

# ITHACA FLOTILLA 22





## **News and Views**

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FC Ben Gardiner

June was a busy month! Our docks went in June 4<sup>th</sup>, with help from many Corporation members, a contingent of Sea Scouts and other friends. A special shout-out to heavy equipment operator Cliff Murphey for his invaluable skills and assistance! (Dock photos courtesy Ben Gardiner)









June 18<sup>th</sup> was Treman Marina Day. Although the unseasonable weather might charitably be

described as "brisk," our team represented the CG Aux. We interacted with a few hardy boat owners, local America's Boating Club (previously Power Squadron) members, as well as local first responders. Sea Scout Ship 25 and the Ithaca Fire Department conducted demonstrations.

John Frieman and Tom Every completed about 5 VEs, while FC Ben Gardiner, Laura Gardiner, Bruce Ressner and Diana Robinson tended our information booth.

Many thanks to all! Semper Paratus!



(Treman photos by Ben Gardiner & D. Robinson)

### ITHACA FLOTILLA

## Flotilla Meeting Minutes for 08 June 2022 (Virtual) @1900 Hours.

Flotilla Commander: Ben Gardiner Flotilla Vice Commander: John Frieman

Flotilla Immediate Past Commander: Kevin Walsh

Uniform: ODU or appropriate civilian attire.

### **MEETING AGENDA:**

1900 Call to Order (Ben Gardiner)

1905 Pledge of Allegiance (Ben Gardiner)

1905 Moment of Silence (Ben Gardiner)
Guest Introductions (N/A)

Personnel Update (Ben Gardiner)

#### Attendees:

- Ben and Laura Gardiner
- Kevin and Kim Walsh
- Dave Cornelius
- Dale Campbell
- Aaron Abb
- Bruce Ressner
- Diana and Walt Robinson

- Tom Every
- Vincent Mbera
- Bodge Hyatt
- Emily Mocyk
- Anthony Scaglione

#### **EXCUSED**:

John Frieman

**1906** Secretary's Report: FSO-SR (Kevin Walsh) May 2022 Minutes sent via Newsletter. (Motion by Diana Robinson seconded by Dale Campbell, motion carried)

**1907** Treasurer's Report: FSO-FN (Aaron Abb) (motion by Dave Cornelius, second by Diana Robinson, motion carried.)

#### • Division 2 Update.

**Flotilla 02-06 Sylvan Beach:** Flotilla Commander Mark Kimber has passed away. Calling hours are on 08 June 2022 and Funeral will be held on 09 June 2022 at the Funeral Home in Central Square.

**Memorial Ceremony**: Division would like to have a Memorial Ceremony for Members who have passed away. Likely take place in the Fall. We are asked to contact them with Members we would wish to have Memorialized.

Fall D-Train, Dunkirk, September Weekend of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

#### • Flotilla Commanders Update:

Dock's In Completed on 04 June 2022 sponsored by the Corporation. Great work by the Flotilla Membership and Sea Scout Ship 25 personnel. Thank you all plus Cliff Murphey, Dave Cornelius's Brother-in-Law and great construction equipment operator.

COVID: New Guidance published on 03 June 2022 by DIRAUX. This has been

distributed to all Flotilla Members and you are requested to carefully review this information:

- All Members must fill out and sign the revised COVID-19 High Risk Assessment Form (ANSC-7101). Send directly to DIRAUX at D9CLEVELAND-DIRAUX@uscg.mil
- Form not to be shared with any member of the Auxiliary.
- Assignment to Duty (ATD) Requirements including Mask requirements will depend upon transmission levels in the County duty is planned.
- Unvaccinated Auxiliarists are now permitted to participate in duty involving personal contact in Counties which have Low to Medium Transmission Levels BUT they must produce a negative COVID test documentation within 72 hours of the event.
- DIRAUX must approve indoor mass gatherings and others listed in High Transmission Counties but Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) may approve all other events.
- All Mission requests which include personal contact must be routed through the COLM.

### Operations Update:

- Progress is being made in completing Trainee Signoffs, but more work is needed.
- PPE: Members must schedule visits to Station Oswego through the Flotilla Leadership to Rick Kunz. Two Operational Members should be picking up PLB's.
- Base Boat is in the water and operational. Thanks to Tom, Bodge, Diana, Joe, and others for helping to make her seaworthy.

### **Upcoming RBS Event**

- 18 June 2022: Treman Marina Safety Day. Jen Watson Update.
- Event runs approximately from 1000-1500 (10AM-3PM). We need more help!!
- Unform is ODU, Vessel Inspectors may wear authorized alternate uniform.

