

MINUTES
US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY DISTRICT 11NR
WEBINAR BOARD MEETING
20 April 2011

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

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR called the roll, and the following were present:

DCO Angelo Perata	Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4
Rod Collins, DCOS	Curtis Han, DCDR-5
COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO	Wally Smith, DCDR-6
Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS	Lou Carroll, DCDR-7
Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES	Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8
Richard Thomas, DCAPT-SUP	Denis Eaton, DCDR-10
CDR David Chareonsuphaphat, DIRAUX	Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12
CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO	Judy Esteban, P-PCA
Simone Adair, DCDR-1	Joyce Bell, DSO-SR
Ed Kief, DCDR-3	

DCO Perata reported to the board as follows:

- Rescue 21 – National is working to solve the communications problems that are being experienced.
- Coast Guard Ball – Several members of the Auxiliary attended the Ball and had the opportunity to interact with the Coast Guard leadership. The Admiral's Guiding principles are: (1) Steady the service; (2) Honor our profession; (3) Strengthen partnerships; and (4) Honor shipmates.
- The district store up and running. So far we have had close to \$10,000 in sales from the store. This is a very good start. The store is still working to get tucked ODU uniforms for members. Shipping is the problem. When more information is available, DCO Perata will let the board know.
- CAPT Stowe recently asked for an update on Auxiliary activities. The data she received indicated that to date Auxiliary members have been credited with saving 7 lives. The tsunami response was great success for the perspective of Auxiliary participation. Over 50 members and over 400 hours have been reported so far. We also had ham radio operators involved.
- The *Paddle Sports* answer sheet which was shipped with the books is incorrect. An email has been sent to all of the instructors with the email address to order the correct answer sheet. Bell was asked to forward a copy of that email to all members of the district board.

Rod Collins, DCOS reported that no staff reports need to be reviewed at this time.

DIVISION REPORTS

Simone Adair, DCDR-1 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division had good attendance at D-Train. They are currently working on events for NSBW and beyond.

Edward Kief, DCDR-3 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division held its first Webinar meeting in April and it went quite well. Unit Standing Rules have all been completed. Kief and his wife attended the CG Ball. NSBW activities are being finalized.

Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division has finished its PATON missions, and completed several PE classes. They will have coverage for all inland lakes in the division during NSBW. Additional training is being scheduled. Emergency call-out lists have been updated by all flotillas.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division is working on NSBW, Operations and PE. The Division will be holding its annual OPEX at CG STN Vallejo with both Active Duty and Auxiliarists. There will be a memorial service on April 29 at 1300 for Hans Burkhardt. After the memorial service there will be a burial at sea with a CG life boat and Auxiliary vessels.

Wally Smith, DCDR-6 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division was honored to receive the Pfeifer Award at D-Train, and everyone has celebrated. Plans are underway for NSBW activities by the flotillas.

Lou Carroll, DCDR-7 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division did receive an additional 21' Boston Whaler from Utah State Parks. We are getting it ready for use at Bear Lake. Auxiliarists are doing major SAR training at Utah Lake today for Utah State Boating Officers. They have 14 students and 5 state boats. There will be boat handling training at Lake Powell on 3-5 May with 20 students.

Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8 – Report on file (Attachment A). Great work was done by Auxiliary members during the tsunami. A total of 374 hours were logged during March. The division's SO-PA is writing an article for the **Northwind** about their activities. Next week-end we will be assisting with patrols at Clear Lake for its Opening Day.

Denis Eaton, DCDR-10 – Eaton will be traveling to Modesto to recognize two new AUXOP members. The division will hold a face to face meeting this Saturday, which will include workshops. The upcoming OPTREX will be OTW training, only.

Leon Borden, DCDR-11 – Not present. Report on file (Attachment A).

Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division has finished the boat show, which well attended. They are now getting ready for NSBW activities. The West Marine store near CG Island wants to have an exhibit at their NSBW activity, so we will have that as well. There will be a Paddle Sports class on May 15 at Berkeley.

Judy Esteban, P-PCA – Report on file (Attachment A). The D-Train breakfast had a good turnout. The Memorial is still in progress. A copy of Roger Haynes' report has been sent to the board. Things, however, are still subject to change.

Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS – A reminder that June 4 is the Inland Lake Blitz, featuring "Adopt a Lake." Dates for the Delta Blitz are June 18-19, July 16-17 and August 13-14. Kirkwood is working on classes for District OPTREX.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES – LaChapelle is working on the District OPTREX for July 16. The communications activity will take place on 5 bodies of water, with 6 locations: San Francisco Bay, the

Oakland Estuary, Folsom Lake, Bodega Bay, Monterey Bay and one of the lakes in Utah. There will also be some classroom training at the galley. Classes will be only for operational things, i.e., marlinspike, etc. We will have 5-6 classes with one-two hours per class, so that people can move from class to class. COMO Mike Maddox, DSO-MT is working with LaChapelle on this. Linda Vetter's vessel will be used for a helo ops exercise. There will be a BBQ Saturday evening at picnic area. We may also work on a Sunday program where people can go out and do some training, hopefully with some QE's to assist with the training. There will be no sign-offs.

Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP – The AuxChef program is going very well. Thomas's report includes dates and locations of upcoming classes. The Yerba Buena class is almost filled. Divisions 1, 3, 5 and 8, please give Thomas the name of the Auxiliary representative who will attend the NSBW proclamation signings.

COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO – Boating officer training at Lake Powell will be on May 3-6. Patrols on inland waters require a radio guard at all times. When requesting orders in POMS coxswains need to indicate in the "comments" section who will provide radio guard is for each patrol. This is for all inland waters. SAR case number is order number with -1, 2, 3, 4, etc. Each division should appoint a safety officer. It is recommended that the responsibility be given to the SO-OP. COMO Williams is the district safety officer. There are 8-10 members in our district who participate in PAC-Area HF net on Wednesday.

Rod Collins, DCOS – Please encourage your members to turn in 7029's. They are on line now and it is very easy to use. DCDR's, please promote this with your members. Remind any division and flotillas scheduled for audits this year to try to get them done.

CDR Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX – There will be an Auxiliary memorial meeting tomorrow. After that meeting, the proposal will be presenting to District Commander. Because of the budget crisis, they are pulling back on resources, so we don't have as many resources. Admiral Brown is very supportive of the Auxiliary.

CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO – Kilburger will attend the Hans Burkhardt memorial ceremony and burial at sea. He is working with Division 5 on their training event and will be attending the Antlers OPTREX and the Lake Powell boating officer training. Auxiliary programs are all up and running, despite not having a final budget. The old **Coastie** is down for repairs. The new **Coastie** is up and running, which will be used for now. When we get funding we'll get the old **Coastie** and trailer up and running.

Bob Hendry, ASC joined the meeting and reported as follows:

Everbridge – Everbridge is a vendor who has given the Auxiliary a software system to automate our hand call-out system. It is called the Auxiliary Incident Management (AIM) system. There will be a bridge between AUXDATA and this program, so that all emails and phone numbers will be transferred to this system for call-outs. It has some other things as well. Hendry and his staff will be program manager for the AIM system, and will also have an aide in IS.

Tsunami – Over 70 Auxiliary members participated in assisting people during the tsunami event. There were many at Santa Cruz and Crescent City, but there were also Auxiliarists assisting at YBI and other marinas. It is estimated that close to 800-900 hours were logged. This was a very successful operation as far as the Coast Guard was concerned.

Auxiliary/Coast Guard Interface – CAPT Stowe is looking for ways to improve the interface with Auxiliary and the Coast Guard. It has been proposed that there be an Auxiliary contact in each major division, i.e., Response, Prevention, Command Center and Logistics. To accomplish this, Hendry will be increasing his staff from the current 3 deputies to a total of 5. If you know of any people in the Bay Area who might be interested in this opportunity and who would be good at it, let Hendry know and send the individual's bio information to Hendry.

OLD BUSINESS

NSBW – Kirkwood expressed thanks to those divisions who have sent in plans. Please send Kirkwood schedule of dates and locations so EXCOM members may attend. **Coastie** will be scheduled depending on anticipated attendance.

District OPEX – There will a detailed report during the June board meeting.

Rescue 21 Update – Covered in DCO's report.

Inland Waters – Covered in COMO William's report.

America's Cup – Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Mandated Training – There are 6 workshops that need to be presented every 5 years and 2 that are just presented once. This program is still in the works at National, so don't worry about it for now. When they are on line, DCO Perata will try to get a CD that can be sent to all of the units.

New Members Go-To-Web – Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP reported that they have had 46 attendees to the "Tuesday Nite Live" session. Thomas asked the board to encourage Auxiliarists to attend and view the program. He is looking for constructive feedback. Thomas expressed thanks to Mike Marseille and Robert Firehock for all their assistance. He has ordered and received 5000 business cards announcing "Tuesday Nite Live," which he will be sending to all of the divisions.

Department of Boating Materials – Funding constraints mean that promotional materials will be scarce this year.

FINAL COMMENTS

DCO Perata reported the following additional items of interest:

- The "New Elected Officer Training Academy" survey results are in. The survey did provide a lot of information and direction for next training session.
- There will a survey sent out for D-Train to all attendees. We will be looking for candid information and suggestions.
- The front runner for D-Train in 2012 and 2013 is El Puerto at Monterey.
- The **Navigator** magazine will no longer be available. There will be a "Navigator Express" via email.

