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NEWSLETTER OF FLOTILLA 12-5 - U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY FIFTH DISTRICT (SR) - OCEAN CITY, MD

## FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE ROBERT SHEEHAN FC



Coxswains and Crew have until the end of August to get their orders for 2024! The new end of the year for orders was 30SEP last year. New end of year date for 2024 is 01SEP. We will try to get as many On-The-Water (OTW) as possible with a four hour minimum per day. The Coast Guard has requested us to assist them with the Air Show on 23-25 August in the ocean and back bays. We plan to have three facilities out for this purpose. The request for the Chincoteague Detachment has been forwarded to John Krogmann COMO from David Gamble Sector Captain. "We believe our return to the area formerly covered by a flotilla will be effective and welcomed."

### SEMPER PERATUS!



## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING U.S.C.G. STATION OCEAN CITY 5 AUGUST 2024

The monthly meeting of Flotilla 12-05 was called to order by Bob Sheehan FC via an in-person and a virtual Zoom call promptly at 1900. The call to order was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Steve Haffner.

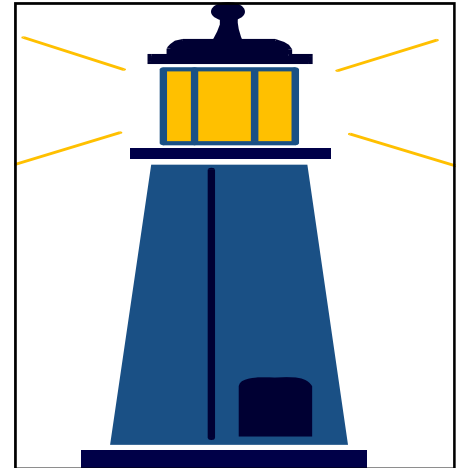
### OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

**PRESENT:** Bob Sheehan FC, Glenn Duffy VFC, Bob Shevchuck IPFC, Stephen Battistone FSO-CS, Cathy Battistone FSO-PB/SR, Steve Haffner, Frank de Laurentis FSO-FN, Joe Britvch, Art Flora, Maureen Hoffman FSO-PA, Linda Busick, Dirk Esham, Jay Brown, Jeff DeHart, Al Burns, Martin Killian FSO-PV, Al Parra FSO-VE, Jim McCarty, Joan Morgan, Roger Morgan, Tonya Dagstani, Mark Wrightstone, Lisa Smeltzer and Robert Smeltzer.

Visitor: Jennie Beauchamp.

**QUORUM:** Glenn Duffy VFC determined there was a quorum.

A motion was made to accept the March 2024 minutes and financial report by Steve Haffner and seconded by Martin Killian. The motion carried.



FC	ROBERT SHEEHAN
VFC	GLENN DUFFY
IPFC	BOB SHEVCHUCK
FSO-CM	VACANT
FSO-CS	STEPHEN BATTISTONE
FSO-DV	KATHY VAIL
FSO-FN	FRANK DE LAURENTIS
FSO-HR	GLENN DUFFY
FSO-IS	BARRY COHEN
FSO-MA	LYNN KILLIAN
FSO-MS	TIM MULLEN
FSO-MT	TODD MONIS
FSO-NS	ROBERT SHEVCHUCK
FSO-OP	ROBERT SHEEHAN
FSO-PA	MAUREEN HOFFMAN
FSO-PB	CATHY BATTISTONE
FSO-PE	BARRY COHEN
FSO-PV	MARTIN G. KILLIAN
FSO-SR	CATHY BATTISTONE
FSO-VE	AL PARRA
HISTORIAN	VACANT
READINESS	EUGENE CLEARY
COORDINATOR	
PHOTOGRAPHERS	STEPHEN BATTISTONE CATHY BATTISTONE

FLOTILLA 12-5 MEETS ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 1900 HOURS AT THE OCEAN CITY COAST GUARD STATION. VISITORS WELCOME!!



**FLOTILLA  
COMMANDER'S  
COMMENTS**



BM1 Strong Air Show 24-25AUG

New Member Mentors/Power point documents from Tonya Dagstani

Uniform Inspections, Notify Members

Coxswain and Crew 25 days for On the Water Training. New end date for 2024 orders 01SEP, Last year was 31SEP

Boat Crew Academy dates: AUG 10, 17 & 24 SEP 07 & 14

Allen Burns 50 year Award

Detachment for Chincoteague—five Members

**FLOTILLA  
STAFF  
REPORTS**



**STEPHEN BATTISTONE FSO-CS**

Provided ongoing support for the Flotilla 12-05 Website and the Flotilla12-05 Facebook Page.

Recent updates include the following:

Photos from the Flotilla meeting on 1 July 2024 at the U.S. Coast Guard Station Ocean City have been posted on the Flotilla website. Photos provided by Stephen Battistone FSO-CS.

The July 2024 edition of the On Course Newsletter was posted on the Flotilla 12-05 website.

Posted the Maryland Basic Boating Class for August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Ocean Pines Library on the Flotilla 12-05 Facebook page.

