# US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY DISTRICT 11NR TELEPHONE BOARD MEETING MINUTES 18 AUGUST 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1900 PDT by DCO Mike Williams.

#### PRESENT:

DCO Mike Williams
Angelo Perata, COS
COMO Vic Connell, IPDCO/DNACO-R
Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS
Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES
Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP
CDR David Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX
Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1
Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3
Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6 Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 Richard Thomas, DCDR-8 Rod Rollins, DCDR-10 David Law, DCDR-11 Roger Haynes, DCDR-12 Judy Esteban, P-PCA Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

<u>District Elections</u> – DCO Williams announced that district elections will be held during the 11 September District Board and Staff meeting. The meeting will begin at 0930. Candidates are as follows:

For the office of District Commodore: Angelo Perata For the office of District Chief of Staff: Rod Collins For the office of District Captain (3):

Judy Esteban

Sue Fry

Mary Kirkwood

Dean LaChapelle

Mark McLaughlin

Mike Nolan

**Richard Thomas** 

**Paul Verveniotis** 

Nominations may be made from the floor on the day of elections.

<u>Webinar</u> – DCO Williams reported that EXCOM had a demonstration of this system during its last meeting. We will be considering using it for future board meetings and also allowing divisions to use it for their division board meetings and for training. This is a tool which we can use to help save funding and to assist divisions that are spread apart.

Dean LaChapelle described the system as follows:

- Webinar is a computer-based meeting system that will allow up to 100 people to log onto the meeting, with no limit to the number of meetings held.
- Participants can use power point and similar programs to pass information back and forth

- Jim Duncan is using a smaller system now for his NavAids class The system he is using is Go to Meeting
- Webinair includes Go to Meeting.

Hopefully this system will help us to save money and increase member training opportunities. Mike Marseille is developing a team to put the program together and schedule meetings. We are currently looking at funding. Cost of the program is \$1000/year.

November Elected Officer Leadership Academy – LaChapelle reported that the DSO-MT is putting the final touches on the program, which is scheduled for 20-21 November. The Academy was moved to November to give newly-elected officers some lead time to begin planning. Please encourage your flotillas to have their elections before the November meeting so their newly-elected FC's can attend. We are working on a stipend for newly-elected FC's. There will be further information on what that will be in September.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Budget</u> – CDR Chareonsuphiphat reported that we may get funded at the same level as last year, but inflation will make it less. We probably won't know what we will get until Decemer/January when Congress approves the budget. It looks like our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter will be the same as last year. There is some news that there will be some additional budget cuts. We were fortunate with our cuts, which was only one meeting.

DCO Williams reported that they have moved the EXCOM to Friday night, and the District Board and Staff meeting will now all begin 0930 so the board doesn't have to stay over Saturday night. Our COS is working on the 2011calendar and we hope to have it by November.

<u>Division Elections</u> – DCO Williams asked the divisions to give their DCAPT the dates of their elections. If your DCAPT can't attend, we need to have someone else attend in his place. Make sure all candidates are vetted prior to elections. The division nominations committee should present its slate of office 30 days in advance.

<u>COW Schedule</u> – DCO Williams reminded DCAPTs to please give their DCAPT information on the COW date and location, and what expected uniform is required for the silver and gold side.

# **REPORTS**

<u>Mary Kirkwood, DCDR 1</u> – The division was involved with the San Francisco fireworks display and a Cops 'n Kids event. They also will participate with the San Francisco General Hospital in a simulated disaster event on September 15. There will be a fall OPTREX on October 30.

<u>Bob Gwaltney, DCDR- 3</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). The division completed 245 VSCs in July. FL-33 hosted a BS&S class and graduated 13. The division was involved with the Poker Run on July 31, with 100 people attending. They will be participating in the PCA Fair, an Air Show and the OPTREX in October at Brannan Island.

<u>Paul Verveniotis</u>, <u>DCDR- 4</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). The division had a request from STN SF to assist at the recently reopened Alviso Marina. Members have had a presence there doing VSC's, etc. This will be an ongoing project.

<u>Curtis Han, DCDR-5</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). Three members attended the pre-deployment course. This was an excellent course, with 20-25 people, mostly active-duty. FL-52's ops team met with the Napa County Sheriff to establish a joint training task force. There will be an upcoming joint OPTREX on 28 September. The division conducted a Travis AFB boating safety event and classes. Division elections will be on October 7.

