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CANCELLED -- 19 October 2013 Flotilla 22 Meeting: As we enter

the third week of the Stand Down, it does not appear we have an end in sight...at least not by this weekend. I have had several calls and E-Mails from Flotilla 22 Members asking if we were going to hold the Flotilla Meeting as scheduled, as they wanted to make other plans if we were not. Thus, I am cancelling the October 2013 Flotilla 22 Meeting scheduled for this Saturday, 19 October 2013.

With the October Flotilla 22 Meeting cancelled, we will handle the business scheduled for the October Meeting at the November Flotilla 22 Meeting, including the Election of Officers. However, the Division Election of Officers must be completed prior to holding the Flotilla Election of Officers. Current Division and Flotilla Elected Officer positions expire 31 December. Contingency plans are in place in the event that Divisions and Flotillas are unable to hold Elections of Officers by 15 December. In that case, interim Elected Officers will be appointed by the next higher level in the Chain of Leadership to serve until a proper Election of Officers can be appointed.

In this issue:

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Reports

Staff reports will be given at the monthly meeting. Included in these issues are some early reports and special reports.

Lake Allatoona Elevation

Photos Flotilla Meeting

The next Flotilla 22 Meeting is Saturday, Nov 16, 2013 starting at 1000 AM at Roberts School

Flotilla Commander - Jim Farley





I have finally made contact with all of our Retirees. I talked with **Martha Funderburk** this week and she said that **Gene** is not doing too well, and that he has neuropathy of the feet and hands. He was using a walker, but got to where he could not grip the walker sufficiently, so he is now using a wheelchair.

What are you doing during the stand down? I, for one, am managing to keep my laptop humming with Auxiliary stuff. I hope that you are doing what you can at

home and using this time to increase your Auxiliary training. There is plenty of on-line training available for all of us to avail ourselves of and remember there is a lot that is mandatory. And don't forget: **the time you spend** in training and other allowed functions during the stand down is reportable on your Form 7029.

The other thing that I am doing is trying to figure out how to operate the Flotilla during the stand down and how to bring it back up after the fiscal hiatus is resolved, whenever that may be. If we are able to hold the October Flotilla Meeting, we will not be able to hold the Election of Officers. Hopefully, we will be able to have a November Flotilla Meeting which now will include the Election of Officers. We cannot elect Flotilla officers until the Division holds an election of officers. DCDR **Nan Ellen Fuller** is optimistically looking at some dates in November, prior to our scheduled November Flotilla Meeting, to elect Division officers. Hopefully, that will take place. The terms of elected officers below District Commodore are up at the end of the year, 31 December. In planning for a contingency, National has noted that if the Divisions and Flotillas cannot hold the elections of officers prior to 15 December, the District COMO can appoint interim Division elected officers, and then the DCDR can appoint interim Flotilla elected officers. The appointed interim officers serve until the elections can be held.

By the time that you read this article, I will have made a decision on whether to cancel the October Flotilla Meeting. Be sure and check your E-Mails for updates as I will attempt to keep the Members posted on any developments. Remember, we will get the word disseminated thru the Chain of Leadership on when to resume Auxiliary activities. **Do not react to breaking news items on the various media**.

Last month I asked, 'Are you happy with what you are doing in the Auxiliary?' So far, I have only had one reply. I am beginning to look at who will fit the FSO jobs in the Flotilla for next year and I sure would like to know where the Members' interests lie before I begin making assignments.

If our stand down status is removed, I'm looking forward to seeing each and all of you at the Flotilla Meeting, Saturday, 19 October 2013, starting at 1000, at the Roberts School Community and Education Center, 4681 School Street, Acworth, GA 30101.

Jim Farley, FC



Flotilla Vice Commander - Larry Cook





Well, it has certainly been an interesting few weeks, since our last meeting. As you know, our Leaders in Washington decided to go on a "Paid Vacation" and shut the doors of Government. As a result, the Auxiliary had to shut down most of their operations as well. **Notice I said "most" and not all.** If you haven't seen the emails, there are still activities, such as training, available to you during the hiatus. For those of you who have not completed your <u>mandatory</u> training, take this opportunity to get it completed. For those of you that want to get additional qualifications, such as Vessel Examiner (VE), Instructor (PE),

Program Visitor PV), Crew, Coxswain or Telecommunications Operator (TCO), now is the time to start on the book part of these qualifications. Don't wait for things to get back to normal, get started now. You should have seen the emails and previous Log articles regarding the Upcoming elections for FC and VFC. Despite the current hiatus, these activities will take place, eventually. And with that, will come the need to assign Staff Officers to the various staff positions. If you are interested in serving in a staff position, let Jim or myself know.

