



Date: June 2021
From: Jane D. Smith, DSO-Public Affairs
Thru: Alan Stanton, DCAPT- Prevention
To: Commodore Dean McFarren
Subject: Activities from May 2021

Doug Manifold – Deputy ADSO – PA

From the Deputy's Corner:

Great news - There are plans to hold an AUX-12 Public Affairs Training program in Orlando, Florida, in August, prior to NACON. We are proud to report that two members of D11NR have been approved to attend this great training event.

If you, or anyone you know is interested in a Public Affairs Staff Officer position you should work on completing AUX 20, 22,23, 26, and ICS 100 prior to attending AUX-12. Those Members who do attend the AUX-12 program are strongly expected to complete the PA 3 Specialist certification program within one (1) year of competing AUX-12.

Social Media - As the use of Social Media (SM) expands, the National Leadership has recognized that not everything being posted on Auxiliary SM sites meets the Coast Guard and Auxiliary SM policies and rules. A recent email from the National Leadership has suggested that all SM postings be vetted by flotilla, division and district leadership and the DSO-PA prior to being posted. In keeping with the D11NR policy, all proposed articles, which would include SM postings, are to be reviewed and approved by the COLM and DIRAUX, prior to being released, and in recognition of the need for timely posting of SM information, a 24 to 48-hour review process is imperative. It is recognized that this will require flotilla, division and district leadership to develop systems that support their member's use of SM.

As District Commodores are ultimately responsible for what is posted on SM sites within their District, it will ultimately fall on Commodores to assure compliance with Coast Guard and Auxiliary SM policies, with the assistance and input of Division and Flotilla Commanders, their respective PAOs, and the DSO-PA.

District 11NR Division Commanders are expected to include a report of ongoing Social Media (SM) activities in the Flotillas in their AOR and in their Divisions, in their monthly reports to the District Leadership. The District Leadership has expressed strong interest in all Social Media activity. Division Commanders are expected to report any Division or Flotilla Facebook, or other Social Media activity to the District Leadership monthly report. If there is no SM activity in your Division, report "No SM activity in the Division." This tells the Leadership that Division Commanders are following the SM process and that there is no SM activity in their AOR.

GREAT WORK - ALL!

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A reminder to Division Commanders that they are responsible for all SM in their AORs

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D11N PA Qualifications

PA - 1: Roger Bazeley, Vladimir Bukhankov, Jerry Edelen, Doug Manifold, John-Michael Zimmerle

PA – 2: Jane D. Smith

PA - 3: Bernard Brown, Jimmin Chang, Gail Giacomini, Michael Goldberg, Steven Hill, Jim Losi, Michael Mitchell, Bob Schabert, Wally Smith, & Winnie Zhou

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Division 1 – Tiffany Townsend – SO-PA

Report will be added as an Addendum

Division 3 – Rich Celia – SO-PA

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Division 4 – Nothing to Report

Division 5 – Kit Galvin – FSO-PA – Flotilla 05-03 – North Solano

NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK REPORT MAY 30, 2021

(Published press release – May 18, 2021)

Coast Guard announces boating safety course, free vessel checks

By Todd R. Hansen

FAIRFIELD — A four-day Boating Safety Program that meets new state boating requirements starts Monday – one of three activities planned this month by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, North Solano Flotilla.

The Auxiliary will host the online boating safety course from 6:30 to 9 p.m. each day. An online test will occur May 28. The cost is \$30 and covers all materials needed for the course. As of Jan. 1, California requires all boaters 40 or younger to take a certified safe boating class and carry the California Boater Card to operate a motorboat. The course covers an introduction to boating, boating law, safety equipment, safe boating, navigation, boating problems, trailering, storing and protecting your boat, hunting and fishing, and water skiing and river boating. To register, call Kit Galvin, flotilla commander, at 408-314-2407 or send an email to twohalibut@aol.com.

A safe boating exhibit was set up at the Suisun launch ramp area May 22-23 and May 29-30. “On May 22, we had our Auxiliary patrol vessel, SARDOG, in the parking lot at 1 p.m. When we prepared the vessel for our night patrol, we discussed with the public how we do pre-vessel checks, prepare lines and make our risk management determinations prior to entering the launch area,” Galvin said in a statement. The patrol vessel, known as an Auxiliary facility, is privately owned and cleared for use as a patrol vessel. It is owned by Lewis Derfuss, a U.S. veteran and longtime member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary also planned free boat safety checks May 22-30. The courtesy safety checks can be conducted in your driveway, the launch parking lot or at dock areas. To schedule an appointment, call Galvin or go to www.uscgaux.org/vsc. A vessel safety check usually takes 15 to 30 minutes, depending upon the size of the boat.

