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Division 10

Flotilla Commander
&
Staff Officer's Reports

18 April 2009 Meeting
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740 S College Rd
Wilmington NC

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AGENDA

Pledge of Allegiance
Introduction of Guests
Adoption of Minutes
Division Commander's Remarks
Flotilla Commanders' Remarks
Division Staff Officers' Reports
Old Business
New Business
Adjourn

¹ USCG Uniform Board 43 renamed "Tropical Blue Long" to "Tropical Blue", authorized the AUXOP cloth device on AUX ODU, and renamed the "Service Dress Blue Bravo" to "Service Dress Blue"
<http://www.uscg.mil/announcements/alcoast/ALCOAST07409.txt>

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS

10-01(Lou Ashey)

10-03 (J.D. Lockamy)

1. **Recent Activities, Projects, or Events.** We recently held a two-day PA event at one of the PV Partners, Gander Mountain in Fayetteville. Gander Mountain promoted the event in the local newspaper and on local radio stations. At our February meeting three of our guests were the mayor, the police chief, and the fire chief of Hope Mills. We exchanged ideas on how we (the auxiliary and the town) can assist each other and promote safe boating. Flotilla 10-03 has a unit T-shirt after bouncing the idea around for several months.
2. **Upcoming Activities, Projects, or Events.** Our food drive for Station Oak Island will be on April 19 at the Wal-Mart Super Center in Hope Mills. We have a BS&S class starting on April 21 2009. We plan to participate at the Oak Island Safety Day on May 9 2009. We have a VE event scheduled at Sneads Ferry on May 23 2009. We are waiting for the town of White Lake to respond to our application to take part in their annual water festival.
3. **Flotilla Membership.** Membership is currently at sixteen members.
4. **Problems.** Recent requests to DIRAUX are not acknowledged. Requests to DIRAUX to make John Covington a proctor, to accept Dixon Marsh's ICS-300, and to issue a waiver for a new member to accept a FSO position have not been acknowledged.

10-05 (Bert Felton)

10-06 (Gus Dahl)

10-07 (Bill Owen)

10-08 (Dean Berkey)

10-09 (Allen Padgett)

STAFF OFFICER REPORTS

CM (Jim Arlart)

CS (Dan Meigs)

All Flotillas now have official WWW sites with links on the Division WWW site.

FN (Harry Otterbein)

Separate Report submitted.

IS (Bob Dennis)

All AUXDATA documents submitted to date have been processed and returned to each FSO-IS person in a timely manner.

System response time has been very good.

Envelopes and postage are in adequate supply.

Two items are pending resolution;

1. A flotilla member is certified as a RBS dealer visitor but does not have that reflected on his record. Info has been sent to Diraux for resolution.
2. A flotilla member appears not to have the proper teaching/training information on their record; B Case will be advised of the problem.

Flotilla members or staff to be commended:

I wish to thank Bill Case for his quick assistance in resolving some of the unique situations that I have encountered thus far. Thanks Again.

MA (John Maloney)

Activity very light for this period. Ordered stationary for Andy Cardwell (SO-OP) for Division purposes.

This may appear to be Flotilla 10-05 activity but several Flotillas are participating in the C. G. Station Oak Island "Safety Day". Ordered several hundred "Officer Snook" activity type materials for handouts to children attending this event.

Official postage stamps and various size mailing envelopes can be ordered through FSO-MA.

Members are reminded that ANSC discourages our maintaining unnecessary inventories of supplies and encourages us to order when needed only. Therefore members are to anticipate as much as possible longer term specific needs and order through their FSO-MA at least two and preferably three weeks in advance. Supplies ordered from ANSC can be shipped by ANSC directly to the end user.

MS (Barry Hood)

GENERAL REPORT

1. MST1 Stephanie Rathbun of MSU Wilmington is the new interim AUX liaison who has replaced MST1 Shane Adkins. She has expressed a genuine interest in working with

the AUX and has been very accommodating. MST1 Adkins stated that he has enjoyed working with the AUX and that we are a very dedicated organization.