Larry Cook, FSO-VFC



Communications - Jim Farley



Very little is happening in the area of Telecommunications, particularly due to the stand down status that we are currently in. However, some paperwork is still flowing and a few things are happening.

Congratulations to **Don Servais**, who was recently approved for a VHF Auxiliary Radio Station in his home, and who has now been approved for HF operations, once the stand down status is removed, he will be able to participate in resumed HF Net operations. Flotilla 22 now has the two Auxiliary HF Radio Stations

authorized in Division 2, with **Don Servais** and **Al Miles** holding the authorizations. The HF Nets are used to communicate over long distances, such as from our North Central Georgia location to Sector Charleston and to Auxiliary and Active Duty Stations along the Coast in South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands and serve to back up other Coast Guard communications systems.

If you are interested in becoming a TCO, but are a little leery of what will be required as far as training goes, let me know. We can arrange to have training sessions at the Operations Center to go over the knowledge and skills and complete the signoffs in the manual, and then the 'OJT (on-job-training)' during a few patrols to complete the qualifications. However, other prerequisites that have to be completed are ICS-100 and ICS-700, and be current in Team Coordination Training (TCT), both the 8/4-Hour course and the annual 1-Hour Workshops.

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Jim Farley, FSO-CM

Finance - Susan Cummings



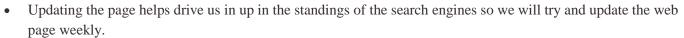
Susan Cummings, FSO-FN

This is just a reminder to send me your receipts for payment. If you have received a payment from me and have not cashed it, please do so now. Also, dues for 2014 were due in September.

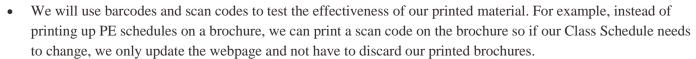
Communication Services – Ron Argo

Why are constantly looking at Electronic Media:

- Keep up with effectiveness of our site over time
- Regularly monitor what is working and what isn't
- Identify areas that might not be performing as well as we would like
- Provide proof of the effectiveness, or lack, of our online presence
- We be adding additional information to track to see if we our webpage traffic goes up after a Public Affairs event, Press Release, Vessel Examination Blitz, or other activity that were we may be seen by the public.
- Facebook tracking will be tide to overall webpage tracking to see if Facebook postings impact Webpage traffic and vise versus







Flotilla 22's Facebook Analytics from September shows a good example of the type of Electronic Media analytics we will be looking at in 2014. As you can see from the data, when we posted specific Items about out activities we had the greatest amount of interest. When we posted non-specific, non-flotilla items we had little or no interested shown.

Date of Posting	Date of Posting Posting Description		
9/28/2013 6:48PM	On patrol to make sure the volunteers cleaning the lake are safe.	93	
9/28/2013 6:35PM	Flotilla 22 members enjoying good food and good company	105	
9/11/2013 8:08PM	Coming to Flotilla 22 SOON!! https://www.facebook.com/cgauxedu?hc_location=timeline	3	
9/5/2013 7:35PM	http://www.buzzfeed.com/theweatherchannel/13-awesomethings-you-didnt-know-about-the-coast	2	
9/1/2013 8:48PM	http://coastguard.dodlive.mil/2013/08/cadets-unfurl-theirsails-from-the-classroom-to-the-seas/	2	

As far as our Flotilla Web Page is concerned, we had 42 visitors, 31 were Unique Victors with 54.76% being New Visits. As we wind down the boating season, the visits will likely decline, but that will give us a chance to add some additional metrics to our pages as well tie in the page visits to our other Social media activities and our actual events.

Ron Argo, FSO-CS



Human Resources – Larry Cook



September and October have been busy for HR. I have three AUP applications in to District for approval, and one more waiting for the applicant to finish his paperwork. From the E-responder list, I have another eleven (11) applications in various stages of completion. Despite the Government shutdown, and suspension of the majority of Auxiliary activities, Recruiting at the District and Flotilla levels, marches on.