Finally, this Friday is Wear Your Life Jacket at Work Day. “The annual event, hosted by the National Safe Boating Council, serves as a fun, educational element just prior to National Safe Boating Week, May 22-28, the official launch of the 2021 Safe Boating Campaign. Educating the boating public about the safety and comfort of life jackets has been a main focus of the campaign,” the auxiliary said in a statement. Kit G

The press release created a lot of community interest. We were met by the public at the Suisun Launch Ramp on both weekends (May 22-23 and May 29-30) with high interest and many questions. The Suisun Fire Dept. and Police Dept. both launched patrol boats while we talked with everyone. A police car was able to come by for a while, too. Safety was the name of the game! DockWalkers were set up at another table, doing surveys and giving boaters free Green and Clean Boat Kits and explaining the environmental issues of concern to everyone.



LEW DERFUSS, COXSWAIN OF SARDOG, FL 05-03

Posters with photos of the Loaner Life Jacket Stations at Suisun Launch, Sandy Beach and Brannan Island were on display in the community. We designed a banner for National Safe Boating Week (sans date) and hung it proudly next to the Boating Info Kiosk we maintain in Suisun. We can use this every year. Registration forms for our June 26th Boat America class were handy as we discussed the need to get as much education as you can to be safe on the water.



KIT GALVIN & MORGAN CURTIS, FL 05-03

We were all tired at the end of each day, but agreed our presence made a difference. I want to give special thanks, and recognition, to our members for making this a great NSBW for our community: Morgan Curtis, Bob Schabert, Gilbert Ellis, Lew Derfuss, Randy McCormick, Steve Cramer, and most especially to my favorite Auxiliarist, Bob Galvin, the man who likes to stay in the background and support me all the way!



GILBERT ELLIS, RANDY MCCORMICK, KIT GALVIN: FL 05-03



KIT GALVIN LEARNING FROM THE FIRE



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THE REASON WE ARE HERE!

ANOTHER VE DECAL AWARDED!
OWNER WITH MORGAN CURTIS, FL

MAY 2021 NSBW 2021 Activity
Jim Matthies – FSO – PA, Flotilla 55 Sonoma County

May 12 Wil Sumner and Jim Matthies attended meeting at Lake Sonoma to discuss 2021 Boating Season and Memorial Day activities with the Sonoma County Sheriffs and Lake Sonoma ACE. Place Loaner PFDS at public boat launch and Marina.

May 14 Jim Matthies PV to Lawson's Landing to bring PFD'S and Recreational Boating Safety materials to Marina.

May 15 Both Margarita and SS Minnow conducted both MOMS and Training Patrol in Bodega Bay along with Coast Guard Station Bodega Bay, Margarita. Crew, Thomas Herbst, Brain Barton, Therese Van Wiele and Wil Sumner. SS Minnow crew Frank Capurro, Jeff Tuttle, Jimmy Matthies, and Steve Kilgariff.



Crew of Margarita hard at work during towing evolutions with Minnow on an unusually calm afternoon on Bodega Bay.

May 24 NS Larry Kubo performed survey on D ST. Bridge in Petaluma.

May 24 PV to Fred Fritz Marine Electronics with recreational boating pamphlets and ABC's of safe boating.

May 25 John Guaraglia and Jim Matthies made PV visits to Sebastopol Hardware in Sebastopol and



West Marine in Santa Rosa.

Travis, Store Manager of Sebastopol Hardware happy to display his new supply of Recreational Boating and Marine Safety Publications.

May 26 Trip to Lake Sonoma was postponed by Marina Manager as they had to lower the marina docks due to drop in water level.

May 27 PV Trip to Petaluma Marina to Leave ABC's and other safe boating pamphlets at Harbor Master's Office.

May 28 Jim Matthies Set up PA booth at The Petaluma Yacht Club to support PYC Cruise in to the newly dredged Petaluma River and Turning Basin. Advised several Boaters on California State Boaters

Card and classes given by the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Also did 3 Clean Boating Surveys AKA Dock Walkers and 1 Vessel exam which passed.



Francesca Smith PYC member shows off her CA boater card at the Petaluma Turning Basin and Yacht Club.

May 29 Flotilla 55 conducted 2 boat patrols on Lake Sonoma along with the Sonoma County Sheriffs and USACE Marine Units.

