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Semper Paratus

**Meeting Notice:** Tuesday September 13, 2022

**MAINLINE FLOTILLA Monthly Meeting**

**St David's Episcopal Church, 763 S Valley Forge Rd, Wayne, PA 19087**

## MINUTES

**Check in:** 1900 (7:00PM) Roll Call

- Meeting Call to Order - Anderson
- Verification of Quorum
  - FSO's in Uniform: Dixon, Ramer
  - FSO's out of Uniform: Anderson, Munroe, Bowden, Sheetz
  - Members Attending: Moatz, Gingras
  - Apologies/Regrets: Monkhouse, Zambrana
  - Absentees: Ingiosi, Leidy, Lynn, Meade, Phinney, Savage, Webster
- Pledge of Allegiance - Anderson
- Invocation - Dixon
- Introduction of New Member
- Reading of previous month's meeting minutes
  - Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes
    - Motion: Munroe
    - Second: Anderson
    - Discussion:
    - Vote:
  - Motion to approve minutes of the previous month's meeting:
    - Motion: Anderson
    - Second: All
    - Discussion:
    - Vote:
- FC Opening Remarks/Report
  - Fellowship: Jan Munroe suggested we consider doing local dinner meeting(s) for flotilla meetings. First suggested meeting to happen in the summer, or 6 months, opposite the holiday party.

- FSO Reports for 2022 – VFC
  - MEMBER TRAINING: MT – Bowden
    - DTrain learning event will take place 16-18 September in Christiana, DE at the Hilton Christiana/Wilmington. Anderson was planning to attend.
    - Gingras and Moatz have now been stasured as “Core Training Certified” in AUXDATAII.
    - 04-11 has 11 of 17 flotilla members Core Training Certified.
    - 04-11 Training Report available upon request. If members see training information they believe to be inconsistent to reality, please review AUXDATA II for verification, and then forward email to Bowden for attention. Bowden controls Master training spreadsheet.
    - Courses taken on-line require members to submit a Self-Attestation Form. If you have taken courses that have not been credited, please bring form to next Flotilla Meeting.
    - AUXDATA II tutorial link > <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W7zroxMDjyc>
  - FINANCE: FN – Anderson
    - Dues Report-\$4,430.84 currently in checking account.
  - HUMAN RESOURCES: HR – Munroe
    - Brett McGovern has submitted his USCGAUX application. Jan is assisting and facilitating his informational and joining process. Jan will continue to push the process forward and follow-up is required.
  - COMMUNICATION SERVICES: CS – Dixon
    - Social media: Our website is up-to-date.
    - Fall RBS training courses (Boat America, Sailing Skills and Seamanship) have been posted to social media as well as direct announcements sent to the West End Boat club and Corinthian Yacht Club.
  - OPERATIONS: OP – Ramer
    - Alternate Uniform was approved for operations at the beginning on this year. Check the USCGAUX website for uniform particulars.
    - Boat patrols are still happening until mid-October. For Delaware Bay boats on the water / contact Andy Crowley ([Crowley.andy@gmail.com](mailto:Crowley.andy@gmail.com)) for access to schedule, participation, and facilities.
    - Alternative option: suggest contacting John Yowell (FSO-OP, 21-03) on Lake Nockamixon (Area 17).
  - VESSEL EXAMINATION: VE – Sheetz
    - Chris Sheetz performed 7 vessel examines. These were performed at the Cape May Marina and Commodore Bay Marina in Avalon, NJ. Six (6) vessels got stickers.
    - There was no VE day this year.

- Flotilla has four members certified and workshops accomplished in Vessel Examination – Monkhouse, Munroe, Ramer, & Sheetz.
  
- PUBLIC EDUCATION: PE – Anderson
  - Dates have firmed up for teaching the Coast Guard Sailing Certification class (9/21 – 11/16) @Creutzburg Center and Boat America class (10/25 – 11/15) @ Lower Merion High School. Five (5) signed up for Sailing course – Meade/Bayard will be instructing. Four (4) people signed up for Boat America course so far.
  - Jan Munroe is leading committee to conceptualize using PE opportunities for the purposes of member recruitment (Committee: Munroe, Anderson, Zambrana, Bowden). First meeting produced the following items/proposals:
    1. Offer Summer boating classes starting on 2023 through the Main Line School Night Association – Anderson
    2. Add/advertise Main Line Flotilla course offerings through the CGAUX official web site – Anderson (Complete)
    3. Develop curriculum for an additional ‘non-Coast Guard approved’ course to be offered to boaters on the Northern Section of the Chesapeake Bay – Anderson/Bowden
    4. Explore opportunities to expand PE sessions outside the Main Line Night School program. For example, offer boating safety classes to High School Boating Clubs in the Main Line area – Zambrana
    5. Expand advertising of Main Line Flotilla course offerings through billeting boards at boat supply/dealership stores – Bowden
    6. Bring back “Suddenly in Command” course (Added)
  
- SECRETARY/RECORDS: SR – Bowden
  - Review/revise & approve last month’s meeting minutes.
  
- PUBLIC AFFAIRS: PA – Ramer
  - Next PA events will be the Boat Shows in Atlantic City and Philadelphia in early spring of 2023.
  
- MATERIALS: MA – Dixon
  - USCGAUX information available for PA events or as requested
  - Establish uniform items availability - Ex. Shoulder Boards
  
- INFORMATION SERVICES: IS – Munroe
  - All hours currently up-to-date.
  - Need flotilla members to provide hours for year to date for effort(s) credit. Remember that all flotilla meetings, travel to/from, car show support, VE efforts, PE training, etc. should be entered for time credit. Any questions, please contact Jan Munroe.

- New/Old Business
  - Barbara Dixon announced that she will be taking a leave of absence from the Auxiliary for approximately 8 months and will reevaluate intentions thereafter. A big “Thank You” to Barb for her support and friendship to our flotilla. We hope to see her in the future!
  - Dave Gingras introduced idea of our flotilla interacting with the BSA Scouts and particularly the Sea Scouts group. Discussion ensued regarding what’s involved and legal considerations for initiative such as approach, youth protection, etc. First steps would be to read the Memorandum of Understanding as to requirements, protections, etc. Gingras has the lead.
  - MONTHLY FIRESIDE CHAT DISCUSSIONS – Munroe will provide the next chat at the October 11th flotilla meeting. Subject to be determined.
  - KNOT OF THE MONTH DEMONSTRATION – Bowden provided demonstration and explanation/application use of the Clove Hitch knot.
  - Bayard facilitated approval from the landlord to bring in coffee & donuts for fellowship during our flotilla meeting. Anderson brought and provided this month’s refreshments... Bowden will provide for October Meeting.
  
  - Action Items:
    1. Anderson - DTrain report
    2. Elections
    3. Reassignment of Dixon responsibilities
    4. Clean-up of Flotilla membership
    5. End of year celebration....date and time etc.
  
- Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting: **October 11th, 2022 @1900 (ATTIRE for Flotilla Staff Officers: Trops)**  
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**(through the double doors, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)**

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