Larry Cook, FSO-HR

Public Affairs – Luis Cribeiro



Recently we had Safety Information Booths at two events in our area of jurisdiction: 1) At Costco in celebration of their Safety Week and 2) At Riverside Day Park in Cartersville, in commemoration of the annual Allatoona Lake Clean Up. Both events were well supported by the membership. Thank You to the participants.

Luis E Cribeiro, FSO-PA



Information Systems – Donna Saunders



Listed below are the counts in AUXINFO as of October 9, 2013. Unfortunately, the mandated shutdown is going to really impact our monthly counts. We are over our total for the entire year of 2012, which shows the efforts everyone has made. When we go back to 'normal', I encourage everyone to be very diligent in continuing to track and report your time, even reading the updates qualifies. Also, don't forget the online training time!

Let's keep the momentum going, in spite of the challenges!

Mission Hours as values	070-02-01 AUGUSTA	070-02-02 MARIETTA	070-02-03 NORTHEAST GEORGIA	070-02-05 HARTWELL LAKE	070-02-07 CENTRAL GEORGIA LAKES	070-02- 09 LAKE LANIER	Div 02
ATON - Aids To Navigation (30,31,32)	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0.5
AUXMP - Marine Patrols (01a,01b,02,03,22a,54a,55a)	259.7	515.8	182.1	94	832.4	960.7	2,844.70
CGADMN - Cg Administrative Support (08,92)	18	88	18	22	0	68	214
CGOPS - Cg Operational Support (07,20,22,26)	0	611.6	489	121	579.5	522.5	2,323.60
GOVSUP - Government Agency Support (41,42,43)	0	0	0	1	0	8	9
MS - Marine Safety	0	0	11.5	1,425.00	0	124	1,560.50
MT - (06) Member Training	0	84	43	79	95.5	158	459.5
RBS - (99) Recreational Boating Safety	2,120.50	12,202.50	891	2,752.62	3,042.00	5,838.10	26,846.72
SAR - Search And Rescue (23,24)	0	1.5	1.8	1	1	17	22.3
UMDV - (11) Marine Dealer Visits	43	122	27	128	35	177	532
UPA - Public Affairs (10)	81	834	10	189.01	82	679	1,875.01
UPE - Public Education (04)	68	63.7	7	0	5	81	224.7
UREC - Recruiting Assistance (09,90) VSC - (91) Vessel Safety	0	28	0	11.93	0	67	106.93
Check	73	361.5	32.8	71.25	42	246	826.55
All Missions	2,663.70	14,912.60	1,713.20	4,895.81	4,714.40	8,946.30	37,846.01

As always, I'm available by email: <u>katyd0@bellsouth.net</u>, or phone 770-591-9022, for any questions or concerns.

Donna Saunders, FSO-IS

Materials - Hank Bozich

The Seventh District USCGAUX Materials Center (store) is now open. Their contact information is as follows:

7th DISTRICT MATERIAL CENTER D7 Material Center P.O. box 1029

Port Richey, Fl. 34673 Web site: http://d7materials.org/

Uniform Distribution Center: www.uscg.mil/uniforms/

Email; d7materialcenter@verizon.net

Phone: 727-535-2593

Hours: Monday & Thursday 1000 - 1800 hours.



Remember, before anyone orders from the Seventh District Store, please check with me to see if I have it in stock. Also, you can e-mail me and I will e-mail a list of the items our store has on hand. If anyone has any questions, you can e-mail me or call me.

We <u>DO NOT</u> endorse any particular vendor for uniform items. We recommend the Seventh District Store, but you may need to go to an outside vendor to buy material. If you need sew-on insignia or nametapes, use your favorite search engine to find a vendor, or visit one of these websites:

http://www.uscg.mil/uniforms/ http://www.bentneedle.net/

http://www.uniformnametape.com/ (Phone 1-800-237-0011)

http://www.1800nametape.com/

http://catalog.lighthouseuniform.com/coastguard/

http://stores.homestead.com/ShopAuxiliary/Categories.bok?category=Uniforms+%28All+Items%29 There are some other vendors that do not have web sites. For their phone numbers, link to: http://www.meiere.com/_CGfiles/Uniform_Web/Name_Tape.html.

Hank Bozich, FSO-MA

Navigations Systems – Lynn Smith



Don't let your Navigation Skills steer you the wrong way! http://www.seasources.net/New%20Navigation%20General.htm

Test yourself. . .