Vessel Margarita

Coxswain Wil Sumner

Crew/Coxswain Trainees John Teague, John Zowalki

Crew Trainees Therese Van Wiele

Vessel Sea Scum 2

Coxswain Frank Capurro **Crew/coxswain trainee** Brian Barton

Saturday on Lake Sonoma. Therese Van Wiele reports "we had only one "SAR" case! An errant buoy we towed to Corp of Engineers dock. There were also a few people we told to slow down.

It was a great day with no emergencies.” Performed 4 Paddle craft inspections.



Margarita towing buoy back to Army Corps of Engineers Dock and docked at Lake Sonoma Marina

Jim Matthies and Thomas Nguyen set up PA booth next to the visitors center and mussel inspection station. Informed several boaters about CA Boaters Card, Auxiliary Classes, Clean and Safe Boating and Vessel Exams. Performed 5 VE's and 6 Clean Boating Surveys. None of the Vessels past. But they will Next time! ☺



Flotilla 55 member Thomas Nguyen stands by at PA/VE station at the Lake Sonoma VC Thomas also works FT as a security guard at TRACEN Petaluma.

Wil Sumner, Thomas Herbst and John Zowalki aboard Aux Vessel Margarita

May 30 Flotilla 55 conducted patrol on Lake Sonoma along with the Sonoma County Sheriffs and USACE Marine Units.

Vessel : Margarita

Coxswain: Wil Sumner

Crew/Coxswain: Trainees John Zowalki, Thomas Herbst

Crew: Jim Matthies



1 SAR case. A patio boat was stranded on the north shore of the Dry Creek Arm. There were two POB. Vessel was towed back to the Marina and put right in the slip. Excellent work by the crew of Margarita!
Conducted 10 Paddle craft inspections



Thomas Herbst Standing Tow watch as Margarita tows patio boat back to Lake Sonoma Marina.

May 31 Four members of Flotilla 55 and their wives attended a Memorial put on by Station Bodega Bay. It was at the Coast Guard/Historic Life Saving Station Cemetery at Point Reyes National Sea Shore. This is a national monument, one of only two in Marin County. The other is the Marin Civic Center.

There were four members from Station Bodega Bay in attendance who also spent their time on Friday to do a wonderful job cleaning up the little cemetery where 5 brave lifesavers were laid to rest.







Above Photos include guests at memorial Coast Guard Cemetery. In Uniform, Flotilla 55 Members & C G Station Bodega Bay

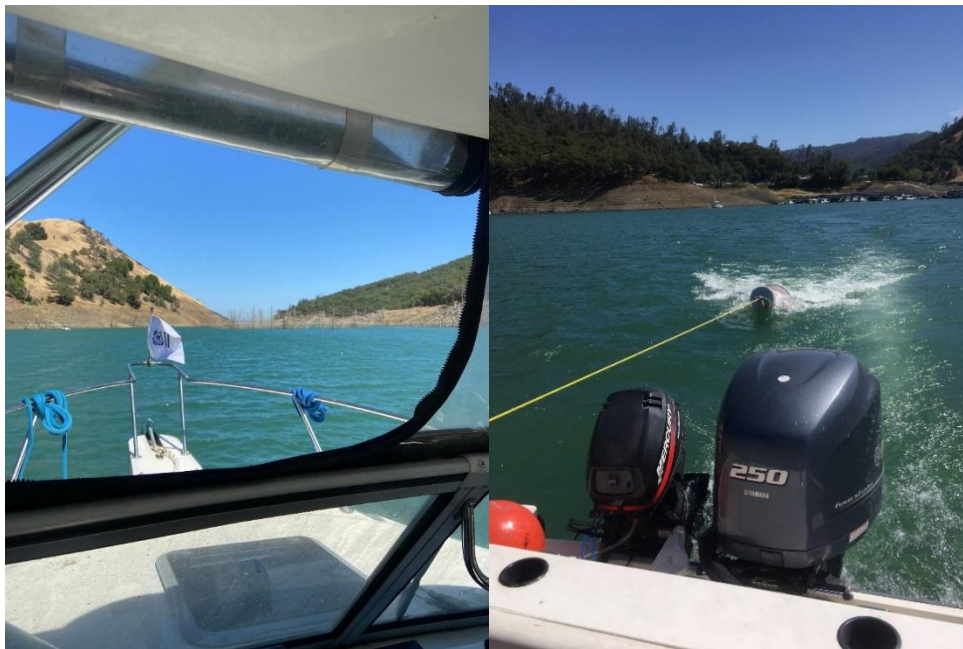
Flotilla 55 – Wil Sumner – DSO-MS

Lake Sonoma Patrol With New Low Water Restrictions

Lake Sonoma near Geyserville CA is a US Army Core of Engineers managed lake in the North Bay and very popular with boaters. On normal years, Lake Sonoma receives over 9000 boaters per boating season. This 15 mile long and two arm lake has water skiing, boat camping, swim areas kayaking and fishing designated areas that were drastically reduced this Memorial Day weekend as the lake is only 58% capacity. Due to the reduced

size, many hazards have emerged so the US ACE has had to reduce the Water Skiing Areas to one arm of the lake, (Dry Creek Arm). Also the designated swim area and small boat launch in the Yorty Creek Arm is now closed due to no water in this arm. (Near Cloverdale).

