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VFC (Vice Flotilla Commander) David Joyce

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P - Prevention Section

FSO-NS (Navigation Services): Domenic Ciolino

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: I have officially have been handed the reins of the office of FSO-NS.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: The AV worksheets for 2015 have been sent to us by DSO-NS Larkin. These worksheets have been distributed to all AV qualified members in the flotilla for comment.

CONCERNS: IPDCDR Raynor has reviewed the list and feels it is doable; however it is sometimes hard to schedule AV patrols during the busy operations season with the limited amount of OPFACS available in the flotilla. To help with this potential issue, I will start to investigate the procedure for having my vessel "Zingara" become an OPFAC dedicated only to AV patrols. I am not a coxswain, however there are at least 3 or 4 coxswains in the flotilla that are also AV's. This is obviously an advantage for flexibility

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: I would like to thank all that have been so supportive of me taking on this new role. I hope to learn much from the existing team, and serve you to the best of my abilities.

FSO-MS (Marine Safety): Wolf Dieter Dehne

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE:

 John Lopez passed CG Oral Board for Aux-MEES given by CWO Jones, Aux Fagley, MST1 Erpelding & ME2 Turner.

•	Co	mpleted Missions in month of January 2015:	#missions	#mbrs
	0	08 CG Admin Support / Pre-Storm Juno Preparedness calls	1	1
	0	70C – CG Support / Post-Storm Juno Inquiry calls	1	1
	0	70E Contingency Planning SNNE	4	1
	0	70M Shore-side Marine Observation Missions	2	2
	0	70T Mobil Facility Inspection / Atlantic Fuels	2	1
	0	70U Aux-MEES Oral Board @ MSD Portsmouth	1	3
	0	91C Commercial Fishing	1	1
		Total Missions & Member	s 12	5

PROGRAMS OF NOTE:

On-going Individual MS Training (Mission Code 70U):

Basic Marine Safety Training (BMST)

•	Performance Qualification Standards (PQS)		
	0	Aux-EC – Asst Container Inspector > class SNNE	3
	0	Aux-EU Asst Facility Inspector > home study	1
	0	Aux-MEES Marine Environ Edu Specialist > home study	1
	0	Aux-WM Waterway Management / waiting for SNNE board	1
		Total PQS	4
		Total training participation	3

FSO-PE Education): Eugene Grossi

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: PE has the following classes planned:

- Boating Skills and Seamanship Course at Kittery Adult Education, will begin 03MAR. This class will run for 9 Tuesday evenings, 1830-2030 hours.
- How to Read a Nautical Chart at Wells-Ogunquit Adult Education will begin 16MAY. One session of 4 hours.
- About Boating Safely will be offered at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard on February 20. This one day, 8 hour session is for members of the shipyard oil spill response team, and is not open to the general public.

FSO-PV (Program Visitor): Mark W. Ladrie

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: I am looking into grants for OPFACS. Helped cover OPFAC for winter. Lining up schedules of shows and classes coming up and am gathering supplies for this year's visits.

FSO-VE (Vessel Examination): Harold Jamieson

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: 1. Flotilla 28 hosted a booth at the Rockingham Fishing and Hunting Expo in Salem, NH on 10 & 11JAN. It was a great success with around 12,000 visitors. **2.**There seemed to be considerable interest with potential new members. **3.**We have our new VE decals for 2015.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: I am working with the director of the Rockingham Expo for next year's event. We are going to incorporate a seminar for "PADDLE CRAFT" at the show. I contacted Bob Amiro who will conduct the session. I will do this at all locations where we presently exhibit our booth when the opportunity arises.

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PROBLEMS: We still have a problem getting people to help out at the boat shows so I am reaching out to other flotillas to ask if they want to join us. It would be good to work with others to see how they conduct / handle themselves and to share in their knowledge and experience.

CONCERNS: Trying to find more ways to understand the resources we have available in order to better serve the public and give them more safety knowledge.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: 1. We are working on a few new events this year based around boat shows and possibly a retail event whereby we can make more contact with the public. **2.** We will soon need to re-test for our VE qualifications for 2015.

R - Response Section:

LO-Air (Liaison Officer, AuxAir): Brian Welsh

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Flotilla Airmen flew a total of 3 missions for 10 total hours during January. There was also an AUXAIR workshop and observer training at the Newport D-Train on 3 Jan attended by flotilla Airmen.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: Continued to work on revamping the observer training presentation to be in sync with the observer syllabus.