- The Nominations Committee for District Captain elections will be appointed at the June board and staff meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be a Webinar Meeting at 1900 PDT on 18 May 2011.

ATTACHMENT A

DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS DISTRICT 11NR WEBINAR BOARD MEETING 20 April 2011

Simone Adair, DCDR-1

HIGHLIGHTS

- Division members attended D-Train.
- Paddlesport America materials are being reviewed.
- NSBW events are being planned throughout the Division AOR
- Division WOW website continues to be updated.
- Flotilla 1-9 continues to see interest from prospective members.
- Flotilla 1-4 held a presentation on arctic issues.

DETAILS

- Many Division 1 members attended D-Train and took classes, taught classes, and worked at the District store. District-level awards are being distributed. Members reported enjoying the event.
- SO-PE Margrit Keyes is spearheading Division efforts to review Paddlesport America and implement this new program in the Division AOR.
- Flotilla 1-2 & 1-4 will hold NSBW events at Station Golden Gate; Flotilla 1-5 and 1-9 will hold joint events at Oyster Point Marina; and Flotilla 1-7 will hold events at South Beach Marina. A press release has been drafted. Events include tours aboard "*Sunrise*," a static helicopter display, a Bay Area Discovery Museum interactive life jacket exhibit at the Museum, vessel exams, and partnerships with local merchants and non-profits.
- Our WOW website continues to be updated with Irene Wetzel assisting with the transition.
- Flotilla 1-9 has seen a growth in interest highlighted by six prospective members, one transfer from S. Cal., two new members waiting to be sworn in, and one member in applicant status.
- Flotilla 1-4 hosted Manuel Raras, U.S.C.G. Polar Regional expert from the Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center. Mr. Raras discussed arctic issues including the U.N. law of the Sea Treaty, shipping issues, and the Extended Economic Zone.

AGENCY INTERACTIONS

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

UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Flotilla 1-2 has S&S scheduled May 21 & 22, at Station Golden Gate; Flotilla 1-4 has a BS&S class on track to graduate 17 students; a BS&S scheduled May 17, and a Weekend Navigator, in September, at Loch Lomond YC; Flotilla 1-5 has BS&S started, Feb. 26, at South San Francisco Adult School, and has 10 students; Flotilla 1-7 completed ABS with 13 graduates; GPS for Mariners will be held May 17, 19 & 21, at YBI, followed by Weekend Navigator.
- NSBW events are planned at Station Golden Gate, Oyster Point Marina in South San Francisco, and South Beach Marina, San Francisco, May 21.
- Spring OPTREX is scheduled for Berkeley Yacht Club, June 25.

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:

- Six in one COW
- Webinar
- Division Standing Rules
- May meeting
- NSWB plan
- Guests of F-39
- Coast Guard Ball

Details:

- The D-3 Board voted to have the Division/Flotilla Change of Watch in the year 2012. A COW committee is in place working toward that goal.
- D-3 held its first WEBINAR meeting on 14 April, 2011 and in my opinion it went quite well. I think in the future WEBINAR will attract more members to the meeting than the formal meetings at the Air Station, however I don't see it as a replacement for vis-à-vis meetings. Many thanks to Mike Marseille for all his assistance in making the WEBINAR meeting a pleasant experience and a very useful tool for the future.
- D-3 will hold their May 12, 2003 meeting at Air Station Sacramento and will have Senior Chief Samp from Sector San Francisco present to give us a Power Point presentation and Q/A regarding Rescue 21. Flotilla 3-10 Auxiliarist Kevin Sellstrom will be assisting and in the event Senior Chief can't be present will do the presentation.
- Don Anderson, Flotilla 33 and myself attended a meeting 19 April with Cal. Boating to finalize plans for the NSBW kickoff event at Discovery Park, Sacramento. The Auxiliary will partner with DBW and assist them with manning a booth and a PD exchange.
- April 6, 2011 my wife and I were guests of F-39 and treated to a Lasagna dinner and then the Flotilla meeting. Which was a great fellowship time and I meet a lot of 39 members. The morning of 7 April we were driven to Whiskeytown Lake and were guests of the Federal Park Ranger's who were cooking breakfast for their staff and the Auxiliary. After a hearty breakfast I was invited to take a ride on the Ranger's Fireboat that operation of has been given to Flotilla 39. My wife and I had a super time as guests of F-39 and offer many thanks to the leadership of the flotilla.
- My wife Dianne and I represented Division 3 at the Coast Guard Ball and we had a great time. Semper Paratus

Upcoming Events:

- The Lake Shasta OPTREX 28 Apr. thru 1 May, 2011
- Station Rio Vista OPTREX, Multi-Agency Training Day, 4 May, 2011

- NSBW Kick-off at Discovery Park, 14 May, 2011
- Public Education Classes

Flotilla 31 – Air Squadron

Photos of NOAA-NWS Gauges in the delta to be taken during a delta mission.