<u>Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). Four flotillas have new members, with 29 total new members in the division. Surface ops have put in 1664 patrol hours so far. For Coast Guard Week we partnered with Monterey Bay Navy League. We rented a park and had baseball games and lunch for 86 people. They have been contacted by the NOAA fishing and ecology group for boating safety classes.

<u>Larry Kelley, DCDR-7</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). FL-78 is setting up a Ham Radio Net for Division 7. 3 members of FL-78 were involved in night SAR event at Bear Lake in which they rescued two persons who had become separated from a distressed vessel.

<u>Richard Thomas, DCDR-8</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). Crescent City is putting a river boat up river. The Army Corps of Engineers has asking Mendocino to provide coverage on Lake Mendocino. The Lake County Fair is Labor Day week-end. As DSO-HR, Thomas reminded DCDR's that October 1 is the deadline for disenrollment.

Rod Rollins, DCDR-10 – Report on file (Attachment A). Members continue doing VSCs and surface operations. The dock walker program is going well also. There will be a division OPTREX in October.

David Law, DCDR-11 – Training is continuing at Lake Tahoe.

Roger Haynes, DCDR-12 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division was involved with Coast Guard Day activities, Haynes will provide a personally-guided tour of the YBI lighthouse after the 11 September board and staff meeting.

<u>Judy Esteban, P-PCA</u> – Report on file (Attachment A). We have lots of pictures of the poker run. The event was very successful. Thanks to all committee members, especially Roger Haynes, Angelo Perata, Charlie Duncan and Monica Eaton. The PCA Fair is this coming week-end. 120 signed up for Saturday, 100 for Sunday. Mary has done a fabulous job.

<u>Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS</u> – Collins attended the Division 4 meeting, the retirement of CAPT Cullen and the memorial service for Master Chief. The Auxiliary has been asked to provide help with crowd direction and control for boat tours during Fleet Week. We will be looking for assistance.

<u>Wayne Farnholtz</u>, <u>DCAPT-RES</u> – Response plans being worked on, and are appreciated. We have a number of people from our district who have been deployed to the gulf.

<u>COMO Vic Connell, IPDCO/DNACO-R</u> – NACON IS next week in Scottsdale AZ. Details are on THE NACON web site. National elections will be taking place. There will be lots of meetings and lots of training

sessions. The turnout will be between 400-500 people, 40 vendors and good active VIP's. The Commandant and RADM Castillo will also attend. The AUXMAN is ready and will be released after NACON. COMO Connell attended the Poker Run, the tribute to Ray Tsunioshi, the memorial service for the Master Chief, two change-of-commands and the spreading of ashes of Harry McBain.

<u>CDR Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX</u> – CDR Chareonsuphiphat is back from gulf, where his job was to work with the Unified Air Command, specifically working with VIP's and the media. The Auxiliary is also doing a good job there and can be proud of its work.

#### FINAL COMMENTS

Terms of office for all staff officers will end with the term of the elected officer. DCO Williams will inform all district staff officers that their term expires with his, and if they would like to continue, they should send a letter to the DCO(e). DCDR's may want to do the same.

Be sure to look through the new AUXMAN when it comes out. Distribution will be mostly electronic. They may try to get one hard copy for each unit, but this will occur later. The manual will show up first on the web. Later there will be CD's available, but very few hard copies.

There will also be new Standing Rules, which will include the new district and division elected officer titles.

While CWO Kilburger is serving on the gulf, DIRAUX will assist with OTO duties where he can. Other information can be gotten from the DSO-OP.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2050.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

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#### ATTACHMENT A

# **Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3**

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Division still active in VSC.
- 2. Public Education classes continue
- 3. Poker Run in Rio Vista July 31 success.
- 4. PCA Fair in Aug.

#### **DETAILS**

- 1. Division completed 245 more Vessel Safety Checks in July
- 2. FL-33 Graduated 7 in BS&S class, FL-39 Graduated 17 in ABS class, FL-35 BS&S class in progress.
- 3. Poker Run enjoyed by over 100. Everyone well fed on steak and chicken. Departing Director Cal-Boating honored by many.
- 4. Sign ups for PCA Fair out, some class schedule changes. CGI 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- 1. Station Rio Vista conducting PYRO training day. Open to entire Division. Will ignite expired flares. Interested persons contact SO-OP Steve Allen for time and date.
- 2. FL-39 Visited by four members from Gold side in meeting to discuss Scope of Authority covered by USCG when on Patrol and when CG assumes liability.