FSO-CM (Communications): Thomas McTaggart

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Total watch standing hours in January totaled (44) in the Watch Tower. Station is no longer working on a Holiday schedule.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: Continued our role standing watch for the Gold Side.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: All (3) Watch Standers will be back to normal watches beginning in February.

FSO-OP (Operations): William Armstrong

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L – Logistics Section:

FSO-CS (Communications Services): Michael K. Costa

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Suggestion box form created, and placed in the "members" section. I will confirm at this month's meeting with all members and post at that time as it is hidden right now. Continued monitoring and maintenance to the Officers alias and Members aliases to reflect the 2015 FSO roster (adding new members and/or different roles). The form to contact the Flotilla now goes to FSO-HR, it was going to an incorrect address.

PROBLEMS: Email distribution issues seem to have re-surfaced; however any rejected/bounced emails received have been removed. WOW II guide allows for use of some HTML5, which can be helpful, however it seem as though WOW is HTML4/CSS2, limiting some of the power of body content. I plan to add the Flotilla's

CONCERNS: Behind in responsibilities for many reasons, particularly the transition to the new year's responsibilities, COW and general planning with VFC's schedule. I am working hard on setting up regular calls with him and also regular calls with the IPFC once schedules can be established (particularly with the availability and variable schedule of the VFC).

FSO-MT (Member Training): Stephen Heath

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: One member has completed AUXOP. Four BC Break-Ins have started shore side training

FSO-IS (Information Systems): Christopher McAndrew

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Assisted at the Hunting and Fishing Expo at Rockingham Park.

PROBLEMS: Members please send all 7029/7030 forms to me to MBR Cookson. Receipt of forms will be confirmed within 24 hours.

CONCERNS: Lack of submission of 7029 forms on the part of membership. These are critical to CG funding. **GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY:** Please know I am available to assist any and all members in whatever way I can. **FSO-MT (Member Training): Stephen Heath**

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FSO-MA (Materials): Walter Hanson

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Supplies came in and were distributed.

FSO-PA (Public Affairs): Brian Welsh

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: PSO-PB Hewitt and I decided we would like to interview member Ernie Brown in an upcoming issue of the flotilla newsletter. His story is inspirational and would help underline the amazing experience embodied by the flotilla membership In addition to being an active member in the flotilla, including

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earning his RBS device, Ernie served in the Navy in some major battles in WWII, including D-Day and Iwo Jima. I contacted MBR Brown and he said he would be pleased to be interviewed upon his return from vacation down south in April.

FSO-PB (Publications Staff Officer) Marshall Hewitt

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Have started on Winter 2015 newsletter and also started one article planned for Spring 2015.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: Fall issue of newsletter completed and ready for distribution. Publication is quarterly. **CONCERNS:** Still encouraging everyone to send story ideas and/or photos. Thanks to those who have. The breadth of coverage depends largely on participation.

FSO-PS (Human Resources): Henry Marchi:

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: I had a conversation with Sean Graham and sent a new member packet; I also had a conversation with Josh Philbrook and sent him a Prospective Member Information Booklet.

CONCERNS: I have not received any new inquires. I can only assume at this point that I am on the email list. **GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY:** I invited both potential members to the February meeting but as of this report I have not heard from them. It will be last moment.

FSO-FN (Finance): Matthew Wirth

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Report submitted directly.

FSO-DV (Diversity): Paul Gaudet

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FSO-SR (Secretary of Records): Gladys Benshimol

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Have begun working with new and veteran Flotilla Staff Officers to better streamline and align the process of monthly reporting.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: Efforts continue toward encouraging each FSO to submit a monthly report.

LO-Cutters (Liaison Officer - USCGC TAHOMA USCGC CAMPBELL): Seth Spiller

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NOTE: Finally, white badges have been approved for FL 28 cutter participants allowing them to access the Naval base unescorted.

PROGRAMS OF NOTE: The cutter programs have matured into a documented program with two tracks, CUTTER CREW and INSTRUCTOR.

CONCERNS: Getting enough participants with the time to make this program valuable for the cutters as well as Auxiliarists.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: Two berths have been set aside for a fast attack patrol later in FEB to enable two FL 28 members to participate. Sea duty is a cherished mission for Coastguardsman; we are honored to have been asked to participate. Logistics under way to get all organized.

LO-LR (Liaison Officer – Lakes Region): David Joyce

CONCERNS: We continue to request training patrols on Lake Winnipesaukee.

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY: FC Costa's grandmother is currently recovering at Golden View Rest Home in Meredith. She is doing well.

LO-NH (State Liaison Officer- NH): Richard Many

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