Flotilla 33 – Gold Country

- Attended Fund Raiser for the Memorial for Crew of CG 1705
- 2011 Sacramento Boat Show was a success
- March 30 Aux breakfast for Station Rio Vista was very much appreciated by the Active Duty Coast Guard.
- The Incident Response Tree is in the hands of all the Flotilla members and is being updated periodically.
- Adopted Folsom Lake. Will have a June 4 VE Blitz

Flotilla 35 – Sacramento

- BS&S class started 23 February with 25 students
- Materials ordered for NSBW
- Pushing E-train

Flotilla 39 – Thirty-niners

- 11 Program Visits in February
- The Incident response Phone Tree has been established.
- Flotilla is ready for the Antlers OPTREX
- ABS class 2 April had six attendees.
- Preparing for NSWB kick-off on Whiskey Town Lake
- The Flotilla will continue to work with NPS, Bureau of Reclamation, Shasta County Sheriff's Dept., CHP, California Boating, Army Corps of Engineers, and Cities of Redding & Anderson.
- The Flotilla will continue to provide Safe Boating Classes and work with boat dealers located in the Northern California area.

Flotilla 3-10 – Elk Grove

- 2011 Flotilla schedules updated.
- One new member candidate.
- Monthly training meetings with OPS/TCT scheduled for April .

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)

Division Goals

- Measure Flotilla progress and provide support and assistance.
- Encourage flotillas to make an all out Blitz on Recreational Boating Safety in 2011.
- Encourage better interaction between air and surface facilities

Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4

HIGHLIGHTS

- PATONS for Brisbane Marina, Oyster Point and Oyster Cove have been inspected and anomalies found being reported. Coyote Point Marina also verified.
- Suddenly in Command class completed at West Marine, Saratoga by fl. 49. ABS completed by fl. 43. Other classes scheduled.
- Division 4 provided assistance to Division 6 during the tsunami impact at Santa Cruz Harbor. Eight Auxiliarists from several flotillas participated.
- Continued support to Alviso Marina with boating information and vessel safety checks.
- VSC events held at Anderson Lake in Morgan Hill on April 2nd and April 9th.
- Flotilla 49 participated in Volunteer Fair at Cisco Systems on March 22nd. Several Individuals interested in obtaining further information about the Auxiliary.
- Awards – Several Division members received District award recognition for 2010 accomplishments.

DETAILS

- Flotilla 46 will be scheduled for Financial Audit after tax season.
- PATONS and bridges verification near completion. Coyote and Oyster Point PATONS have been completed.
- Division 4 provided assistance to Division 6 during the tsunami impact at Santa Cruz Harbor, with eight Auxiliarists helping at the Incident Command Center in various activities.
- Suddenly in Command class completed at West Marine, Saratoga on March 19th. ABS class completed by flotilla 43. Other classes scheduled : Paddle Sports America on May 14th, BS&S classes scheduled for April 30th and September 8th, Suddenly in Command class on May 21st, and possibly another ABS class next September 2011.
- VSC events conducted at Anderson Lake in Morgan Hill, on April 2nd and 9th, with 15 VSCs completed. Effort continues at Alviso Marina as well.
- Flotilla 49 participated in Volunteer Fair at Cisco Systems in Santa Clara with 110 individuals visiting our booth, A follow-up meeting for 7 prospective members was scheduled for April 13th with a New Member presentation provided. Three individuals filled application forms and now awaiting fingerprints and photos.
- District level recognition given to the following Division 4 members for accomplishments during 2010:
Gilbert Ellis, fl. 41 for 484 hours completed in 2010 for CG Operational support
Gilbert Ellis, fl. 41 for 484 hours completed in 2010 Marine Safety; Jimmin Chang, fl. 48 for 234 hours completed in CG Operational Support, 254 in Marine Safety, and 439 in CG Administrative Support during 2010; Daniel Lavi for 240 Dealer Visits in 2010; Eddie Lam for 210 hours completed in CG Operational Support during 2010.
- Calendar of PA/VE events being formalized, and expect to have it completed by end of the month.
- Jimmin Chang has also been recognized with a Certificate for completing 20 VSCs so far in 2011.
- Member Training – Dale Vaccarello conducted a seminar on Continuous Chest Compression CPR at flotilla 41's monthly meeting.
- Hardee, fl. 43 completed his AUXOP requirements.
- Planning AWW Presentations to all flotillas by end of May 2011.

UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES, LOCATIONS

- Calendar of PA/VE events being finalized. Currently planning a VSC/PA event at Alviso in conjunction with park rangers for May 28th, details to follow.
- NSBW effort continues with several VSC/PA events planned.
- Five members working on their qualification for crew or coxswain.