Due to the new restrictions, the three Agencies that operate on this lake, (Sonoma County Sheriff, US Army Core of Engineers, and US Coast Guard Auxiliary) held a meeting on May 12 to go over the new requirements, reintroduce members of each agency, determine communication assignments, scheduling and tasking. The most important boating safety item covered was the reduction of speed requirements and the change in no ski areas. Roughly 60% of the lake is now a no wake zone due to exposed hazards, trees, and shoals. What once were islands are now peninsulas, and many new islands have emerged. Because of the low water on Lake Sonoma, The local paper, Santa Rosa Press Democrat on June 2 ran an article covering the new restrictions and described the three agencies responsible for boating safety on the lake. The article mentions the US Coast Guard Auxiliary as having boats on Lake Sonoma to support the Sonoma Co Sheriff and US Army Core of Engineers. See accompanying map



Exposed Trees in the Dry Creek Arm. Relocating Regulatory PATON

The normal missions of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary on Lake Sonoma when underway include “Boater Education” on no wake zones, life jacket use,, Kayak safety, etc. When we operate in the no wake zones if we observe boats with children, we will hand out “I Got Caught” Ice cream coupons from Cold Stone Ice Cream. This past weekend, we had to remind many boaters of the speed requirements in addition to our MOMS patrol or SAR case response. During this past Memorial Day Weekend patrols, Flotilla 55 had two facilities on the water, Margarita and Sea Scum II. We conducted two boat training in the morning then started our separate MOMS patrols. Almost immediately we had to start holding up our (No Wake) signs to slow boats down in the narrow areas and where there were traditional ski or high speed zones. In all, we “Educated” 15-20 motor boats and PWC’s per day. . Many of the boaters were not aware of the new restrictions in spite of all boaters receiving the new regulations when going through the mussel check inspection. We handed them the new map of the lake that shows the new speed requirements, along with safety flags, or life jacket coupons... We were

also tasked by the USACE to relocate one PATON that had parted its anchor line. We also came across a “Good SAM” towing a boat and mentioned to them some basic policies when volunteering to offer assistance. (Having all persons on the distressed boat to wear their PFC, staying seated, steering center and stay off the bow until the boat is ready to be untied).

Most SAR cases on Lk Sonoma occur either on Sunday morning when the boat camper’s boat battery is dead or out of fuel, or every afternoon starting at 1600 hours. Due to this pattern, Flotilla 55 starts our patrols around 10:00 and will operate until 1700 or 1800. The Sonoma Co Sheriff, normally does not get underway until 1300 hrs or later. Lake Sonoma receives most of the DUI cases in the afternoon as well as most SAR cases due to fuel or mechanical failure. If the Sheriff has a DUI case and removes the operator, and if there is no operator to run the boat, the Auxiliary may be needed to tow the boat and remaining passengers. Flotilla 55 has other types of SAR cases such as responding to boats taking on water, shore side fire response by transporting fire personnel to the fire sites, medical emergencies, etc.

At 1600 on Sunday, Margarita had a SAR case that involved a pontoon boat. Pontoon boats represent some unique challenges for towing. First off not all have bow eyes on the bow of each pontoon, and most have no cleats at either end or beam. Due to the unique structure, a normal towing bridle (either skiff hook or heaving line bridle with two loops) will not work on pontoon boats. Therefore, we made a bridle specifically for pontoon boats, a 12 foot length of ¾ inch nylon line with a large carabiner spliced on each end and a center loop to attach to a regular tow line. With this setup, you can easily attach this bridle to your center tow and snap the bridle carabiners to the pontoon bows (if there are bow eyes). If not, you can attached to Deck eye bolts, or railing stanchions. Converting to a side tow is also a challenge so you need to determine how to attach your tow strap (line 2) and back up line (3 or 4) to a boat with no cleats.



Pontoon SAR Case, A Growing Trend Therese Van Weile as AUXCOM and John Zowalki at the helm.