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

- 1. PCA Fair Aug. 21&22 CGI. Alameda
- 2. Chico Air Show 25&26 Sept.
- 3. OPTREX, 7,8,9,10 Oct. Whiskey Town
- 4. Salmon Festival 16 Oct Colman Fish Hatchery, Anderson.
- 5. OPTREX 15,16,17 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

All hands awareness of need to help out at new Alviso Marina, to reduce caseload on STA SF.

#### **DETAILS**

• Division 4 contacted by STA SF to assist in ways to reduce increased caseload due to recent reopening of Alviso Marina. This marina was closed for decades and the reopening has resulted

in marked increase of groundings cases in the shallow South Bay Alviso Slough. Multiple flotillas have jumped to respond with regular VSC days and overall presence at the marina.

Recommended relocation of tidal and safety information to be more visible to boaters. This is an ongoing project.

- Recruiting activities continuing two new members are attending various flotilla meetings and are being processed.
- Miscellaneous safety patrol activities on the central bay and south bay lakes, with multiple towing assists.
- Participation in PA event "Family Safety Day" outside of SF's AT&T Park
- Various PE activities, including one "Inky the Whale" in Sacramento at the Iselton Library
- Good month for support of activities at Anderson Lake over 50 VSCs and patrol activities across multiple weekends
- Land mobile activities covering five marinas.
- Division and FL 41 standing rules signed by Legal and submitted to COMO Williams.
- Final PATONs at north end of SFO completed all PATONs now complete for season.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- Rangers of Ed Levin County Park are also responsible for Alviso Marina Div 4 members have positively interacted with the staff as we provide presence as requested by STA SF.
- Ongoing positive relationship with rangers at South County lakes.

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

- BS&S class will start 16 SEP.
- Suddenly In Command Class to be taught at West Marine on 28 AUG.
- Division Election 22 SEP
- Division COW 07 NOV in Mountain View

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

- Lose no quals in 2010
- Continue upgrade efforts on websites
- Maintain current high energy level across flotillas

#### Curtis Han, DCDR-5

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- 3 members attended a pre-deployment course at Coast Guard Island.
- Public Affairs with Cal boating at Lake Berryessa on July 31, 2010
- Division 5 audits finally completed
- Safety patrol during Big Cat Poker Run on August 14, 2010
- Public Affairs and Recreational Boating Safety program continues at Travis Air Force Base
- Members of Flotilla 52 continue to participate in the Lake Berryessa RBS program, including surface operations.
- Total of 18 safety/training patrols last month in the Division 5 AOR
- 155 VSC, 4 UPV, 4 CFV and 117 PV in the month of July
- Flotilla 55 Marine Safety Officer provided training to 16 persons in July.
- Late passing of Flotilla 55 member, Stu Halbersma.

#### **DETAILS**

- Ray Van Cleave (IPDCDR), Herb Hoeser (SO-MS) and I attended a pre-deployment course at Coast Guard Island from August 10 thru 12. The course consisted of 8-hour HAZWOPER, Pollution Investigation & Federal On Scene Coordinator PQS and ICS-339 (Division/Group Supervisor) course. I will also be attending the upcoming ICS-300 31AUG to 02SEP.
- Members of Flotilla 52 attended an event at Lake Berryessa on July 31, 2010. The members
  assisted the three representatives of California Department of Boating and Waterways at their
  public affairs booth at Pleasure Cove Marina, passing out free life jackets to the boating public.
- With the assistance of the District Audit Committee, all Flotilla unit audits are complete, including the Division 5. Special thanks to COMO Gail Ramsey and Fran Fisher (DSO-FN) for driving up to the Division meeting to finish the last two Flotilla's audit.
- Auxiliary Facility, String O Pearls (FL57) provided safety for the Big Cat Poker Run on August 14, starting out at Pittsburg Marina. Immediately following, the facility provided the platform for the three new boat crew trainees of training opportunities.
- On July 30, members responded to the request from Travis AFB for safe boating information.
  The time was spent delivering practical boating safety information to the base personnel. They
  also inspected 25-30 PFDs of various types and sizes, with explanation of proper usage and
  proper fitting. The Travis AFB also requested that another safe boating class be offered to the
  recreational staff and interested base personnel.
- Since the establishment of Lake Berryessa Recreational Boating Safety Task Force in 2008, members of Flotilla 52 have provided ongoing vessel exams, program visits and safety patrols at the lake. This year, additional members and agencies joined the team. Flotilla 52 Lake Berryessa Task Force Team has been meeting and discussing with the Napa County Sheriffs Department in establishing a joint task force surface operation and training program that will benefit both agencies. On August 28, there will be a joint operation training exercise at the Lake Berryessa Headquarters.
- In the month of July, there were 18 reported surface operations/patrols throughout the Division 5 AOR, including Lake Sonoma and Lake Berryessa.
- Total of 155 vessel safety checks, 4 commercial fishing vessel exams, 4 uninspected passenger vessel exams and 117 reported program visits were logged in the month of July.
- James Fitzgerald, FSO-MS, FL55, provided boating safety training, pollution prevention training, American Waterway Watch, aquatic invasive species training and Dockwalker education to 16 persons in July. He also provided aquatic safety zone and served as a Coast Guard liaison to U.C. Davis research staff during deployment of Aquatic Nuisance Species Barrier at Lake Tahoe.
- It is my sad duty to inform that our fellow shipmate, Stu Halbersma (FL55) passed away last week during their vacation in Canada. The family is requesting a burial-at-sea ceremony. More details will be provided in the near future.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

