelephone Handbook "PROWORDS" below. The below list of "PROWORDS" is from the **RADIOTELEPHONE HANDBOOK COMDTINST M2300.7A** The link to this handbook is: [http://www.uscg.mil/directives/cim/2000-2999/CIM\\_2300\\_7A.pdf](http://www.uscg.mil/directives/cim/2000-2999/CIM_2300_7A.pdf) PROWORDS are words or phrases having assigned meaning. Do not substitute PROWORDS in the text of a message. Refer to Allied Communication Publication (ACP) 125 (series) for a complete list of PROWORDS.

**ALL AFTER:** Refers to everything following a specific word or number.

**ALL BEFORE:** Refers to everything before a specific word or number.

**BREAK:** Indicates the separation of the text from other portions of the message.

**CORRECT:** You are correct

**CORRECTION:** An error has been made. Transmission will continue with the last word sent correctly.

**DISREGARD THIS TRANSMISSION:** This transmission is in error, disregard it.

**FIGURES:** Numerals follow

**FROM:** The originator of this message.

**IMMEDIATE:** Precedence immediate

**INFO:** Addressees designated for information.

**I READ BACK:** The following is my response to your instructions to read back.

**I SAY AGAIN:** I am repeating transmission or portion indicated at your request.

**I SPELL:** I shall spell the next word phonetically MESSAGE A message that requires recording is about to follow.

**MORE TO FOLLOW:** Transmitting station has additional traffic for the receiving station

**NEGATIVE:** No.

**OUT: End of transmission no reply necessary.**

**OVER: End of transmission respond back**

**PRIORITY:** Precedence priority.

**READ BACK:** Repeat this entire message back to me exactly as received.

**RELAY TO:** Transmit this message to all addressees indicated.

**ROGER:** I have received your transmission satisfactorily. **Do not use "good copy"**

**ROUTINE:** Precedence routine.

**SAY AGAIN:** Repeat all your last transmission.

**SILENCE:** Cease transmissions immediately.

**SILENCE LIFTED:** Resume normal transmissions.

**SPEAK SLOWER:** Reduce speed of transmission.

**THIS IS:** This transmission is from the station whose designation immediately follows.

**TIME:** That which follows is the time or date-time-group of message.

**TO:** The addressees whose designations immediately follow are to take action on this message.

**WAIT:** I must pause for a few seconds.

**WAIT OUT:** I must pause longer than a few seconds.

**WILCO:** (Will Comply) I have received your message. I understand and I will comply. To only be used by the addressee;

**ROGER and WILCO should never be used together..**

**WORD AFTER:** Refers to one word directly after a specific word or number.

**WORD BEFORE:** Refers to one word directly before a specific word or number.

**WORDS TWICE:** Communications are difficult. Transmit each phrase (or code group) twice.

**WRONG:** Your last transmission was incorrect. The correct version is.

**PERSONNEL CHANGE IN DIRAUX OFFICE:**

YN2 Stacy Curtin has transferred to another unit, same building different office. Her smiling face will be missed, but she is replaced by another smiling face, YN3 Kara Ingerson, [Kara.l.ingerson@uscg.mil](mailto:Kara.l.ingerson@uscg.mil), YN2 Rachel Zamora has been deployed to the Gulf for thirty days. Please be understanding when calling DIRAUX because of above changes.

The current phone numbers in the office are:

Main Phone Number	510-437-3590	YN2 Rachel Zamora	510-437-3313
CWO2 Kilburger OTO	510-437-3315	YN3 Kara Ingerson	510-437-3308
Tina Perry	510-437-3317	Gail Ramsey	510-437-3500

Mission Hours as values	AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,02,03,22a,54a,55a)	GOVSUP - Government Agency Support (41,42,43)	MS - Marine Safety	SAR - Search And Rescue (23,24)	All Missions
11N R - Div 01	622.60	0.00	0.00	1.00	623.60
11N R - Div 03	2,046.70	51.80	0.00	43.30	2,141.80
11N R - Div 04	532.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	532.70
11N R - Div 05	1,980.30	0.00	0.00	53.20	2,033.50
11N R - Div 06	1,032.00	0.00	0.00	4.70	1,036.70
11N R - Div 07	386.60	0.00	0.00	36.00	422.60
11N R - Div 08	366.20	5.60	7.20	2.50	381.50
11N R - Div 10	266.70	0.00	0.00	36.00	302.70
11N R - Div 11	780.50	0.00	0.00	23.30	803.80
11N R - Div 12	398.30	0.00	0.00	3.30	401.60
11N R - Eleventh Northern	8,412.60	57.40	7.20	203.30	8,680.50