Communications on Lake Sonoma is also a challenge, as there is not VHF communications or cell phone service to Sector. To initiate the patrol you must use cell phone below the dam prior to conducting the patrol. The remaining Comms with sector are done by the US ACE Visitor Center dispatch who also manages the radio Guard during a patrol The Auxiliary receives a handheld digital radio that can be heard by the US ACE management center below the dam. Using the digital handheld radio, the Auxiliary can also contact Sonoma Co Sheriff Dispatch on a separate channel if there are LE issues or emergencies. This year, all here agencies operating on the water decided to monitor Channel 16 on Lake Sonoma. There is no interference with Channel 16 on San Francisco Bay or surrounding waters as the signal does not go beyond the dam. However, channel 16 does not

travel between the lake arms due to the mountain ridges so digital radio is necessary to communicate with either Sonoma Co Sheriff or USACE when underway

Flotilla 55 normally conducts patrol son Lk Sonoma during very busy summer weekends and special events, such as IronMan. It is not uncommon to have 5 or more SAR cases during the Memorial Day, Fourth of July or Labor Day Weekends, so you will receive multiple SAR cases on different types of vessels. We welcome other flotilla members and facilities to join us for patrols on Lake Sonoma.

Division 6 – (Photos by Michael Goldberg of 64) Report by Jane Smith DSO-PA, Alex Urciouli, SO-MS, 64, and Dave Jardin, VC & FSO-MS, 6-10

Division 6 National Safe Boating Week at Santa Cruz Harbor Saturday, May 22, 2021

In the first in-person public event since the California-wide Covid-19 quarantine and the D11NR Auxiliary stand-down of over a year, on Saturday, May 22, 2021, a National Safe Boating Week event was held at Santa Cruz Harbor by AUX members of Division 6 comprised of members from flotillas Santa Cruz 67, Capitola 6-10, and Monterey 64. In addition, AUX members from other Bay Area flotillas also participated. The event was hosted by Division 6 USCG Auxiliary from all Monterey Bay flotillas in conjunction with the Santa Cruz Harbor Master and US Boats.

Per David Jardin, event participant, VFC and FSO-MS of Capitola Flotilla 6-10:

“With the Auxiliary Communications Vehicle as a background for our event, we were able to present a video exemplifying safe boating and show what the auxiliary is capable of. Also, we handed out literature about what the Auxiliary does and stands for. We signed up four potential new members as well. We were joined by the harbor staff (exchanging life jackets and providing free boater safety kits to the public through the Dockwalker program) as well as Vessel Assist. We were well staffed by several additional flotillas from the Monterey Bay Area as well as the San Francisco Bay Area.

I want to thank Mike Thompson and Stephen Busch for all of their help in preparing the ACV for use, and Jane Smith and Chuck Cobery for their help in picking up and returning the vehicle, Wally Smith for setting it up for the event along with all of the Auxiliarists who helped and attended.”

Thanks so much to David and all the rest of the crew who participated!!



Division 6 members which included Jane Smith and Wally Smith, Chuck Cobery (not shown), Dave Jardin, Vinnie Matta, Ron Baldwin of 6-10, Tracy Schultz, Karen Yoder, Alex Urciouli, (not shown) Michael Goldberg, Bobbie Kami and John Ittleson of 64, along with Santa Cruz Harbor Deputies and other civilian participants.



The whole group from TowBoat US, Santa Cruz Harbor Staff and our Division 6 members



Santa Cruz Harbor, Don Kinnaman, Senior Assistant Harbor Master with two other Harbor Deputies, distributing the life vest exchange and giving coloring books and stickers to the kids.

Division 7 – Lana Turner – SO-PA & PB

Division 7 Utah only had a few VEs done for NSBW as that weekend was cold and rainy at most of our lakes. I did not have any response to my request for photos for NSBW or Wear Your Life Jacket to Work.

Division 8 – Dorothy DeLope – FSO-PA – Flotilla 88

COMO Rich Thomas did presentations via Zoom to local high schools regarding NSBW and information regarding the USCG Academy AIM program. He also made Zoom presentations to several service clubs in Lake County.

NSBW Proclamations for the County of Lake, City of Lakeport and City of Clearlake were compiled and sent for presentations at their monthly meetings prior to NSBW. Zoom links emailed to Flotilla members. FSO-PA attended all three presentations via zoom.

Vessel exams and Marine Visits were performed with the USCG restrictions observed as required.

VC Kevin Kealey created a Mirror Project to present to school children. Please refer to email sent to local newspaper and web site (see below). The article is included in the email as a WORD document and describes the project which was a great success.

Flotilla 88 performed three safety patrols on Clear Lake on May 22 and May 29 via two facilities and two PWC's.

