

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY 070-12-04 LOCAL FORM FORM 114-7017F (01-10) REV.3	U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY RECORD OF FLOTILLA MEETING									
Unit Number	070-12-04	Meeting Date			9/11/13	Meeting Time			1900	
Unit Name	Central Grand Strand									
Meeting Place	Surfside Beach Fire Station						Meeting Type		Member	
# Members Present	AP		IQ		BQ	14	AX	4	# Guests Present	3
Unit Officers Present	Chuck Budnick (FC/PE), Tommy Timberlake (VFC/IS/MT)									
FSO Officers Present	Billy Shaver (VE), Tony Presson (MA), Oliver Leimbach (NS/HR), Vernon Simmons (DV), Eric Hurlin (MS/PV), Jack Margolis (CM/OP), Larry Koslap (CS/SR), Bud Shepard (FSO-FN)									
Members Present	Jeffrey Nauert, Jack Stacy, Betty Hayes, Jim Nelson, Nancy Johnson, Don Siwinski, Josh Gray, Roy Gnirke									
Guests Present	Steven Smith, Tim Messer, Thomas Benenson									
COMMENCEMENT										
Called to Order	1900									
Pledge of Allegiance	Don Siwinski led Pledge. Bud Shepard led Invocation.									
Introduction of Guests	Oliver Leimbach introduced Steven Smith, Tim Messer and Thomas Benenson as guests.									
Roll Call/Quorum	18/28 voting members in attendance (quorum of ¼ of voting members met) FC & VFC officers present (quorum of 1 unit officer met)									
Approval of Minutes	Chuck Budnick asked if any changes needed to be made to the minutes other than those already submitted to the secretary and hearing none, put forth a motion to approve the minutes. Billy Shaver made 1 st motion to approve and Nancy Johnson seconded the motion. Approval of minutes passed.									
Financial Report	<p>Bud Shepard said there was an opening balance of \$935.36. He said with deposit of recent dues, closing balance is \$1,455.36. He said there were still dues owed by some members and urged them to pay tonight so he wouldn't have to send out another mailing.</p> <p>Chuck Budnick asked for motion to approve report and Jim Nelson made 1st motion to approve and Jack Margolis seconded the motion. Approval of financial report passed.</p>									
COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS										
<p>Jason Rieling (USCG Station Georgetown) congratulated members who recently passed their QE for boat crew and coxswain certification. He said that Station Georgetown was now going to implement a ready boat crew for the flotilla which means the crew will be on standby for mission calls from Station Georgetown and able to report for missions immediately. He said our location makes us ideal to report to areas on the ICW with a quicker response time.</p> <p>He reported a drowning in western channel of Georgetown Harbor due to a capsized boat, but had not further information to report about the incident. He also said that as the boating season comes to a close things are slowing down, but asked that we remain alert and continue to report any potential issues.</p> <p>Chuck Budnick read and presented a letter of appreciation that thanked Jason for his support and professionalism during our member boat and coxswain QE certification testing on August 15 & 16.</p> <p>Chuck said that we currently have two QE's in our area and he would like to see if a USCG member could</p>										

become a QE for our area and Jason said he is working on his coxswain certification and is planning to begin work on QE certification, too.

DISTRICT/DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS

No report

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT

Chuck Budnick reported that one of our members, Bob Lippert, was in a serious boating accident in Florida and is currently in a local hospital. He had no further details but said he would pass them on once he learns more. He was in contact with Bob's wife and asked members to sign a card that he will see that he gets.

Chuck asked Eric Hurlin for update on candidates for the upcoming flotilla election. He says he has one candidate for each office (commander and vice flotilla commander) and said any member interested in running for one of the offices has about 45 days to complete requirements and submit application.

Chuck thanked all members for their help and support during member boat and coxswain QE certification testing on August 15 & 16 and said he also attended Flotilla 12-10 Georgetown's meeting and also thanked those members who participated in the testing.

Chuck said that when his command expires at the end of this year, he plans on providing support and guidance to Flotilla 12-2 North Myrtle Beach. He said he made a presentation to Division 12 Commander Al Crothers and was waiting to hear back from him. He said his prime concern is that he doesn't want to see the flotilla disestablished.

Chuck said he was backing off doing an ABS (About Boating Safely) class because Flotilla 12-10 is doing one in October and DNR (Dept of Natural Resources) is doing one this month. He was thinking that he may still do one in October and would let members know the details if he does proceed.

VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT

Tommy Timberlake said he has a medical issue that may cause him to be out 6-8 weeks and unable to attend next months meeting. He then asked staff officers to present reports.

He said the Flotilla has 6 members who had payed dues for this year but were inactive and has contacted each of them to determine their interest in renewing and reported that at least 2 will not be renewing their memberships.

He said that Ron Sane (Air Operations Pilot with Flotilla 12-2 North Myrtle Beach) will be transferring to our Flotilla and is waiting on paperwork to be approved. He also said a former USCG member in Sector Cleveland has moved to the area and is in the process of submitting an application for membership.