Cathy and I have been reviewing the PowerPoint documents for New Member Information that was created by Tonya Dagstani which has been customized for Flotilla 12-05. We are in the process of sending these documents to Kim Holland (DSO-PB) for review to make sure there are not issues before posting them in the Members Only section on our Flotilla 12-05 website.



**FRANK DE LAURENTIS  
FSO-FN**

The balance as of 1 July, 2024 is \$12,627.13

<b>RECEIPTS</b>	
10 July SBC and Dues Bank Deposit	<b>\$355.00</b>
02 July PayPal Transfer SBC	<b>\$116.40</b>
09 July PayPal Transfer SBC	<b>\$ 58.20</b>
11 July Dues Bank Deposit SBC & Dues	<b>\$305.00</b>
12 July PayPal Transfer SBC	<b>\$ 19.40</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$854.00</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

12 July OP Progress 1/2 Pg Ad CK#2284	<b>\$225.00</b>
15 July <u>OCMD Chamber of Commerce</u> CK#2283	<b>\$249.00</b>
31 July Prorated Div Dues CK#2286	<b>\$ 82.50</b>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$556.50</b>

Ending balance as of 31 July 2024 is \$12,924.63

**GLENN DUFFY FSO-HR**

As of July 31, 2024, Flotilla 054-12-05 had a total membership of 47 plus two from last month.

Disenrollments 0  
Deaths: 0  
Resigned: 0  
Transferred: 0

After confirming with FC Robert Sheehan there are no additional changes to report. Eleven members are in AP and One member in IQ status.

**BARRY COHEN FSO-IS**

It is time to update uniform inspections. Anyone who has not had one in 2024, please contact me.

With regards to your 7029, read the explanations of which 99 code is appropriate to use. When using 99D indicate the subject matter, e.g., boat crew.

**TIM MULLEN: FSO-MS**

Our beach cleanup that was scheduled for Thursday, June 13 was cancelled as we only had two volunteers sign up.

We'd like to conduct our next beach cleanup during the week of September 15. Please notify Tim if you can volunteer and the dates that week you are available.



**MAUREEN HOFFMAN FSO-PA**

**PE Classes:** Press Release and Calendar item sent to all local publications for the August Safe Boating Course. A notice was

placed on The Maryland Chamber of Commerce website A notice was placed on the U.S. Coast Guard Station Marquee and The Ocean Pines marquee.

**Big Truck Day** is cancelled and will be rescheduled in the Spring

**Knots & Knots-** Dan Collins article "Green Right Returning" will appear in the August issue of The Courier.

**Dock Safety Coloring Book-** we continue to look for funding and approval.

**Knots on the Boardwalk:** July 3 10:00AM - 10:30AM, every Wednesday until August 28th.

**Upcoming events 2024:** Harbor Day at the Docks-October 12

The Chamber of Commerce sent a thank you for signing up for another year on their website

**CATHY BATTISTONE FSO-PB**

The approved minutes from July 2024 on form 7000 was forwarded to DIRAUX.

The July edition of the On Course Newsletter was created and submitted for posting to the Flotilla website.

The Flotilla roster and the Division Directory have been updated to the respective websites.

Worked with Stephen Battistone and Tonya Dagstani to prepare customized flotilla documents to assist new members.

**BARRY COHEN FSO-PE**

Unfortunately, the August class was canceled because of low participants.

**MARTIN KILLIAN FSO-PV**

JUL PV totals: 24  
Dealers added: 0  
Changes: 0  
Staff added/subtracted: 0  
Current YTD: 239

There were 49 visits JUL 2023.

**STEVE HAFFNER** on the Open House in Chincoteague on July 23<sup>rd</sup>

The Open House was a huge success with over 331 people visiting our booth. Special thanks to our volunteers, Cathy Battistone, Stephen Battistone, Al Burns. Barry Cohen, Dan Collins, Art Flora, Steve Haffner and Jim McCarty..

**AWARDS:**



Tonya Dagstani for being BQ qualified

Roberr Smeltzer for being BQ qualified

Jeffrey DeHart for being BQ qualified.



**JIM MC CARTY VCDR**  
comments for Division 12.

The Division Detachment request has been sent to DIRAUX for the Chincoteague detachment that will include five members from the Ocean City flotilla.

We need to start thinking about the Change of Watch (COW)

now. Are we planning to have all of the Division flotillas attend one COW as we have done in the past? This will be a topic of discussion at the next Division meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup> at Station Chincoteague. If you plan to attend including the dinner starting at 1745 please let me know as soon as possible.

Also, elections for the Flotilla and Division are coming up soon.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 2030 was made by Maureen Hoffman and seconded by Dirk Esham. The motion carried.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
SEP	ACTIVITY
2	
7	Big Truck Day (10 am-2pm) Veterans Memorial Park Ocean Pines, MD <b>CANCELLED</b>
9	General Meeting at 1900. U.S. Coast Guard Station Ocean City, MD

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