Repeats Century Old Mirror Signals

Vice-Commander Kevin Kealey of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) Auxiliary, Flotilla 88 of Lake County decided to repeat history from over 100 years ago in observance of National Safe Boating Week (NSBW). He had read about Mary Downen, a pioneer woman who in 1903 built a cabin on Mt. Konocti which is still standing. Downen lived alone so each day at 2:00 pm using a mirror she would signal down to her daughter in Lakeport that she was ok and her daughter would signal back.

To prepare for this project, Kealey distributed to the teacher and a class at Clearlake Creativity School and Pomo Elementary School short cords to which Daylight Signal Mirrors and Whistles were attached. The students learned about Mary Downen and Kealey gave a presentation on the use of the mirror using the reflection of the sun and the whistles to attract attention.

On May 25, 2021 Kealey with his son Nash, a member of the Navy Seabees Reserve to assist him, helper Nikki and Public Affairs Officer Dorothy De Lope drove up Mt. Konocti and set up the equipment needed adjacent to the fire watch tower located there. They had with them a huge mirror and all necessary equipment to perform a zoom presentation to the schools at scheduled times. A demonstration was performed by holding up the huge mirror and reflecting it on the hillside towards the location of the first school. The students used their small signal mirrors to sight in on the reflection of the huge mirror. The project was being recorded via zoom and the youngsters could be seen and heard laughing, jumping up and down screaming "I can see it" on seeing the huge mirror's reflection on the hillside. The project was then repeated for the next school at their scheduled time.

Following the reflection demonstrations, the students returned to their classroom to watch, via zoom, Kealey as he walked around the mountain describing and naming the several peaks. He included a bit a history of each peak and Mt. Konocti as well as Clear Lake and Lake Thurston.

The object of this mirror project was to teach youngsters safety by wearing the signal mirror and whistle when walking or hiking in unfamiliar countryside and to use should they become lost. And especially to attach the signal and whistle to their life jackets in case of a boating emergency and they end up in the water.

For the past years, Flotilla 88 has fitted and distributed free life jackets to youngsters up to 12 years old but because of COVID restrictions the flotilla was unable to do this in 2020 and this year as well. The Flotilla urges everyone to practice safe boating habits and to always wear your life jackets.

See Photos Below.



Division 10 – Rebecca O’Brian-Witt- SO – PA

NSBW Report

10-02: Auxiliary member discussions with Fishing Clubs and public in general leading to enrolling 2 new members. FSO-PA O’Brien-Witt attended Dock Walkers refresher course and received updated materials for date-sensitive items for the 2020 Dock Walker kits that haven’t been used yet due to restricted gatherings.

10-03 Patrols, Vessel Safety Checks, discussions with happen-upon boaters on boating safety.

10-05, 10-06 Patrols: May: 16, 23, 29, 30, 31

More Patrols are planned for June

Vessel Safety Checks, Distance discussion with boaters at ramp: Boating Safety, assisting Tulare County Sheriff’s Deputies with directing boat traffic, PFD observation, giving directions. Also, efforts to recruit possible new members to the Auxiliary who are multi-lingual in Southeast Asian languages.

Division 11 – Bill Stolz – SO - PA

For the NSBW Bruce Martin did a TV interview on South Lake Tahoe TV, May 25th and another one May 29th. He gave the “wear your lifejacket” and “Lake Tahoe is cold” messages. This broadcast is not only has a Lake Tahoe audience and reached the Reno, Carson City markets.

Our members also did some Vessel Safety Checks.

Activities at West Marine Reno were cancelled due to Covid.

Division 12 – Greg Olson - DCDR

After navigating new paperwork with the city, I am successfully on the agenda for an NSBW proclamation at the May meeting of the City Council of San Ramon. Since this is the first time I’ll be addressing many of the members, since they’ve been elected, I will be giving remarks about the Auxiliary, National Safe Boating Week, and updating them on the activities of the Flotilla for the last 2 years.

Division 12 – Jim Losi – PCA President, DSO-HR

Day: Saturday

Date: 29 MAY 2021

Patrol Number: PO-241948

Patrol Mission: MOM with Two Boat Training

Crew(s) (8):

OPFAC SERVANT

Losi, Jim - Coxswain

Townsend, Tiffany – Boat Crew

Gorenberg, Pete – Boat Crew

Olsen, Greg – Coxswain in Training

Swiggett, Morgan – Boat Crew Trainee

OPFAC SILVER CHARM

Blanchard, Terry - Coxswain

Mani, Cassandra – Boat Crew

Warner, Cheryl – Boat Crew

Ferguson, Lillian – Boat Crew

This is a very brief after-action review and/or evaluation of the above-mentioned patrol.

