

SO-VE STAFF REPORT

FEBRUARY 2018

A recap of 2017 shows that Division 10 performed a total of 766 Vessel Safety Checks and that was a 36% decrease from the previous year of 2016. Sector North Carolina was up 10% over the previous year.

Division 10 has 44 Vessel Examiners with 8 in REYR.

VSC activity as 11FEB18 in AUXINFO shows 6 VSC reported.

All Flotilla Commanders should have by now distributed the 2018 VSC decals to their FSO-VE for distribution to the Vessel Examiners. All 2017 VSC decals should be destroyed. Keep in mind that VSC decals can only be replenished when a Flotilla has shown 50% of their initial supply used on PASSED VSC.

All FSO-VE have been asked to set their individual Flotilla Goals to support the Division and District Goals but to taper for their individuality. All goals should be Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic and Timely. I have received goals from two Flotillas.

I have encouraged all VE to get involved in MYCCAUX PORTAL. This is a valuable tool to gain and share information.

A new 2018 Annual VE Workshop presentation is posted on line and I have encouraged all VE to participate in it. It is not a mandatory workshop but is a valuable refresher. I am in the process of setting up a Class/Workshop for all interested in becoming a VE/PV and those that would like to take the refresher. Plans are to use the 2018 Annual VE Workshop in the presentation. This class will take place at Station OKI and more information will follow.

I have encouraged all VE to have a copy of all USCG Marine Safety Alerts with them when conducting VSC to help promote boater safety. These Alerts can be found on the USCG website under Beacon Alerts.

I have furnished all VE and PV with a 2018 poster to display at various locations to promote our VSC program.

I have requested all FSO-VE to get a message to all new members that the RBS/VE/PV/PA/PE/MS team is all in one and the same. Coordination of events will give a much broader base to help educate our boaters.

Plans for NSBW should be in the works now. However, remember that the effort we put into NSBW should carry over the entire boating season.

We are looking forward to stepping up our exposure to the boating public in 2018 by incorporating all aspects of RBS and implementing all Division and District initiatives.

A big push will be for the District 5 Dockside Paddlecraft program. We need a complete buy-in from every Flotilla to make this work. This Program has the potential to make a big difference in Paddlecraft Vessel Safety.

Respectfully Submitted

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