

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY



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Subject: Div.-17 S.O. Reports

The Following is a summary of activity in our division for the month of January 2015:

S.O.-CM Peter Anderson: The Division participated in Both HF nets this month. Multiple Flotillas participate in the D7 net and Gulf Coast nets and the National AUXMON program. The USCG Stations CAMSLAT and CAMSPAC also participated in the nets this month. Work is underway to develop new watch standers and to develop a heavy weather program in cooperation with the USCG. Dates set for FCC license class to be held at 17-06.

S.O.-CS Donna Miller: Assisted Flotillas with confirming all links working properly and developing and assisting with new web site for Flotilla 17-10. Established members section on Division web site and will upload meeting minutes and the condensed SO-staff report.

S.O.-DV New Staff Officer Appointed to this position Richard Navas reports participation in a local event the Key Lime Festival with 4 potential members as a result of this community outreach.

S.O.-FN Donna Miller: Cash Flow statement provided showing all receipts, payments and ending cash balance.

S.O.-HR Sharon Breece: Reports received from all flotillas. Participated in on-line meeting with District staff on 09FEB15. Multiple potential new members in progress with several good prospects from the Orlando Boat Show.

S.O. IS-Barbara Carolus: assisted with reminding IS staff to send out Annual Letters. Provided dates on upcoming mandatory class for new FSO-IS staff.

S.O.MA- Richard Barada: Coordinated multiple requests for PE items and brochures for multiple flotillas and assisted with AUXCHEF duties as well.

S.O.MS-Gary Gunter: outstanding ongoing support for the Marine Safety detachment at Station port Canaveral includes monthly inspections and testing of equipment and generator testing. The MS staff assisted with general office renovations as well. UPV training was conducted in 17-10 along with the reactivation of life raft observations at the Viking facility. Multiple Aton and bridge patrols were completed as well.

S.O. MT-Dan McIntyre: Multiple training opportunities' established for the next few months including a Ham Radio license Class, A TCO class, and Boat Crew training as well. All Flotillas informed of these training classes and dates.

S.O. NS – Joe Bonaccorse: Multiple ATON patrols completed and all discrepancies reported by the involved flotillas. Provided all flotillas with update on new NS policies and requirements. Actively assisting station Ponce with ANT team support as well.

S.O. OP: Jack Miller: Training underway day and night two nights weekly with Station Canaveral. 7 Coxswains completed night requirements and a SAR drill in the planning stage to support USCG coxswains. Boat Crew training dates set and ocean training dates to be set as well. John Kachenmeister and Bill Giers received the Life Saving award and we are very proud of them. Meetings scheduled with Petty Officer Spurlock to establish dates for February operations.

SO-PA- Fredrick Scholz: reports submitted from flotillas include boat show participation, development of new card type brochure advertising PE and other classes. Multiple community events attended by flotillas events in

Harbor town, Port Canaveral and Rockledge. Flotillas are pushing recruiting goals and establishing media contacts. 17-02 attended the annual memorial service for the Four Chaplains at St. Sebastian's church in Melbourne.

SO-PB John Kachenmeister: Flotilla and Division newsletter in progress Requesting flotillas provide items for the Division newsletter on a regular basis.

SO-PE Jules Moquin: The initiative with Brevard County Schools is moving forward and once implemented could result in very significant numbers for PE. Flotilla PE classes starting up with 3 held so far this year.

SO-PV Mark Perni: PV visits underway by all flotillas indicate a record pace so far for the year. Developed new small business card promoting ABS and VE opportunities. Establishing new database of MDV locations in the division. 17-09 now a member of the Titusville chamber with potential networking opportunities being explored.

SO-VE James G. Powers: Flotillas have held a few VE events at this time. The spring will bring an increase in planned VE events and we anticipate a significant increase in inspections.

**V/Respectfully submitted 12FEB15
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