

February 17, 2017

Flotilla 10-05 Report to Division

Membership:

We begin 2017 with eighty-six “active” members and eight retirees. We have one new applicant in process and anticipate three to four new members over the next few months. Recently we have seen one retirement and one disenrollment. Six members in AP status and only three PSI outstanding.

REYR Status:

Of major concern is the current REYR status of our Flotilla. Nearly 50% of our membership is in REYR for one or multiple activities. Majority of REYR are inactive members who have not completed the required AMT, but we are seeing an increase of Instructor, VE, Aid to Navigation, etc. REYRs that I will address through individual correspondence.

RBS:

Program Visitor: Concentration will be paid to community / boater education while increasing the number of partners. We will continue to stress that Program Visitors and Vessel Examiners be cross-qualified as much of the same information /guidance principles exist.

Vessel Examinations: We have 16 qualified VE with an additional 4 expected this year. Our total number of VSCs in 2016 was 509 – significant increase – and we have set our sights on 600 VSCs in 2017. In line with Auxiliary guidance we will increase our approach to the paddlecraft community by manning the new paddlecraft launch ramp near Wildlife and encourage local kayak vendors to participate in our safety program.

VEs /PVs are encouraged to “buddy-up” when conducting missions. VE/PV training will be held during the month of March in preparation for the upcoming

year. Emphasis will be on RBS education as well as maintaining consistency of inspection requirements.

Diversity:

Will be teaming up with CG Station Oak Island in instructing South Brunswick High School's JROTC students about the Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary on 21 March 2017. There will be approximately 200 students.

Public Affairs:

Preparation underway for the continuation of celebrating our 50th Anniversary. During NSBW, Flotilla 10-05 will be honored to host a display at the Southport Maritime Museum to commemorate the Auxiliary's history.

In the process of upgrading our PA equipment to present a more professional appearance at supported events.

Public Education:

Women's only ABS class held XX January 2017. Eighteen participants almost doubling last year's attendance. BS&S class scheduled for 23 March thru 20 April. Nine sessions Thursdays 6-9:30 PM and Saturdays 8AM-1:00PM.

Future Activities:

22 Feb – VE morning scheduled with State Port Pilot – magazine article on flotilla 10-05 50th Anniversary.

Subsequent VE Days anticipated at area marinas as season approaches with special emphasis on NSBW.

Work with Shallotte Flotilla to help them with their VE/PV programs.

Push to ensure all Flotilla10-05 FSO's have an individual assigned as assistant to facilitate consistent representation and increase member involvement.