- Members of Division 5, especially Flotilla 55 continue to work closely with the Sonoma County Sheriffs and the Army Corp of Engineers at Lake Sonoma.
- Members of Flotilla 52 continue to assist the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Napa County Sheriffs Department at Lake Berryessa, by providing safety patrols and RBS missions (VE, PV and PA).
- Members of Division 5 continue to participate in joint training with Coast Guard Stations Rio Vista, Vallejo, and Bodega Bay.

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

- There will be a Naval Sea Cadet OPTREX at Rio Vista on August 21-22, 2010. Members of Division 5 will be participating in this event, coordinating efforts with the Station Rio Vista and Concord Naval Sea Cadet squadron members. For more information, please contact Bill Kinsey at wmkinsey@comcast.net
- Flotilla 52 will be participating in a joint operation training exercise with the Napa County
  Sheriffs Department and the California Highway Patrol on August 28 at Lake Berryessa
  Headquarters. The California Highway Patrol will be providing the helicopter and personnel for
  helo-ops training. After a brief ground briefing, surface facilities of the Sheriffs Department and
  the Coast Guard Auxiliary (FL52) will participate in the underway training with the CHP
  helicopter, performing basket drops and lifts.
- Division 5 Annual Tie-out will be held at Brannan Island State Park from Friday, September 24 through Sunday, September 26. More information will be provided in the near future.

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

- Continue to enhance member training by providing additional operation exercises, coordinate
   Division-wide specialty course training sessions.
- Encourage each Flotilla to implement mentoring system to the new members and member training sessions every Flotilla meeting.
- Increase Coast Guard support mission hours, providing additional operation and administrative support to local stations.
- Division 5 will conform to RDML Joseph Castillo's motto, "BE SAFE, GET THE JOB DONE and HAVE FUN!"

# Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Division 6 celebrated Coast Guard Week 2010 along with USCG Station Monterey, USCG Cutter Hawksbill and the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Navy League
- Division 6 has enrolled 29 new members since January 1 this year. Flotilla 6-1 6 new members, Flotilla 6-4 nine new members, Flotilla 6-7 six new members and Flotilla 6-10 eight new members.
- Division 6 has currently logged 1664 surface patrol hours this year.
- Flotilla 6-4 in participating in the PUAFC (People United for the American Commercial Fisheries)
   exhibit being held in the old City of Monterey Train Depot. Historical exhibits of Monterey Bay's
   commercial fishing industry are being presented and Flotilla 6-4 has a boating safety display.

#### **DETAILS**:

• Division 6 with Flotillas 6-4, 6-7 and 6-10 contributing manpower along with the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Navy League, which contributed manpower, plus financing rented a site in the City of Monterey's El Estero Park on Friday August 6<sup>th</sup> for a Coast Guard Birthday celebration. A baseball field was reserved and an umpire officiated softball game between Station Monterey and the Cutter Hawksbill was the highlight of the day. Lunch was provided for the station and cutter's crews plus their families. Eighty-six lunches were served along with a Coast Guard decorated birthday cake. All attendees had a great time and plans are being made for next year.

