



U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
Eleventh Coast Guard District Northern Region
Marine Safety Prevention



TO: COMO Dean McFarren
CC: DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF
FROM: Wil Sumner, DSO Marine Safety
RE: District Staff Officer, Marine Safety Report, November/December
DATE: April 15, 2021

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Div MS Reports
2. DSO MS Report
3. Summary of Marine Safety Activities

Challenges:

Getting the Ferry Boat Outreach Program back on track.
Getting Sector SF to adopt Phase 3 and allow both DockWalker Surveys and Coastal Cleanup activities.

Huzzah Huzzah

Arnold Gelb recently completed the requirements for the Marine Safety Training Ribbon. All documents have been sent to DIRAUX

“100 hours or Century” Awards go to : , William Hay, Joseph Chavoen and Dale Fajardo.

50 hours or Half Century Awards go to Lili Fegason, Sue Fry, & Bruce Martin,

Division MS Report Highlights:

Division 1, Lilli Ferguson has created a guide for all MS officers/personnel and how to put in their time in MS missions.

Division 3, Jeff Fite is continuing to provide assistance on getting his MS members to complete their MEES or MSAM PQS.

Div 6 Alex is planning on Sea Partner activity for NSBW

Div 8, Skip is leading the team in AWW activity.

Div 10, Joseph has been promoting both the ADV projects, and Dock Walker programs

DSO Activities

National Strategic Plan Goal, UPV PQS Update. ADSO Michael Mitchell and Wil Sumner completed the edits on the UPV PQS and forwarded this onto National

Prevention. DSO Wil Sumner as BC, PAV is assigned to complete a CFV Outreach presentation to be completed by April 30. DSO MS and ADSO MS, along with CFV Manager David Gripe are currently working on this project.

DSO MS has reached out to Sector Prevention, CMDR Rivera with regards to getting the Ferry Boat Outreach project back on schedule. We should hear back on this soon.

Marine Environmental Pollution Event: American Challenger Marin County



On March 5 a tug from Washington State, towing the 94 foot CFV American Challenger to Mexico for dismantling when the towing cable became disconnected and wrapped around the propeller shaft of the towing vessel. A call was made to CG Station Bodega Bay for assistance and the Cutter Hawksbill was deployed to monitor the situation. As both disabled vessels were too large for a safe tow by the Coast Guard, a call was sent out to commercial salvage companies to tow the vessels. Only one salvage vessel was able to respond and focused on towing the disabled tug to San Francisco. The CFV American Challenger went aground at 0100 on March 6.

The ICS command center was established at Miller State Park, and the Oil Response team deployed to boom the sensitive shoreline in Marin County/Pt Reyes. The oil had been removed from the American Challenger in Washington prior to the departure. While a sheen has been observed, there has been no evidence of a major spill. Due to the high cliffs in the area, the SCAT team has not been deployed. While 1.5 million has been spent so far monitoring the scene, no salvage operations have been started.

Commercial Fishing Vessel and Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examinations.

National fisheries have opened up the Salmon Season to start June 24th. Operation Salmon Safe will be held on April 27, 28, & 29th at the fishing ports from Monterey to Crescent City. Sector SF is considering opening up the CFV exams to all qualified members if they have had their COVID-19 vaccinations.

Marine Safety Training for 2021

On March 22, The MSAM class was held with three instructors, Wil Sumner, Sue Fry and Quindy Sammler. There were 18 participants

On March 29, the Abandoned Derelict Vessel Class was held with Wil Sumner as instructor. There were 8 participants.

On April 5 and April 8, the HAZWOPER Awareness class was held with Wil Sumner as Instructor. There were 8 participants.

The Marine safety classes for spring 2021 have been posted on the Training C

Marine Safety Training Calendar 2021				
March	22	Monday	MSAM	7-9 pm
March	29	Monday	Abandoned Derelict Vessel	7-8 PM
April	5	Monday	HAZWOPER Awareness	7-9 pm
April	8	Thursday	HAZWOPER Awareness	7-9 pm
April	26	Monday	UPV Orientation	7-9 pm
May	10	Monday	CFV Orientation	7-9 pm
May	24	Monday	SCAT Introduction	7-9 pm
June	14	Monday	HAZWOPER Operations 8	7-9 pm
June	15	Tuesday	HAZWOPER Operations 8	7-9 pm
June	17	Thursday	HAZWOPER Operations 8	7-9 pm
June	21	Monday	MEES	7-9 pm
June	22	Tuesday	MEES II	7-9 pm

Dock Walker Classes, 2021

Vivian has published the first half of 2021 Dock Walker Training, as well as refresher training. See Below

Dock Walker: March 6, April 24, May 8, and June 12,
 Dock Walker Refresher: April 10, and May 15

State of CA Marine Environmental Pollution March 18

This training put on by Ca Dept of Boating and Waterways will cover such topics as preventing Boat Sewage Pollution Through Partnerships, Trash Management in California, Cal Boating Card and Californias Marine Portected Areas. The flyer link is

<https://mail.yahoo.com/d/folders/1/messages/AK-AHPk-pjkKYC1hMgEFuLjGSkl>

Abandoned Derelict Vessel

The ADV stakeholders meeting was held on April 12 with 144 attendees. The Auxiliary was represented by Joseph Chaveon and Wil Sumner. Sector reminded the audience that our mission of surveying and reporting abandoned vessels to the State of California was not funded, so we have to treat this mission as a secondary mission.. Also NOAA reported interest in gaining access to the ADV database that is housed by the State Land Commission Office in Sacramento. With this interest, the CG may be able to get direct funding for our mission.

Marine Safety Activity, Summary for	2020	2021
All Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams	178	14
Uninspected Passenger Vessel Exams	28	4
Ferry Boat Exams	0	0
Commercial Fishing Vessel /UPV Outreach	320 hours	33
Marine Safety CG Support	560hours	69
Sea Partners	290hours	40
AWW	34 hours	9
MS Training	810 hours	303
Abandoned/Derelict Vessel Surveys	10	18
Regional Exam Support	26 Hours	26
Facility Inspections	0 Hours	0
Total Hours	2437 Hours	577

Respectfully submitted

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Sue Fry, (Deputy)

Division 1 – Lilli Ferguson
Division 3 – Jeff Fite
Division 4 – Pat Flood
Division 5 – Wil Sumner
Division 6 – Alex Urciuoli

Division 7 – Frank Boice
Division 8 – Tom Conley
Division 10 –Joseph Chaveron
Division 11 –Tom Timken
Division 12 – Quindy Sammler