

## DIVISION 16 MEETING USVI/ST JOHN April 14, 2012

### DIVISION 16 MINUTES

14- APRIL 2012

St John Administration Building- St John US Virgin Islands  
by SO/SR Pamela Carpenter

10:30 am Good morning greeting by Lee Elvins DCP Lee noted that the Immediate Past Division Comander James "CC" Kreglo was "off island"

Meeting called to order

Pledge of Allegiance

#### INTRODUCTION

REVIEW OF MINUTES from Division 16 meeting at Palm's at Pelican Cove, St Croix January 14, 2012 by John Harrison FC 16-01

Motion made by Malcolm Sprauve to accept minutes as read Accepted by Pamela Carpenter

#### DIVISION COMMANDER REPORT

Lee spoke about comments for Judith Hudson. Lee mentioned that he is able to send her questions and said that she does respond. One of the questions asked has been "Why does it take so long to get someone into the AUX?" They admitted there have been some problems on the National side. It was stated that it can take up to 6 months to become a member. When questions are submitted via the gateway via your Flotilla commander they are answered within 24 to 48 hours.

Spoke about the wonderful ceremony and reception for Klaus Willems and lee mentioned that there needs to be a Klaus Willems Award. Discussed that unfortunately the retiree card does not allow access to the exchange.

Also problems with inconsistencies in the aux manual and they are asking to try and handle problems on the lower levels. Lee spoke about Aux manual other policies and directives for the year . Lee also stated that the 7th District is here to help each of the flotillas to progress. 16-3 is working on new membership, 2 or 3 new 6 new members from St Thomas, 9 came in to St Croix and 1 or 2 more coming.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

16-1 John Harrison reports on good status with St Croix then passed over to Doug Armstrong Vice and Chuck Fischer who speak about Air Program.

Bob Fabich doing a great job on getting reports up to speed. Contact Bob Fabich if help is needed. Doug said they spent a lot of time on awards and getting people more involved. Reports are needed to get credit. Doug mentioned that the Admiral remembers the things we do here in the islands.

Many air missions done. Last two weeks of February discussed, Sector meetings, etc.

Chuck Fischer said the total was over 600 hours, 192 total flight hours, compared to 159 at the end of December 2011. over 700 hours. "We are well on track with Air Station Miami BUT Miami's hours are up as well. 64 hrs BQN, Miami did 140 hours. We are at 351 hours, Clearwater is 302 hours, Savannah is at 205 hours, Miami is at 640 hours. Miami has an average of 15 mission ready, Savannah has 13 and Clearwater has 8 and we have 6.

trying to find ways of recognizing people, top performers annually. awards were given for career hours and all air crew and aviators.

Carlos #1 Dana #2 Chuck #3 and Duane #4 Doug Armstrong spoke about keeping up the air hours.

Achievement Award for Carlos Matos he had 186 hours. "Operation island hopper" discussed with Duane about award.

16-01 FC John Harrison spoke about vessel examinations dropped from 77 to 39 and said that 16-01 has a lot of work to do. Marine dealer visits 132 and membership dropped . 290 vs 256.

16-02 FC David Richardson Patrols went from 41 up to 54 and STT gained 2 new members. working on a recruitment program to recruit new members. Received 100 hour award for 100 flight hours. We have been doing Aux op training and George Miller received the award for 100 flight hours.

16-03 FC Malcolm Sprauve STJ has 13 active members and 1 application pending. 3 members did training in Savannah Georgia and 3 members going again to training off island. 56 vessel safety checks and 216 marine dealer visits.

## FINANCE REPORT

Bob Evans was unable to make it today. There was \$ 732.06 ..Paid the district dues and now balance is \$436.21. There was a Treasury deposit made of \$312.00 made by Flotilla 16-03 ..\$748.21 total treasury deposit.

## MEMBER TRAINING

Increase in the numbers of members going off for training and leadership. 3 people are working on boat crew in St Croix and also on St John. Duane stated that he has been spending quite a bit of time focusing on aviation. St Thomas has 6 people taking the Navigation B chart test. In STX one person finished the Navigation B chart test. That is Mr Doug Armstrong! Applause! Duane spoke about the specialty courses online that one can take online and even take the exam also. Max spoke about online courses.

## MATERIALS OFFICER

Mike Jackson spoke about 16-2 requested 7 member exams. 16-03 discussed National Boating Safety week at their last meeting and they need to order supplies. Nothing from 16-1.

