

US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY  
DISTRICT 11NR ELECTRONIC BOARD MEETING  
19 October 2011

The meeting was called to order at 1900 PDT by DCO Angelo Perata.

PRESENT

DCO Angelo Perata	Curtis Han, DCDR-5
Rod Collins, DCOS	Wally Smith, DCDR-6
COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO	Lou Carroll, DCDR-7
Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS	Denis Eaton, DCDR-10
Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP	Leon Borden, DCDR-11
CDR Curtis Sumrok, DIRAUX	Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12
Simone Adair, DCDR-1	Judy Esteban, P-PCA
Ed Kief, DCDR-3	CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO
Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4	Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

DCO REPORT

DCO Perata reported on the following items:

- Auxiliary Memorial Ribbon Cutting – An accurate account of attendees is needed for the service and reception/luncheon. DCDR's are asked to remind their members to make reservations if they plan to attend. An invitation has been sent to all members by Rich Thomas. Reservations are made by responding to that email.
- The 19 November district board meeting will begin at 0900 so we can adjourn at 1115 for the memorial ribbon-cutting.
- The **Northwind** issue has just been completed and is available on line.
- We have a new DSO-PA – Perry Joiner. He will be the contact person to screen all photographs for publication.
- District attendance is currently at 1553 active members. When current AP members are added, we have almost 1600 members. DCDR's make sure your members have been contacted.
- As of 3 October, we have exceeded 10,000 VSC's.
- Day on the Bay aboard the **Aspen** was a huge success. This was made possible through the work of CAPT Maguire. If your division's COW is honored with his attendance, please give him your appreciation for making this possible.

DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS

Rod Collins, DCOS called for district board reports as follows:

Simone Adair, DCDR 1 – Report on file (Attachment A). Division elections were held, and the current DCDR and VCDR were re-elected for a second term. We are still waiting for flotilla election results. The division is very happy with Fleet Week in their AOR. Richard Saver handled shore-side and Linda Vetter handled on-the-water. Thanks to everyone who was involved. Over 100 Auxiliary members participated. The division gave a presentation at the Marin Sailing School for the Blind

which was well received. The division COW will be at CG Island, Pt Welcome Room, on 8 January. It will be a luncheon.

Ed Kief, DCDR-3 – Report on file (Attachment A). FL 3-10 hosted an OPTREX at Brannan Island which was a success. They are already making plans for next year. The division seems to be holding its own with membership. The division COW is 10 December at 1200 at the Dante Club in Sacramento.

Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4 – Report on file (Attachment A). We had successful OPTREX at Redwood City, with Divisions 1, 6, 4 and 12. We are continuing our VSC efforts. We have exceeded last year by 12%, with over 500 VSC's. FL-49 won the PCA attendance prize this year. Division members participated in Fleet Week. A boating safety seminar for the South Bay Fishermen's Association will be held on 9 November. The division COW is 6 November at 1800, at Michael's Restaurant.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division COW is 10 December, 1200 at Zio Fridos at Vallejo CA.

Wally Smith, DCDR-6 – Report on file (Attachment A). Plans for D-Train 2012 are Monterey progressing well. District members are invited to participate on committees. The division has 633 IT hours so far. They are planning an AUXPAT class and a New Member Academy soon. Division VSC's are at 1800 so far this year. The division COW is 13 November, 1300 in Morro Bay.

Lou Carroll, DCDR-7 – Report on file (Attachment A). Flotilla elections have been completed and several elected officers are newer members. During the summer, we were very successful on the water this year. We are still working on the public education partnership program with Utah State Parks. Carroll has met with Dave Harris, and division members are working with the state's expectations, even though we haven't yet heard from the Auxiliary. We are hoping this program will involve individuals who are not involved in operations. The division COW is 14 January at the Radisson Hotel, SLC. It will be an evening dinner.

Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8 – Excused. Report on file (Attachment A). Thomas reported that Bruce Rogerson was re-elected as DCDR and Harold Hauk was elected as VCDR. The division COW is 10 December at Benbow Inn.

Denis Eaton, DCDR-10 – Division election results are: Bill Correll, DCDR and Phil Grove, VCDR. The division COW is 10 December at 1130 at Danin Hospital in Stockton. The October OPTREX canceled, but next year will be a busy year for qualification and requalifications.

Eaton will need 4 projectors for the next district meeting. If you can bring one, please email Eaton and let him know. He will need 1 for Saturday morning and 3 additional for the elected officer training on Saturday and Sunday.

Leon Borden, DCDR-11 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division COW is 5 November. It will be a luncheon at Carson City. Thanks to the AUXAir people for their support during the stand-up paddle board event on Lake Tahoe.

Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12 – Report on file (Attachment A). Division Awards – thank you for getting awards in. Cut-off date for Divisions 11 and 4 is 24 October. Other divisions, please give them at least 30 days to get them processed. Looking ahead for next year. the **Stratton** commissioning is still on for 24 March. The Navy League commissioning committee has had a meeting and they are looking forward to having the Auxiliary participate. Simone Adair will be working that. There will be a lot of activities and opportunities for people to be involved. There will only be 3400 seats

available. The sponsor is Michelle Obama, and the President might be there as well. The Dockwalker program training is going to begin again. The division's COW is 4 December at 1200 at Pier 29.