**Jerry McAlwee, DSO-PA**

**HIGHLIGHTS of District PA Activities in D11N from April – July**

1. NSBW Report for D11N
2. USCGC Waesche Commissioning
3. USCG VADM Breckenridge Retirement
4. Northern CA BSA Jamboree – 100 Year Celebration
5. Celebrate America Event at Shoreline Amphitheater

6. National Marina Day at Brisbane Marina w/ CAL Boating
7. Alviso Slough Launch Ramp Re-Opens after 27 years!
8. South Bay Yacht Club Supporting RBS in Alviso
9. Operation Paddle Smart
10. Society for Science and the Public ISEF Video
11. Innovation Outreach RBS Banners
12. San Jose Public Library Water-n-Kids Event
13. District 11N Heraldry Project
14. Coastie Scheduling Calendar
15. D11N PA Staff Updates
16. D11N PA Staff Planning for 2011

## **DETAILS**

1. **D11N NSBW Draft Circulated and National PA report submitted to Harriet Howard – Last Call for Inputs – Final 24 July.**
2. **USCGC Waesche Commissioning Support** – a dozen PA Auxiliary team members directly supported the 39 total members serving roles in transportation coordination, information, PA table, Academy Admissions & Recruiting, and media documentation.
3. **.PACAREA Change of Command & VADM Breckenridge Retirement** – friend and long standing involvement with D11N made this event special. Auxiliary members directly supported event as escorts for SPARs or at displays including an AUX Mobile, AUX OPFAC, and RBS/PA. DCO presented a Digital Photograph Frame to VADM Breckenridge at reception with compilation photos gathered by Auxiliary members. A similar event was held for the retirement of Capt. Cullen. He was also presented with a Digital Photograph by the Auxiliary Team.
4. **Northern CA BSA Jamboree – 100 Year Celebration** – three Auxiliary PAOs supported the multi-day events contributing over 40 total hours of focused mission support by hosting a heaving line “try-out” station, a PA booth, Coast Guard and Academy recruiting. The team also coordinated a fly-over from Air Station SF of an H65C. This including a communication demo to ground observers with an AUX Mobile talking to the helicopter via a VHF-FM radio.
5. **Celebrate America Event at Shoreline Amphitheater** – continuing support of the event in 2009, two PAOs set up a PA display including a Marine Species study pool, a PA booth, Life Jacket Display and hosted a Heaving Line “try-out” station. Over 500 throws were achieved, 120 bottles of water were distributed along with boatsmarter wrist bands. Two active duty recruiting contacts were forwarded.
6. **National Marina Day at Brisbane Marina w/ CAL Boating** – the DSO-CM and several PA and RBS team members supported a PA booth and Vessel Safety Check Station along with Marine Partner Cal Boating. A half dozen VSC’s were performed with an equal amount scheduled for later dates.
7. **Alviso Slough Launch Ramp Re-Opens after 27 years!** – Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and Cal Boating have worked hard for many years to re-establish the Alviso Marine Park. A ppt presentation is available on this new facility with summary content of safety requirements for Paddle Boaters.

