

FC Reports for 8 June Division Meeting

Chris Labuda – 20-01

April/May for New River

May 24, 2019 Safety Stand-Down at MCAS New River Marina for VMM-261 (The Raging Bulls) attended by 418 Officer and Enlisted personnel

April 26, 2019 at New River Marine Corps Air Station, "Safety Stand-Down" attended by 413 Marine, Navy and Air Force Airman assigned to VMMT-204 (a Military Composite Air Training Group)

June/July

Vessel Exams "Blitzes" at local Marinas (We now have 1 new vessel examiner C. LaBuda and T. LaBuda has passed his exam and will finish his 5 training VSC's soon)

(dates not finalized)

Outdoor Adventures at Camp Lejeune

Court House Bay at Camp Lejeune

New River Marina

(dates not finalized)

PA presentations at Wal Mart Supercenter 2025 N Marine Blvd

PA presentation at Wal Mart Supercenter 561 Yopp Rd.

Thumbs Up

1.) New Member transfers Morgan King and C. J. Podraza. Mrs. King is an enthusiastic new member who has transferred from Florida. Dr. C. J. Podraza is a leader in our Air Aux program, a First Pilot and an Aeromedical Examiner. He is very active with his facility.

2.) Jim Abbot current Flotilla Commander from 21-08 has recently moved to our AOR and hopes to transfer to our flotilla at the end of this year. He is an active VE. He attended our May flotilla meeting as guest.

3.) Chris LaBuda is now a new VE. Thomas LaBuda has passed his test and will finish his training VSC's soon.

Thumbs Down

1.) Although our past several meetings have seen improved attendance by newer up and coming members and offers promise for our flotilla's future, training and qualification progress is slow.

2.) New flotilla staff officers are still needed.

3.) Work load will still need to be done by a few for a while.

Mark Sonder – 20-02

Our Monthly meeting took place at Station Fort Macon. Learner Outcome: Hurricanes (season commences June 1)

Our VE's performed Vessel Safety Checks at:

- Crows Nest Yacht Club in Atlantic Beach
- Radio Island Marina
- Anchorage Marina in Atlantic Beach
- Plus, Private Vessel Exam being given.
- Performed Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams as well.

Public Education:

- Booth at The Wooden Boat Show in Beaufort
- Booth at the 2-day Crystal Coast Boat Show
- Yours truly gave a short interview live on WTKF FM 107.1 and WJNC AM 1230
- ABS class for the Beaufort Police Department, plus performed a VSC on their new Police Boat.

On the Water:

Syllabus, curriculum, and calendar created for Boat Crew Certification for 4 students

Supporting our USCG

- Supporting the crew of the USCGC Maple for their "Friends and Family Cruise" with the assistance of two 20-04 members.

Mike Ott – 20-04

- 16 patrols since OPFAC 201204 kissed the water in early April
- 2 Blessing of the Fleet (Fairfield Harbor & New Bern) honor patrols
- 4 VSC's & 2 pending from the Blessing of the Fleet events
- Over 1,000 kids trained in Water 'N Kids program this season
- 2 ½ days of the Oriental Boat show resulting in 5 VSC's
- 1 Local Waters class netting \$190.
- 1 Twin Rivers Paddle Club presentation building a working relationship for kayak & paddleboard safety

Tony Lopinto – 20-06

1. Presented "About Boating Safely" course at the Chocowinity on May 7th and 9th with more than thirty attendees comprising First Responders, several children of first responders, Sea Scouts and Sea Scout leaders.
2. FSO-PA organized National Safe Boating Week announcement in Washington Daily News and on WITN TV.
3. Flotilla members conducted Vessel Safety Checks at Havens Gardens, Tranter's Creek and

Twin Lakes boat ramps during first and last weekends of NSBW.

4. Welcomed two new members to our flotilla.

Bill Gerdson – 20-10

1. Two RM appeals filed for members who experienced extraordinary family health issues and housing displacement.

With effective support from Div 20 leadership both appeals resulted in restored qualifications.

2. AUXOPFAC maintenance/preparation has been difficult to complete for the boating season due to ongoing "H cane" facility repair. The past two to four weeks have shown the resilience of local techs and willingness to prepare auxiliary facilities in support of our local CG stations.