2. The Assistant Pollution Investigator (AUX-ED) course for the AUX began at MSU Wilmington on 03 Apr 09 at 1000. All classes are open to AUX, reservists and active duty, and will take place on Fridays at 1000 unless MSU personnel are called to respond to a mission. Course will last approximately eight weeks with classroom, practical exercises and final oral board exam. Course began with nine Division 10 AUX members and at least one more is expected to join. We are very pleased with the participation from all flotillas involved.

3. Other MSU Wilmington training will be coordinated after the AUX-ED course ends and the new AUX liaison is assigned. AUX members are reminded that they may submit resumes to LT Vargo if they would like to share their requests for training and their experience.

4. FSOs-MS from all Division 10 flotillas have been notified by SO-MS Hood of current MS training and other MS issues via email.

FLOTILLA ACTIVITIES

Flotilla 10-01 Barry Hood, SO-MS

1. Three members enrolled in the Assistant Pollution Investigator (AUX-ED) course on 03 Apr 09. One more is expected to enroll on 17 Apr.

2. Two members are continuing the process of completing Marine Safety Training Ribbon requirements.

Flotilla 10-03 No report.

Flotilla 10-05 Larry Coble, FSO-MS

1. On 17 Mar 09, Cmdr. Nadeau, Senior Chief Mann and MST1 Adkins, all of MSU Wilmington attended the 10-05 Flotilla meeting in Southport and presented the Trident Device to AUX Larry Coble and AUX Jim Stoddard.

2. Larry Coble completed requirements for the Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety (CFVS) Examiner qualification.

Flotilla 10-06 Jim Belluche, FSO-MS

Gus Dahl - VFC - has been working with MSU staff regarding a request of theirs for Flotilla 10-06 to provide facilities in a program to enhance their water pollution detection capabilities. This will be a pilot program with 10-06 only at this time. Towards that end, they have requested 10-06 member participation in becoming qualified in pollution

detection (AUX-ED course).

The program is just getting off the ground and requirements, types of reports, etc. have yet to be worked out. Recent staffing changes at MSU may delay this matter.

Flotilla 10-07 Taylor McCullen, FSO-MS

Discussions have taken place for a patrol to clear mile marker signs on the Cape Fear River. Water temperatures have prevented any actions other than discussions at this time.

Flotilla 10-08 No report.

Flotilla 10-09 No report.

MT (Paul Dowty)

On 14 MAR a class was held for Boat Crew trainees to cover what are known in 10-06 as the "Fort Macon Tasks." This name comes from when these eleven tasks were "recommended" for completion prior to going afloat by the then current Group Fort Macon Operations Policy Manual. While everything else has changed, the term "Fort Macon Tasks" has remained.

21 MAR an Introduction to Navigation class was held for Boat Crew personnel and trainees. The topics necessary for being signed off by a mentor in the Navigation section of the Crew Qualification Guide were presented.

On 28MAR a "Mustang Swim" was conducted for sign off of the "in the water" orientation to the Anti-Exposure suit.

On 04APR an ICS-210 class was presented by the DSO-MT 5SR.

A Mentoring Workshop was held on 11APR for new mentors in Division 10.

Upcoming events include:

06 JUN – Eight hour TCT will be presented in Room 103 of the McKeithan Center, Cape Fear Community College, North Campus.

09 JUN – One hour TCT Refresher will be conducted by Flotilla 10-06 at 1800 in the New Hanover County Senior Center, 2222 South College Road, Wilmington.

All members needing either one hour or eight hour TCT are encouraged to attend these sessions.

NS (Lois Dowty)

I am again forwarding the message sent to us by Danny Collins, ADSO-NS with questions & answers you may have regarding the NS Program. (SEE BELOW)

Question: How often should PATONS be inspected?