Judy Esteban, PCA – Report on file (Attachment A). The final phase of memorial construction is carrying on. Roger needs some assistance to complete the final items. He needs a forklift to help move the A-frame. We will also need a cleanup crew. Nick Tarlson is chairman of ribbon-cutting on 19 November. We need RSVP's in by 31 October for the BBQ lunch following the ribbon-cutting. The memorial service will begin at 1130, with a BBQ luncheon afterward at Gresham Hall. Uniform of the day will be Tropical Blue, Long or appropriate civilian attire. There will be PCA elections on 19 November and approval of Standing Rules.

DCO Perata called for EXCOM reports as follows:

Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS – Kirkwood was involved in Fleet Week. Divisions 4, 6 and 12 have held their elections. Kirkwood is still working on the VA Hospital affairs program. If you want to be involved, and have trouble making contact, let Kirkwood know. Division 12 held an "Introduction to PA" class that was a great class. Kirkwood would like to offer it at the PCA Fair. Kirkwood attended the Division 4 OPTREX. There is to be some planting around the memorial which can't be done until the week-end before the ribbon-cutting. We will need some help there.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES – Excused. Report on file (Attachment A).

Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP – Report on file (Attachment A). The AuxChef program did great things on the **Aspen** and during Fleet Week. They have also been asked for assistance during a Coast Guard VIP party on 3 November. During the new elected leadership training, AuxChef will be cooking aboard **Morgenthau** for members. Thomas has sent out a second reminder about memorial ribbon-cutting reservations. We need to know attendance.

COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO – Boating season is coming to an end for inland waters. Don't forget we need to have photo of facilities, including radios, in POMS.

Rod Collins, DCOS – Collins is the primary contact person for Webinar. If you have something anyone wants to do with Webinar, let him know.

CDR Curtis Sumrok, DIRAUX – CDR Sumrok indicated that he continues to be impressed with what Auxiliarists are doing. Thank you for all of your support and volunteer work. Keep up the good work.

CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO – CWO Kilburger has been attending all of the OPTREX's. He is also working on budgets and getting ready for the COW season with awards. Award applications should not be a scanned-in document. Send the application first to Nick Tarlson. Use form CG 1650, which is ANSC form 7002.

OLD BUSINESS

"Day on the Bay" with Aspen – Already covered. DCO Perata expressed thanks to Rich Thomas for handling the reservations.

Everbridge – Bob Hendry, ASC will be present at DCDR meeting on 19 November to go over the Everbridge program with the DCDR's and answer any questions.

Fleet Week – There were 23 facilities on scene. Sunday's foggy weather canceled the Blue Angels air show. There were 13 ships coming in. Over 100 Auxiliarists assisted on land, as well as the 83 Auxiliarists on boats.

America's Cup – COMO Vic Connell. COMO Connell reported that things starting to gear up. The 2<sup>nd</sup> week of November there will be practice racing in San Diego harbor. COMO Connell will go down for that opening week-end. Sector SF has been reaching out more aggressively to the recreational boating community. There was a meeting on Coast Guard Island last Wednesday, and a meeting in Sacramento also. These meetings were to give the recreational boating community an opportunity to express ideas and concerns on America's Cup. We are still waiting for guidance from Sector as to what our participation will be. That is still to be determined.

OPTREX's – DCO Perata commended the joint OPTREX held with Divisions 1, 4, 6 and 12. He would encourage other divisions to do the same thing.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Memorial Agenda – Already covered

Cutter **Stratton** – We will be needing help for that event also. The Navy League is offering special seating for a donation. If Auxiliarists would like to donate, the Navy League's web site has information. There are three Auxiliarists on the committee, who have created a ppt program which would be available for presentations for any flotillas who might be interested. Tarlson will do a brief intro in November, with a full presentation in January.

D-Train 2012 – The dates are 16-18 March at Monterey CA. The hotel is now taking reservations.

Calendar for 2012 Division COW's – Divisions were requested to try to avoid same-day COW scheduling, if possible. A good time to do that is when the DCDR's meet before the district board meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2215.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at the Point Welcome Room, Coast Guard Island at 0900 on Saturday, 19 November 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

## ATTACHMENT A

### DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS

19 October 2011

#### **Simone Adair, DCDR-1**

##### HIGHLIGHTS

- Division 1 elections held.
- Division 1 members attend Fleet Week.
- Flotilla 14 hosts Marin Sailing School for the Blind presentation.
- Auxiliary Facility *Sunrise* continues to train with Coast Guard Station San Francisco.

##### DETAILS

- Simone Adair and Richard Celia were re-elected to Division Commander and Vice Division Commander.
- After many months of planning, Fleet Week shore side activities were a resounding success. Auxiliarists Richard Saber, David Talton and Richard Celia attended numerous Fleet Week planning meetings in San Francisco. Over 100 members stepped up for shore side duties.
- The Marin Sailing School for the Blind gave a presentation how blind sailors learn to sail and use the wind on their faces as a guide. The talk was given by the director of the school and is highly recommended for other Flotillas.
- *Sunrise* crewmembers spent the day training with the new Station San Francisco 45-ft RB-M, Response Boat Medium, simulating a boat in distress. Please see pictures at the end.

##### AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- Division members continue to volunteer and train with Air Station San Francisco, Stations Golden Gate and San Francisco, Sector San Francisco Prevention and Pacific Area Strike Team.

##### UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Division 1 members are planning their annual participation at the San Francisco VA Hospital.
- All Flotilla COW's are being planned.

##### DIVISION 1 GOALS

- The successful planning, implementation and review of the following areas:
- Auxiliarist Leadership: Staff Officer Development, Sexual Harassment Prevention, Diversity Training, Member Training, Recognition, Fellowship
- Team Coast Guard Leadership: Fleet Week, AUXOP Classes, Disaster Preparedness
- Community Leadership: Instructor & Classroom Pooling, Speaker's Bureau, Public Education, National Safe Boating Week, Vessel Exam Days, Safety Days, Partnerships

#### **Ed Kief, DCDR-3**

##### HIGHLIGHTS

- Division Elections
- Everbridge
- Flotilla Elections
- 2011 COW
- Fleet Week

## DETAILS

- The Division election was held 13 October under the watchful eye of Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT. Results: Ed Kief, DCDR, Lonny Singer. VCDR.
- The free ODU's were distributed to the FC's at the D-3 meeting.
- Flotilla Commanders of F-31, F-39 and F-3-10 have been instructed to run a test for their Flotillas.
- All the Flotillas of D-3 will hold their elections in October.
- The COW will be 10 December, 1200 hours, at the Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd., Sacramento, UOD troops. Everyone is invited.
- D-3 had several members assisting at Fleet Week on shore and on the water.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov.19 Board meeting & memorial dedication
- Elected Officer Training
- DEC. 10, COW
- Dec. 24 Rio Vista Holiday dinner for the active duty personnel.

### Flotilla 31 – Air Squadron

- Flying support for the Gold side.

### Flotilla 33 – Gold Country

- Facility *Argonath* on the water three days at Fleet Week with four 33 members crewing.
- Five members on shore support for certain, perhaps a few more.
- Finished the last BS&S class for the year.

### Flotilla 35 – Sacramento

- The DART exercise at Lake Natoma on 17 Sept. was a great success an F-35 is making good headway in working with local agencies.
- Had one facility on the water during Fleet Week.
- Offering a Weather Class.
- Finishing up on a BS&S class

### Flotilla 39 – Thirtey-niners

- 8 Marine Dealer Visitations for Sept.
- 67 VSC's for Sept.
- In Sept. the flotilla covered the Whiskeytown Park Moonlight Kayak Special Kayak program.
- 3 facilities on patrol on Labor Day.
- Shasta Palooza sponsored by Michael Han, owner of Jones Valley Resort. On Shasta Lake was attended by several 35 members doing VE's and manning a PA booth.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 15 Oct. Salmon Festival
- 12 Nov. Vet's Parade
- 11 Dec. COW

### Flotilla 3-10 – Elk Grove

- 3-10 Elections = Nominations & election completed. FC Paul Carpitcher, VFC Frank Cavazos
- 3-10 COW = December 15 at Vince's Restorante
- Two new member packages
- Three disenrollments

## AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- United States Coast Guard
- Dept. of Boating and Waterways
- Assist. California Park Rangers in D-3 AOR
- Asst. Law Enforcement within the boundary's of the Auxiliary
- CA – EMA (California - Emergency Management Agency)

## Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Division 4 OPTREX held on September 24<sup>th</sup>, at Redwood City Marina, with the participation from Divisions 1, 6 and 12 was a resounding success. CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO also participated as QE, and Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT assisted as well. All coxswain and crew candidates made it. A savory lunch followed the on the water exercises.
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Usher from flotilla 41, received awards for completing 30 + years of service.
- VE Events held at Alviso Marina, Calero, and Anderson lakes. Overall, number of VSCs have increased this year by about 12%, relative to 2010.
- Derek Chan has updated the Division website, incorporating the PE class schedule from various flotillas.
- Completed BS&S class by flotilla 48 and a "Suddenly in Command" class at West Marine – Saratoga, by flotilla 49.
- Conducted Everbridge trial run between DCDR, FCs.
- 2 new members in process for flotilla 49, Mathew Tilden and Art DeSouza. Our membership has grown this year by 13%.
- Division elections : 2 candidates for DCDR, Stephen Chan and Brian O'Mara; one candidate for VCDR, Derek Chan. Stephen Chan is the new DCDR, and Derek Chan new VCDR.
- Flotilla 49 won the PCA attendance prize for the August 2011 event.
- Division COW to be held on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011, at Michael's Restaurant in Mountain View.