8. **South Bay Yacht Club Supporting RBS in Alviso** – a meeting was held with the SBYC Commodore and Vice Commodore to brief them on the Alviso RBS mission that the Auxiliary will be supporting. They will be adding links to the Auxiliary and CAL Boating to their website and support a “South Bay Opening Day” event next year in Alviso Marine Park.
9. **Operation Paddle Smart** – PA continues to work to increase awareness of this pilot program and identified issues including lack of “IF-FOUND” decals. Several PA visits to the Alviso Marine Park have been performed to stuff the visitor board with information on Safe Boating and Paddle Boat safety recommendations. SCC provides a nice map of the park and waterways at these displays. Coordination with a National PA Paddle Smart project has focused on success of outreach program in Lake Tahoe.
10. **Society for Science and the Public ISEF Video** – this video is coming out and includes the D11N DSO-PA being interviewed on the Coast Guard and Auxiliary support of Science and Technology and general opportunities for all to contribute to supporting students in pursuit of math, science, and government/management careers. Permission has been requested to include this video excerpt on the D11N and National PA sites.
11. **Innovation Outreach RBS Banners** – displays were obtained from this RBS program and used at DTRAIN and several other following PA events. A Proposal was completed and submitted to the EXCOM to obtain these in a similar program for D11N. This could also possibly include a Sammy the Sea Otter costume. If any division or flotilla wishes to procure these displays individually, the DSO-PA can supply the copies of purchase orders and companies used by the GPO to obtain these.
12. **San Jose Public Library Water-n-Kids Event** – over a dozen kids and their parents participated in trying on life jackets and discussing water safety. The event also included Sea Partners materials as part of the marine safety and pollution prevention mission.
13. **District 11N Heraldry Project** – work continues with National Staff member Rob Green (also founder of Cutter Agent) of the new D11N patch. Input is being coordinated through Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT P/S.
14. **Coastie Scheduling Calendar** – the DSO-CM has been supporting a project to revise the Coastie scheduling and request process. YN3 Ingerson at DIRAUX or the DSO-PA can also accept requests. Scheduling is dependent on the best needs of RBS and PA mission if conflicts arise.
15. **D11N PA Staff Updates** – Curtis Han, DCDR5, has joined the PA team taking on the photo media role served by the late Harry McBain. Many members will participate in a service for our fallen shipmate on 24 JUN.
16. **D11N PA Staff Planning for 2011** - The D11N PA team will be reorganized for 2011 to better align the Auxiliary PA mission to support our RBS charter and the Team Coast Guard Modernization effort. New emphasis will update engagement with the media, community relations, marine partner liaison, support of other organization MOAs, and outreach marketing specialties. All District PAOs are expected to have earned the PA Specialist Ribbon. Contact the DSO-PA or visit [www.auxpa.org](http://www.auxpa.org) to get started.

## UPCOMING

1. AT&T Park Public Safety Fair & SF Giants Game – 27 JUL @ 3pm. Coastie, Life Jacket Display, and other RBS elements.
2. Coast Guard Day – 4 AUG @ CGI.
3. PCA New Member Course – Recommended essential for all members to represent Team Coast Guard. Cutter Tour if one is in port!
4. Fleet Week: October 8-12 – Plans forming now. Contact DSO-PA.
5. Dozens others as reported in Division Staff Reports!

## Phil Grove, DSO-PV

### Division Reports:

Division 06 has 55 visits to report  
Division 10 has 98 visits to report

NO OTHER REPORTS RECEIVED

### Local Statistics (visits):

	<u>PYTD</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>NET CHANGE</u>
DIV 01	323	614	+ 291
DIV 03	134	195	+ 61
DIV 04	55	27	- 28
DIV 05	805	741	- 64
DIV 06	202	386	+ 184
DIV 07	20	18	- 2
DIV 08	60	134	+ 74
DIV 10	552	645	+ 93
DIV 11	130	96	- 34
DIV 12	0	10	+ 10
Totals	2281	2866	+ 585

### PACAREA Statistics (visits):

D11N	D11S	D13 (OR&WA)	D14 (HI)	D17 (AK)
2866	1950	2522	231	135

(statistics shown from AUXINFO through June 2010)

There will be a Program Visitor training review & test at the PCA at CGI in August. The study material must be read prior to class, as the class is only half a day. Materials needed; RBSVP # M16796.3C and VSC # M16796.8

Updates & Information: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/pv.html>  
<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve.html>  
<http://public.d11nuscgaux.info/pe.html>

## Mike Lauro, DSO-VE

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following examiners who have performed 20 or more VSC's this past month during 2010\*:

Arthur A. Park	01-05	Jeff D. Scarberry	03-09
Paul S. Verveniotis	04-03	Joaquin P. Duran	04-09
William A. Yawn III	05-01	Steven M. Johnson	05-01
Joseph A. Cuputo	05-02	Curtis S. Han	05-02
Ronald A. Kram	05-05	Wilfred A. Sumner	05-05
Margaret R. Balch	05-07	Riley A. Turpin	07-02
Joyce W. Bell	07-08	Thomas P. O'Conner	08-06
Marion A. Rider	10-03	Robert P. Mero	10-05
Steven W. Dicken	10-06	Diana D. Kincade	11-01
Victor Beelik	11-04	James L. Snell	11-04
Dennis F. Hogan	11-04	Ricky A. Thomas	11-05
John R. Kane	12-21		

