

U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Eleventh Coast Guard District Northern Region Marine Safety Prevention



TO:COMO Dean McFarrenCC:DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFFFROM:Wil Sumner, DSO Marine SafetyRE:District Staff Officer, Marine Safety Report, November/DecemberDATE:May 13, 2021

## <u>HIGHLIGHTS</u>

- 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 a new member of Div 1, has earned his Marine Safety Training Ribbon, plus has received his Letter of Designation from Captain Byrd as a UPV examiner.

District 11 NR has completed over 350 hours of Marine Safety Training, and contributed over 450 hours of Coast Guard Support. This will put us ahead of our 2020 hours, which was the best year MS has done in spite of the pandemic.

# **Division MS Report Highlights:**

Division 1, Lilli Ferguson arranged for a special guest discussing seabirds in their local environment. They are also progressing on getting ME Training.

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 Dock Walker Surveys during NSBW.

Div 7, Ann Zocchi has stepped up as the new SO-MS officer.

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

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

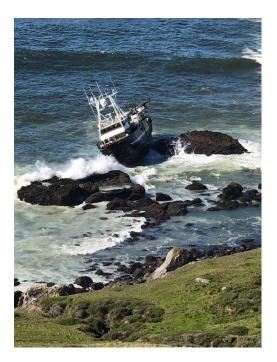
### **DSO** Activities

National Strategic Plan Goal, CFV Outreach Update. Civilian CFV Examiner David Gripe and Wil Sumner completed the edits on the Commercial fishing Vessel Outreach for CFV Skippers and forwarded this onto National Prevention.

ADSO Michael Mitchell and DSO Wil Sumner as BC, PAV also completed a CFV Orientation for CG and CG Aux personnel. This was presented as a Beta version to Aux CFV qualified and trainees for comments and edits on May 13. This presentation was forwarded National Prevention,.

ADSO Michael Mitchell also compiled the CFV videos ( & Tiny Coastie) prepared by CIV CFVS Sector Manny Ramirez as a refresher class for both CG and Aux qualified CFV members.

One remaining Strategic Goal is to edit a 2010 UPV, 9 slide deck training program as the formal training for UPV candidates and qualified members. DSO Wil Sumner was assigned this task and has completed 3 of 9 power points.



### 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 Marine 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.

This derelict has no current funding for removal.

# Commercial Fishing Vessel and Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examinations.

National fisheries have opened up the Commercial Salmon Season to start May 1 south of Pigeon Point. Operation Salmon Safe was held on April 27, 28, & 29<sup>th</sup> at the fishing ports from Monterey to Crescent City. CG and CG Aux ended up examining 43 Commercial Fishing boats, 4 Charter Boats and still conducting follow up exams for those with deficiencies. This was accomplished with 3 Civilian CFV staff, 11 CG Reservists, 7 CG Active duty and 2 Auxiliarists.



## Marine Safety Training for 2021

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

On April 26, the UPV refresher class was moved to May 20

On May 13, the Commercial Fishing Vessel Orientation beta version was held with Michael Mitchell and Wil Sumner as instructors. There were 14 participants. On May 24, we will be offer the Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique Class 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 Awarensess	7-9 pm	
April	8	Thursday	HAZWOPER Awarensess	7-9 pm	
April	26	Monday	UPV Orientation	7-9 pm	
May	13	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	

The UPV class was rescheduled for June 10

## 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 Though 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. We are resuming our ADV patrols on the Delta, and have added the ability to remove ADV vessels from the State Lands Commission ADV database. With this in mind, we are in the process of clearing old reported ADV vessels with updated patrol data.

Marine Safety Activity, Summary for	2020	2021
All Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams	178	33
Uninspected Passenger Vessel Exams	28	13
Ferry Boat Exams	0	0
Commercial Fishing Vessel /UPV Outreach	320 hours	78

Marine Safety CG Support	560hours	454
Sea Partners	290hours	40
AWW	34 hours	15
MS Training	810 hours	353
Abandoned/Derelict Vessel Surveys	10	26
Regional Exam Support	26 Hours	26
Facility Inspections	0 Hours	0
Total Hours	2437 Hours	916

Respectfully submitted

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