New Navigation General Questions from 25 Sept 2012

1	"An electronic or electric device that indicates the rate of turn of a vessel," defines a/an .	magnetic compass	gyro-compass	swing meter	odometer	
2	"Proceeding from seaward" for the purpose of the direction of buoying offshore, lateral system buoys would be proceeding .	northerly on the Atlantic Coast	easterly on the Gulf Coast	northerly on the Pacific Coast	None of the above	
3	"Revolution" is the .	wobbling of the Earth about its axis	motion of bodies in the solar system relative to the stars	motion of a celestial body in its orbit	spinning of a celestial body about its axis	
4	"Rotation" is the .	wobbling of the Earth about its axis	motion of bodies in the solar system relative to the stars	motion of a celestial body in its orbit	spinning of a celestial body about its axis	
5	"Space motion" is the .	action causing precession of the equinoxes	motion of a body in the solar system relative to the stars	motion of a celestial body in its orbit	irregularity in the motion of the Earth caused by other celestial bodies	
6	"Stand" of the tide is that time when .	the vertical rise or fall of the tide has stopped	slack water occurs	tidal current is at a maximum	the actual depth of the water equals the charted depth	
7	"Surface circulation" is another term for .	cyclones	air in motion at all levels of the atmosphere	wind in the lower troposphere	ocean currents	
	15° of latitude is equal to .	600 miles	900 miles	1200 miles	1500 miles	
	17 degrees of latitude is equal to .	88 miles	510 miles	1020 miles	4080 miles	
	90° - Ho = .	sextant altitude	co-latitude	LHA	zenith distance	
11	A "Norther" in the Gulf of Mexico is .	a wind shift to the north accompanied by a drop in temperature	a forcible northerly wind of at least 20 knots	a strong northerly wind that generally occurs between November and March	All of the above	
12	A backlash below a look is defined as a .	current setting your vessel on the wall	current setting into the lock chamber	an eddy working along the lower guide wall	current setting counterclockwise	
13	A barometer showing falling pressure indicates the approach of a .	high pressure system	low pressure system	high dew point	low dew point	
14	A barometric pressure reading of 29.92 inches of mercury is equivalent to .	1013.25 millibars	29.92 feet of water	768 millimeters of mercury	76 centimeters of water	
15	A bluff bar is a bar .	extending out from a bluff alongside the river	that tends to give a false indication of its position	that has a sharp drop off into deep water	that is perpendicular to the current	

Lynn Smith, FSO-NS

Member Training – Jim Farley



While we are in the stand down status, we should have a little free time to think about what we want to do in our Auxiliary career. While you may be comfortable in doing what you have been doing for years or perhaps a short while, do you have a hankering to do something different? If so, now is the time as we wind down this year and hopefully wind up the coming year to become involved in a new area. And if this takes training, now is the time to consider what training you need. If you have any thoughts and are unsure about what a new area would involve, talk to me about it and let's work out a program for you

to progress into a new area. And remember, you can do more than one thing. In fact, we need for you to do so. We need Instructors, Vessel Examiners and Program Visitors. And everybody needs to be an advocate for our Public Affairs and Public Education programs.

As I have said before, if you are one of those individuals who want to do it all in the Operations area, I suggest that you concentrate on the Boat Crew/Coxswain training and then go for the TCO training.

And there is training that you can accomplish yourself, on the computer. Coxswain, Boat Crew, and TCO all require ICS-100 and ICS-700, along with the TCT Course and annual Workshop. Coxswains also require ICS-200, ICS-800 and ICS-210 or ICS-300. So, there is something one can do during the dreary winter evenings besides play couch potato in front of the television. If you have not completed the AUXLMS (Auxiliary Learning Management System) courses, available on-line, then now is the time to begin working a little computer time for these courses into your daily schedule. Remember, the AUXLMS courses are **REQUIRED** for all Members and the ICS courses are mandatory prerequisites for many of our Auxiliary activities.

Let's try to get some of these courses completed, because we will again start our Workshops prior to our Flotilla Meetings after the first of the year.

I you have any questions regarding these courses, contact me (jimfarley@att.net) or (H) 770-436-6824.

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Jim Farley, FSO-MT

Publications – Bob Miller



I would like to thank everyone for all the pictures I have received this past month. I know in the past we have had many different activies supporting boating safety and not receiving documentation for publication. It is good to see that you are now taking your cameras and cell phones with you and documenting our Flotilla activies. Thank You

Please be on the lookout for any articles and pictures you might come across and always take a camera/cell phone with you on all your outings. Always remember to provide: Who, What, When, Where, Why, and who took the picture.