### DETAILS

- Division 4 OPTREX held on September 24<sup>th</sup>, dock 7 at Redwood City Marina. Event was a resounding success. 2 coxswain re-qualifications and 12 crew, the entire group of candidates representing Divisions 1, 4, 6, and 12 made it. Special thanks to Danny Kilburger, Bob Peterson, John Banks, Mark McLaughlin, Wally Smith for assisting as QEs; to Gail Ramsey for helping with logistics, and District Captain Mary Kirkwood for assisting as well. Special thanks as well to Stephen Chan, David Naumann for organizing the event and a savory lunch. Last but not least, a big thanks to the coxswains and crew of the various facilities that made it possible.
- BS&S class completed. Another Suddenly in Command held at West Marine – Saratoga also completed. A total of seven (7) Public Education courses completed this year.
- Successful run conducted with Everbridge Contact System between DCDR and Division 4 flotilla commanders. All FCs now have IDs and PWs.
- Continued effort on vessel safety checks at Santa Clara County inland lakes, and at Alviso as well as at Redwood City Marinas. Number of vessel safety checks completed so far this year exceed those done in 2010 (target was 555 VSCs and 582 completed so far) during the same period by about 12%. 82 AWW contacts were made in this period.
- Division 4 Elections : Stephen Chan new DCDR, Derek Chan new VCDR. Flotilla elections near completion and appointment of new officers for 2012 underway.

- Division 4, flotilla 49 won the PCA prize of \$100 for highest attendance during August 2011 event.
- Division 4 Change of Watch to be held on November 6<sup>th</sup> 2011 at Michael's Restaurant in Mountain View. Deputy Superintendent of Santa Clara County Parks, and a representative from the Veteran's Hospital in Menlo Park will be outside speakers.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES, LOCATIONS

- PA event to be held at VA Hospital in Menlo Park on Veteran's Day. Division 4 plans to participate in the Veteran's Day Parade in San Jose, with a facility.
- ABS class planned for a group of Boy Scouts in San Jose, early in 2012
- Seminar on boating Safety planned to be given to the South Bay Sports Fisherman Association on November 9<sup>th</sup> 2011, in San Jose.

#### Curtis Han, DCDR-5

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Flotilla 55 provided Paddle Sport safety course on September 11, 2011.
- Division 5 completed emergency notification test on Everbridge.
- Flotilla 52 facility assists CGSTA Vallejo during training exercise.
- Division and Flotilla election results to date.
- Flotilla 57 continues to search for new location for their member meetings
- Flotilla 55, 52 and 51 members continue to perform Watchstander duties and trainings
- Division 5 logged 2250 hours in the month of September.

#### DETAILS

- Flotilla 55 members provided the Paddle-Sport safety classes for 9 people on September 11 at Petaluma Yacht Club.
- All 5 Flotillas of Division 5 performed the tests of the emergency notification system in Everbridge on Friday, September 30. Within first 4 cycles, 50-75% of the members responded to the drill. I have recommended that each Flotilla Commander and his/her respective IS officer update their member emergency contact information.
- On September 24, Flotilla 52's surface operation facility, AEGIS, supported the Coast Guard Station Vallejo during two-boat (41' UTB & 25' RBS) training evolution, providing security/perimeter safety.
- Division election result: Division Commander elect -Jim Blackburn, VCDR Vice Division commander elect -Tom Sarnicola, Flotilla 57
- Flotilla election results to date as follows: -Flotilla 51 Steve Johnson, FC (incumbent) Kristine Busse-Dohm, VFC-e -Flotilla 52 Craig Hartman, FC (incumbent) Kevin Malloy, VFC-e -Flotilla 53 Election held tonight, pending report from VCDR. Report to follow next meeting.
- Flotilla 55 - Jeff Tuttle, FC-e (currently VFC), Greg Degenaro, VFC-e  
Flotilla 57 has a strong lead on a facility at the Coast Guard housing unit on the former Concord Naval Weapons Station. They have inspected the facility and are currently working with Coast Guard to obtain permission for use.
- Members of Flotillas 51, 52 and 55 continue to perform Watchstander duties and break-in training sessions at Coast Guard Stations Vallejo and Bodega Bay.
- Starting in the month of August, members of Division 5 began increased safety/maritime observation patrols and America's Waterway Watch missions throughout the Division AOR. Total of 11 patrols involving 10 Auxiliary Facilities participated, covering Vallejo and Bodega Bay areas of responsibility. AWW brochures and cards were distributed as members participated in VSC, PV and AWW missions throughout the month.

- In the month of September, Division 5 logged 2250 hours, including 444 surface patrol hours, 96 vessel examination hours (163 exams), 66 program visit hours (115 visits), 23 hours of public education, 155 hours of marine safety and 105 hours of Coast Guard Administrative and Operational Support.

#### AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- Members of Flotilla 55 continue to work closely with the Sonoma County Sheriff Marine Unit and the Army Corp of Engineers at Lake Sonoma.
- Members of Division 5 continue to participate in activities and support Coast Guard Stations Vallejo, Bodega Bay and Rio Vista.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Next Division 5 meeting is scheduled for November 3 -Vallejo Yacht Club @ 2000. Uniform of the day is Tropical Blue or appropriate civilian attire.
- Remaining Flotilla Election: Flotilla 57 -October 27 @ 1900
- Changes of Watch: Division 5 -December 10 @ 1200, Zio Fraedos Restaurant, Vallejo Point of Contact -Curtis Han, [curtis.s.han@gmail.com](mailto:curtis.s.han@gmail.com) Uniform of the day -Tropical Blue or appropriate civilian attire (See attached flyer)
- Flotilla 51 -December 3 @ 1700, Benicia
- Flotilla 52 -December 3 @ 1100, Vallejo
- Flotilla 53 -TBD
- Flotilla 55 -TBD
- Flotilla 57 -December 18, Time TBD

#### DIVISION GOALS & FUTURE PLANS

- Continue increased surface operations and America's Waterway Watch missions throughout the 3-month operational period (AUG-OCT).
- 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.
- Promote inter-agency relationship and joint training opportunities.