DIVISION GOALS AND FUTURE PLANS

- Continue effort in recruiting and retention
- Certify more facilities for use on orders
- Expand effort in Marine Safety
- Expand PE/VE effort to emphasize Paddle Sports

Curtis Han, DCDR-5

HIGHLIGHTS

- Successful turnout at DTRAIN
- Coxswain training continues in Division 5
- Boating safety classes off to a great start
- RBS and operations at Lake Berryessa and Lake Sonoma
- Division 5 members participate in Marine Safety training programs
- Vessel safety exams and program visits continues throughout the Division.

DETAILS

- It was another successful year at DTRAIN, thanks to all the parties involved in making this event possible. Flotilla 55 member, Phil Sanchez (DSO-EP) and his DTRAIN committee members, mostly members of Division 5, have put their endless time and effort into making this possible.
- Coxswain training continues in Flotillas 52, 53 and 55. Several training sessions, in-port and underway, have took place throughout the month of March, providing training opportunities for coxswain trainees. There are about 10-12 new coxswain trainees in the academy.
- In March, public boating safety courses were taught throughout the Division. Courses such as Boating Skills & Seamanship, About Boating Safely and GPS for Mariners were taught.
- Flotillas 52 and 55 continue to assist their respective County Sheriff Office at Lake Berryessa and Lake Sonoma, providing safety patrols, joint training opportunities and RBS activities throughout the lakes. Continual training and operations are planned throughout the boating season.
- In the month of March, total of 103 vessel examinations and 156 program visits were conducted.

AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- Members of 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 Napa County Sheriff Marine Unit at Lake Berryessa, by providing safety patrols, joint training exercises and RBS missions (VE and PV)
- Members of Division 5 continue to participate in activities with Coast Guard Stations Rio Vista, Vallejo, Bodega Bay and Sector San Francisco

UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Division 5 operation exercise (OPEX) at Coast Guard Station Vallejo -April 23, 2011 starting at 0800. Uniform of the day -ODU. For more information, please contact Curtis Han curtis.s.han@gmail.com
- Division 5 QE event at Coast Guard Station Vallejo -June 11, 2011. This will be QE-only event. There will be no training exercises. Please contact Curtis Han, DCDR.

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.
- Promote inter-agency relationship and multi-agency training exercises.

Wally Smith, DCDR-6

HIGHLIGHTS

- Scheduled VSC stations are underway in Santa Cruz
- Three patrols on Monterey Bay in March
- Full offering of PE classes scheduled
- Scheduled member training underway
- Santa Cruz Paddle Board Fest supported
- Robert Phifer Award presented at D-TRAIN to CG Station Monterey
- Division 6 has experienced a very active first quarter
- Two members complete AUX-12 C-School (Public Affairs).
- Report on rescue at sea

DETAILS

- Vessel Safety Checks are being performed on a scheduled basis in Santa Cruz Harbor. VSCs are offered by VEs from 6-7 on the second Saturday of each month, and by VEs from 6-10 on the fourth Saturday. ... all VEs are welcome at either or both!
- There were three on-water patrols in March in the Santa Cruz vicinity. Two facilities trained with towing evolutions and man overboard exercises. Five patrols were scheduled for March; however the closure of Santa Cruz Harbor due to the 11 March tsunami eliminated three of them.
- Public Education classes are underway with SS&S, and CN wrapping up this month. The BS&S class finished earlier this month with 12 graduates. Of the eleven boating safety courses available, ten have been scheduled in the Division; most to be offered in the upcoming warmer months.
- 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. Ten members attended the March training session. All trainees are welcome and dockside training and sign-offs will be done. All coxswains & boat crew are invited to assist in training, mentoring, & sign-offs. This monthly event also serves to provide fellowship as everyone is welcome to bring a "picnic" supper.