Answer: Class I - every year, Class II - every 3 years, Class III - by owner every 5 years. Records should be maintained with FSO-NS and passed on to the position as filled by others.

Question: Will a new PATON list be issued in 2009?

Answer: Yes at some point, a new ATON list should be issued. Please use the previous list until the new one comes out.

Question: Will there be an AN/NS class in North Carolina for 2009?

Answer: Yes, it is our goal to teach an AN/NS class in North Carolina, maybe in each division as needed.

Question: When will the results be out (who passed) from the last ATON class on March 7, 2009?

Answer: All students who tested - passed.

In regards to Division 10 I have the following list of members interested in an AV class:

Elek Torok, Gus Dahl, Bob Randall, Bill Woodhouse, Caleb Strittmatter, Art Tabor, Steve Stubitz, Bob Boynton, Al Nord, & Jim Bland. Some just need a refresher.

While we are waiting for further information on an AV Class, please direct your members to the Division 10 Website: <http://a05410.uscgaux.info>

Then to Div Officers & Staff Members

Then to the NS Web Page - Here you will find several links that will help the prospective Aids Verifier to prepare for the AV class, especially the STUDY GUIDE. Also, of interest is the Light List, the necessary FORMS needed for their paper work, the National Web Site, etc.

Continue to report discrepancies as you find them & verify PATONS that have been on your list the last few years. You know what they are & have the PATON folders.

Please distribute the workload among the AVs, so everyone has a chance to remain current.

Thanks again for your great work & let me know if you need any help.

OP (Andy Cardwell)

1. Flotilla 10-9 completed OPS/TCT Workshop on 11March2009 with 17 Operational Members. ICS-210 was held at CFCC North on 4April2009.
2. Division 10 has received 3 Marine Request; 16May2009-Paddle Race at Wrightsville Beach, Triathlon swim at Surf City, 28June2009 Kure Beach Triathlon- the Paddle Race has been assigned to 10-1. The Surf City race to 10-9. The Kure Beach triathlon will be assigned to 10-6.
3. USCG Station Wrightsville Beach will be requesting CGAUX Facilities on Tuesday's and Thursday's for two boat training.
4. Flotilla's 10-5 and 10-9 have been active with training patrols. Flotilla 10-1 has Coxswain class on Tuesday evenings and a Crew Class on Wednesday evenings.
5. All Flotillas have been requested to visually check all Mustangs and other PFD equipment prior to our active on the water season. FSO-OP's have checked and secured EPIRB batteries.
6. All FSO-OP have been requested to check their upcoming Facility inspections to remain current.
7. FSO-OP forms that have been submitted have been in good order.
8. We have scheduled a Division 10 SAR Exercises 6,7May2009 at Station Wrightsville Beach. On the afternoon of 6May2009 a class on SAR Exercises will be conducted. On the morning of 7May2009 we will conduct OTW, Communication and hopefully Air Operations Exercises. As information develops regarding this event I will forward to Operations.

PA (Jim Belluche)

Jim Belluche was interviewed on Channel 14 News regarding the change in March of EBIRB frequency and its effect on the boating community.

Paul Dowty was interviewed on Channel 14 News regarding the proposed NC legislation of mandatory boating safety training for boaters.

Several members of Flotillas 10-05, 10-06 and 10-01 participated in the Azalea Festival as tour guides on the USCGC Diligence.

Various releases from Tom Nunes – AUXPAO continue to be forwarded to Flotilla PA members for their use.

Information regarding Boating Safety week in May is being prepared for release to local area newspapers. This will be forwarded to Flotilla PA for their use in their local areas.

PB (Jim Belluche)

Division 10, Flotilla 10-06 and Flotilla 10-01 have entered their newsletters in the Annual Auxiliary contest for same.

The newsletter for Div 10, is on hold waiting for something to write about or report on.

