

US Coast Guard Auxiliary – First District, Northern Region Flotilla 11-9 Martha's Vineyard MONTHLY MEETING – 19 January, 2022 1900 hrs ZOOM Meeting UOD N/A

Members participating: Brien Hefler, Joe Berini, Steve Lewenburg, Peter Grunthal, Mike Salvatore, David Halsey, Jake Davis

FC Comments:

Happy New Year everyone! We have a lot of ground to recover after last year but I am confident we can look forward to resuming in-person events, VSEs, classes and events. My own biggest resolution is to be diligent and timely with AUXDATA. I hope everyone will join me!

VFC Comments: Sure hope 2022 is better than 2020 & 2021!

- Sorry to say, we did not do well last year. We only logged 974 hours of flotilla activity. This compares to Woods Hole who logged 9,265 hours. There were no significant hours for training or reading or anything!
- We lost three members last year now down to 19 members.
- Very important to get up to speed with Auxdata II. Once you dig in, it's not very difficult. Again, I will schedule training for anyone who wants it.
- Great opportunity to attend Leadership courses (AUXLAMS A & B) in April and June in New Hampshire. These are fully funded by the Auxiliary. Let me know ASAP if you are interested classes are limited to 14 students.
- I'm looking for members who are interested in running for office. Please let me know if you would like to volunteer your services. We can't go on with 2 of us doing the work for all of us!
- Members are still having trouble signing in to AUXLMS. It's a CG site so I don't know when it may get fixed.
- I'd like to schedule Zoom training sessions for anything of interest. Give me some ideas please!!
- We're open for any activities that may bring us together! Ideas please. This flotilla is for you, the members. If the lack of interest continues, there's no telling what the future may bring.

New Business

- REYR is upon us- individual members have been notified they need to complete their core
 training to avoid a change in status and exclusion from all auxiliary operations until
 reinstated. Please work with FSO-MT to ensure you are not in REYR. It is entirely online.
 BZ to Jules, Wayne and Ken for completing theirs! Still outstanding are Marlin, Lewenberg
 and Scott
- Zoom account renewed for 2022, motion to reimburse Joseph Berini for \$111.72 Approved.
- Please make sure your Covid-19 Attestation Form is current and submit to FC. This is especially important if you have gone from partially to fully vaccinated. It is also advised to carry a printed copy of your vaccine, copy or original, if entering federal property including



CG facilities.

- Division is remote/virtual only for meetings and activities for the month of January. Hopefully this will be lifted if Covid numbers stabilize in the region.
- Discuss Fall/Winter meeting times and locations- possible return to station and West Tisbury Fire Station, rotating monthly, survey to gauge member interest.
- Discussion of Fall/Winter training and areas of interest.
- Discuss Possibility of Virtual classes on trial basis this Fall/Winter including "Suddenly in Command."
- David Halsey proposed creation of laminated cards with Aux Data categories and quick steps to use as a cheat sheet for members and encourage more logging hours.
- Next meeting: February, TBD