Bob Miller, FSO-PB

Operations – Ross Kist

At last, Flotilla 22 has a FSO-OP that will be here all year. Please join me in welcoming and pledging my support to Arthur Silbert FSO-OP-22 as he moves our Operations program forward.

I thank the membership and leadership, past and present, for giving me the privilege of being your FSO-OP, and to thank each of you for your support and efforts. This has truly been a great pleasure for me.

Welcome aboard Arthur!



Ross Kist, FSO-OP



Program Visitor – Luis Cribeiro



PV activities are at stand still due to the Government shutdown and the end of the boating season. We will resume as soon as the Government gets funded.

Luis E Cribeiro, FSO-PV

Marine Safety and Environmental Protection – Richard Henderson

The Marine Safety and Environmental Protection report will be given at the flotilla meeting.



Richard Henderson, FSO-MS

Diversity Advisor – Kim Cotter



Kim Cotter, FSO-DV

Apologize---still out of town on deployment.

I have nothing to report for Diversity Advisor at this time. Hopefully I will be back for next month meeting.

Public Education - Jonathan J. Dawe, Ph. D.

The Public Education report will be given at the flotilla meeting.

Jonathan J. Dawe, Ph.D., FSO-PE



Secretary/Record – Karl Scheele

The minutes from the last meeting are included in this newsletter. The remainder of this month's report will be given at this month's flotilla meeting.



Karl Scheele, FSO-SR

Vessel Examiner – Paul Grenier



As you know, the Blockhouse ramp and any other Federally controlled boat ramps are closed until further notice. Thank you for your assistance.

Paul Grenier, FSO-VE

Captain of the Port – Jim Farley



Once the folks in Washington resolve the fiscal hiatus and we are removed from stand down status, the Operations Center remains available for training sessions and meetings. Hopefully soon we can commence with Crew on-shore classroom training sessions. And if you are looking to meet with your fellow Auxiliary Members, this is a good location.

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the Roberts School Community and Education Center, 4681 School Street, Acworth, GA 30101.

Jim Farley, COPT



Auxiliary University Program (AUP)

We are waiting for approval from the University and the Auxiliary. All the forms had been submitted including the enrollment papers for four prospective members. As soon as we get the O'K the initial organizational meeting will take place and ahoy we go

Luis E Cribeiro AUP-SO

Social Committee Report

The 2nd B.Y.O.M event held on September 27 at Pacific Buffet was another illustrious success. Good food, good conversation and fellowship were had by all. But... "Shall think themselves accurs'd they were not here" ...The St. Crispin's Day speech from William Shakespeare's play Henry V in Act IV Scene iii came to mind as we noticed who was unable to attend

But never fear, your reliable and ever creative Social Committee has planned the next event so those who were unable to attend in September can hopefully hang out with the rest of us for the last Social Committee Sponsored event of the year, the 1st Annual Flotilla 22 Chili Cook Off.

Who Can Enter? Anyone

Who Can Come: Everyone!!! If you cook Chili or not.....

Where: Allatoona Landing, Slip L-14 **When:** November 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Will there be any prizes?

Yes! Fabulous and Exiting Prizes

Well if by Fabulous if you mean will you have Fabulous Bragging Rights and if by Exciting you mean it will be Exciting to see who can cook, then yes, we will have Fabulous and Exciting prizes.

Format: Bring you best Chili in your crock pot and everyone in attendance will have a chance to vote.

Also, please the beverage of your choice and if you would like additional toppings for your chili then please those as well.

So if you want to have a chance at winning Fabulous and Exciting prizes or you are just curious about who is the best Chili Chef in the Flotilla come out on Friday November 1st, 2013 and see for yourself.

We are confident that you will get to taste some of the best Chili north of Blockhouse Launch Ramp.

Directions to the dock:

After turning into Allatoona Landing Marina, take the first right before passing the management office. This is a gated entrance, but arrangements will have been made to leave the gate open. If you arrive and the gate is closed, you can go to the office and request that they open the gate for you.

Proceed straight ahead until the road dead-ends into the parking lot.

Turn left and go all the way to the end of the lot.

Walk down the ramp of dock, and Larry and Donna's boat is the last slip at the end of the dock.



See you at the 1st Annual Flotilla 22 Chili Cook Off

The Social Committee has already started planning for 2014!!

