



FLOTILLA HISTORY

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United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

History of Flotilla 06 South Windsor, CT

A visual History of the year 2011

Chapter 2 Year 2011

FC: Bob Carlson

VFC: Tony Camilleri

Members: 16

Highlights: Change of Watch, Fishing Show, Commencement at the Academy, VE Day, Whites Training, Band Concert, Hartford Veterans Day Parade.

2011 began with Bob Carlson elected as our Flotilla Commander (FC) and Tony Camilleri as our Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC). The flotilla was aggressively recruiting new members as membership dropped dangerously low for the first time. Other highlights included the Hunting and Fishing Show in Hartford and the 2011 Commencement at the Academy featuring President Barack Obama.

We ended the year at the very popular Veterans Day Parade in downtown Hartford. Several members of our flotilla participated in the parade.

Change of Watch (COW)

The 2011 Division COW at the CG Academy January 2021. The purpose of an Auxiliary COW is to install the newly elected officers and to recognize the accomplishments and service of the outgoing officers. The annual COW is often the only formal gathering of Division and Flotilla members during the year. Special guests and speakers often include Coast Guard officers and enlisted personnel (often referred to as the "Gold Side")



Hunting and Fishing Show



Tony Camilleri VFC-014-25-06 with some friends at the 2011 Fishing and Hunting Show.



From left to right Mike Saxton, 25-04, Tony Camilleri 25-06, Marty Loughlin 25-04 and Tom Carlson 25-06 at the 2011 Fishing and Hunting Show.



From the left, , Mike Headd, 25-04, Laughlin and Carlson stand ready to answer visitor questions at the 2011 Fishing and Hunting Show.

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary at the annual Fishing and Hunting Show

SOUTH WINDSOR, Connecticut –February 10, 2011 – The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will be in attendance at the 2011 Northeast Fishing and Hunting Expo, which runs Friday, February 18 to Sunday, February 20 at the Connecticut Convention Center in downtown Hartford. Members of the Auxiliary will be on duty at Booth 22 to meet the public to discuss boating safety, educational programs, vessel exams and the benefits of joining the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Hands-on demonstrations are planned throughout the three-day event in basic charting and knot tying.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is the civilian, uniformed volunteer component of the United States Coast Guard. The Auxiliary was founded in 1939 by an Act of Congress as the US Coast Guard Reserves and re-designated the Auxiliary in 1941. The 30,000 volunteer members (men and women) donate millions of hours in support of Coast Guard missions, such as Search & Rescue, Public Education, Marine Environmental Protection and Maritime Domain Awareness.

Auxiliarists who stood watch at the 2011 Fishing and Hunting Show included: Bob Carlson, Tom Carlson, David Marriott, Tony Camelleri, Eileen Christensen, David Carpenter (all from our flotilla) Marty Laoughlin, Michael Headd and Michael Saxton from East Hartford 04.



Bob Carlson on the USCGC Eagle at port in New London.

The USCGC *EAGLE* is a 295-foot, three-masted barque used as a training vessel for future officers of the United States Coast Guard. Known as "America's Tall Ship," the majestic *EAGLE* is the largest tall ship flying the Stars and Stripes and the only active square-rigger in U.S. government service.



VE Day May 2011 at marinas -Between the Bridges and Ragged Rock in Old Saybrook, CT



The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Celebrates National Safe Boating Week May 21-27, 2011

The goal of National Safe Boating Week is to emphasize the year-round effort to promote safe boating. All who enjoy the waters of our beautiful state are urged to practice safe boating habits.

Life Jackets Save Lives - Wear a Life Jacket
Safe Boats Save Lives – Obtain a Vessel Safety Check
Knowledgeable Boaters Save Lives - Take a Boating Course
Sober Boaters Save Lives – Never Boat Under the Influence

For more information about safe boating go to:
www.safeboatingcampaign.com

For information on joining the United States Coast Guard
Auxiliary: <http://join.cgaux.org/>

Remember: Boat Smart. Boat Safe. Wear it

Kick off the
National Safe Boating Campaign with a

FREE



Vessel Safety Check.

Offered by the
United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.



A FREE check of your vessel's compliance
with
Federal and state requirements is scheduled
for:

**Saturday May 21, 2011
9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Sign up at this Marina.**



Commencement 2011

Obama visit to CG Academy graduation May 18, 2011

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Auxiliarists team up to assist Obama visit to CG Academy graduation

Seventeen Coast Guard Auxiliary members from Division 25, First District, Southern Region, gathered at 0600 at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn., May 18. President Barack Obama gave the commencement address. After days of rain, graduation day dawned cool and misty, with occasional downpours. Of necessity, the ceremonies moved inside, to Leamy Hall. Auxiliarists ferried people to Leamy Hall in golf carts to spare many from a long walk in inclement weather. Others stood watch in the parking lot, assisted security, and helped the Academy cope with an influx of dignitaries and excited relatives.

After the ceremonies concluded, the departure of the audience was delayed so the president had a head-start on leaving the area. By the time Mr. Obama and his motorcade left, accompanied by a dozen policemen on motorcycles and escorted by state police, the rain had finally stopped and the sun came out. Then, the auxiliarists went back to work, driving people to their cars in golf carts, assisting in traffic and helping the Academy get back to normal.