- Flotilla 6-4 is currently conducting the instructor training series as a MT course. There are currently 6 flotilla members enrolled in the class.
- Flotilla 6-10 will offer the PE BS&S course beginning September 1
- Flotilla 6-7 will offer the MT Coastal Navigator class beginning September 1.
- On July 27<sup>th</sup> Flotilla 6-10 took *Coastie* to ATT Park for the Family Safety Festival. Wally and Jane Smith were the *Coastie* operators

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS:**

- Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 gave the BS&S class to the NOAA Fisheries Ecology Division, which was held at the Long Marine Lab in Santa Cruz. Twelve of the NOAA staff members passed the course.
- The USS Mobile Bay a guided missile cruiser visited Monterey Bay on July 17 and 18. Due to a mechanical issue with the Navy's perimeter patrol craft Station Monterey had to assume that responsibility. Division 6 was requested to assume the weekend patrols in the Santa Cruz area during this period do to a shortage of Coast Guard platforms and crews. Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10 carried out this task with Saturday and Sunday patrols. Division Commander McLaughlin and District Captain Collins attended the reception dinner held for the crew of the Mobile Bay which was held in Monterey.
- USCG Station Monterey is currently doing COMMS training for Auxiliarists interested in becoming watch standers at the station.

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

Plans are being finalized for the Division Change of Watch which will be held at the Aptos Seascape Resort. A golf package will be included for a morning round prior to the event.

#### **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**

Radio Net
Record Keeping
Fire Damage to "Boat Utah"
Two PWC's added to MOU list
Division 7 elections

### **DETAILS**

1. Radio Net: Several members under instruction from Morris Farmer from Flotilla 78 have completed the study course for the ham radio operator's license. Morris is in process of setting up a radio net that will cover the state of Utah from north to south, which will include Bear Lake on the north to Lake Powell on the south. At present the transmission will be on frequency 147.120 MHz, and the net will begin on Wednesday nights at 2000 hours.

- 2. <u>Record Keeping:</u> The record keeping requirements pertaining to Operations that were outlined at the District Board meeting were reviewed and discussed at the Division Board meeting. Implementing them will require further follow-up of the Division's coxswains.
- 3. <u>Fire Damage:</u> "Boat Utah", a 19-ft Boston Whaler on loan to the Auxiliary from the state, was slightly damaged in a brush fire that impacted the area where the boat was stored on its trailer. The damage is mostly cosmetic; however, the boat has been relegated to service when water conditions are benign enough that the underlying fiberglass is not exposed to immersion. Repair will begin in the Fall when the State maintenance staff can undertake it.

# **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

1. <u>Utah State Parks:</u> Completing the modifications to a third Boston Whaler that has been offered to the Auxiliary by the State that are needed to bring the boat into conformance with Auxiliary facility requirements has been put on hold because of budget constraints. Two PWC's that the State owns are being added to the MOU that authorizes the Auxiliary to use them for Operations. Their modification to facility requirements has also been put on hold for the same reason. It's anticipated that both the Boston Whaler and the PWC's will be available for the 2011 boating season.

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

- 1. <u>Division 7 Elections:</u> Division 7 elections will be held on Friday, 17 September. The venue will be the Department of Natural Resources building in Salt Lake City. The time will be 1900 hours. All members of District 11N are invited to attend.
- 2. <u>Division 7 OPTREX:</u> Several crew candidates will undergo their final examination on Saturday, 18 September, on Jordanelle Reservoir. This is expected to be the last on-water event before the boating season closes for the winter.

# **Richard Thomas, DCDR-8**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Crescent City** – New RBS boat issues, new requalification requirements, Jet Boat tours **Eureka** – Group Coast Guard Support

Mendocino – Coast Guard Interaction, Continued Lake Mendocino Support

Lake County – Coast Guard Day, BBQ donation, Helo-ops support, ATON mission

**Division** – Tie-Out planning, 4<sup>th</sup> annual BBQ & Pool Party, Contact with local Government agencies, and preparation outline for shoreline preparedness, Board and Staff telephone meeting, completion of review and changes made to standing rules of Division 8