## Flotilla Calendar (past events omitted from Newsletter version)

Date	Event	POC / OIC	Notes
9-10 July 2022 Sat-Sun, 0900-1300	2022 Boat America Safety Class	Kim Walsh	Virtual
26 July 2022 Tues 1300-1400.	Club of Ithaca – 45 minutes VIRTUAL PRESENTATION	Ben Gardiner	Virtual
13 July 2022 1900	Monthly Flotilla meeting	Ben Gardiner	Virtual
6-7 August 2022 Sat-Sun, 0900-1300	2022 Boat America Safety Class	Kim Walsh	Virtual
10 August 2022 1900	Monthly Flotilla meeting	Ben Gardiner	Virtual
16-17 Sep 2022	Fall D-Train, Dunkirk NY	TBD	In-person

KEY: Flotilla Meetings	Div 2 Events	Member Training	Public Education	Special Events
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## **Member Spotlight**

- ➤ Welcome aboard to our newest member! Emmy writes, "My name is Emily (Emmy) Mocyk. I am a rising sophomore at Binghamton University, New York with hopes of going to Binghamton's Pharmacy School after this school year. In my spare time I love camping with my scout troop, and this past June I was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout! I am a part of the Auxiliary University Program's Remote Collaborative Unit and I am very excited to be a part of in person experiences with the Auxiliary!"
- Bruce Ressner expects to deploy soon for Culinary Assistance duties in New Orleans.
- ➤ Fair Winds and Following Seas to Mark Kimber, Commander of the Sylvan Beach Flotilla, who passed away May 31<sup>st</sup>. Kevin Walsh wrote, "Some of our folks may not have known Mark Kimber. Mark was a dedicated Auxiliarist and specifically was an extremely knowledgeable mechanic and often lent his skills to Auxiliarists purchasing boats. Mark volunteered to take the Flotilla Commander position in Sylvan Beach when they were having difficulty finding a Flotilla Commander. He always seemed to be a positive kind of a guy who was pleasant to be around. Mark Kimber will be missed." Our condolences go out to his family, friends and Flotilla.

## **Academy Partner News**

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, Dale Campbell (FSO-Academy Admissions) was honored to present Aidan Marroquin of Chenango Valley High School an appointment to the US Coast Guard Academy Scholar's Program. Also congratulating Aidan on this achievement was Edward Hickey, Regional Outreach Director for the Congressional Office of Claudia Tenney. Aidan had also been nominated and appointed to the Air Force Academy, but turned it down to attend the Coast Guard Academy.

Photo courtesy Chenango Valley Central School District



## **US Coast Guard's New Commandant**

A warm welcome to USCG Commandant Linda Fagan, who became the first female officer to lead a branch of the US armed forces on June 1st. Commandant Fagan's official biography is posted at <a href="https://www.uscg.mil/Biographies/Display/Article/3048180/admiral-linda-l-fagan/">https://www.uscg.mil/Biographies/Display/Article/3048180/admiral-linda-l-fagan/</a> Commandant Fagan began her inspiring Letter of Intent with, "Tomorrow looks different. So will we. We will be a more adaptive and connected Coast Guard that generates sustained readiness, resilience, and capability -- in new ways -- to enhance our nation's maritime safety, security, and prosperity." The full Letter and video message are available at <a href="https://www.uscg.mil/alwaysready/">https://www.uscg.mil/alwaysready/</a>.

## **Member Training Minute - Cold Water Safety**

## Tom Every, FSO-CM/FSO-PAD

During the June meeting I did a short presentation on cold water immersion and survival. The University of Manitoba has done much research on these topics and emphasize the 1-10-1 Model. The graphic at right is a summary.

Of course, there are many variables involved with these time periods. If you want to learn much more detail on cold water immersion and survival, you can reference a presentation which will be posted soon on our WOW page.

## Lifesaving Message 1 Minute -10 Minutes - 1 Hour

If you fall into cold water you have:

1 MINUTE to get your breathing under control

10 MINUTES of meaningful movement, and

1 HOUR before you become unconscious due to hypothermia

## Cold Water Safety Resources

- \* Beyond Cold Water Boot Camp
  - \* http://www.beyondcoldwaterbootcamp.com/
- \* Cold Water Boot Camp
  - \* http://www.coldwaterbootcamp.com/pages/home.html
- Coast Guard Auxiliary WIKI links site:
  - \* http://auxbdeptwiki.cgaux.org/index.php?title=Paddlesports
- American Canoe Association website:
  - \* http://auxbdeptwiki.cgaux.org/index.php?title=Main\_Page

You can also go to the University of Manitoba Web sites to watch excellent videos on how PPE effects survival and download other material. Good information is also at

https://lifesaving.mb.ca/watersmart/winter-safety/. The Coast Guard has Wiki links to paddlecraft safety which addresses cold water. See additional links at left.