Our next B.Y.O.M event will be held at Papi's Cuban & Caribbean Grill, 745 Chastain Rd NW Kennesaw, GA 30144, on January 24 at 6:00 p.m. Mark your calendar now and watch your email for additional information. Papi's has just been voted the "Best Cuban Restaurant" as well as the "Best Caribbean Restaurant" in Atlanta Creative Loafing's 2013 "Best of Atlanta" Readers Choice Awards!

And always if you have an event or a location for our B.Y.O.M. events, or a suggestion please let Ron Argo know. email suggestions/ideas/comments to: ronargo.uscgaux@outlook.com



Ron Argo – Chairman Social Committee

Special Report

All Hands --

I have made a change in the Flotilla 22 D7 Flotilla Staff Officer assignments for Communications Services (FSO-CS) and Operations (FSO-OP), effective Monday, 30 September 2013.

FSO-CS has been transferred from Arthur Silbert to Ron Argo. This is part of a change to enhance our outreach to the public for our Auxiliary programs.

FSO-OP has been transferred from Ross Kist to Arthur Silbert. Ross Kist will be out of the area from mid-October until late March or early April 2014. This will give us an Operations Officer locally available for operations planning, supervision, and for overseeing the training for Boat Crew and Coxswain candidates and Auxiliary University Program Students interested in Surface Operations.

Please support these new FSO's as you have supported the previous FSO's.

Additional changes in FSO assignments are being considered for FY 2014. If you have an interest in any of the FSO positions for the coming year, please let me (or whoever is elected Flotilla Commander) know of your desires.



Flotilla 22 Staff Officers

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Schedule of Events

October, 2013

5 Div 2 Meeting 10am FL 29 - Lake Lanier, GA 12 ABS Roberts School 8 AM- 6 PM 19 Flotilla meeting Roberts School 10am- 12pm

November, 2013

9 ABS Roberts School 8 AM- 6 PM 16 Flotilla meeting Roberts School (Election Meeting) 10 AM – 12 PM

December, 2013

7 Marietta Santa Day Parade – TBA,
7 Change of Watch 6 PM - 9 PM Cartersville Country Club
21 Wreaths Across America - TBA

January, 2014

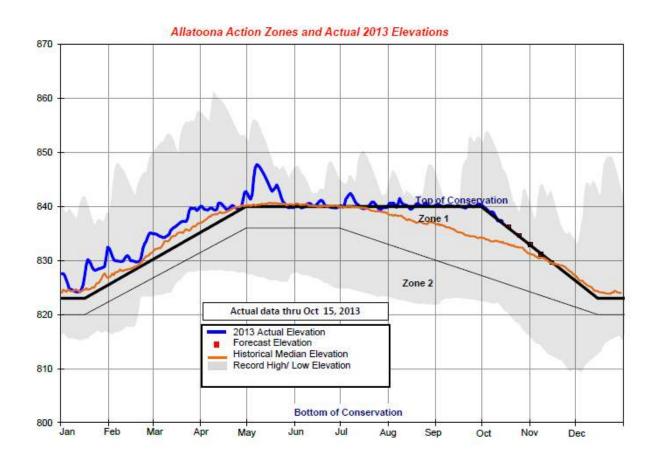
11 Staff meeting18 Flotilla Meeting Roberts School 10 AM-12 PM

Lake Allatoona Elevation
(Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers http://water.sam.usace.army.mil/allafc.htm)

Current Lake Level/Elevation for Lake Allatoona, Georgia

Updated On:	Oct. 17, 2013	24 our Change:	- _{3.62} feet
Current Lake Level:	836.38 MSL	Full Pool:	840.00 ft. MSL

(Lake Level Alert http://lakelevelalert.com)



Flotilla 2-2 Activities
Roberts School September 21, 2013
(Photo's By Larry Cook unless noted)



(L-R) Karl Scheele, Luis Cribeiro, Larry Cook, and Donna Saunders, received the Certification of Completion for AUXCOM Specialty Course from Jim Farley (Photo unknown)



(L-R) Jim Farley received the Certification of Completion for Administrative Procedures from Larry Cook (Photo unknown)



(L-R) Larry Cook receives Boat Crew Coxswain qualification certificate and medal device from Jim Farley (Photo unknown)



(L-R) Ron Argo receives Boat Crew qualification certificate from Jim Farley



(L-R) Jerry Sullivan receives ID Card from Jim Farley



(L-R) Paul Grenier receives the 15 Year Auxiliary Membership Service Award from Jim Farley



(L-R) Susan Cummings, Larry Cook and Jim Farley received the Sustained Auxiliary Service Award. Susan is her Eight Award, Larry is his Forth Award and Jim is his Tenth Award (Photo unknown)



(L-R) Jerry Sullivan receives Vessel Examiner qualification certificate from Jim Farley



(L-R) Paul Grenier receives certificate of completion for Navigation Rules 70 from Jim Farley



(L-R) Paul Grenier and Jim Farley received certificate for Good Mate course from Larry Cook (Photo unknown)

Feature Article

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Boaters! Before Getting Underway:

Know your boat and know the rules of the road.