- Flotilla 6-4 is presenting the AUXWEA course at CG Station Monterey. The course will conclude this month. Flotillas 6-7 & 6-10 will offer AUXWEA in May and June in Santa Cruz on Monday evenings.
- A “Boat Crew Training Academy” is underway at Flotilla 6-4 and will be concluding this month.
- The First Annual Paddle Board Fest on 19 & 20 March was to have been supported by two Aux Facilities but closure of the Harbor following the tsunami prevented the vessels from participating. Supporting the event were three land mobile radios positioned at different locations around the Santa Cruz Wharf which was the center point for the event. The Auxiliary’s participation was very much appreciated by the event organizers.
- The first quarter of 2011 has been extremely active for Division 6. First there was the land mobile radio support when the Pt. Sur “high site” went down; then the oil spill response exercise in Moss Landing Harbor / Elkhorn Slough; then the support of the Coast Guard and the Santa Cruz Harbor for the Tsunami Surge Event on 11 March and subsequent recovery. Some but not all of the 1st Quarter “numbers” are in:
 - o CG Operational Support 327 hours
 - o Member Training 291 hours
 - o Patrols 227 hours
 - o Vessel Exams 146
 - o Program Visits 141
 - o Public Education 132 hours
- Two members of Division 6 completed AUX-12 C-School offered earlier this month at Coast Guard Island, Alameda. Gloria Edelen, FSO-PA Flotilla 6-4, and Jane Smith, FC & FSO-PA Flotilla 6-10, reported that the three-day school was both intense and extremely valuable.
- While on routine patrol in Monterey Bay in the vicinity of Santa Cruz, Operational Facility 301219 came upon a solo boater suffering the symptoms of a heart attack. Crew members included:
 - Wally Smith, Coxswain
 - Vic Linderholm, Crew (and qualified Coxswain)
 - Lynda Dossett, Crew
 - Walter (Scott) Richert, Crew
 - Chris Meyer, Trainee
 - Sonia Foster, Trainee & Registered Nurse

A SAR Report (CG-4612) was completed and the narrative that accompanied that report is included herein as an attachment.

AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- Coast Guard Station Monterey was honored with the presentation of the Robert Phifer Award at D-TRAIN. The Station Commanding Officer LtCDR Michael Kahle was on hand to accept the Award.
- A full blown Luau & Pig Roast will be held for CG Station Monterey personnel & families. It is being presented by Flotilla 6-4 and the Navy League. It will be the “informal” bon voyage party for CO Michael Kahle who is leaving Station Monterey in June.

UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Division 6 Operational Facilities and radio land mobile units will again support the Outrigger Canoe Races in Monterey on Memorial Day Weekend.

- National Safe Boating Week events are on the drawing boards of all four Flotillas with venues and work schedules actively being established.

DIVISION GOALS

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

Lou Carroll, DCDR-7

ACTIVITY

1. No Division 7 meeting conducted for March.
2. Have received a 21' Boston Whaler from Utah Parks
3. Planning OPTREX at Jordanelle Reservoir June 11
4. Flotilla 7-6 attending safety fair May 4
5. Conducting Ranger training at Utah Lake
6. Awaiting response on Utah Parks/Auxiliary Div. 7 partnership
7. Completing Lake Powell Ranger training plans

HIGHLIGHTS

1. The Division Board decided not to conduct a regular meeting for March. Information from D-train was distributed via e-mail.
2. We have received a 21' Whaler "Justice" that will be outfitted for Auxiliary use and assigned to Bear Lake. We have decided to return one of the 19' Whalers back to the State for use as a utility boat. It was deemed in too poor condition for Auxiliary patrol use. This leaves us with three boats offered by Utah parks.
3. We are planning an OPTREX at Jordanelle Reservoir for June 11th. We currently have 12 candidates for qualification or re-qualification. We expect more as the date nears.
4. Flotillas will be setting up a booth at the Safety Fair at Hill Air Force base on May 4th. This will be the 10th year that they have participated in this event.
5. We are still awaiting a response concerning our partnership proposal with Utah Parks concerning their boater safety education program. It is currently being reviewed by the Auxiliary chain of command and then will be sent to the Gold Side for review.
6. COMO Williams is making the final additions to the Ranger training exercise at Lake Powell. We are planning on 5 OPFACS to assist.

Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8

HIGHLIGHTS

Crescent City 8-11 - Completed 374 hours in support of Sector San Francisco clean up of damage in Crescent City Harbor.

Eureka 86 - Held joint boating safety event with Humboldt Yacht Club and local agencies April 17 in Eureka.

Mendocino 87 - Planning Paddlesports Class in Fort Bragg May 14.

Lake County 88 - Planning for start of patrols on Clear Lake during April

DETAILS:

Crescent City: Members of Flotilla 8-11 responded during March to the clean up of the major damage to boats and infrastructure in the Crescent City Harbor caused by the Tsunami wave action on March 11. Members contributed 374 hours in all weathers and conditions in support of the Sector San Francisco Coast Guard Incident Command Center. Auxiliarists provided liaison with local fishermen, escorts for boat owners accessing the secured harbor areas, public affairs outreach in the community, provided space for the incident command center and hosted a pot luck dinner for over 50 workers on the project. The RBS boat which was trailered ahead of the Tsunami warning March 11 and sustained no damage is back in the water and regular training for the crew will restart this week. USCG Sector San Francisco has provided a Plaque to be presented to the members of Flotilla 8-11 at their next meeting in appreciation of the high level of support given by the Flotilla during the Tsunami clean up mission.