This brings our total to 52 examiners reaching this plateau!! JUNE 2010 has had the MOST examiners EVER reaching this level! This puts the District on a record pace! This is approximately 17% of the total District examiner base. 2009 had 38 examiners or 13% at this time. PLEASE be certain that all stats are reported MONTHLY using the CURRENT Form 7038 to your FSO-IS so you and your unit(s) will receive proper credit.

\*Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru June 28, 2010

### Welcome Aboard and Welcome Back!

Albert C. Rugo	01-07	Karen J. Mercado	03-03
Michael K. Fiamingo	04-01	Donald G. Wyman*	03-05
William R. Shepard	04-08	Charles C. Lafferty*	05-01
Lawrence M. Osborne	06-01	Edward W. Wright	08-11
Robert P. Mero	10-05		

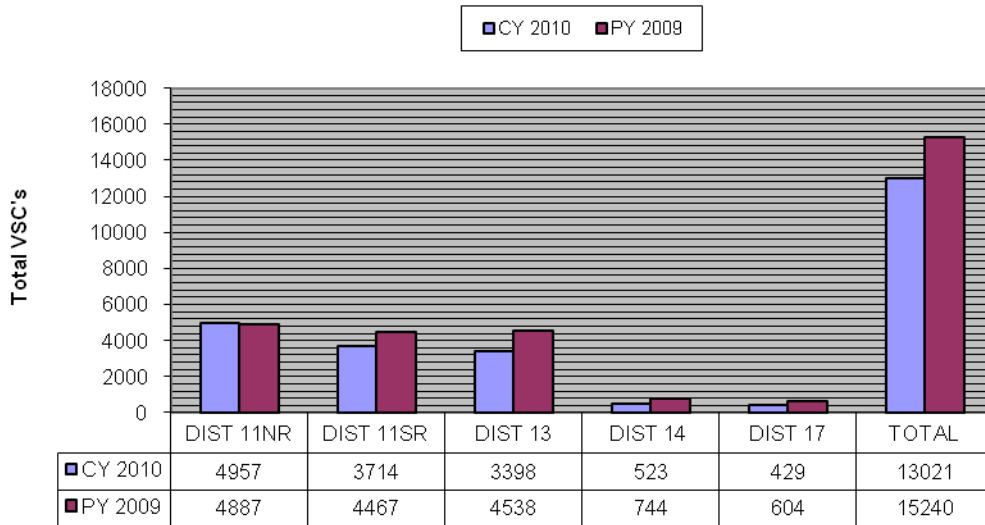
\*Re-certification

\*\*from the February 2010 PCA class!

With the addition of these 7 new and re-certified examiners for 2010, our examiner base total is now **304** active examiners! This represents about 20% of our total District membership. This information is supplied by the Director's office, as examiners are qualified.

### PAC AREA 2010 Statistics\*

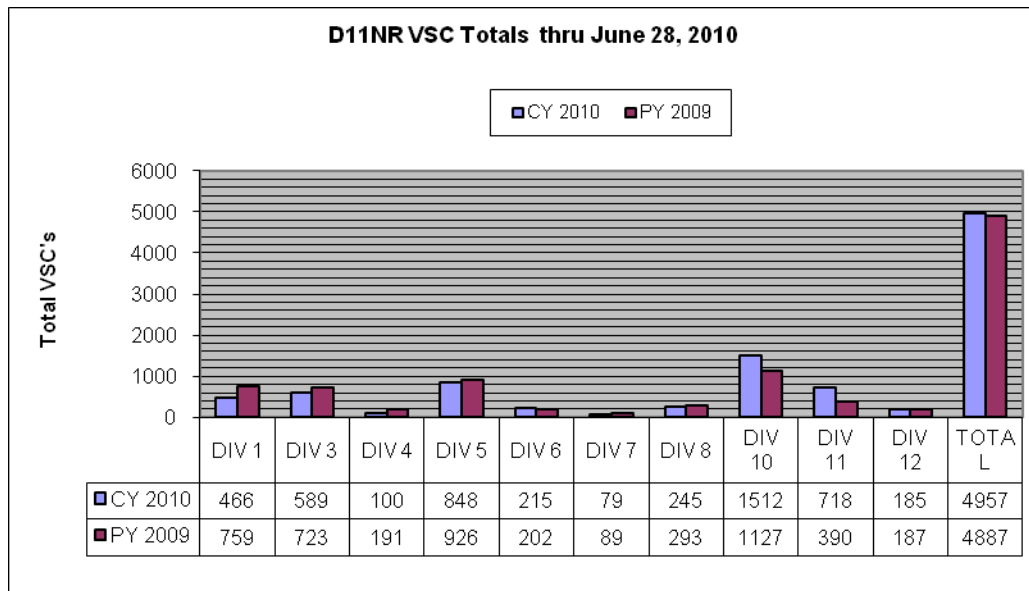
### PAC AREA VSC Totals thru June 28, 2010



