# FC Reports for 6 April Division Meeting

### Chris Labuda – 20-01

### Thumbs Up

- 1.) Planning conducted for annual late April/May PA Events
- 2.) Planning conducted for annual late April/May VE/RBS activities at local Marina's
- 3.) Two new members including a transfer

#### **Thumbs Down**

- 1.) Continued light turnout at meetings
- 2.) Continued deficits in Core Training
- 3.) Continued need for new staff officers

## Mark Sonder – 20-02

#### **Current Activities**

1. Desperately trying not to have our Flotilla fold

#### **Planned Activities**

- 1. Local Knowledge presentation 4/5
- 2. Local Knowledge class 4/11 (private client)
- 3. 1st Annual Auction June 7
- 4. Possibly PE at Wooden Boat Show and Crystal Coast Boat Show
- 5. Advertising with Harris Teeter wine department in MHC
- 6. Having SeaTow MHC add a link to our website from their website
- 7. We did a PE event at the NC Aquarium in PKS, but it would appear nothing came of it

### Issue(s)

- 1. Not enough members
- 2. Not enough money

#### how can we assist you?

- 1. Help us get the word out by Division handling: a) marketing b) advertising and c) promoting our Flotilla
- 2. Please answer the question, What can Division do for us?

### in a perfect world what would you like to do?

- 1. Have less reports as it doesn't appear yet that any action is taken from them.
- 2. Have enough active members and budget so we can assist in educating the public on safety.

#### other

We thank David Fort for coming and supporting us at our Change of Watch! (Especially after his long day of teaching)

## Mike Ott - 20-04

Preparation has been the driving force for 20-04 these past months. Prepping our facility, prepping for the Oriental Boat Show, prepping for Water 'n Kids programs and prepping for our Nav Class.

Our Nav Class was a sell-out, we had to turn people away! We went full out with training charts and tools. We made dramatic improvements to the slide deck presentation (bride Bruce Clarkson for a copy).

April is ramping up with patrols planned for 4-5 time per week. We will be hitting the weekends more than before. The Oriental Boat Show 12-14 April, Fairfield Harbor Blessing of the Fleet, and an ABS class on 20 April.

## Tony Lopinto - 20-06

- 1. 3 VSCs performed plus one Facility inspection.
- 2. Lou Waters new facility is now ready for service.
- 3. Flotilla members supported Greenville Boat Show, 22-24 February.
- 4. Three Local Knowledge Courses taught at the Greenville Boat Show
- 5. One PV conducted
- 6. Dale Benson completed Verifiers course at D-Train
- 7. Three prospective members attended March meeting.
- 8. Two members completed BSA Youth Protection Training in preparation for working with Sea Scouts, Ship 1117.

## Bill Gerdsen - 20-10

054-20-10 activities for February and March included:.

Plans for April patrols, watch standing, VSC,

CFV Exams and OUPV Exams.

Specific out-reach to the newly opened NEUSE SPORT SHOP in Cedar Point, NC. In conjunction with Safe Boating Week, a VSC event will take place in the very large parking lot.

# **SO Reports for 6 April Division Meeting**

## **Tom Wiggins SO-CM**

Nothing much has changed since the last 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 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 March Newsletter

Morehead City Flotilla 20-02, Mark Sonder reporting

- Created new tabs for our COW (now invisible); Lecture Series; Local Knowledge Presentation; Auction with the goal of promoting these special events.
- Added a <In the News> area on the bottom of our home page re: our TV and print media coverage

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

- The March Channel Marker newsletter has been posted to our Flotilla website.
- Classes, events and activities have been updated on our website calendar.
- Some spacing issues/aesthetics have been corrected, 4 viewing of site via cell phone.
- Email and phone communications have been shared.
- There is an updated Flotilla Member Directory available in the "Members Only" section of our Flotilla's website.
- Some new information and links have been added to the "Area Waterways" page.
- Five schools have managed to find dates and times in their particularly difficult schedules this year, for our Water 'N Kids Safety classes. We are presently scheduled to present WnKS to 884 students in Craven County Schools. We are awaiting scheduling confirmation for more classes at one school, where just the firstgrade level has confirmed.
- The Water 'N Kids Safety Letter To Parents/Coloring Page has been approved by legal and is complete.

Flotilla 20-06, Melissa McLauren reporting

- Updated Flotilla newsletter

#### **ISSUES**

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

### Al Powell SO-DV

The Division 20 Flotillas have no DV activity to report for this reporting period except for 20-06.

20-06: On February 15, 2019, FSO-DV Al Powell, conducted a Diversity presentation to approximately 90 high school students at the Ed Tech Alternative School, Washington, NC.