Eureka: Boating Safety event included information booth, children's life jacket give away and attendance by Coastie. Member Pat Davis is providing Watch Stander support twice per week at CG Station Humboldt Bay. Flotilla Vessel Examiners have complete 17 VEs for the new year at Eureka marinas and boat ramps. 11 PV visits completed in March.

Mendocino: The Flotilla held a BS&S class for the public in March 12/13. Boat crew training continues weekly at Station Noyo River. ATON support for the month included a major maintenance on the historic lens of the Federal Aid at Point Cabrillo Light Station and technical support resetting the control panel for the Federal Aid at Point Arena Lighthouse. Flotilla member Glenn Funk continues weekly watch standing at Station Noyo River. Completed 39 VEs for the month and qualified one new examiner. Received additional PPE from Group Humboldt Bay.

Lake County: Series of community outreach presentations to local Home Owners Associations around Clear Lake underway. Plans completed for NSBW including lifejacket give away for kids in partnership with WalMart. VEs and PVs underway for 2011. Boat patrols set for April for local yacht club events at Lakeport and Konocti. Committee set up to organize the Division 8 Optrex in October.

Division 8: Visited Flotilla 86 to support boating safety event at Eureka Civic Marina Sunday April 17. Reviewed draft Auxiliary SOP for Group Humboldt Bay. Attended Flotilla 88 meeting April 2 and Flotilla 87 meeting April 16.

Division Goals Next Month:

- Mentoring and supporting Flotilla 86 in Eureka - Attended Boating Safety Day in Eureka April 17.
- Sense of Community - Working on plans for July Division meeting.
- 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 - *10 members attended D-Train.*
- Ensuring membership retention in addition to recruiting new members for the flotillas in the Division - Encourage Flotillas to provide mentors to new members to guide them through the initial phases of the process.

Future Division Events:

Flotilla 88

- April 16 - Yacht Club race patrols
- April 30 - Yacht Club race patrols

- May 7 - Flotilla meeting at Lakeport Yacht Club

Flotilla 8-11

- April 27 - Flotilla monthly meeting.

Flotilla 87

- May 7 - Lighthouse Tours for Mendocino Heritage Days
- May 14 - Paddlesports Class in Fort Bragg
- May 21 - Flotilla meeting

Flotilla 86

- May 14 - Flotilla meeting

Leon Borden, DCDR-11

DETAILS

Division 11 meeting.

- Distributed awards from DTRAIN
- Covered topics covered at DTRAIN
- Working with Casino Fandango in Carson City for a luncheon COW
- Discussions on pushing NSBW at boat shows, Safety Fairs and VE days
- SO-VE going to contact local Beer Distributor to check on their Safe Boating Program

Program

- Discussed our meeting schedule will leave as is for now
- We updated our callout phone tree.

PE/MT classes:

- There are 3 members are trying to Qualify for Coast Guard Boat crew. Nobody has tried the physical Fitness test yet
- 5 members in training for Coast Guard watch standers qualifications. 1 is ready for boards other 4 are in different stages of training

Operations:

- There was a Fishing Tournament on Pyramid Lake on April 9-10 and April 16-17
- A Facility was scheduled for April 9 but had to cancel due to changes in Coxswain's work schedule, no other Facility was available for the other days
- 2 boat training is going on with the station to prepare for their RFO

AGENCY INTERACTIONS

- Lake Tahoe Non-Motorized Boat Working Group:
- Working with SO CS to get links on Division 11 web page. Links will have safety tips, Lake Tahoe weather , and other useful information for Kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards

UPCOMING EVENTS, DATES AND LOCATIONS

- Safety Patrols and training with Lyon County SAR Lake Lahontan May 28-30
- VE day April 23 at Reno Toy Storage
- VE day May 28 at Meeks Bay and Obexters at Lake Tahoe
- VE day May 28-30 at Lake Lahontan
- Splash In Lake Tahoe May 30
- Stand Up Paddle Board Race Lake Tahoe June 11 permit pending

- Rowing regatta Lake Tahoe June 18
- VE day June 25 at Incline Beach and Lake Forrest
- Sail Boat Race Lake Tahoe June 25
- Trans Tahoe swim Lake Tahoe July 23
- OPTREX Lake Tahoe July 23
- Stand Up Paddleboard race on Lake Tahoe Aug 13 14
- OPTREX Lake Tahoe Sept 17

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

Division 12 Board and Staff March meeting was cancelled due to DTrain. Our next meeting is scheduled for next Thursday, 28 April 2011.

Flotillas met during the month as follows:

- 12-1 Tuesday 12 April
- 12-3 Wednesday 6 April
- 12-5 Tuesday 19 April
- 12-91 Thursday 14 April

Several division members assisted with various aspects of DTrain, including the new and unique AUX-Chef exhibit.