\*Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru June 28, 2010

NOTICE that once again D11NR continues to lead the PAC AREA and is the ONLY District showing an improvement over 2009!

### D11NR 2010 Statistics



The goal for D11NR for 2010 is **10,000** VSC's. We are **50%** of our goal for the year and **101%** of 2009 production! The data source is AUXINFO. PLEASE be certain that all stats are reported MONTHLY using the CURRENT Form 7038 to your FSO-IS so you and your unit(s) will receive proper credit. Additional stats from AUXINFO\* indicates that **2592** or **52%** of our VSC's are First Time VSC's. In addition **3164** or **64%** are High Risk VSC's. Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru June 28, 2010

### **District News**

A special request from the Director's office; PLEASE have the qualifying members 7038 with the 5 VSC's entered into AUXDATA by the FSO/SO-IS PRIOR to submission of the MT-2 to the Director's office.

When performing a VSC with the new 7012A, please give the boater the form and record your information on a separate 7038. At some point, please email me at; [sumfun@juno.com](mailto:sumfun@juno.com) with the total number of VSC's you've performed with the new form. This information along with any comments or suggestions you may have will be forwarded to the national level.

Attention ALL California Vessel Examiners: CAL Boating has asked me to make you aware that many promotional and printed materials this year including the Calif. ABC's, whistles, coloring books, ski flags, etc. are in a very limited supply. Many orders may NOT be fully filled so that materials are distributed evenly. With this in mind, please keep this in mind when passing out materials at PA booths and during VSC's. Source: Melissa Langland Calif. Dept of Boating and Waterways

Effective January 1, 2010, anyone who qualifies for the RBS device will NOT have to wait until the end of the year to receive the device. Thanks to YN3 Stacy Curtin of the DIRAUX office, when you qualify for the device, it will be awarded on a timely basis-in approx 30 days. As the Coxswain device, Marine Safety device, and all other ribbons and medals, it will be forwarded to your Flotilla Commander for presentation.

In addition to updated information on flares, the District Vessel Examiner site: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> has undergone some minor changes and improvements to make it a bit more user friendly. Of the many changes, for ease of use, the "AUXINFO" link has been made larger and a brighter color.

### **ATTENTION NEW Vessel Examiners!!!**

Now that you've passed the Vessel Examiner Exam, we want to introduce you to the "I Want a VSC" system. The I Want a VSC system is a volunteer system located at <http://safetyseal.net> where web visitors can enter their ZIP Code and find a volunteer examiner near their boat. Take a few minutes and see how it works by entering your ZIP Code.

We want to encourage you to join the I Want a VSC system after you've completed the qualification process and become qualified as a Vessel Examiner. The sign-up is on the National V Departments Members side of the site at <http://safetyseal.net/index3.asp>. We should also point out that the sign-up for the National V Department mail list is on that page as well and as a member you will receive the V Departments newsletters as well as important information from time to time. Please help spread the word to other examiners in your area who may not know of this tool as well. Source: Paul Mayer, DVC-VC

### **Neil Nevesny, CRC**

Since my last report, I have received one request for review, the basis for which was age discrimination. Upon investigation, I determined that age was not a factor. The complainant was counseled and accepted this conclusion.