# United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 46, Cape Ann Gloucester, MA

Meeting Minutes: OCTOBER 17, 2022

**1900:** In person meeting held at USCG Station Gloucester - called to order by: FC John Keyes

**1901:** Pledge of Allegiance led by: Tom Clarke

**1902:** Invocation / Moment of Silence by: Reverend Floyd Grace

**1904:** Roll Call

Attending members:

John Keyes FC / FSO-CS-IS-PA
Jack Flanagan VFC / FSO-PV
Paul Maglio FSO-FN-MA-VE
Thomas Clarke FSO-HR
Floyd Grace FSO-AS-DV
Donald Strunk SO-CA-PB
John Mellen FSO-CM
Evangeline King FSO-NS-OP
Gerry Davidson FSO-SR
David Swensen
Alberto Hernandez

Damien Benson DCDR (Guest)

**1905:** FC Keyes Remarks:

Meeting turned over to DCDR Damien Benson to officiate the election of flotilla officers for 2023.

#### Results:

Flotilla Commander (FC) Thomas Clarke

Flotilla Vice Commander (VFC) Floyd Grace

FC Keyes Remarks resumed:

Introduction of our two newest flotilla members David Swensen and Alberto Hernandez. Both new members gave a summary of their respective backgrounds.

**1909:** VFC Jack Flanagan received verbally additions to the FSO reports already submitted.

Brief highlights:

**-Paul Maglio** FSO-FN-MA-VE reported that over 250 Vessel Safety Checks and counting have been accomplished for 2022 Continued brief highlights:

- **-Floyd Grace** ACS, FSO-AS-DV mentioned some of his respective ongoing activities.
- **-FC John Keyes** Hospital Point Lighthouse tours are finished for the 2022 season and announced the Coast Sweep event to take place within the next several weeks. (Date info to follow)
- **-John Mellen** FSO-CM briefly explained the CM (communications program) to our newest members.
- **-Tom Clarke** FSO-HR acquired helpful info from Marblehead FC Michael Moore as well as the possibility of another new member.
- -VFC Jack Flanagan added remarks pertaining to his MT & PV duties.
- **-Don Strunk** gave an overview about the upcoming COW (Change of Watch) in January.

### 1937: Old Business:

FC John Keyes asked for a show of hands to participate in the upcoming Coast Sweep Event.

- -Reminder of no meetings during the holiday season.
- -We will have a members only fellowship before year's end.

Don Strunk made a motion to contribute \$250 towards the fellowship event, seconded by John Mellen and unanimously approved.

<u>Note:</u> Have competency requirements up to date, see John Keyes or Jack Flanagan for assistance.

### 1943: New Business:

Paul Maglio requested he would like to give away whistles during VE events.

Evangeline King and Don Strunk added to the discussion.

Funding for whistles was approved.

## **1949:** Awards:

Our flotilla is the recipient of the NACO 3 Star Award 2022 through the efforts of Floyd Grace, FSO-DV.

It is fitting that the *Award Presentation* was placed in his custody.

**1955:** A motion to adjourn was made by Gerry Davidson and seconded by Don Strunk, unanimously agreed to.

Next Meeting: TBD Fellowship Event

Location: TBD

**Uniform:** Civilian Attire Respectfully submitted: Gerry Davidson FSO-SR

Cape Ann Flotilla

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1900: Opening Ceremony

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation / Moment of Silence

1905: Roll Call

1910: Introduction of Guests

**1915:** FC Remarks (\*New Member Introductions)

1930: Staff Officer Reports

**2000:** Old Business / New Business Feds Feed Families Update

CoastSweep Update

2023 Nominations / Elections

Fellowship Event in November / December

End-of-the-Year Competencies

For the Good of the Auxiliary

Awards (NACON 3 Star Diversity Award)

Recognition of III Members

Announcements

2030: Move to Adjourn

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Location: TBD

**Uniform:** Civilian Attire

Member Name	Present
James Beauvais	
Michael Bergmann	
Edward Bunker	
Thomas Clarke	Х
Gerald Davidson	Х
Wesley Dittes	
John Flanagan	х
David Foss	
Floyd Grace	Х
Alberto Hernandez*	Х
Thomas Hill	
Nicole Horgan	
John Keyes	Х
Evangeline King	Х
Paul Maglio	х
John Mellen	х
Ralph Milroy	
William O'Neill	
Deborah Sawin	
Charles Steiger	
Brian Stinson	
Gregory Stone	
Donald Strunk	х
David Swensen*	х
Bruce Tarr	
Anthony Venezia	
Quorum? (7+)	Yes

Flotilla Website: www.USCGACapeAnn.com

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### Flotilla 46, Cape Ann - October 2022

We held our monthly meeting on the 17th, as scheduled. Damien Benson (DCDR4) joined 9 members of flotilla 46 in attendance, including two new members: David Swensen and Alberto Hernandez. The main focus of the meeting was 2023 elections. There was one nominee for FC (Thomas Clarke) and one nominee for VFC (Floyd Grace), both were elected and will be sworn in at the Division COW in January.

**Chaplain Services** - Our chaplain, Rev. Floyd Grace, visited three stations and one cutter this month to talk with active duty members and provide any spiritual assistance they required.

**Culinary Services** - Our AUXCAs have supported a total of twelve events: six for bases/stations and six for our own flotilla member events. Next up, the Base Boston Chili Cook Off in November.

**Human Resources** - We had one new member prospect move to an "IQ" status this month, he is quickly working to become "BQ" and beyond. Three new member prospects are currently processing.

**Operations** - No change - We have two members involved as students with the Boat Crew Program. Currently, we have no qualified boat crew or coxswains in the flotilla. However, our qualified TCO remains active each weekend on the "Radio Annisquam" HF radio and is training two new TCO prospects. We are also planning to add a mobile radio facility.

**Public Affairs** - We have closed up shop at Hospital Point Lighthouse. We hope to resume there in 2023.

**Public Education** - No change - We have 1 PE course in the works, dates to be determined. Our laptop, projector and training PFD are just about on their last legs, we are looking to replace them.

Program Visitor - MDV visits are still ongoing on the North Shore, more than 215 visits have been completed.

Vessel Examinations - A few VSCs are still trickling in, the flotilla has completed more than 270 to date.

**For the Good of the Auxiliary** - We approved a fall Fellowship event in December (planning is underway) and we plan on presenting flotilla awards then. We are also planning an "unofficial" beach clean-up in support of CoastSweep, to be followed by a fellowship lunch somewhere in Gloucester. Weather permitting, we will place a wreath at the Ten Pound Island commemorative plaque on Veterans Day.

Minutes for our meetings may be found in the "members only" section of our flotilla website. This was our last business meeting of 2022. We will resume again in January of 2023.

Respectfully Submitted, John W. Keyes FC, FL46, Cape Ann