



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: June 13, 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.

Huzzah Huzzah

William Hale has completed the Auxiliary Prevention Outreach Specialist (MEES) PQS and all documents have been forwarded to DIRAUX for approval. Congrats to William Hale.

District 11 NR has completed over 711 hours of Marine Safety Training, and contributed over 510 hours of Coast Guard Support. We have now exceeded our Marine Safety Training total hours of 2020 of 560 hours.

With Phase 3 in place, Aux members can now participate in Sea Partners missions, Dock Walker Surveys, Shoreline Cleanup Exercises. and get signed off on their MEES PQS, section 5.

Division MS Report Highlights:

Division 1, Lilli Ferguson has reported that Div 1 has been very active in Dock Walker programs and other activity

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

Div 6 Alex Urciuoli has a great report showing Div 6 including MS related PA events, and promoting other MS messages to the public..

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

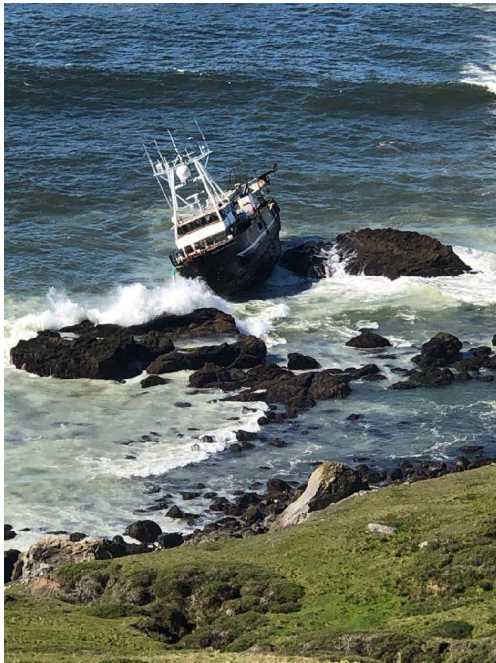
DSO Activities

National Strategic Plan Goal, UPV Orientation. Auxiliarist Michael Mtichell, David Gruber Robert Heinz and Wil Sumner completed the edits on the UPV Orientation for both CG and CG Aux members. This was approved by National I Prevention and presented for the first time by both D8, and D11N on June10.

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.

National Strategic Goal UPV Training to meet the UPV Training PQS requirements was initiated. BC PVP Wil Sumner was assigned this task and have edited 3 of 9 power points. D 08 David Gruber and D Western Rivers Robert Heinz have been assigned to edit sections 4-9.

Marine Environmental Pollution Event: American Challenger Marin County



Current Situational Report from Sector SV on the American Challenger

Greetings Mr. Sumner,

Below is a summary of the current status of the M/V AMERICAN CHALLENGER:

The M/V AMERICAN CHALLENGER ran aground on 05 Mar 2021 in Bodega Bay, California, with an undetermined amount of fuel and oil on board. This vessel is a former commercial fishing vessel, 90 feet in length, and was homeported in Seattle, Washington.

Since activating the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund on 05 Mar 2021, a unified command (UC) was established to respond to and mitigate the environmental threat. A detailed assessment on board the vessel has been completed and all fuel tanks were assessed; many tanks were found to be tidally influenced with sea water due to flooding from through-hull penetrations and oily water was identified and recovered. The remaining environmental threat remains isolated to the machinery space. Efforts to manually clean the machinery space have proven extremely difficult or high risk, and contractors are unable to effectively mitigate the full threat. The vessel remains hard aground listing to starboard with no waterside or shore side access; the only contractor access is via helicopter.

The Unified Command is continuing to assess how to properly and effectively mitigate the pollution threat from the M/V AMERICAN CHALLENGER.

Oil Spill and Sheen Reporting



While on Patrol, AUXFAC Margarita came across an oil spill/sheen that was 30 feet long and roughly 2 feet across. All oil spills and sheens are to be reported to your OIA the National Response Center (800 424 8802) and/or the State Warning Center (800 645 7911) when on Sole State Waters.. Not all oil spills are recoverable, such as the oil spill observed above. We assumed that a recreational boater pumped out his bilge containing crankcase oil based on the color and consistency.

Sea Partners Activity

With Phase 3 in place, Aux Members can now participate or organize shore line clean up activities and Dock Walker Surveys. You will need to request for an Assignment to Duty for this mission from one member who would be the POC and a mass gathering form for risk assessment. The POC would need to verify that each participating member has a high risk form on file.

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. On June 16, the remaining portions of both California and Oregon will open for commercial salmon fishing. The recreational fishing for Salmon and ground fish will open on June 26. This will increase our activity for both UPV and CFV exams.

Marine Safety Training for 2021

On May 13, the Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiners Beta version was attended by 14 participants.

On May 24, the Shoreline Cleanup Assessment Technique Class was attended by 13 participants.

On June 10, the National Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examiners class was attended by 11 Participants.

On June 15 & 16, Sector San Francisco and D11NR will be putting on the HAZWOPER OPERATIONS refresher class. This class is required for all members participating in ADV and SCAT activities.

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

The UPV class was rescheduled for June 10

Abandoned Derelict Vessel

The ADV team, John Hardin, Ron Darcey etc. have been busy surveying their local waters for ADV boats.

Marine Safety Activity, Summary for	2020	2021
All Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams	178	34
Uninspected Passenger Vessel Exams	28	16
Ferry Boat Exams	0	0
Commercial Fishing Vessel /UPV Outreach	320 hours	78
Marine Safety CG Support	560hours	711
Sea Partners	290hours	40
AWW	34 hours	28
MS Training	810 hours	502
Abandoned/Derelict Vessel Surveys	10	26
Regional Exam Support	26 Hours	26
Facility Inspections	0 Hours	3
Total Hours	2437 Hours	1385

Respectfully submitted

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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