# **DETAILS:**

Crescent City – Flotilla Commander – Becky Barlow reports that the new Coast Guard RBS boat has been hindered with problems and therefore is not readily available until Coast Guard repairs are completed. Since this boat is a different model than the previous RBS utilized by the Crescent City Auxiliary, the entire crew had to go through re-qualifications. Also there has been a change of policy by the Coast Guard that requires that the new RBS have one coxswain and 2 qualified crew members where as originally it was a coxswain and 1 qualified crew member with a trainee. Thus far, Becky states that 3 coxswains and 3 crew members have been re-qualified. The flotilla also reports having 4 new members in process. The flotilla had their flotilla meeting on Sunday rather than Wednesday, which was held in conjunction with a picnic and several Coast Guard personnel and families attended. FC Barlow also has organized a Jet Boat Tour up the Klamath River on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Eureka** – Flotilla Commander Thom O'Connor that the flotilla still has one member giving several support hours as a watch-stander and also a husband and wife team that provides several hours a week of data processing support. Thom also states that they are working on solutions to repair Coastie. The flotilla do VE's after their monthly meeting and have set up the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month as typically their boating safety class.

**Mendocino** – Flotilla Commander Harold Hauck reports that the flotilla has been very busy doing July and August particularly with assisting with the Noyo River Coast Guard personnel on a weekly basis as the Auxiliary plays dead in the water boat, DUI suspects, and other related training exercises. The flotilla continues tending the Point Cabrillo Light house on a weekly basis as well as monthly cleaning of the light lens. The flotilla has spent a significant commitment of hours to travel from Fort Bragg to Lake Mendocino on a monthly basis to provide both vessel examinations and lake patrols. The flotilla provided assistance to Noyo River Coast Guard station for Coast Guard Day open house. The flotilla plans to march in the Labor Day Paul Bunyan Parade.

Lake County – Flotilla meeting covered a variety of up-coming events, ie. Thanksgiving luncheon at Noyo River Coast Guard Station. The flotilla will be preparing for full 4 day participation of the Lake County Fair with an Auxiliary booth. Flotilla Commander Dane Hayward states that the flotilla will have several hours at this event and plans are made to emphasize recruitment of new members. Several Members of the flotilla traveled to Noyo River Coast Guard Station to participate in Coast Guard Day. Flotilla member and FSO-FN – Dan Fish donated a BBQ Grill to the station as their current one was in significantly poor condition. FC Hayward also states that the flotilla is in the process of preparing for nominations for elected officers. Schedule for August 17<sup>th</sup> is helicopter training on Clear Lake with local Auxiliarists and Helo's from Group Humboldt Bay. The flotilla has a night ATON check planned for the second week of August.

**DIVISION EIGHT** – Division 8 held a board and staff meeting via telephone conferences. Discussion and plans are in process for the October 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> – OPTREX – Clearlake., I have completed approximately 30 letters and information being sent to all government agencies within Division eight – regarding the auxiliary and America Water Way Watch program. I am beginning an outline to create a shoreline response team around Clearlake as well as other water-ways within the Division – more on this at later date. Thanks to DA BUTTS, we have completed an update of Division Standing Rules and will be submitting to District shortly for final approval.

# **UP-COMING EVENTS**

#### Flotilla 88

September 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> – Auxiliary booth – Lake County Fair September 11<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla Meeting- Lakeport Yacht Club September 12<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> annual Pool and BBQ fellowship at Rich Thomas' home.

# Flotilla 8-11

Flotilla meeting – date and location unknown – picnic to follow September 19<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla providing Jet Boat Cruise up Klamath River.

#### Flotilla 86

Flotilla meeting – August meeting cancelled as several members will be going to PCA Fair – and is scheduled for same meeting date as meeting.

#### Flotilla 87

September 11<sup>th</sup> – Flotilla meeting..

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS:**

Crescent City Flotilla meeting with picnic to follow with Gold side participation

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

Mendocino continues supporting the Army Corp of Engineers

Lake County inspects ATON's in Clear Lake for County of Lake

#### **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**

- Division Meeting to telephonic monthly and physical quarterly on a Saturday.
- "Dockwalkers" Training in Fresno

#### **DETAILS**

 Dockwalkers Training was held in Clovis last Saturday. 4 members from 10-06 and 6 members from 10-05 attended in addition to two members from Sierra Marina.

VSC and PV continue at a rapid rate.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

• Patrol at Lake Millerton last weekend.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS**

None at this time.

#### Roger Haynes, DCDR-12

#### **HIGHLIGHTS/DETAILS**

- PE classes: Auxiliarists will conduct Paddler's course for gold side at CGI before kayaks and canoes may be checked out from the morale desk.
- Operations: Crew class to start in August for the two dozen members wishing training.