- Take a safe boating course.
- Check your boat for all required safety equipment.
- Consider the size of your boat, the number of passengers and the amount of extra equipment that will be on-board. DON'T OVERLOAD THE BOAT!
- If you will be in a power boat, check your electrical system and fuel system for gas fumes.
- Follow manufacturers suggested procedures BEFORE starting up the engine.
- Wear your life jacket don't just carry one on board.
- Leave alcohol behind to increase your safety and decrease your risk.
- Check the weather forecast.
- File a float plan with a member of your family or friend.

Swimmers!

Since most drowning victims had no intention of being in water and since most people drown within 10-30 feet of safety, it is important that you and your family learn to swim well.

Please remember:

- Never rely on toys such as inner tubes and water wings to stay afloat.
- Don't take chances, by overestimating your swimming skills.
- Swim only in designated swimming areas.
- Never swim alone.

Drowning Fatalities:

According to the Center for Disease Control, each year over 3,400 people drown in the United States. Drowning is the SECOND leading cause of accidental deaths for persons 1-14 years of age and the sixth leading cause for all ages.

What is really surprising is that two-thirds of the people who drown never had an intention of being in the water!

Divers!

Never dive into lakes and rivers...the results can be tragic. Every year, diving accidents result in thousands of people suffering paralyzing spinal cord injuries and many of them die before they reach the hospital. All too often, hidden dangers lurk beneath the surface of the water, even in shallow water, including current, rocks, and debris.

Watch Small Children!

- Center for Disease Control statistics show an average of over 800 children under the age of 15 drown each year. Thousands of others are treated in hospitals for submersion accidents, accidents which leave children with permanent brain damage and respiratory health problems.
- Remember, it only takes a few seconds for a small child to wander away. Children have a natural curiosity and attraction to water.

Alcohol- The Fun Killer?

- It's a fact; alcohol and water do not mix! More than half of all the people that are injured in a boating accident had consumed alcohol prior to their accident and 20% of them don't live to tell about it.
- Being intoxicated is not necessary for alcohol to be a threat to your safety. Just one beer will impair your balance, vision, judgment and reaction time, thus making you a potential danger to yourself and others.
- Research shows that four hours of boating, exposure to noise, vibration, sun, glare and wind produces fatigue that makes you act as if you were legally intoxicated. If you combine alcohol consumption with this boating fatigue condition, it intensifies the effects and increases your accident risk.
- So remember, don't include alcohol in your outing, if you're planning to have fun in, on, or near the water.

Cold Water Survival!

All boaters should wear a life jacket and dress for the water temperature, not the air temperature. Cold-water immersion causes many boating-related fatalities. It follows four stages, starting with cold shock, followed by swimming failure, then hypothermia and finally post-rescue collapse. Most cold-water drowning fatalities are attributed to the first two stages.

- The initial shock of cold water causes involuntary gasping making it difficult to catch your breath and many people hyperventilate, faint, and drown before they are able to calm down their breathing.
- The longer you are exposed to cold water, the more you lose your ability to

move your extremities. If you haven't been able to get out of the water in 5-15 minutes you need to stop moving. Movement will deplete your energy faster and increase heat loss.

• Hypothermia is a condition in which the body loses heat faster than it can produce it. Violent shivering develops which may give way to confusion and eventually cardiac arrest or unconsciousness.

If you fall in the water, in any season, you need to know cold water survival skills. Many of our nation's open waters are mountain fed, and water temperatures even in late summer can run low enough to bring on this condition under certain conditions.

It's important to remember:

- Don't discard clothing and dress warmly with wool clothing. Clothing layers provide some warmth that may actually assist you in fighting hypothermia. This includes shoes and hats. A popular myth is that wet clothes will weigh you down in the water and they are actually only heavy when you are out of the water.
- Wear your life jacket! This helps hold heat into the core areas of your body, and enables you to easily put yourself into the HELP position. HELP (Heat Escape Lessening Posture) by drawing limbs into your body; keep armpits and groin areas protected from unnecessary exposure a lot of heat can be lost from those areas, as well as the head.