#### **Wally Smith, DCDR-6**

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Scheduled VSC stations are underway in Santa Cruz
- Four patrols on Monterey Bay in September
- PE classes underway
- Division elections held

#### DETAILS

- Vessel Safety Checks are being performed on a scheduled basis in Santa Cruz Harbor. VSC's are offered by VE's from 6-7 on the second Saturday of each month, and by VE's from 6-10 on the fourth Saturday! VSC's at Lakes Nacimiento and San Antonio are winding down for the year.
- 1,799 VSC's have been conducted in Division 6 thus far this year.
- The Boat Crew training program offered monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 1800 at an Operational Facility in Santa Cruz Harbor continues to be very popular. Twelve members attended the September training session. All trainees are welcome and dockside training and

sign-offs are available. Dockside training in September was divided into two groups with one training on communications and the other training on first aid. The first aid segment was led by a member who is a paramedic trainer in "real life."

- The Boat Crew program remains alive and well with over 1,800 Marine Patrol hours logged thus far this year. September patrols were reduced as a result of the difficulties encountered with P.O.M.S.
- A full series of Public Education classes began last month and will run through early December at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room. The following courses are being offered by Flotillas 6-7 and 6-10:
  - Boating Skills & Seamanship
  - Sailing Skills & Seamanship
  - Coastal NavigationAuxiliarists are welcome in all of the classes free of charge.
- Four Division 6 members attained "Boat Crew" qualification at the Division 4 OPTREX in Redwood City on 24 September. Thanks again to Division 4, and particularly to Joaquin Duran, DCDR, and Stephen Chan who was the primary organizer. The event was very well run and most enjoyable!
- The Division 6 election was held on 01 October. Incumbents Wally Smith and Sean Sheehan were re-elected DCDR and VCDR, respectively.

#### AGENCY INTERACTIONS

The new CO (as of June) has mentioned that he would like to see at least one representative from CG Station Monterey in attendance at each of the local Flotillas' monthly meetings. So far, all meetings in the Station's AOR have had representation!

#### UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- The Division 6 Change of Watch will be held on Sunday 13 November at the Inn at Morro Bay. A buffet lunch at 1300 will precede the ceremonies. A special Auxiliary room price of \$104 is available. Additionally, 10 tee times at the Inn's renowned golf course are available starting at 0800. All are welcome!
- D-TRAIN – PORTOLA INN & SPA, MONTEREY – 16-18 MARCH 2012
- Planning is actively underway for D-TRAIN in March. At the request of the Coast Guard, the date was moved up one week which puts D-TRAIN on St. Patrick's Day weekend. Anyone wishing to participate in the planning and/or participate in staffing at the event will be very welcome ... more on that as the event draws closer.
- Member training in the next several months will include the Auxiliary Patrols Specialty Course (AUXPAT), a New Member Academy, and the Flotilla Leadership Course (FLC). All will be offered at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room. Dates will be announced in the next month or two. Up to a maximum of 20 members are welcome.
- Member Training so far this year has totaled 633 instructor hours and thousands of accumulated student hours.

#### DIVISION GOALS

- Retain current members and recruit new members.
- Expand Marine Safety activities and AWW per Coast Guard request.

- Offer training to members as requested.
- Increase interaction, communication, shared events, and training between Flotillas
- Continue the excellent rapport with CG Station Monterey, and USCG Cutter Hawksbill.

### **Lou Carroll, DCDR-7**

#### ACTIVITY

- POMS outage recovery
- Division and Flotilla election results
- Patrol season winding down
- Partnership with Utah Parks has a new administrator

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- The recent POMS outage temporarily disrupted our patrol season but with the effort provided for it's recovery it appears that most orders are being handled and reimbursements are coming forth. I had a report from one member who patrolled at Lake Powell during this time and he had had reimbursements from 11S in a more timely manner than before.
- Division 7 will have new leadership under the guidance of Mart Gardner DCDR (e) and Mike Thompson VCDR (e). Mart has served as a Division captain in the past and Mike has served as the FC for Flotilla 7-2 for this past year.
- Flotilla 7-2 elected Roy Vandermolten as FC and Paul Custance as VFC. Both are new to the elected positions.
- Flotilla 7-3 has elected Don Kirk and Vic Adams as FC and VFC respectively. Both have served in this position before.
- Flotilla 7-6 has elected the husband/wife team of Tony and Ann Zocchi as FC and VFC respectively. Both will be new to their elected offices.
- Flotilla 7-8 has elected Juvenal Jovet and Doug Heisner as the FC and VFC respectively. Both will be new to their elected positions in Division 7.
- Though most of our new elected officers are relatively new to their positions, all have made an effort to be at Division board meetings and have experience in the trials and tribulations of the requirements of their offices. We have made good choices and I feel confident that our Division is in good hands for the coming year.
- With the onset of fall colors in the mountains and a couple of snowstorms we are winding down our surface operations for the year. The State Parks boats have all been returned to their shop for repair during the winter. The preliminary totals for our Division have shown that we have been busy and effective in our assignment.
- Our partnership with Utah Parks is still being reviewed at the National level. We have met with Dave Harris to insure that we are on track with their expectations. In an effort to further expedite the effort we have selected Carol Farmer to act as the administrator for this project. She has the administrative talent to control the effort as it expands. Bill Rouleau, VDCDR and I attended each flotilla election and also delivered an update and a pep talk to insure that we will receive support from the members who will actually be doing the work. The response was very promising. Hopefully Division 7 will be able to add another dimension to the activity of the members who are not directly involved with Operations.