## New and Existing PLBs in AuxData-II

Diana Robinson, FSO-IS, FSO-PB

Register your PLB before you go out on the water and make sure it passed a battery test on within 30 days! (Only use the TEST button.) Members with PLBs should contact me (if you've not already done so) regarding information needed in AuxData:

- If you were issued a PLB this year, please make sure we have your beacon's 15character ID#.
- For all crew/trainees, date of registration is a new AuxData requirement, so we need that from everyone with a PLB. (I've not yet heard from everyone.)

Contact RSS Officer Walt Robinson or FC Gardiner if you have problems, but full information and online beacon registration are available from NOAA SARSAT Beacon Registration Team <a href="https://www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov">www.beaconregistration.noaa.gov</a> | <a href="mailto:beacon.registration@noaa.gov">beacon.registration@noaa.gov</a> | <a href="mailto:beacon.registration@noaa.gov">beacon.registration@noaa.gov</a> |

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## SEA SCOUT SHIP 25 June 2022

By Ship 25 Yeoman, Allyson Marion

Photos © by Jim Graney

## **Recognition:**

Ship 25 just held its annual elections where we welcomed our new Boatswain Madison Deljoo. Congratulations! A special shout out and thank you to our outgoing Boatswain Angelina Masotti for a super job this last year. I am also pleased to recognize Ruth Keagle and Jonathyn Thornton for receiving the Venturing Leadership Award, along with Angelina Masotti and me, Allyson Marion who received the Sea Scout Leadership Award. Lastly, I'd like to congratulate



Jim Graney for receiving the Lone Sailor Award. He does so much for Ship 25 and all of its members so it brought us all joy to see him be recognized and for him to have something to show how much everyone appreciates his hard work and dedication.

P.S. I look forward to being your Yeoman for the next term as well, and I hope everyone enjoys reading about Ship 25. Thank you:)



#### **Activities:**

Another busy month for Ship 25, we started the month off with one of our weekly Scotland trip planning meetings. Then we drove down to Binghamton for the Scout night held at Mirabito Stadium. Scouts got to enjoy watching the game and fireworks and then camped out on the field. The following day, scouts worked with members of the Ithaca Coast Guard Auxiliary Base to install the auxiliary's floating dock and tidy up the meeting room and kitchen at the base. Workers were rewarded with lunch and treats (it was tasty hehe) generously supplied by an auxiliary member who attended. Scouts and adult

volunteers have turned out to assist Matthew DeTuri with his Eagle project, thank you to all who came because he is almost done! Soon after, a Bridge of Honor was held where we congratulated members on achieving new ranks along with completing new merit badges. Lastly, our ship the *Sensei* got to feel the wind in her sails as the boat was taken out for the first time this year:) Let's not forget the morning we spent marching in the Dryden Memorial Day parade to help support our local Veterans.

## **Meetings:**

Weekly meetings for Ship 25 continued on as usual. Advancement in preparation for our Bridge of Honor was completed and elections were discussed and prepared for. As previously mentioned, we are also still holding our weekly Scotland trip planning meetings to finalize details and book transportation.

## **Upcoming:**

As school is ending and many of us are entering summer, scouts and adult leaders are attending the Blair Atholl Scotland Jamborette in July! Attendees will get to meet scouts from countries all over the world and see many historic sites in Scotland. Not only will scouts be attending the Jamborette, but other events such as National Youth Leadership Training, kayak and canoeing trips, and sailing days are open to participants.

## **Fundraising:**

Bottle and can drive is still going. People can bring bags down to K&H Redemption Center at 900 West State Street in Ithaca and say they are for Sea Scout Ship 25. Also if you order from Amazon, please use the Amazon smile link at <a href="https://ithacaseascouts.org">https://ithacaseascouts.org</a> and we will get a portion of your sale as a donation.

#### **Contact:**

Sea Scouts is a co-ed program for young men and women ages 13 to 20. Sea Scout Ship 25 meets at 6:30 pm most Friday nights at the Coast Guard Auxiliary in Ithaca, NY and also offers a Zoom link for those who can't attend in person. For more details contact Committee Chairman Jim Graney at (607) 327-1226 (work / cell) or email jgraney@twcny.rr.com. Additional information and a copy of Ship 25's meeting and activity calendar are available at <a href="www.ithacaseascouts.org">www.ithacaseascouts.org</a>