20-02: Robert White, FSO-DV 20, has invited Powell, SO-DV, to present a Diversity workshop at his Flotilla on a date yet to be determined.

Division 20: On March 23, 2019, Powell presented a presentation on Diversity at the Division workshop.

DV Strategic Vision for 2019

- 1. I would like to have a meeting before June of all the FSO-DV's' at a central location (with food) to discuss a strategic plan to identify locations/organizations we can speak, (marina's, social organizations, PTA meetings, church groups, Home Owner Associations, etc.); where we can feature "Coastie the Safety Boat", and; work in conjunction with the FSO-PA/FSO-PE's at selected events.
- **2.** I would like to involve Aux-Air as a static display with their airplane if the event is conducted at an airport.
- **3.** Put more emphasis on being a speaker at schools in your area talking about the importance of diversity, how it does not always involve race (a common misconception) and exciting opportunities for youth in the Auxiliary, especially with the Sea Cadet pilot program.
- **4.** Explore some program initiatives that you would like to implement.

## Ben Reed SO-FN

February 1 to March 31, 2019

Balance as of December 1, 2018 \$6780.74

**Division Income** 

First Quarter Prorated dues \$4785.00

Division 2019 Change of Watch \$455.00

TOTAL INCOME \$5240.00

### **Division Expenses**

First Quarter	Prorated Dues	\$4530.00
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Meeting Expenses \$23.89

Deposit Division Training \$15.00

2019 COW Flame Restaurant \$1105.38

2019 COW Refunds \$375.00

Bank Charge for new checks \$27.56

TOTAL EXPENSES \$6076.83

Income over Expenses -\$836.83

Balance as of March 31, 2019 \$5943.91

## Vacant SO-FS

### Tom Labuda SO-HR

1. Seven (7) New Potential Members referred from National

### Info on New members by Flotilla:

- A. 20-01 Three (3) in AP status, One (1) transfer from outside District and One (1) National Lead
- B. 20-02 No one in AP Status
- D. 20-04 Four (4) in AP Status and Five (1) National Leads
- E. 20-06 Two (2) in AP Status, no National Leads
- F. 20-10 Two (2) in AP Status and Five (5) National Leads
- 2. National Leads continue to come in at a good pace.

## 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 27 Mar 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.

Created three mailings to the FSO-IS's with helpful tips and information, including how to resolve AUXLMS sign-on issues.

Provided educational information for inclusion in the Division 20 newsletter.

Updated the Division 20 Officer Matrix

We had one member in 20-10 that could not be added as an FSO because AUXDATA thinks he has not completed his core training although he has. While the programming issue remains unsolved, the requested officer assignments have been manually made by the National IS Staff.

Members should take note that new AUXDATA/AOM passwords will now be required every 60 days and they will be expanding to 15 characters. Also, accounts will go inactive if not used every 35 days. This will be especially troublesome for AOM users in the off-season. Setting up some sort of monthly login reminder is suggested

## Ben Reed SO-MA

There were no requests for PE materials

## Vacant SO-MS

## Dale Benson SO-MT

**2019 5th District Southern Region Training Conference** (D-Train) was held 22-24 Feb 2019 in Goldsboro. Numerous Divisional personnel attended many of the classes and events at the Training Conference.

**Division 20, Divisional Training Workshop** was held on Sat 23 Mar 2019 in New Bern at the Garber facility. Forty Five attendees were present for the three different tracks with numerous different workshops in each. One of the workshop courses was the new Risk Management/GAR 2.0 taught by Tom Blount to approximately 40 members.

## The Auxiliary Leadership Development Program (ALDP) website

(<a href="http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=AUX60">http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=AUX60</a>) was introduced at the recent National Board Meeting and is now open for use.

The Leadership Development Program site provides a one stop location for all things related to Auxiliary leadership development. This includes member training courses and additional

resources to mentor and support new as well as seasoned members with leadership development and professional growth. All material has transferable applications outside the Auxiliary which benefit members in their civilian life.

The material is arranged by leadership competency level; member, flotilla, division, district, national and has additional staff officer support material. The website provides an opportunity for members to seek Leadership Competency Certification at all five levels resulting in a Leadership Competency Certificate from Coast Guard Headquarters.

Spread the word and check it out.

### Flotilla Inputs

#### Flotilla 20-02

- Working with new members to complete AUX Core, BQII and Risk Management training. Also, helped a member on how to pursue Boat Crew qualification. Connected member with USCG Contingency Planning group at USCG Fort Macon to assist them in planning.
- Member Training for this month has been comprised of weekly emails on the following subjects:
  - Uniforms and Changes
  - Auxiliary Core Values
  - Serving Alongside the Coast Guard
  - o Basic Navigation Class
  - Small Boat Handling
  - o The Long Blue Line Rescue Swimmer of WWII
  - Risk Management Training Requirements
  - Staying Safe in Heavy Weather
  - o Basics of Navigation Class
  - USCG Blackjack Unit is Semper Paratus
  - Sail Drones

#### Flotilla 20-06

- Working with new members to complete AUX Core, BQII and Risk Management training.
- Several flotilla members participated in several of the courses given at D-Train in Feb 2019.
- Nine Flotilla members participated in the Division Workshop.