### **Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Crescent City 8-11 - Two SAR Cases at night in fog conditions.
- Eureka 86 – New VFC appointed
- Mendocino 87 - Regatta support for Flotilla 88 at Clear Lake
- Lake County 88 - Hosts annual Division 8 Tie Out and OPTREX at Clear Lake.

## DETAILS

- Crescent City: RBS 25543 responded to two night SAR cases in foggy conditions. One was handed off the CGC Dorado, the second involved a search of the inner and outer harbors for missing sail boat, not found. Crew training continues weekly on the RBS. VEs winding down with the close of recreational fishing season locally. Flotilla hosted a safety booth for the Ocean Day event at Elk Elementary School. One new member joined during the month. Responses to invitation for the Tenth anniversary party coming in and final plans for events taking shape.
- Eureka: Pat Davis has filled the vacant Flotilla Vice Commander position with the Flotilla and was sworn in during the Division Meeting October 1, 2011. ABC class held in Eureka with 5 attendees. VEs continuing at Humboldt Bay marinas plus PV visits by Bob Shaw. Member Pat Davis continues providing Watch Stander support twice per week at CG Station Humboldt Bay. A newly formed Flotilla committee continues to work with the Maritime Museum in Eureka on plans to restore the historic 1930s 36-foot motor life boat at Station Humboldt Bay.
- Mendocino: The Flotilla held a two day BS&S class last month with 5 participants. Flotilla members supported the Point Cabrillo Lightkeepers with lantern room tours for the public September 24. The Flotilla provided an AUXFAC in support of Flotilla 88 for the annual Seaplane Splash Down at Clear Lake on September 23 and 24th and also for the Division OPTREX also on Clear Lake September 30/October 1. Flotilla continues to provide an AUXFAC in support of training for Station Noyo River and our crew members on a regular basis. VFC Glenn Funk continues to provide watch stander support at Station Noyo River.
- Lake County: The Flotilla provided Regatta patrols in support of the Clear Lake Splash Down for seaplanes at Lakeport this month. The Flotilla hosted the annual Division 8 Tie Out and OPTREX at Braitos Marina on Clear Lake September 30/October 1. Attendance both by Division members and other District 11 flotillas was down this year. One coxswain, John Fox, re-qualified and boat crew training provided for several trainees over the two days. A big thank you to OTO Danny Kilburger and CWO Curtis Barthel for their support of the event.
- Division 8: Division 8 meeting held at Braitos Marina in the new Konocti Bay Sailing Club cabin. Bruce Rogerson was nominated for a second term as Division Commander for 2012. Harold Hauck from Flotilla 87 was nominated for Vice Commander to serve for 2012. VCDR Hauck was sworn in during the meeting to replace Betty Strach for the remainder of 2011. SO-CM John McEwen received a Certificate of Appreciation for his service as CM for both Flotilla 88 and Division 8 and his 32 years of service to the Auxiliary.
- Working on agenda and invitations for Division COW set for December 10 at the Benbow Inn, Garberville.
- VEs - Division 8 has completed 911 vessel safety checks so far this season up from 513 for 2010. A big thank you to all our VSEs and particularly to Flotilla 87 member Jan Jewell for all their effort on this program.

## Division Goals Next Month

- Mentoring and supporting Flotilla 86 in Eureka - Assist on staff selection for 2012

- Sense of Community - Encourage member participation in Flotilla 8-11 anniversary party and Division COW.
- Qualifying and encouraging members to stand for elected office at Division level and higher to ensure that the leadership roles are filled in future years - Identifying potential candidates for several open Division SO positions for 2012.
- Recruiting new members for the flotillas in the Division - Supporting recruitment efforts of all flotillas.
- Continue planning on Division COW program for December 10.

#### Future Division Events

##### Flotilla 88 - Lake County

- November 5 - Flotilla Meeting and elections
- November 16 - Thanksgiving Lunch at Station Noyo River
- December 3 - Flotilla COW

##### Flotilla 8-11 - Crescent City

- October 26 - Flotilla meeting and elections.
- November 5 - 10th Anniversary celebration

##### Flotilla 87- Mendocino County

- October 15- Flotilla meeting and elections
- November 12 - Flotilla meeting

##### Flotilla 86 - Eureka

- October 8 - Flotilla meeting

November 12 - Flotilla meeting

#### **Leon Borden, DCDR-11**

#### DETAILS

- Division 11 meeting.
- Guest present was Dean La Chapelle DCAPT Response
- Held Division Elections. Leon Borden was reelected as Division Commander, Bill Stolz was reelected as Division Vice Commander.
- There was a discussion on problems at the Sept 18 SUP race. Station Tahoe
- Representative explained problems CG has enforcing life jacket requirements on SUP's
- Discussion on Pyramid Lake patrols due to invasive species problems and issue of MSD900's for winter patrols.
- Como Angelo Perata talked about elected officer class and Auxiliary Memorial dedication
- Bill Stolz gave a presentation changes on uniform wear from the new Aux Manual
- PE/MT classes: Nothing going on right now