## HUMAN RESOURCES

David Richardson reported..nothing new

## OPERATIONS

Doug Armstrong : Lee spoke and said that St Thomas has not been in service. Lee brought a gift for St Thomas. A new bottle of sunscreen!

## PUBLICATIONS

Dale Carty said that he has had some time conflicts . It was mentioned though that Dale does the outreach for the USCG Academy . 2 Virgin Islanders are joining the Academy. Rafael Elmonte from St Croix Country Day and Nikki Barnes from St Thomas Antilles School. Noted that the academy Loves Virgin Island students. Rebecca Schfeer is going to graduate from the academy and going to fly helicopters.

## BOATING SAFETY WEEK

Elmo Rabsatt spoke about St John preparing for National Safe Boat Week. Working with DPNR May 19th on St Thomas and May 24th on St John. Talking about inviting the schools, National Park and DPNR will be assisting St John.

## VESSEL EXAMINATIONS

Malcolm Sprauve said 56 for the past quarter: Applause! Cherie said 16-1 1500 16-2 2900 and 16-3 2000 volunteer hours. Duane spoke about that it comes to 1000 hours per member is what is needed.

## OLD BUSINESS

Boating Safety Week... Lee stated that "Boating Safety is What We Do!" He spoke about "Guest Familiarization Check List!" and how important it is for plane AND for boat. Elmo spoke about a TShirt he has saying "Education Always Enforcement when necessary"

Discussion about the "Coastie" and 4 new Coastie boats coming from National. Coastie rotates and we can use it. It can hook up to a car. Lee reads the article by Bob Fabich. St Croix hopes they will be able to keep it. Dale Carty and Deb Bundy took Coastie to schools and noted that it was a Big hit! Coastie going back to Puerto Rico. "State of the Art Coastie" is available as a power point presentation. Lee mentioned that Bob had put a great deal of time into this.

Lee asked if there was any more old business . Fran Gaskin mentioned she is on St Croix as the publications officer and would like to keep the newsletter going. Lee mentioned she needs to communicate with Dale Carty .

Lee commented on Charles Morse has a cancer diagnosis but he survived the operation and is doing better.

Jayne Davis is 5 years cancer free in July!

Discussion about 2 fallen shipmates.Lee read about the men that had died and condolences to their families.

Chuck mentioned about personnel changes and has decide to for a committee called the XCOM . The same people pretty much, Duane Minton : Operations, Carlos Matos: Assistant Equipment, George Miller, Fran Gaskin: Admin, Doug Armstrong: Training, Doug Hansen: more details to come said Chuck Fisher.

**VOTE ON THE STANDING RULES:**

STX accepted theirs. Voted no more than \$50.00 per month per expenses. Motion by Malcolm second by John Harrison. Motion completed for Standing Rules.

**PRESENTATION BY BOB FABICH:**

About "What does the USCGAUX do?" Boating Education, We represent service to let people know who we are and what we do !

Discussion about who is qualified.. Discussion about the qualification that Bob Fabich now has with the USCG and how he is now qualified to help Sector. Duane went on to speak about the fact that Bob Fabich has volunteered about 6 to 7 hours per day and that is in excess of 400 volunteered hours! INCREDIBLE!

Lee spoke of the DIVISION COMMANDER AWARD. Lee read through the past

Awards honorees . noted that it was changed to the Alexander Hamilton Award . read through past recipients.

Lee spoke about the fishermen awards and how it was initiated by CC Kreglo. From January 2008 until December 2011 the Fisherman Survival Team Awards. 132 kits were put together by members. The recipients of the awards were read by Lee and important to note that over 400 fishermen were aided by these kits!

Lee made another mention to thank CC Kreglo for working on this and getting everyone on board to put together these kits.

Next meeting on St Thomas July 21st 2012 or a GO TO Meeting via the internet.

Motion to Adjourn made by Lee Elvins second by Malcolm Sprauve

Monday, April 23, 2012 12:11 AM Division meeting April 14, 2012  
Attendance:

1. Max Harcourt
2. Jayne Davis
3. Douglas Armstrong
4. Gregory Worrell
5. Frances Gaskin
6. Joyce Fischer
7. Chuck Fischer
8. John Greve
9. David Willems
10. Miguel Ramos
11. George Marshall Miller
12. Robert Fabich
13. Dale Carty
14. Elmo Rabsatt
15. Rudell Callwood
16. Michael Jackson
17. Duane Minton
18. Pamela Carpenter
19. John Harrison
20. Cheryl Boynes Jackson
21. Lee Elvins
22. David Richardson
23. Malcolm Sprauve
24. Rosemarie Moscia
25. Leona Smith