3. Major 20-10 PA functions have included radio and TV productions which are still on air. Some traditional events were cancelled due to WX issues. Notable exceptions which garnered success were the Swansboro Chamber of Commerce Business Expo, Emerald Isle St. Patricks Festival and Military Appreciation day at Hammocks Beach state Park.

4. Underway operations have included documenting ATON discrepancies in the AOR; which have required extensive maintenance. PATON verification will be a major focus for the balance of the AUXPAT effort.

5. Kayak for the Warriors race on 01 JUNE 19 involved two 20-10 OPFACS as a safety/security patrol through the 3.2 mile canals.

6. BSA/Sea Scouts efforts are ongoing and will ramp up as the school year ends. Dockside and underway ops are planned with support from Station Emerald support.

SO Reports for 8 June Division Meeting

Tom Wiggins SO-CM

Nothing much to report.

Our active HF Facility continues to report reasonable but sometimes very noisy reception on the various scheduled Regional and National Nets. One of the goals this year is to establish a second HF facility in the Division as a backup. This has been set back a bit since the potential facility my ICOM M-802 lost its HF antenna in Hurricane Florence. With all the other damage it will take some time to erect a new antenna. Still working the problem.

Still trying to put together a view of how our Division Communications Facilities, which is basically 1 or 2 HF Facilities can enhance our support of the Active Duty Coast Guard. I see no future for a VHF Net in the Division. It would be nice to get some direction from District or higher.

Mark Sonder SO-CS

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Division 054-20, Mark Sonder reporting

- Updated Calendar
- Waiting for the Division Commander to review the continuation of our "Toolkit" area
- Posted the 20-20 Vision April then May Newsletter

Morehead City Flotilla 20-02, Mark Sonder reporting

- Added a <In the News> area on the bottom of our home page re: our radio, TV and print media coverage
- Added a pie chart and spreadsheet on an educated boater vs. no education as it relates to death in Boating Safety
- Facebook page has now over 175 followers and we make multiple entries per week.
- As I inadvertently deleted the entire page of <Our Waterways>, I spent an entire day re-creating and improving that page.
- Created and have been enlarging the <1st Annual Auction> page.

New Bern Flotilla 054-20-04, Theresa Bendicksen reporting

- The April and May Channel Marker newsletter has been posted to our Flotilla website.
- Classes and activities have been updated on our website calendar.
- Some edits were made and the list of VE's has been updated on the VSC page.
- Email and phone communications have been shared.
- Water 'N Kids Safety Classes have been presented to four Elementary Schools and 709 of our Letter To Parents/Coloring Pages have been distributed.
- The website calendar has been updated with NACON and D5S-D-Train information, classes and activities.
- The Instructor Training process is underway for Ted Clark, Keith Gapen and Don Jessup, whom are making way toward becoming superior Auxiliary Certified Instructors, for both adult, as well as child RBS classes. Many thanks to each of them, as well as to Mike Ott,

Bruce Clarkson, Paul Branaman and Ruth Dickens for their masterful skills and their significant contributions to this year's WNKS programs.

Flotilla 20-06, Melissa McLauren reporting
- Updated Flotilla newsletter

ISSUES

1. Calendar Events: Members /Leaders do not let me know what to publish
2. Toolkit area: Great Concept. Need review so we can move forward

Al Powell SO-DV

No DV activity to report by the Flotilla's except 20-06 and 20-02; see comments below.

Flotilla 20-02

20-02 had no DV activity to report. The SO-DV has been requested to give a DV presentation, perhaps in September or when both the FSO-DV and other key Flotilla personnel will be available to attend.

Flotilla 20-06

Al Powell, FSO-DV, was to be one of two guest speakers at a city-wide May 11, 2019 "Outdoor Farmers Market" community event coordinated by the NAACP of Beaufort County. That event has been rescheduled to sometime in June; exact date to be determined. Al Powell will represent the US Coast Guard Auxiliary as the FSO-DV and speak about what diversity is, why understanding diversity is so important and the mission of the Auxiliary.

Division Level

Pursuant to our meeting during the District training, DCO Michelle Thornton was recently sent a copy of the Diversity PowerPoint presentation. It is my understanding (and hope) that the presentation is being considered for training at the fall District training and for consideration at the national level. I advised DCO Thornton in my cover email that only through positive Divisional and Flotilla leadership and motivation (like we currently have) could a project like this have been considered.