#### Operations:

- On Sept 18 there was SUP race patrolled by 6 Auxiliary surface facilities, 1 UXAIR and 1 Land Mobile.
- Sept 23 the last scheduled event was held.
- Station Lake Tahoe is not planning on any more 2 boat training with the Auxiliary for the rest of this year

#### AGENCY INTERACTIONS

None

## UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- COW on Nov 5 in Carson City

## DIVISION GOALS

- Have flotillas working together to complete common goals.
- Get more Facilities, Crew and Coxswains
- Improve training opportunities for members of the Division.

## **Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12**

The Division 12 Board and Staff met at Coast Guard Island, Classroom 35 on Thursday, September 29, 2011. Our elected officers for the next year will be Nick Tarlson as DCDR and Linda Haynes as VCDR. Our next meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, 20 October 2011 at 1900, classroom 35 of MWR.

Flotillas met past month as follows, with the indicated election results:

		FC	VFC	
12-1	Tuesday	October 11	Duane Blackwell	Chester Bartalini
12-3	Wednesday	October 5	no quorum	
12-5	Tuesday	October 18	Kaethe Langs	Stuart Hunter
12-91	Thursday	October 13	Rick Scheuerman	James Losi

Our change of watch is still scheduled for Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 1200 at Pier 29, Ballena Bay, Alameda. The detailed flyer will be available on the district calendar imminently.

I attended a BSA Relationships Workshop at Philmont Scout Ranch 20-23 September and a meeting of the BSA National Sea Scouting Committee in Irving, Texas last Friday, October 14, representing the Auxiliary Youth Programs Branch.

In my capacity as Chair of the Auxiliary Memorial Dedication event on November 19, 2011, I worked with the committee to develop what we hope to be a compelling program, and I hope you will encourage all of your members to attend this unique event.

Division 12 has marshaled a ceremonial team which will be available for flag ceremonies and similar activities in the months to come.

We have received many awards recommendations in the past few weeks. The deadline for requests for Divisions 11 and 4, if the awards are to be presented at their respective changes of watch, is this Friday, October 21, 2011. For the other division, please get any additional recommendations in as soon as possible, and not later than 30 days before your change of watch.

Several of our members had a great time aboard the Aspen last weekend, and several were involved in AUX Chef activities with the vessel that day as well as during Fleet Week.

## Prevention

- Flotilla 12-1 has been offering a Sailing Skills and Seamanship class at the Oakland Yacht Club for ten consecutive Wednesday evenings beginning on October 12; 1830 to 2030. Flotilla 12-91 is offering the Boating Safely course on 24 September.
- Flotilla 12-91 held an About Boating Safely class in San Ramon in late September, with numerous attendees including at least one new member from Flotilla 12-5.
- Several of our members participated in the shore-side support activities during Fleet Week, October 6-9, 2011.
- We offered the Introduction to Public Affairs course, AUX-20, on Saturday, October 15, at 0900 in classroom 35, Coast Guard Island. 24 members attended from Divisions 1, 3, 4, 5, 11, and 12, including the DCO and DCAPT-RBS. The National Department of Public Affairs approved this class as a substitute for the online AUX-20 Introduction to Public Affairs course, for purposes of qualifying a member to take the National Testing Center exam. We are planning to have subsequent courses on this and more advanced subject. Contact SO-PA Perry Joiner for more information.
- Sue Fry, Simone Adair, Sonia Foster and I had a telephonic conference with Vivian Matuk regarding the Dockwalker program for 2012. Her goal is to start Dockwalker classes in February and extend through April. She would like to present the class at the PCA Fair and/or DTrain, as well. You should all be hearing from Vivian or possibly Sonia, who is assisting as Auxiliary liaison.

#### Response

- Several of our vessels and members participated in Fleet Week. *Journey* is scheduled for joint ops with STASF on November 17, 2011.
- Those who would like to be included in the information feed for *Auxiliary Vessel Journey* can subscribe at: <http://groups.google.com/group/OPFAC-Journey>
- We are planning to offer a boat crew training class this fall, starting sometime after November 19.

#### Mission Support

- Dues notice processing, standing rules review, and elections appear to be proceeding in each flotilla along a regular schedule, with the exception of Flotilla 12-3 which was unable to hold elections due to no quorum.

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

#### PCA

District Commanders join the Past Commander Association. \$3.00 per year or \$30.00 lifetime

#### Memorial Update

Final phase of the Memorial and last chance to participate are underway Roger Haynes needs help with:

- Work at Sunol through October 27 boring holes in cement, epoxying materials, shimming or grinding materials to the desired shape.
- Need to borrow a forklift and 1-ton or heavier trucks to haul A-frames to CGI weekend of October 28-30.
- Assembly of granite onto A-frames early November
- Polish edges & seal granite.
- Plant shrubs around patio.
- CLEAN UP CONSTRUCTION SITE after dedication.