View more life saving water safety tips - Are You Next?















Minutes of the September 21, 2013 Flotilla Meeting

Dept. of Homeland Security U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY - RECORD OF UNIT MEETING CG-3615 (Rev. 10-09) UNIT NO. UNIT NAME (As recorded in AUXDATA) 0700202 MARIETTA GA 15 3 REGULAR BUS 092113 1000 ROBERTS SCHOOL ACWORTH SPECIAL BUS UNIT OFFICERS PRESENT (List office abbr. and last name only) FC CM MT COPT J Farley, VFC HR L Cook, CH-SO Argo, MA H Bozich, PA PV CH-AUP L Cribeiro, FN S Cummings, DCAPT(N) D Fuller, DCDR NE Fuller, VE P Grenier, OP R Kist, SR K Scheele, NS L Smith Zachary M Drake, Patrick J Hughes, Michael Johnson, Carl S Krendel, Edward Lomax CONDENSED VERSION OF REPORTS AND Meeting called to order at 10:05 AM, VFC Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance. FC Farley introduced four current applicants, Zachary M Drake, Patrick J Hughes, Michael Johnson, Carl S Krendel and Edward Lomax. Farley mentioned how the Everbridge Alert System works. FN S Cummings presented the financial report. DCDR NE Fuller mentrid the availability of courses on Diversity. OP Kist said that patrols are scheduled in Oct, and to send him an email or possibly call him on his cell. PA PV CH-AUP Cribeiro and MA Bozich did a recap of events at Costco and that we are ordering more Georgia Boating Safety booklets. Cook gave info on the free online availability of PE Class materials, we could print pages from the website. Cribeiro needs volunteers for the Lake Allatoona Cleanup. VE Grenier mentnd VE visits, OrionFlares and the online VE Examiner certification Program. Cribeiro spoke about the signature collection process at KSU Univ to get the AUX Univ program approved, 3 students are enrolling. CH-SO Argo reported on previous and upcoming social events. NE Fuller provided details on the upcoming Oct 5 Div Meeting at Lake Lanier OPS Cntr, all Members are invited. D Fuller spoke about the District Training in Orlando, and that he will be a reelection candidate for District Captain. He also described accident liability issues that arise when we drive to AUX events and meetings, and related changes in the AUX Manual. W Acevedo mentrid details on how to conduct PA Booth Events. OLD BUSINESS Farley read the upcoming Elections schedule, the Nominations Committee members and details on Disenrollment packages. NEW BUSINESS Motion to have Dues payable by Sep 30 Cummings presented Motion, Argo seconded, Members voted, No Nays, Motion Accepted. Cook mentnd Oct 18 ABS Class. Farley named two retiring Members, Jack Ball (23 Yrs) and Ted Kirk (22 Yrs). A list of upcoming events and parades was read. Farley mentnd a handshake agreement on cooperation in water safety with ACOE. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 Noon. No Topics. Members present other than FSO were Acevedo, Ginsberg, Reeves, Sola, Sullivan, Sweeney. REMARKS (Include special events, future plans, awards presented, etc.) Sullivan royd ID Card, Argo royd Boat Crew Membr Cert, Cook royd Coxswain Cert, Comm Cert, Comm Cert, Seamanship Cert, and 4TH Sustnd AUX Svc Aw. Sullivan rovd VE Cert. Grenier rovd NAV Rules70, GoodMate, Weather, Patrols and 15 Yr AUX Mmbrsh Aw. Cribeiro rovd. Comm Cert., Patrols and. Seamanship. Cert. Saunders record. Comm and Seamansh Cert. Scheele rood Comm Cert. Farley rood Good Mate, Admin. Procedur, Seamansh Cert and 10TH Sustnd. AUX Svc Awd. NE Fuller royd Seamansh Cert Acevedo and Sola royd Transf of Mmbrsh Cert. Cummings royd 8TH Sustnd. AUX Syc Aw. Bozich royd AUX Perform Aw NEXT BUSINESS MEETING (Give Time, Date and Location, 10-19-13 Roberts School, Acworth 1000 Hours DATE SUBMITTED SIGNATURE OF PERSON SUBMITTING REPORT

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