Ben Reed SO-FN

Division 20 054 SR Financial report May 31, 2019

April 1 to May 31, 2019

Balance as of April 1, 2019	\$6543.41
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Division Income

Public Education income	\$146.03
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First Quarter Prorated dues	\$192.50
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TOTAL INCOME \$338.53

Division Expenses

Public Education expense \$132.75

First Quarter Prorated Dues \$187.50

Meeting Expenses \$24.00

Deposit Division Training \$46.35

TOTAL EXPENSES \$390.60

Income over Expenses **-\$52.07**

Balance as of May 31, 2019 \$6491.34

Vacant SO-FS

Tom Labuda SO-HR

1. Four (4) New Potential Members referred from National

Info on Applicant members by Flotilla:

- A. 20-01 Three (4) in AP status, Two (2) transfers from outside District
and One (1) National Lead Total Members: 20
 - B. 20-02 No members in AP Status Total Members: 28
 - D. 20-04 Six (6) in AP Status (1) National Lead Total Members: 54
 - E. 20-06 Four (4) in AP Status, Total Members: 31
 - F. 20-10 Three (3) in AP Status and Two (2) National Leads Total Members: 32
- Total Division Members: 205

2. National Leads have slowed down.

Karl Mielenhausen SO-IS

Below were important activity areas since the last report:

Acknowledged, reviewed, and entered reports sent by the FSOs and individuals, as of 22 May 2019. (This report's date).

Insured all activities from all resources were recorded in AUXDATA as "approved" status.

Insured all 7028-submitted member information changes have been recorded in AUXDATA

Responded to data and procedural requests/clarifications and assistance.

Provided educational information for inclusion in the Division 20 newsletter.

Note that I will be out cruising and will have limited internet connectivity until approx. 12 June.

Ben Reed SO-MA

There was only one order for Public Education material for this period.

Vacant SO-MS

Dale Benson SO-MT

SAVE THE DATE

D5S D-Train

September 27-29, 2019

Renaissance Baltimore Harborplace Hotel, Baltimore, MD

More details and course planning to follow.

Required Mandated Training

How is your member mandatory training going?

Many new and old members need reminding to complete the 5-year mandated training courses this year. AUXCT is now comprised of the following repeatable and one-time courses:

- **Repeatable Courses:** Successfully completed by the end of the first full year of enrollment and once every five years thereafter.
 - Workforce Resilience Training (502379)
 - Security Fundamentals (810030)
 - Privacy at DHS: Protecting Personal Information (810015)
 - Sexual Harassment Prevention (810000)
 - Civil Rights Awareness (502319)
- **One-time Courses:**
 - Ethics 1 / Personal Gifts (502306)
 - Intro to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 (IS-100.b)

- Intro to National Incident Management System (IS-700.a)
- And the recently added: Basic Qualification Course II (BQ II)

You can access these courses at the following link:

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=T-DEPT&category=training-options>

The summer is now upon us. Start planning for your **QE Check Rides**, for those requiring certification and recertification, as soon as you can to ensure we get them completed before the end of the patrol season. **DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!**

Plan for a PFD Swim and Qualification time at your Flotilla location

Risk Management Course

As a Division we have done **exceptionally well** getting our members to complete both the online course and the classroom course.

As a reminder, the Risk Management Training falls into two types. The first is the Introduction to Risk Management Course (100202) offered on AUXLMS. And the Risk Management/GAR 2.0 class taught by Tom Bount, ADSO-IM/NC.

Flotilla Inputs

Flotilla 20-02

Assisting members in completing Introduction to Risk Management class. Helped new member purchase uniforms at the CGX.

Member Training has been comprised of weekly emails on the following subjects:

- AUXLMS Issues Update
- State of the Coast Guard 2019
- Marlinspike Seamanship
- Man Overboard
- The Long Blue Line-Hanna-The Forgotten Medal of Honor Hero
- Environmental Stressors
- USCG Response to Hurricane Florence
- Stress Free Docking
- Rip Currents

Flotilla 20-06

- Working with members to complete AUX Core, BQII, Instructor and Boat Crew qualifications.
- Exploring training possibilities for CPR certification for members.
- Working with several members having problems updating AUXCT.