- RETURN borrowed equipment.
- Contact Roger at 925-837-4647

Dedication program is progressing with Chairperson, Nick Tarlson. Invitation to attend the Memorial dedication has gone out. Dedication will be held on November 19, 2011 at 1130. Must RSVP by October 31, 2011 to [Judy@rthomasandassociates.com](mailto:Judy@rthomasandassociates.com). Include your name and phone number and name of guest/s, if applicable.

\*\* The Aux Chefs will be BBQ'ing burgers and veggie burgers and the district is paying for each Auxiliarist in attendance. Guest/s will be required to pay \$5.00 (each) for lunch.

#### Agenda PCA Meeting November 19, 2011 at 1310

The election will take place at the November Meeting for:

President

Vice President

Vote on the Standing Rules

Past District Commanders and Captains are eligible, must be current member of PCA and dues paid. To vote PCA members must be present.

#### Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES

- 1.) As we enter into the fall, we have a lot of work ahead. The elections are over and the New Elected Officers Class is less than a month away. Each Flotilla Commander and Division Commander must select their Staff and complete the "ANNUAL UNIT OFFICERS REPORT " ANSC-7007 form. Please bring it to the New Officer Training November 19, 2011. Those CDRs who will not be attending send it to the DSO-IS as soon as possible.
- 2.) All OPTREX's except Bodega Bay, have been completed. We have qualified and re-qualified many Boat Crew and Coxswains. We have had a great deal of on the water and Dockside training and it has shown in the quality of our Boat Crew's. Do not let the winter months reduce that quality. If you can't get on the water increase the dockside training so as to be ready for spring, rather than wait until spring.
- 3.) Fleet week demonstrated some of our weaknesses Communication still leads the way use our down time to work on that. The Americas Cup is just around the corner and the whole world will be watching and listening...and listening and listening. The Standard of our professionalism will be defined for everyone by how we communicate during the training leading up to and during this World wide event; not just for District 11NR, but for **every** USCG Auxiliarist in the Nation today and for years to come.
- 4.) AUXAIR have been routinely working with Vessel and Land Mobile Radio Facilities expanding our Recreational Boating Safety Team. Borrowing from the Four Cornerstone, AUXAIR can be the "Glue" that holds these three elements together during SAR operations. Coxswains and LMR units in AUXAIR'S Operating umbrella should check before each mission to see if there will be an aircraft up during your mission period.
- 5.) I have also observed a more professional and uniform appearance in our underway membership. Remember, failing the first appearances rule is hard to overcome. Not only does the offending individual have to climb back up that hill of uniform appearance, so does every other member blanketed by the bad example.

6.) Lastly, remember to support your local Coast Guard Station. Most of the men and Women at the Station are a way from home.

### **Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Aux Chef Program Update
- Go-To-Meeting-Tuesday Night Live
- Fleet Week
- Tie Out Div. 8
- Elections Div. 8 and 5.
- November New Elected Officers Course
- Day on the Bay – *Aspen*
- Working on Auxiliary Memorial Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

#### **DETAILS**

- I completed the first Aux Chef Newsletter and distributed to Auxiliary through Morris as well as all the Galley's in the District as well as the all the cutters. We have 8 people signed up for the last class of the year. We had Aux Chefs on board the *Aspen* for four straight days during Fleet Week while they were underway.
- There is one class left for 2011 – see below
- **Nov.** 25th- 27th Yerba Buena Island Coast Guard Station - San Francisco-**open**  
Nothing significant to report on Tuesday Night Live. We continue to get 3 to 5 sign-ups per Tuesday evening. I have gone through the last couple of weeks with several sign ups with no shows.
- Thursday, Saturday and Sunday I participated with the Rick Saber's land side auxiliaries at piers. We passed out all 2000 business cards with America Water Way Watch info on one side and Tuesday Night Live Info on the other side. While I do not have all the names, the main leads of Rick Saber, Dave Talton, and Rich Celia were efficient as well as ALL the volunteers that took part on the land base duties. All of District 11North can be very proud of these folks and the job they did. I started each of the above days as well as Friday on board the *Aspen* helping in the galley prior to their departure. On Friday I spent the day on the Cutter *Tern* in the Bay.
- I attended Friday and Saturday events at Division Eight Tie-out.
- I attended the Division Meetings on Election nights for Division 5 and 8.
- I have been in contact with Rob Firehock regarding some preliminary outlines for the New Elected Officers Training in November. Rob and Commodore Maddox have worked very hard in putting together a great program with consideration given to the results and ideas provided by members during a recent survey. Additionally, I have been working with the Aux Chefs to set up the New Elected Officers dinner on board the *Morgenthau*.
- Completed the set-up for the "day on the bay" on board the *Aspen*. We had a total of 145 attendees and 4 Aux Chefs on board. A special thank you to the crew of the *Aspen* for using up a normal day off to take the cutter out for our event. Also, a special thanks to the Food Service personnel on board for allowing the Aux Chefs to work in the galley all of fleet week and the "day on the bay" event, not to mention their generosity of providing New York Steaks, Grilled Shrimp, baked potatoes, Caesar salad, and fresh fruit. – Awesome
- Currently working on organizing the BBQ and reservations for the Auxiliary Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Coast Guard Island on November 19, 2011.

## PROJECTS

- Continue with previously set goals
- Continue to provide support as requested.