10-05 has submitted a few articles of interest. 10-01 has some information in their two newsletters which will be extrapolated. *Forward Lookout* will be published by the end of April with what is available. In the mean time, please supply me with some info, stories, pix or ideas which others might like to read about.

PE (Donna Sauer)

Flotilla 10-01: Cancelled Weekend Navigator course due to insufficient number of students. We will try again later in the year.

ABS scheduled for May.

Doing a two-hour presentation on Boat and Water Safety for mothers and children at Marine Max on 9 May.

Held IT training course 18 March. Graduated four new instructors.

Flotilla 10-05 Completed BS&S course with 12 graduates in April.

GPS or ABS course scheduled for May

Flotilla 10-06

Doing ABS (4 session) course 13 April – 23 April.

Will begin BS&S course (8 lesson) 1 June.

Information on new boating laws sent to all concerned. To view a copy, go to www.news14.com

Jim Bland received his IT certification.

Flotilla 10-07 No Report

Flotilla 10-08

Completed ABS course with 4 graduates in March.

Teaching one hour TCT refresher on 9 April during their monthly meeting.

Planning BS&S course in the fall. No date established at this time.

Flotilla 10-09

Completed BS&S course with 17 graduates in March.

Began ABS course 7 April with 20 students.

Currently conducting the ABS course for the Hampstead Volunteer Fire Department with 30 students.

ABS course scheduled for May

PS (Sherrill Chrisco)

PV (Jerry Lockamy)

1. **Activities, Projects, or Events.** All but one Flotilla in our Division is currently involved in the PV program. Results vary among the active programs. As SO-PV my primary function is to ensure that Partners are processed through the DSO-PV. Another important function is to ensure that all Partners in the program are being visited. This year I'm asking all FSO-PVs or their FSO-IS to forward a copy of all ANSC-7046 forms to me. This will allow me to get the most dependable information about visits and will in turn enable me to identify which FSO-PVs I need to contact about adjustments. I have visited 10-09 and 10-07 this year.
2. **Feedback from District.** Just as last year, a recent report from the DSO-PV indicates that visits are down dramatically in the District. Note: Even with the poor start last year, by the end of the year, visits surpassed the previous year. My goal will be to repeat this achievement in 2009.
3. **Flotilla Activities.** All but two Flotillas have reported visits this year and as in previous years I expect the numbers to increase as the weather warms. New Partners have been recruited by two Flotillas.
4. **Problems.** At the end of February the FSO-PV at 10-05 submitted to DIRAUX via his FC his paperwork to be a qualified PV. As of Tuesday of this past week he is not qualified and was notified that the visits he had made could not be input into AUXDATA.

SR (Linda Lockamy)

VE (Keith Wilson)

The various Flotillas have started doing VE's at ramps and Marinas.

Azalea Festival had booth manned, info given and names taken.

Plans for VE workshop for new members within couple weeks.

Prevention Team Concept

To paraphrase: The most important part of boating safety is stopping accidents before they happen. The components of the Prevention Team are the most important aspect or the Auxiliary's charge of promoting boating safety.

The components and duties of the prevention team as follows are suggestions and are by no means meant to override anyone's own ideas of how better to get the job done.

VE:

- Inspect vessels anywhere and anytime possible.
- Ensure marinas and docks have VE contacts and literature.
- Man booths and interact with the public.
- Have whistles, etc. to hand out to kids and boaters as needed.
- Have a life-jacket display (mannequin?) for booths, etc.

PE:

- Introduce VE's to classes.
- Have VE's teach appropriate lessons.
- Get names and numbers of class members needing inspections.

PV:

- Ensure marinas, stores, etc. have VE literature and contacts.
- Notify VE's of possible boaters needing inspections.

MT:

- Suggest new members train to become VE's.
- Suggest all members keep certified.

MA:

- Ensure VE's have plenty of supplies.

PA:

- Ensure there is adequate advertising.

FC/VFC:

- Support and emphasize to all members the importance of this endeavor.