Flotilla 20-10

- Request to have a GAR 2.0 webinar if possible, to be given in the near future for those needing the training. By doing so should make access easier rather than traveling to various location to obtain this required training.
- Awards "How To" on Thursday, May 30, 2019 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM EDT presented by CDR Eric May & COMO Rob Sersen for this practical session about awards. Routing, writing, who, what, when, where and how...
- AUXPAD Training
When: May 31 – Jun 2, 2019 Location: Annapolis, MD
Description Paddlers, the training weekend is planned for May 31, June 1, and June 2. It is fast approaching. We need each to confirm that you are attending, or know someone who is interested. Then give us the arrival day and any other pertinent information. We have some members that can't come for the Thursday (optional paddle day) but only Fri-Sun. We have one that can only come Wed-Fri. We have a couple that can only spare two days. So, let us know when and what kayak you are bringing so we can plan the training. We are making a list of interested people. For those already qualified, this counts for the annual re-qual.

Danny Collins SO-NS

We have six members that re in REYR for 2019:

Flotilla 20-02 Patrick Schultea

Flotilla 20-02 Russell Braswell II (Transferred from 05-09 Oct. 2018)

Flotilla 20-06 John Anderson

Flotilla 20-06 Melissa McLaren

Flotilla 20-10 Glenn Baxter – **Completed all requirements, waiting for DIRAUX entry.**

Flotilla 20-10 William Gerdson – Needs to complete PQS

1. To get out of REYR, the affected AV's will need to do the following:
 - a. Complete the PQS for the program, if they have not already done so.
 - b. Submit an extra 7054, 7055, or NOAA report to make up for the one missed in 2018, and;
 - c. Attend an AV workshop (01 hour) at either the Flotilla, Division, or District level.

Our goal for 2019 is to get everyone out of REYR.

Bogue Inlet: All buoys are on station.

AV workshop conducted May 25, 2019 at CG Station Emerald Isle.

Collins, McClard, Gerdson, Baxter, Michael attended.

Completed PATON Verification patrol 5/30/2019 – Cow Creek Channel.

Collins 5 verifications, 1 discrepancy

Baxter 6 discrepancies

Michael 7 verifications

Next scheduled PATON patrol June 7, 2019 – White Oak River/Pettiford Creek – 40 PATONs to be verified. Collins, Gerdson, Michael, Baxter, Benson, Schultea

Wayne Mulligan SO-OP

So far this year, our flotillas have reported 375.1 hours of operational time related to aids to navigation and marine patrols. With the weather warming and hopefully drying, we are ramping up these activities.

Operational support to the Coast Guard (Watchstanding and Food Service) has accounted for 351.7 hours so far this year.

054-20-04 New Bern, Oriental AOR

There will not be any watchstanders for the next 3 months. The one Qualified person will be in D1 Station Southwest Harbor where he is also a qualified watchstander.. This situation demonstrates the need to proactively enlist members to this opportunity.

Unfortunately our ability to support the station with FS personal seems to fall short of the need. As with Watchstanders, we need to develop more FS personal. We were unable to support several requests for assistance.

The flotilla has been requested by Station Hobucken to extend their operational season. To this end the flotilla has received several new mustangs. We are awaiting SAR vests to go with them. We expect to get three more months on the water. This year we are limiting cold operations to 201204 as it is a closed cabin vessel.

20-10 member Collins has developed an asset with side scan sonar which is very effective in searching for submerged drowning victims. Local EMS & FD do not have submerged search capability. This has the potential to be a very useful service to the community.

Tom Marchisello SO-PA

May 27- June 2

20-10 Public Affairs: Jun-01: Military Appreciation Day (observed)

Jun-01: Kayak for the Warriors in Pine Knoll Shores (OpFacs to be deployed)

20 May through 26 May.

20-06 Public Affairs: Tuesday 21 May & Thursday 23 May VE's will be at Twin Lakes from 10:00 to 2:00.

Saturday and Sunday 25 May & 26 May (Memorial Day Weekend) we plan on having two VEs at Havens Garden boat ramp and we plan on having two VEs at Tranter's Creek boat ramp from 9:00 to 2:00 each day.

