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Commander's Corner

Flotilla Commander Terry Dixon feels his "Why" is to serve others. His compass is Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty. Sound familiar? These have been Terry's guides for the last 50 years since the US Coast Guard has been part of his life.

Terry joined the US Coast Guard in 1970. He served on Active Duty and as Reserve. Over 25 years of service, he was stationed in New York Harbor, The Hudson River, San Diego and Ventura, CA.

His favorite duty station was Stony Point Light Station, where he was the last Light Keeper on the Hudson River!

Terry's passion is sailing. When he lived in California the sailing bug took hold and he sailed most weekends year-round. He taught sailing for 10 years. Moving to Arizona has put a little damper on this passion.

After being retired from the Coast Guard for 20 years, Terry missed the camaraderie and the purpose he once had. He joined the USCG Auxiliary in 2019, serving as a Staff Officer with Flotilla 10-1.

Terry is our Flotilla Commander for 2023. When not busy with family and grandkids (and a great-grandchild), Terry works on Plan b, a furniture manufacturer's representative firm that covers the southwest and sells fine office furniture. He holds a BA degree in Business Management and completed the USCG LAM (Leadership and Management).

A Note from Barbara Wise, IPFC, Flotilla Commander 2020-2022

Members, As my two years of Pandemic tenure as Flotilla Commander close out I am so pleased to report that we not only held together as a Flotilla but we, in fact grew! I am so very happy this newsletter is back up and running. The Pandemic and other issues in the world have made keeping up with each other a bit difficult and now we have an outlet. I hope you all will share with Pink your goings on... whether it is boating, training or just something wonderful. That way we can all share in our Coast Guard family! Pictures and/or adventures, Coast Guard related.

As another reminder, we, as a Flotilla, cannot meet or participate in activities unless we have the high risk covid forms on file - it's a simple thing to do, and we really will be looking at a live meeting soon, so LETS GET IT DONE!!

Respectfully,
Barbara Wise, IPFC,
Flotilla Commander 2020-2022

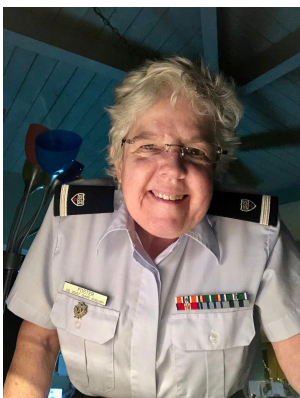


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Vice Flotilla Commander (2022-2023)

Pink (Rowena Pinkney Foster) joined the USCG Auxiliary in California in early 2003, upon suggestion by fellow amateur radio operators (hams). She passed the USCG Communications Test and served on dispatch with the Sea Marshals at Alameda. Pink was also sent to Pt. Sur Lighthouse to setup her gear and monitor when the USCG gear was worked on. She loved the duty and enjoyed time on base in Alameda.

After relocating to Tucson in 2008 to be closer to family, she transferred to Flotilla 10-1. Pink served as FSO-CM, FSO-CS and FSO-PB, while working radio comms at Lake Roosevelt and Apache.

She moved to Wickenburg in 2014 after her Godmother passed. She had to take time off for medical, then family loss after the death of her Mom and oldest sister. Upon encouragement from Barbara Wise, Flotilla Commander, Pink came out of mothballs and got back in the saddle. She served as Vice Flotilla Commander in 2022 for Barbara Wise and will be VFC for 2023 with Terry Dixon. Radio communication is her passion, and she looks forward to getting Flotilla 10-1 back on the air.

Pink worked in the Aerospace field for years, and as an analyst for LifeScan (Johnson and Johnson). She holds an MBA in Management from Golden Gate University and a BGS (Bachelor's) in Cultural Anthropology and Marketing from the University of Kentucky.



Life Jacket Exchange - Patagonia Lake

PATAGONIA LAKE, AZ – May 28, 2022 – During National Safe Boating Week, four members of Flotilla 10-1 journeyed South to Patagonia Lake, to help Brian Aragon from Arizona Game & Fish, exchange brand new life jackets for worn and grubby ones boaters turned in. People were very enthusiastic about the exchange and some even wanted new life jackets but did not yet have any. They were happily obliged at the end of the event. The four members from Flotilla 10-1 participating were (see photo above with Officer Aragon) Barbara Wise (FC), Liane Wong, Terry Dixon, and Pink Foster (photographer). It was a very fun day, great to be out, and we educated lots of people on boating safety.

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