#### **AGENCY INTERACTIONS**

Held our third & final for 2010 monthly youth oriented presentation of the summer at Brannan Island State Park as part of the ranger campfire program. These are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month during the summer. The Delta Natural History Assoc, the sponsoring non-profit, graced 12-91 with a check for \$150 as a thank you for contributions to this program.

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

August 18 training OPS patrol with Sta Rio Vista

August 21-22 PCA Start of Paddler's course for CGI Morale desk, date TBD. Start of Division crew training course

#### **DIVISION GOALS**

Assist rebuilding of flotillas.

Provide training opportunities for members of the Division.

# Judy Esteban, P-PCA

PCA Fair - August 21 – 22, 2010

Approximately 120 members are sign up on Saturday and 100 on Sunday Ten Instructors for the Fair.

Poker Run July 31 - Brannan Island State Park

Was a great success 78 people attended the Poker Run

115 people for the BBQ

12 people at the BBQ for Thank You to Ray

#### A special thanks to the PCA Committee:

Chair, Roger Haynes AUXCHEF: Roger & Linda Haynes

Reservations and Finance: Linda Haynes Sonia Foster
Marilyn McBain Sonia Foster Jim Duncan

Check-in table:Monica EatonJudging Committee:Laurie KerrJudy EstebanMarilyn McBainSonia FosterMEDICAL:Linda Haynes,

Marilyn McBainGwen HammerTony & Lura DymondRoger HaynesChef Staff:Transportation pickup:Rules Distribution:Angelo PerataAUXAIR at Rio Vista airport:

Roger HaynesCharlie DuncanLaurie KerrOSCAR :Linda HaynesDocking at Outrigger:Jim VanFleetMonica EatonRoger Haynes

AUXAIR: Judy Esteban Tables & Canopy:

Gordon Evans Becky Witt Tony & Lura Dymond

Mike O'Leary Betty Perata Jim Duncan
COMS/Land Mobile: Terry Linn Wayne Farnholtz

Steve Salmon Many others Tom Witt

Jim Duncan Awards Creation: Earl Ansley

Poker Card pickup for Charlie Duncan Roger Haynes

AUXAIR: Punch with cute little Late night cleanup crew:

Clarence Johnsonumbrellas:Roger HaynesTransportation to boothLinda HaynesLinda Haynessetup:Create & distributeMonica EatonRick & Georgie on Tritonenvelopes:Dennis Eaton

# Angelo Perata, COS

Had the opportunity to attend CAPT Paul Gugg's Change of Command and Retirement ceremony on August 11 2010 at YBI. The Auxiliary had many members in attendance. It was nice to see them there. District Commander of the Eleventh District RADM Joseph Castillo was the guest speaker. CAPT Gugg reported to sector San Francisco in January 2008. He is retiring from the Coast Guard in August 2010. CAPT Gugg was a great supporter of the Auxiliary and will be missed.

CAPT Cynthia Stowe will be the new Sector Commander. CAPT Stowe served as the Deputy Sector Commander in Miami, Florida before coming to San Francisco. We welcome CAPT Stowe and look forward to working with her. Later in the day I met with CAPT Stowe, along with COMO Vic Connell, DNACO-R. We had a nice visit with the Captain and she said she was looking forward to working with the Auxiliary.

#### July 31 2010 - POKER RUN in the Delta.

What a great day, thanks to Roger Haynes and his crew. The weather was perfect, so was the company, we all had a nice time. We had close to 115 people attend. This was fellowship at its best. Fred Messmann Deputy Director, National Safe Boating Council was the guest speaker. Many coworkers that worked with Ray Tsuneyoshi were in attendance, as we said goodbye to him. He was the California Boating Administrator. Ray has been a major friend to the Auxiliary, getting us shirts for children, books, whistles, anything on safe boating. Boating Safety played big in Ray's vision. Life jacket wear was one of his top Priorities. The logo "WEAR IT, California," has been a great success. Thank you, Ray.

Roger Haynes and his committee spend many hours putting this together, and it showed. My partner Charlie Duncan, who brings his trailer loaded with goodies from garlic salt to coolers, etc. His smile and quick wit make cooking fun. Thank you, Charlie and your crew. It was FUN, FUN, for all. Those who missed it, hopefully we'll see you next year.