



Aerial photo near Charlotte, Vermont, looking east, with Camel's Hump in the distance. (Photo by Ruth Ring, FSO-PB)

### Boating Safety Factoid

Navigation lights for both powerboats and sailing vessels under 65.6 feet include red and green sidelights and a white stern light. However, powerboats of that length also are required to have a:

- **white masthead light.** Powerboats <39.4 ft may substitute a single all-round light for separate stern and masthead lights.

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### Burlington VT Flotilla 15-02, 1SR

**Flotilla Commander: Robert T. White**  
**Flotilla Vice Commander: Bob Bernier**  
**Flotilla Human Resources: Kenneth Watt**  
<http://a0141502.wow.uscgaux.info>  
<https://www.facebook.com/US-Coast-Guard-Auxiliary-Flotilla-15-02-Burlington-VT-351235695499189/>

### What is Diversity?

Diversity is about acknowledging differences and adapting practices to create an inclusive environment in which diverse skills, perspectives and backgrounds are valued. It is about understanding the individual differences among our members that arise from a broad range of backgrounds and lifestyles, and recognizing the value of using those different perspectives and ideas to enhance the quality and outcomes of our mission.

Our diversity is shaped by a variety of characteristics including age, ethnicity, gender, disability, language, religious beliefs, life stages, education, career, sexual orientation, personality and marital status. Additionally, diversity means accepting, welcoming and valuing the differences inherent in every individual and recognizing the contribution that a diverse membership can make to our organizational effectiveness and operational performance.

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=D-DEPT>

## Marine Safety Alert

LED Lights and Radio Interference

<https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/CG-5PC/TNV/Alerts/1318.pdf?ver=2018-08-16-091109-630>

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**\*\*No Scheduled events at this time \*\***

Online opportunities include the Basic Qualification Course for New Members, Leadership courses, AUXSEA, Intro to Marine Safety, AUXPAT, Mandatory Training requirements, and many others.

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=t-dept>

## Midshipman's Hitch Knot



<https://www.animatedknots.com/midshipmans-hitch-knot>

Coronavirus 2019-nCoV Updates

<https://www.uscg.mil/Coronavirus/>  
<https://www.uscg.mil/Coronavirus/FAQ/fbclid/IwAR2Kg3w0E2BL043k3cBHDGh3zI8WhFhz7ZAKXP-kI33n2sbt3Z5XAAX3dA/#auxiliary>

**Note: No In-Person meetings due to COVID-19.**  
Vessel exams are being done under strict guidelines and with preapproval.

<b>Flotilla 15-02:</b>	U.S.C.G. Station Burlington
<b>Meeting Location:</b>	1 Depot Street Burlington, VT 05401
<b>Meeting Time:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 19:00 hours (7 p.m.) *Meetings are currently being held online*

## Open Flotilla Positions

FSO-AS	AUX Scout Officer
FSO-IS	Information Systems Officer
FSO-MS	Marine Safety & Environment Officer

If anyone is struggling with isolation and needs to talk with someone, please reach out to the flotilla leadership. We are all in this together.  
FC Robert White

**Happy 81<sup>st</sup> Birthday  
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary!!**

**23 Jun 1939 – 23 Jun 2020**

**Have you submitted your 7029?**  
Each member should submit one monthly.

## 4 Key Points to Discuss with Boaters:

1. Always Wear It
2. Take a Boating Safety Course
3. Get a Vessel Safety Check
4. Don't BUI



## Wear It! Inflatable Life Jacket Education video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VFEDdkhZuAg&feature=email>

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Submit articles/photos NLT 2 weeks prior to the next meeting, or as directed.

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## FSO-DV Flotilla Staff Officer – Diversity

[http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads\\_wow/II/D-DEPT/Flotilla\\_Staff\\_Officer\\_DV.pdf](http://wow.uscgaux.info/Uploads_wow/II/D-DEPT/Flotilla_Staff_Officer_DV.pdf)

### Responsibilities:

In addition to the general duties of any staff Officer, the Flotilla Staff officer for Diversity is under the immediate supervision of the VFC and shall be assigned all responsibilities for matters relating to diversity management.

### The FSO-DV:

- Will ensure that the Strategic Plan for Managing Diversity is carried out and work to drive diversity to all members throughout the Flotilla.
- Will compile, track and review all diversity statistical information for the Flotilla and report said information to the SO-DV and be the contact for all information on the NACO 3 Star Award for Excellence in Diversity.
- Will be responsible for conducting and coordinating all Flotilla level training in the areas of Diversity.
- Will work with any and all Flotilla staff for outreach, recruiting and training in all areas served.
- Will submit highlights of diversity information and best practices to the Flotilla members for use and implementation as a part of member recruitment.
- Will solicit information and pass along ideas up the chain and onto the Auxiliary Diversity Leadership Council.
- Will be a role model and leader in the creation of a comprehensive approach to behavior and attitude change for all members.

As part of meeting the goals of the Diversity Program, our flotilla has been active in encouraging social gatherings for members and their families – through holiday parties, cookouts with Division members and active duty Coast Guard. Flotilla members are recognized for achievements and duties beyond normal service. New members are encouraged to develop new skills and growth in areas of interest, and provided assistance from mentors and staff officers. Flotilla members conduct outreach to our diverse civilian community through public education, marine and boat show displays and interaction, and through reaching out to scouting organizations.

Kris Tepy is currently the FSO-DV for our Flotilla.  
Thank you, Kris!

### Resources:

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=d-dept>

<https://www.facebook.com/CGAUXDiversity>