13 May to 19 May.

20-02 Public Affairs: 19 May Booth at The Crystal Coast Boat Show

20-06 Public Affairs: NEWS RELEASE going out to TV AND RADIO STATIONS the week leading up to NSBW. All VEs should and need to participate during NSBW.

Saturday and Sunday 18 & 19 May of NSBW. We should have at least two VEs at Havens Garden boat ramp and two VEs at Tranters Creek boat ramp from 9:00 to 2:00 each day.

The following weekend (Memorial Day Weekend) we have planned coverage (same times) at Havens Garden only both Saturday and Sunday.

Tranters Creek camp grounds is covered Memorial Weekend.

We will be covering Twin Lakes camp grounds during the week of NSBW.

20-10 Public Affairs: Our next major event is National Safe boating week, May 18th-25th.

Besides emphasizing our safe boating programs, Vessel Exams, Public Education, Program Visitor and our support of our active Coast Guard colleagues;

We also have live interviews with WCTI-TV channel 12.

Mayors of Swansboro and Emerald Isle publicly issue a proclamation of National Safe boating Week

29 April through 5 May.

20-02 Public Affairs: May 4 PE/PA event with our booth at The Wooden Boat Show in Beaufort

22 April through 28 April.

20-06 Public Affairs: 27 April Washington Marine Market from 0900 till 1300 will have our PA exhibit set up and Vessel Examiners available.

20-10 Public Affairs: Apr-25, 1000: Radio station WABQ 95.5 in Jacksonville interview covering our Auxiliary

programs with a focus on the VE, PE, PA and patrol programs.

8 April through 14 April

20-04 Public Affairs: Oriental Boat Show, 12-14 April.

Don Lindberg SO-PB

Photographed Flotilla 20-06's activities for inclusion in *20-20 Vision*.

Completed the April and May issues of *20-20 Vision*; e-mailed both issues to our FCs, PBs, USCG Stations, DIRAUX, and other interested parties.

I am available to assist flotillas to start a newsletter.

NOTE: A new DSO-PB has been appointed and I am the new ADSO-PB-NC. The policy for the approval is that the newsletter will be approved by the FC, then sent to the DCDR and SO for proofing/editing. When those edits have been completed, the SO-PB will send the newsletters to the ADSO for final approval.

Bruce Clarkson – SO-PE

The New Bern flotilla completed a very successful Local Waters seminar. No other activity has been reported or known to be specifically planned.

PE and elected leadership should note the new requirements to report attendees of our intro courses to the State of North Carolina. This information is needed monthly. If you have attendees from out of state reporting them is optional. District leadership has already disseminated this information but please let me know if you need a copy.

Jeff Perkins SO-PV

Partner Visits 2019 Goals:

Increase the number of certified PVs in the Division by at least 5.

There have been several new members in Division Flotillas this year. I have asked each FSO-PV to encourage them to get their PV Certification. Working towards gaining a net of 5 or more in 2019.

Increase the number of visits in 2019 above 2018 level of 1,210.

Ongoing efforts to keep this pace. With our current reported performance a bit behind 2018. I am confident that we will pick up the pace once May and June reporting is in. Approximately at 83% of last year's PV's but reporting generally lags 1-2 months.

Increase Paddle Craft awareness of safety issues on all PVs within the Division.

I have tried to raise awareness of this initiative and within Flotilla 20-02 we have increased the number of Paddle Craft VSCs and worked with two new Paddle Craft rental companies to improve their safety awareness and on water training.

Down East Kayaks on Harker's Island, 20-02 and another in 20-06.

Assure that Paddle Craft materials are ordered/utilized in each Flotilla.

Paddle Craft materials are available to all Flotillas.

David Fort SO-SR

Compiled and distributed all FC and SO reports received prior to the meeting. Prepared and distributed draft minutes for approval at this meeting. Reported results of February meeting Minutes and March Financials approvals as required.

Wayne Mulligan SO-VE

Despite a slow start due to less than favorable weather conditions, we are beginning to make up ground. Thus far, the division has completed 378 VSCs with 352 having passed or 93%. Of that total, 157 are paddlecraft.

Several flotillas had events specifically related to National Safe Boating Week, which resulted in many safety checks being completed. Of course, due to reporting lags, those numbers are not included in this report, but will increase those numbers significantly.

We have a few new vessel examiners and more in the process of becoming qualified, but can always use more.