

## 053-04-11

## Semper Paratus

#### Meeting Notice: Tuesday November 8, 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 Monkhouse
- Verification of Quorum
  - o FSO's in Uniform: Monkhouse,
  - FSO's out of Uniform: Anderson, Sheetz, Bowden
  - Members Attending: Gingras
  - o Apologies/Regrets: Moatz, Munroe, Zambrana
  - o Absentees: Ingiosi, Leidy, Lynn, Meade, Phinney, Savage, Webster, Ramer
- Pledge of Allegiance Sheetz
- Invocation -
- Introduction of New Member
- Reading of previous month's meeting minutes
  - Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes
    - Motion:
    - Second:
    - Discussion:
    - Vote:
  - Motion to approve minutes of the previous month's meeting:
    - Motion: Bowden
    - Second: All
    - Discussion:
    - Vote:
- FC Opening Remarks/Discussion Report
  - Elections (Munroe): Elections will take place at next month's Flotilla Meeting.
  - Reassignment of Dixon responsibilities: Still under consideration as no one has volunteered to assume duties.
  - Flotilla membership clean-up: No decision on how to proceed with non-participatory members.
  - End of year celebration... Members attending flotilla meeting agreed upon Saturday the 10th of December @ 11:30AM for this event. Please attend and bring your significant other or guest. At

this time we are investigating venues that would be free to members or require up to \$25/member to cover food and venue cost. Time to commit is critical to secure a venue that suits our needs and wishes. Please respond back to Josh Bowden by Sunday 11/13 if you will be attending and how many? There will be no allowances for late responses as holiday venues are very restrictive regarding attendee numbers for catering purposes.

- FSO Reports for 2022 VFC
  - MEMBER TRAINING: MT Bowden
    - Nothing new to report
    - Spring 2023 DTrain event coming soon. Flotilla will be encouraged to attend and Information will be provided as plans firm up.
    - 04-11 has 11 of 16 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
    - Account status \$4,468.33 currently in checking account. Account has and will continue to benefit from the RBS training and flotilla Dues.
    - Two (2) outdated computers have been replaced and are being used for RBS training.
  - HUMAN RESOURCES: HR Munroe
    - Nothing new to report
    - Brett McGovern has submitted his USCGAUX application. Application picture is being worked out and Jan is assisting and facilitating his joining process. Jan will continue to ensure timely progress.
  - COMMUNICATION SERVICES: CS (Open)
    - Nothing new to report
    - We are looking for our next FSO-CS individual. If interested, please let the FC and VFC know.
    - Social media: Website up-to-date. Once next -CS is established, we will connect him/her with Barb to understand the process of posting to and updating our websites.
  - OPERATIONS: OP Ramer
    - Nothing new to report
    - Ramer, Zambrana, & Bowden participated as trainees during the 2022 Boat Crew Patrol season. These auxiliarists will continue into the 2023 season.

- Alternate Uniform was approved for operations at the beginning on this year. Check the USCGAUX website for uniform particulars.
- VESSEL EXAMINATION: VE Sheetz.
  - Chris Sheetz performed 7 vessel examines. Five (5) VE's paperwork will be entered into AUXDATAII.
  - Flotilla has four members certified for Vessel Examination Monkhouse, Munroe, Ramer, & Sheetz.
- PUBLIC EDUCATION: PE Anderson
  - 4-11 provided RBS training of the Sailing Skills and Seamanship (7 students) and the Boat America (8 students) classes over the last couple months. Both classes are scheduled to finish up week of 11/15 – 11/17.
  - 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

On Sep 27 the following update was submitted to the committee:

a. The High Schools in the area (i.e. Lower Merion, Harriton and Radnor) do not have boat or sailing clubs

b. The Penn Wynn Library would be open to allow the USCAUX to use their Conference Room for public education at no charge. The scheduling process however needs to be requested formally via their Web site.

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

- Nothing new to report.
- Review/revise & approve last month's meeting minutes.

### • PUBLIC AFFAIRS: PA – Ramer

- Nothing new to report.
- Next PA events will be the Boat Shows in Atlantic City and Philadelphia in early spring of 2023.

- MATERIALS: MA (Open)
  - Nothing new to report.
  - Don Monkhouse has indicated interest in being our next FSO-MA individual commencing in 2023.
  - Materials will need to be gathered from Barb once next FSO-MA is determined.
  - USCGAUX information available for PA events or as requested.
  - Establish uniform items availability Ex. Shoulder Boards.

### • INFORMATION SERVICES: IS – Munroe

- Nothing new to report.
- 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
  - Dave Gingras discussed the BSA Scouts Sea Scouts. Particularly a joint activity with the 4-11 being involved in the sponsorship of a ship (unit), with the intent of providing Sea Scouts (aged 14+) the opportunity to develop Nautical Skills and developing an understanding of the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Discussion ensued regarding the benefits to the military services (CG training/structure), as well as the training and security requirements of flotilla members who elect to participate. It was suggested that Dave conference with the sponsor of this initiative, Donna Ferron (4-09), and determine her interest in teaming to get the required number of USCGAUX volunteers to move forward. Dave will pursue and report back at a later date.
  - MONTHLY FIRESIDE CHAT DISCUSSIONS Bayard Anderson will provide the next installment at a future Flotilla meeting. Topic: "Winterizing your boat" and "The romance of sailing".
  - 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.
  - Coffee and Donuts: Next up Bill Moatz.
- Motion to adjourn

<u>Next Meeting:</u> November 8th, 2022 @1900 (ATTIRE for Flotilla Staff Officers: Trops) St David's Episcopal Church, 763 S Valley Forge Rd, Wayne, PA 19087 (through the double doors, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor)

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