STAFF OFFICER REPORTS

FSO-CM (Communications)	No Report
FSO-CS (Communication Services)	No Report
FSO-DV (Diversity)	No Report
FSO-HR (Human Resources)	Oliver Leimbach said he had 15 people on his call list and 3 showed at tonights meeting. He said that he is continuing to actively pursue those on the call list. He said that a number of those interested said they heard about the auxiliary from our members at our events (VE inspections, Boat Dealers, etc.) and thanked members

	for their good work.
FSO-IS (Information Services)	Tommy Timberlake asked members who have not submitted their August 7029 to do so as this would be the fourth straight month that reported that the Flotilla had 100% of its active members (23) submitting on time.
FSO-MA (Materials)	No Report
FSO-MS (Marine Safety)	Eric Hurlin Six sites were tested for Sea Partners Environmental for the month of August 2013.
FSO-MT (Member Training)	Tommy Timberlake, because of his medical issues, asked that Jack Margolis work with the 4 members attending his Boat Crew Training Academy. Tommy said that if any member is interested in getting AUXOPS certified, that he has all the manuals available.
FSO-NS (Navigation Systems)	Oliver Leimbach said that he completed a request to view ATON locations and condition on the Waccamaw River to Conway as there is a proposal from the USCG that they may be discontinuing maintenance of these markers. He said that he and Eric Hurlin were going to begin work on viewing a number of private ATON's locations and conditions on the ocean side of our AOC.
FSO-OP (Operations)	Jack Margolis reported the following Operational Missions: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">8/15/13: On SC7269CF (Dolphin): 2.2 Hours night navigation Coxswain: Kerry Williams (12-10) Crew: Oliver "Ollie" Leimbach Anthony "Tony" Presson Jack Margolis QE Allen "Hap" James (12-10)</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">8/16/13: On SC7269CF (Dolphin): 6.9 Hours 2-Boat Check Ride Coxswain: Ed Wozniak (12-10) Crew: Oliver "Ollie" Leimbach Anthony "Tony" Presson Jack Margolis QE: Allen "Hap" James (12-10)</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">8/16/13: On SC4406CB (Cappy): 6.9 Hours 2-Boat Check Ride Coxswain: John Murphy (12-10) Crew: Charles "Chuck" Budnick Trainee: Everette "Billy" Shaver QE: Festus Burchfield (12-06)</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Others participating in QE Check Ride Eric Hurlin Don Siwirski Elisabeth "Betty" Hayes</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">8/23/13: On SC7269CF (Dolphin): 5 Hours ATON Patrol – Note: not in AUXDATA yet. Tony emailed BM2 Rieling on 9/1/13 Coxswain: Allen "Hap" James (12-10) Crew: Anthony "Tony" Presson Charles "Chuck" Budnick Karl Gettmann (12-10) – underway AV Qualification Jack Margolis</p>

	<p>He also said he has a Safety and Security Patrol scheduled for 2 September 1100-1900 to include ATON verification of Waccamaw River 5-16 per request from Hap James. He plans on doing patrols every other week.</p> <p>He said QE Check ride for 1 Coxswain and 6 Crew resulted in all passing.</p>
FSO-PA (Public Affairs)	No Report
FSO-PE (Public Education)	No Report
FSO-PV (RBS Visitor Prg)	<p>Eric Hurlin said we have two new PV's who completed their requirements during August giving flotilla 12-04 three qualified PV's. He said Auxdata shows 52 plus 9 additional visits for a total of 61 visits as of August 31,2013.</p> <p>Tommy Timberlake said that he and Billy Shaver passed their certification for RBS Visitation Program and that Bud Shepard and Vernon Simmons had also taken the test and that he would work with Eric to get them their two required visitations so they can get certification which would give the Flotilla a total of 5 PV's.</p>
FSO-SR (Secretary/Records)	No Report
FSO-VE (Vessel Examination)	<p>Billy Shaver said that 86 VE (Vessel Examinations) were done in July 2013. He also said year to date totals (January-August) are now 376. He said two member examiners are very closing to getting 60 inspections for the year.</p> <p>Chuck Budnick talked about an boat towing accident he saw in Socastee and asked Billy Shaver if our Vessel Examiners doing inspections would engage owners about proper boat towing hitches and safety chains.</p> <p>Chuck updated members about boat accident he was involved in while on patrol last month and urged members to be aware of a the very narrow channel on the ICW between Grande Dunes and swing bridge in Barefoot Landing and that maps recommend boats not pass in this area and stay in the center of the channel due to the rocks on either side.</p>
OLD BUSINESS	
None	
NEW BUSINESS	
<p>Chuck Budnick asked if members wanted to participate with Flotilla 12-0 during the Georgetown Wooden Boat Show on October 19.</p> <p>Chuck Budnick asked Eric Hurlin if he would put together and chair a committee to review and submit standing rules for calendar year 2014.</p>	
SWEAR IN NEW MEMBERS/STAFF OFFICERS/AWARDS	
<p>Billy Shaver (Awards for AUXOP Program & RBS Program Visitation) Tommy Timberlake (Awards for AUXOP Program & RBS Program Visitation) Tony Presson (Award for 750 Hours of Service) Jeffrey Nuart (Award for 5 Years Service in USCG Auxiliary)</p>	
OPEN MEMBERSHIP REMARKS	
<p>Billy Shaver reminded members that Dr. Epperson will be a guest speaker at October's meeting. He will talk about medical preparedness on boats.</p> <p>Tim Messer, a guest and previous member of a Flotilla in Virginia, shared pictures and a story about an operation his Flotilla participated in with U.S. Customs where they were asked to tow behind their facility, a</p>	

side shooting sonar and check the hulls of freighters docked in Newport News, Va for contraband.		
MEMBERSHIP TRAINING		
Aone hour Diversity Training Course (Sexual Harassment) was presented to the membership at the conclusion of the meeting. This training is part of the mandatory annual currency maintenance requirements for auxiliarists.		
ADJOURNMENT		
Next Meeting	10/09/13	Location: Surfside Beach Fire Department 810 1st Avenue North Surfside Beach SC 29575 (843) 913-6369 Show on Google Maps
Adjournment Time	Chuck Budnick put forth a motion to adjourn meeting and Oliver Leimbach made 1st motion to approve and Jack Margolis seconded the motion. Meeting Adjourned at 1957.	
Minutes Submitted By	Lawrence Koslap (FSO-CS/SR)	