#### Flotilla 20-10

Some members still need te Annual TCT Refreser aka AR 2.0 trainin and complete the
Intro to Risk Management LMS course (1002902) in order to stand watch, FS duties,
conduct patrols and vessel safety exams. The Division 20 training day was a great
opportunity to complete these requirements. I will continue to look for other
opportunities for the GAR 2.0 training in the Eastern NC AOR.

- AUXPAD training
  - o When May 31 Jun 2, 2019
  - Description Paddlers, The training weekend is planned for May 31, June 1, and June2. 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. 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 McLauren

Flotilla 20-10 Glenn Baxter

Flotilla 20-10 William Gerdsen

- 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.

A Coast Guard Station AOR book was issued to the Comms center at CG Station Emerald Isle. It has been updated to week 10 of the Local Notice to Mariners report and will be updated as new changes come out by 20-10.

# Wayne Mulligan SO-OP

While surface operations have not yet begun, with April upon us, I see several requests for orders in AOM, hopefully, signifying an active patrol season for Division 20. 20-04 and 20-10 have aggressive schedules for operations in the month of April. Other operational aspects are continuing, such as FS, Radio Watchstanding and other areas of Coast Guard Operational support with 235 hours already reported.

Tragically, our division and all of SNC air operations have been impacted by the death of AUXAIR pilot and facility owner, Brian Sjostedt.

A reminder that several Coxswains and Crew have yet to take either the TCT refresher or the Introduction to Risk Management (100202) course or both. Anyone requiring the 100202 course that has not taken it prior to 30APR, will be placed in REYR for those qualifications requiring that course.

## Tom Marchisello SO-PA

- 20-01 Nothing to report
- 20-02 Nothing to report
- 20-04 Nothing to report
- **20-06** Greenville Boat Sale 22-24 February Contact Visitors 227, (Events during the boat sale Boating Safely Course Class size Friday 13, Saturday 7, Sunday 9, Vessel Safety Checks 7)
- **20-10** Swansboro Business Expo Saturday, 23 February. Emerald Isle Saint Patrick's Day Festival on Saturday, 16 March.

## **Don Lindberg SO-PB**

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

Photographed the Division COW.

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

Sent all approved flotilla newsletters to Allen Fredd for final approval.

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 will (probably) be 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. Some additions to the distribution list will be forthcoming.

## Bruce Clarkson - SO-PE

Washington held an ABS class and plans for two more in the near future.

Swansboro held an ABS course. They have another scheduled. Also they are looking for a venue for a BS&S course later this Spring.. They are talking to their local community college about an ABS there. Also they are talking to Sea Scouts Ship 3 about a class. They are planning a Suddenly In Command and local waters course in the near future as part of the college's professional development.

New Bern held a recent ABS course plus a well-attended navigation seminar. New Bern is also about to kick off a significant PE effort with in-school presentations to youth.

Morehead now was three qualified instructors. They intend to host an ABS class mid-April pending logistics. This will be their first PE class in quite some time.

## **Jeff Perkins SO-PV**

Partner Visits 2019 Goals:

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

We are off to a slow start on this goal with 3 Division certified PV's going into REYRs. One will work to recertify, the other two have personal issues that preclude them recertifying. Still hopeful that we can gain a net of 5 in 2019.

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

Ongoing efforts to keep this pace.

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

I am putting together a memo to push this in each Flotilla.

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

This will be done by raising awareness of each FSO-PV to submit quarterly Paddle Craft materials through their FSO-MA.

### **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 December meeting Minutes and January Financials approvals as required.

# Wayne Mulligan SO-VE

Once again this year the weather has not been cooperative and we are getting off to a very slow start on our Vessel Safety Checks. For the same period, we are running at 10% of where we were last year. At this time last year, we had reported 388 paddlecraft inspections compared with 1 so far this year. Needless to say, we will have to ramp up operations if we are to equal or hopefully exceed last year's performance, which was cut short by hurricane Florence.

A further reminder, all VEs must complete the Introduction to Risk Management course (100202) by 30APR in order to remain current. This is an online course available on the AUXLMS website. This is the same site where we all have taken our Core Training, formerly called Mandated Training. If there is any question as to how to access the course, your flotilla Member Training staff officer should be able to answer any questions.