Prevention

The Flotilla 12-1 is offering the Paddlesports America course at Berkeley Yacht Club on May 15. Flotilla 12-3 is offering a BS&S class April 9-May 14. Flotilla 12-5 will be offering a kids program on life jackets at Lake Elizabeth next week. Flotilla 12-91 offered a Boating Safely (BS) Class on April 9, and is offering additional classes on 25 June (BS), 16 July (GPS for Mariners), 6 August (On the Water Training), and 15 November to February, 2012 (Weekend Navigator).

Flotilla 12-1 held a Public Affairs – Vessel Examination (PAVE) event at Encinal Yacht Club in early April. Future events are planned as follows.

- Oakland Yacht Club 23 April
- Alameda Marina 28 May
- Oakland Yacht Club 18 June (Summer Sailstice)
- Ballena Bay 25 June
- Encinal Yacht Club 3 July

Flotilla 12-3 has VSC dates scheduled as follows:

- May 14, Marina Village
- June 4, Martinez Date of District-wide VSC Blitz)
- July, 2, 3, 4, Brannan Island
- August 7, Pillar Point
- September 3, 4, 5, Brannan Island

October 22, Del Valle
November 19, Bethel Island

Flotilla 12-3 has completed 32 VSCs to date.

Our SO-PA attended AUX-12 Public Affairs training on 8-10 April. We are still planning a public affairs training program in Alameda in May.

We sponsored an exhibit at the Strictly Sail expo at Jack London Square April 14-17. The exhibit included Coastie as well as PFD Panda. Members from Divisions 1, 3 and 10 participated along with our members. Attendance was excellent, and we have a lot of new leads for students and VSCs. There was some confusion about our reservation of the AWW exhibit, so that we were not able to use it; suggest the procedure for checking out the exhibit be clarified for the future.

Flotilla 12-91 is supporting VADM Brown by working at the lighthouse museum and STASF in a PA event at the Richmond YMCA.

Response

We held an OPTREX on April 16 and plan our OPEX for May 12-13, 2011. Three operational facilities were involved in patrols last month. We are scheduled to assist with Opening Day on the Bay May 1 as well as several PATON and bridge verification patrols.

We have an online Boat Crew Training class, which is designed to cover most of the classroom portion of the performance criteria. You can sign on as a guest at moodle.tarlson.com or email me and I'll provide a logon credential.

Mission Support

Flotilla 12-91 swore in two new members at its April meeting, toward its goal of 3-5 new members for the year.

Judy Esteban, P-PCA

Next PCA Fair - August 20 – 21, 2011 at Coast Guard Island

District Commanders can join after 6mo. in office
\$3.00 per year or \$30.00 lifetime

Memorial Update - See attachment report by Roger Haynes – project subject to change

Richard Thomas, DCAPT-SUP

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Aux Chef Program Update
2. County Proclamations update
3. Reviewed results of Rob Firehock's survey on New Elected Officers Training
4. Go-To-Meeting-Tuesday Night Live
5. Attended D-Train
6. Attended Coast Guard Ball

7. Guest Speaker at Lakeport Rotary Club
8. Preparing POST D-Train Survey.
9. Planning on attending Antlers at end of month.
10. Work with Irene Wetzel to post Tuesday night Live and Survey system on district web site.
11. Wrote article for Northwind

DETAILS

The Aux Chef Program is well into phase II. All Coast Guard Galley stations have made contact with me and we have class sign-ups for the following dates:

May 13th - 15th	Humboldt Bay Coast Guard Station - Eureka, California
June 3rd - 5th	Yerba Buena Island Coast Guard Station - San Francisco
June 10th - 12th	Coast Guard Station Monterey- Monterey
July 8th - 10th	Coast Guard Station Golden Gate - Sausalito
July 22nd- 24th	Yerba Buena Island Coast Guard Station - San Francisco
October - TBA	
November – TBA	

We have had extensive request thus far for service including the month of June to serve meals on board the Tern at YBI.

I sent message to all DCDR in Divisions 1,3, 5, & 8 regarding dates and times for proclamation dates. So far we have 12 Counties signed up and waiting on the last two to confirm.

EXCOM has copies of the results of Rob Firehock's survey and are currently reviewing the results.

Tuesday night live is alive and well. Since first test run we have had approximately 30 attendees over the course of several presentations. Will continue the program through June and then likely turn it over to an automated program.

Attended all functions at D-Train.

Attended the Coast Guard Ball in San Francisco.

Will be the guest speaker on April 20th at the Lakeport Rotary Club

Completed new survey for D-Train feed-back and will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

Have reservations to attend Antlers at Lake Shasta

The survey system is now accessible to request on the district web site.

Completed article for Northwind publication.

PROJECTS

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