

Vice Flotilla Commander United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 113-11-01

3 May 2012

# **MEMORANDUM**

FROM: Bruce W Thee, VFC

TO: Members of Flotilla 113-11-01

SUBJECT: Summary of April Staff Officer's Reports

### William Leoppard, FSO-CM

I am working 6 high frequency radio networks each week with Divisions 11, 114, 13, 17 and 8. I am also working the FEMA net on a weekly basis.

Bill will be handling the radio guard at Pyramid Lake on 6 May 2012 for the event.

### **Bruce W Thee, FSO-CS**

I added a copy of Jack Leth's special events spreadsheet to the web site. If you input your member number and password you get access to the Member Only pages. On one of them I have a copy of Jack's report. My goal for the next month is to draft a front page specific to our flotilla and get rid of the generic information on the front page now. I also plan to add a nice picture, so if you have any that you think are good and feature one of our members or facilities please send it to me.

If anyone has any suggestions for material you'd like to see added to the web site please let me know; bruce@bltranch.net, 775-772-3520.

# Steve Perez, FSO-DV

No report.

# Cameran Stolz, FSO-FN

No report.

# **Bruce W Thee, FSO-HR**

We had not just a nibble, but a full on bite from a potential new member. Melinda O'Connell expressed an interest in membership on the national site, which automatically generated an email to 5 flotillas in the Sacramento to Lake Tahoe area. She responded to my follow up email, and

then drove up to the lake to meet with Jack Leth, Dee Dee Kincade and me. We had a nice visit and lunch. She's going to think it over and let us know.

I plan to step up the recruiting activity and would like to remind everyone that every time one of us interacts with a member of the public, we're interacting with a potential member. If you get a lead, let me know and I'll follow up and put the hard sell on them ©.

## Diana Kincade, FSO-IS

Jeff Mays is signed up for the AUXDATA C-School in June in Seattle. It will be nice to have someone new involved in entering data and teaching the members.

### Patricia Walter, FSO-MA -

Nothing to report.

### **Unassigned, FSO-MS - No Report**

### **Diana Kincade, FSO-MT**

This month's training session – Linda Thee will be speaking on Public Affairs and how you can get involved in this mission. Linda attended a very intensive C-School last month for Public Affairs at Coast Guard Island. It is to our benefit to have a Public Affairs staff officer and to understand how she can help our missions.

I understand that Chris Minedew gave an excellent session last month on Boat Electrical Systems.

Future training sessions: Mandatory Operations Workshop/TCT Refresher, Aboard the USCG Barque Eagle, AUXDATA/IAUXINFO Training Session. It is time to get our Training Committee together to plan out the rest of the year.

Jerry Gilmore attended the Antlers OPTREX last weekend. I understand he was QEed for Boat Crew, passed and only needs to take the 8-Hour TCT class in order to become Boat Crew.

Bruce Thee is planning to attend the ICS 210 class at Coast Guard Island, Alameda on Thursday May 10.

**Mandatory** (**for operational members**) **OPS/TCT Refresher** – This is my next big push. Several of our operational members need the 2012 Mandatory Operations Workshop. We have a handful of members that need the 1-Hour TCT Refresher. I will query our membership as to whether they would like the workshops held as a part of our regular training portion of the flotilla meeting or as a separate training.

**8-Hour TCT Class** – The 8-Hour TCT class was held Saturday April 28. With the date change our flotilla lost 4 members who had planned to attend on May 31. Attendees from our flotilla were Hersh Kohut, Pat Walter, Jack Leth, Chris Minedew and I. 23 people attended the class; 18 Auxiliarists and 5 Coasties. Tom Henderson and Bill Leoppard are both working directly with the Coast Guard and need the 8-Hour TCT Class this year. The next time Station Tahoe requires the class we should make it a point to get Tom and Bill in the class.

**Division 11 OPTREXs,** *July 14 and September 14.* Our September date was has been changed as the District Election Meeting was changed to September 8.

#### **Upcoming District Trainings**

**Aids Verifier PQS** (**Performance Qualification Standard**) – If the Aids Verifiers are interested in getting Jim Duncan DSO-NS up to our area to sign off the PQS, he would be willing to so. I will be querying our flotilla to see if they would like a Navigation Services training session for the PQS.

**Dockwalker Trainings** – TRPA has not contacted Vivian about teaching this course for our area. We are waiting to see what happens.

Next Past Captain's Fair – July 28 and 29, Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA.

### **Bill Stolz, FSO-NS**

Nothing new to report.

# John Leth, FSO-OP

The Station has passed both their RFO and Stan Team exams with flying colors and they are now enjoying a little "Holiday Routine". They really appreciate our help.

They have asked for more two-boat the weeks of 30APR and 07MAY; this will be handled by Dee Dee on *Yule Tide* and Bill Stolz on *Camie Marie*. After that two boat will be "as required".

The next special event is Memorial Day (seaplane splash-in). Additional information will be forthcoming as the time gets closer.

For those of you who have been following it there is a significant event occurring in the San Francisco Bay area as a result of the loss of life during the sailboat race around the Farallons. The CG Captain of the Port has canceled all racing outside the Golden Gate Bridge until further notice. This involves events with permits from the Waterways Branch at Sector. Since this is same group that issues permits for all our special events I wouldn't be surprised to see an additional emphasis on scrutiny of permitted events. Just a guess on my part but will be keeping an eye on it.

## Linda T. Thee, FSO-PA

I would like to plan a brief meeting with interested parties in the upcoming week on how we would like to promote "Safe Boating Week". This can be done via Skype, telephone conference or in person. Do I have any volunteers to help me get the word out about safe boating? I need someone who is well versed on the subject and comfortable being interviewed live. I am hoping to get on a morning show, so this person must be willing to rise at the crack of dawn.

The other requests were: Other Auxiliarist to learn my PA position as a backup. Does anyone have a list of media contacts?

If you have any photos or ideas please send them my way.

## **Unassigned, FSO-PB No Report**

## **Bruce W Thee, FSO-PE**

Nothing to report.

## William Stolz, FSO-PV

Nothing new to report.

## Patricia Walters, FSO-SR

The minutes for the April meeting will be reviewed and accepted at the May meeting.

# Thomas B. Henderson III, FSO-VE

In addition to our 26-May-12 VE Day I want to add 09-Jun-12 also. Nothing else to report; I will have more info when I return.

Date	Check No.	Name	Category	Credit	Debit	Balance
1/1/12		Beginning Balance	······			7781.97
1/12/12	Interest	January		0.34		7782.31
1/30/12	Deposit	Holiday Party		210.00		7992.31
2/2/12			Fest Parade		40.00	7952.31
2/12/12		February		0.33		7952.64
2/15/12	831	UACG Aux Sierra Division Distric	t & Nat'l Member Dues		1120.00	6832.64
3/12/12	Interest	March		0.29		6832.93
4/12/12	Interest	April		0.29		6833.22
1/1/12		Beginning and Ending Balance Golf Tournament Check	ing Account Opened 02/12/10			100.00
		Year-to-Date Total		211.25	1160.00	
		Does not reflect CD interest:				
		CD Eldorado Savings Bank				5774.71
		CD Interest				
		January		2.46		5777.17
		February		2.29		5779.46
		March		2.46		5781.92
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