

US Coast Guard Auxiliary - First District, Northern Region

Flotilla 11-9 Martha's Vineyard MONTHLY MEETING 15 September 2021 1900 hrs

Zoom/Online Civilian Attire



Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for Those Who have Crossed the Bar

Members Present: Brien Hefler, Joe Berini, Lou Piacentini, Chuck Cotnoir, David Halsey, Jake Davis

FC Comments:

• It's always hard to believe when Summer is over, this one being one of the busiest and fastest-moving I can recall. Coming out of Stand-Down and quarantine, I think we did an excellent job of resuming programs and patrols. A major blow was the loss of the boating safety class after a herculean effort by Joe Berini and David Halsey.

New Business

- ALAUX- masks at stations. August Division meeting confirmed there are no major changes or updates to existing ALCOAST covid-19 policies.
- Fall/Winter meeting times and locations.
- Call for members interested in running for office.
- Discussion of Fall/Winter training and areas of interest.
- Possibility of Virtual classes on trial basis this Fall/Winter.
- Community outreach/liaison options- Chuck Cotnoir appointed Liaison for Station Menemsha to Regional Emergency Management Planning Board via OIC Longval.

FSO Reports

- FSO-FN:
- FSO-MT
- FSO-PA: Nothing to report.
- FSO-PV : Nothing to report.
- FSO-PE

August-September ACTIONS:

- Flotilla 11-9 Boat America in-person classes POSTPONED August 15 2021 (Halsey)
- Emails sent to all public on "interested list" ANNOUNCING POSTPONEMENT (Berini/Halsey)
- BA class materials ordered (Halsey & Berini)
- BA Class hands-on equipment list created (Halsey)



U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary boating courses provide instruction to boaters at all levels, from the fundamental to the advanced. Our courses (virtual and classroom) are taught by experienced and knowledgeable CGAUX instructors committed to the highest standards of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. They are offered in two modalities: virtual, video conference with CGAUX Virtual PE Instructors, and classroom setting with CGAUX PE Instructors.

Boat America is a boating certificate class that offers an in-depth and interesting boating safety course, and provides the knowledge needed to obtain a boating certificate.

Some insurance companies will also offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete this course.

TOPICS INCLUDE

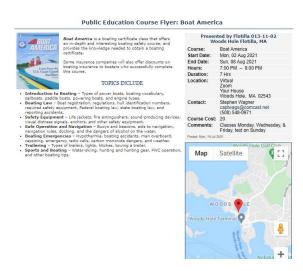
Introduction to Boating – Types of power boats, boating vocabulary, sailboats, paddle boats, powering boats, and engine types. Boating Law – Boat registration, regulations, hull identification numbers, required safety equipment, Federal boating law, state boating law, and reporting accidents. Safety Equipment – Life jackets, fire extinguishers, sound-producing devices, visual distress signals, anchors, and other safety equipment.

Safe Operation and Navigation – Buoys and beacons, aids to navigation, navigation rules, docking, and the dangers of alcohol on the water.

Boating Emergencies – Hypothermia, boating accidents, man overboard, capsizing, emergency radio calls, carbon monoxide dangers, and weather.

Trailering – Types of trailers, lights, hitches, towing a trailer.

Sports and Boating - Water-skiing, hunting and hunting gear, PWC operation, and other boating tips.



Respectfully submitted,

David A. Halsey, FSO-PE

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- FSO-HR
- FSO-MS



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- FSO-CM

