## Commanders Corner:



As we start this new year and when this Government shut down ends (hopefully soon) I am looking forward to great things from this Division and its Members.

Our Change of Watch is scheduled for January 25<sup>th</sup> through the 27<sup>th</sup> and we are happy to welcome a visiting Commander to our meeting from one of our other Districts. DCDR Allen Christopherson from 170-02 is here to see how we do things and maybe take some information back to his own Division.

I have great training ideas that I am working on for this up coming year and I am looking for impute from all members as to what they would like to see or have as training. I am continuing my open-door policy as DCDR however that being said I also ask that you follow the Chain of Leadership. If you do not feel you are getting the correct answer to your situation than please contact me.

My goal is to be the Members Commander and I welcome all constructive input and suggestions from the membership. As I said in October at the elections this is your Division and I am your representative to the District. As we are looked at as the leading Division in this District, I want to continue to have rating for this year.

I will also be re implementing the Division Commanders Award of Excellence and I will be looking for people who show not only an active participation in the Scheduled events of this Division and their own Flotilla but those people who are outstanding in this Division. I feel that one of the most important jobs that has been bestowed upon me is being able to recognize and award those members who deserve recognition. As of now there are 5 members who are scheduled to receive the first awards at the April Division Awards meeting.

Over the past 3 Years as your VCDR, I have been watching and listening to the activities and efforts put forward by the membership and I feel that this is something that needs to be done. I will be asking your Flotilla Commanders, Vice Flotilla Commanders and also the Vice Division Commanders to submit the names and reasons that they feel that their candidates are deserving of this award, so put your best foot forward and let's continue on with making this Division the shining example it has become.



Steven Riddell Division Commander