1. This patrol involved two boat operations in the Alameda Boar Basin near the USS Hornet and SF Bay.
2. The two OPFACs participating in the two boat training evolutions were OPFAC SILVER CHARM (Coxswain Terry Blanchard) and OPFAC SERVANT (Coxswain Jim Losi).
3. Both boats engaged in several towing evolutions to include stern tows and side tows.
4. We docked at STATION SAN FRANCISCO where we had our lunch, told some sea stories and then debrief on our training exercises.
5. Pete Gorenberg, Tiffany Townsend and Morgan Swiggett had their very first opportunity to tour the USCGC PIKE while docked at YBI. MK3 was on duty and he was so gracious and excited to show off the PIKE!
6. We decided to engage in another round of two boat training on Saturday, 12 June to prepare for our check rides of Saturday, 10 July.
7. We covered approximately 31 NMs during the patrol. (Figure 1 illustrates tracking data for patrol)

NOTE: Very special thanks to Cassandra Mani of Flotilla 113-01-02 for taking the various photographs of the two boat training.

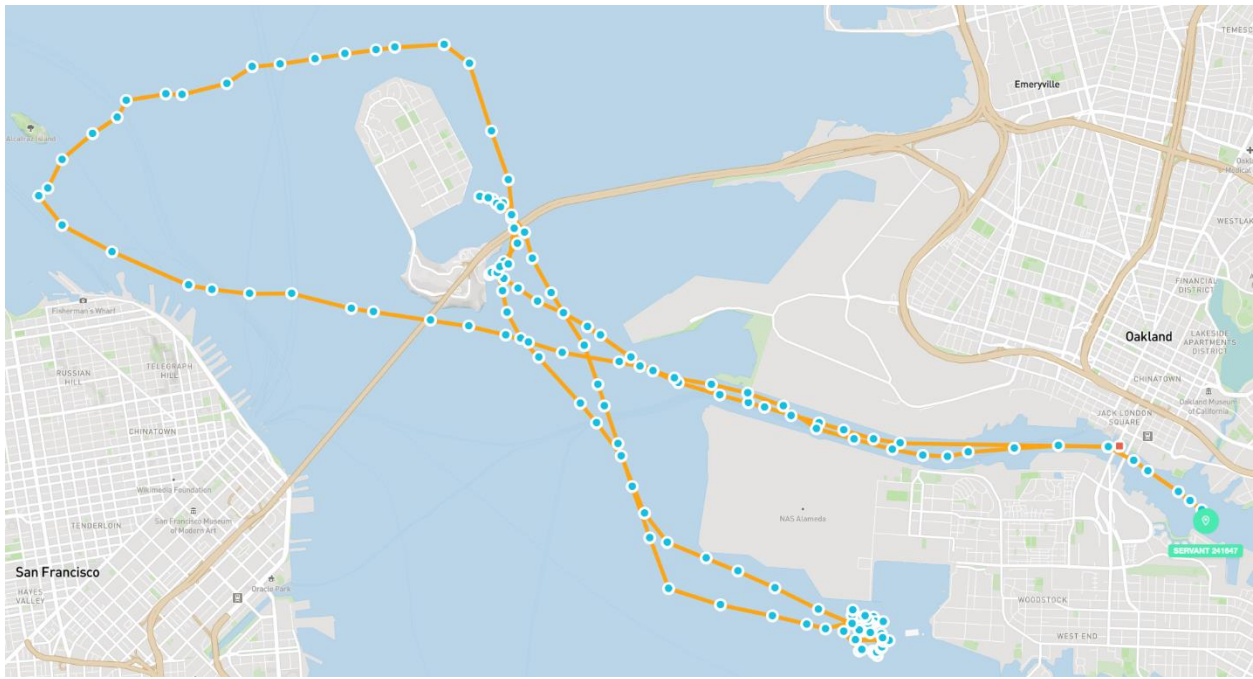


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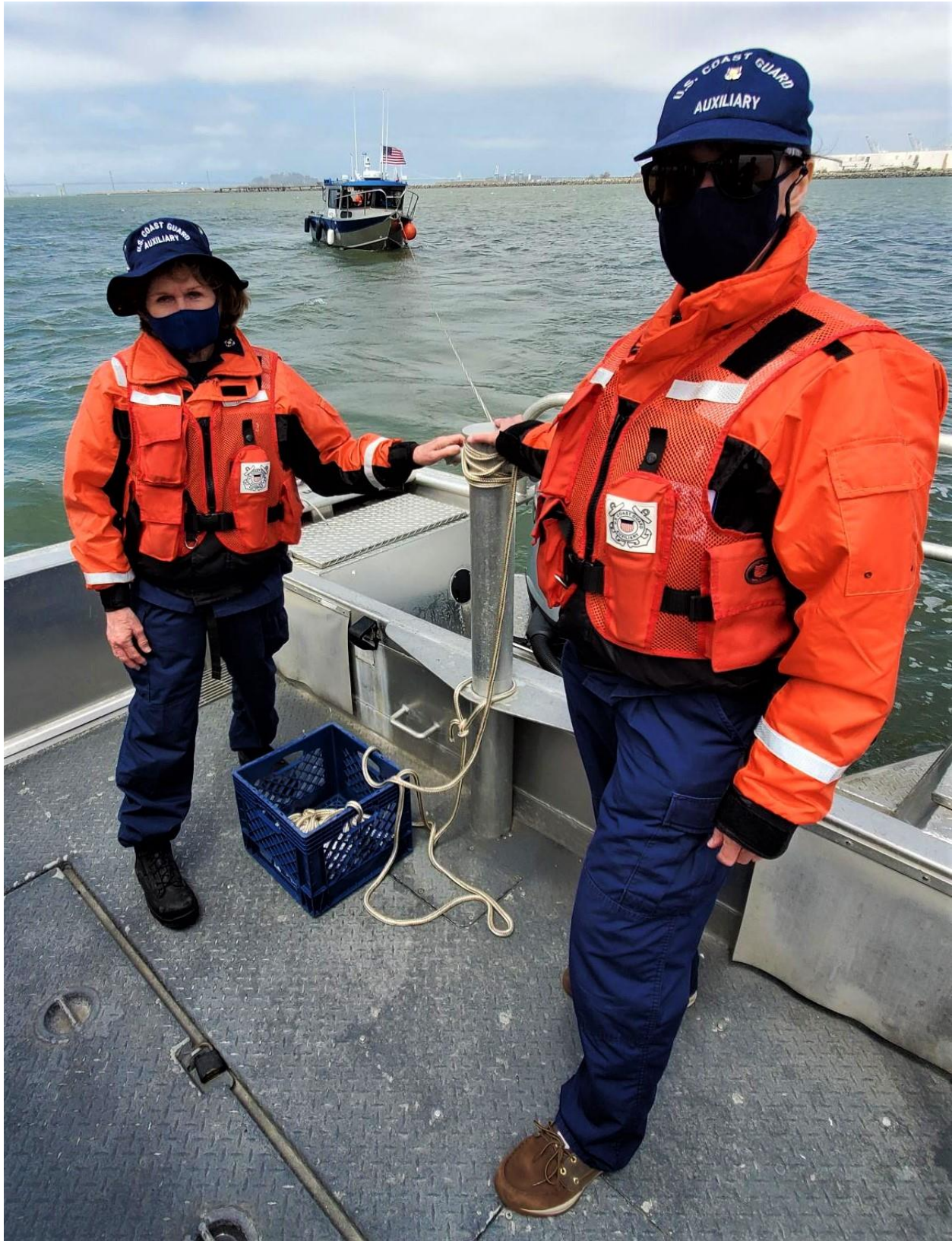


FIGURE 2 – LILLIE FERGUSON AND CHERYL WARNER ABOARD OPFAC SILVER CHARM HOLDING OPFAC SERVANT IN A STERN TOW IN THE ALAMEDA BOAT BASIN.. PHOTO BY CASSANDRA MANI



FIGURE 3 - OPFAC SERVANT IN A STERN TOW DURING TWO BOAT TRAINING WITH OPFAC SILVER CHARM. PHOTO BY CASSANDRA MANI.



FIGURE 4 – LILLIE FERGUSON HOLDING THE WALKING FENDER DURING A SIDE TOW EVOLUTION WITH OPFAC SERVANT. PHOTO BY CASSANDRA MANI



FIGURE 5 - CHERYL WARNER THROWING THE HEAVING LINE TO MORGAN SWIGGETT ON THE BOW OF OPFAC SERVANT AS BOTH BOATS PREPARE FOR A STERN TOW. PHOTO BY CASSANDRA MANI.



FIGURE 6 – SIDE VIEW OF OPFAC SERVANT APPROACHING OPFAC SILVER CHARTM GETTING READY FOR A TOWING EVOLUTION. PHOTO BY CASSANDRA MANI.

National Safe Boating Week, and updating them on the activities of the Flotilla for the last 2 years.

**Very respectfully submitted,
Jane D. Smith,
District Staff Officer - Public Affairs**