

SO-PA Report

Report for Month: March 1-31, 2013

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Position: SO-PA 070-16

Flotillas: 16-01, 16-02, 16-03

US Coast Guard Support:

16-01: 1. USCG Air Station BQN - 76.8 hours flown during March which resulted in 32 missions. These missions included 21 MOM, 1 SAR, 9 Logistics, 0 LMR and 1 Operations Training.

2. RIO St. Croix Port State Control - 21 hours.

3. Provided 2 Surface Patrols and continued Coxswain training for active duty USCG personnel.

4. AuxAir BQN Safety Workshop at Air Station BQN on March 2-3. A record attendance with 41 AuxAir members and 6 Active Duty personnel. Nineteen of our aviators received awards for 2012 and career mission time, and our AAC received the Purvis Fuller award for top performing AuxAir Pilot in D7. members participated in the AIRAUX Workshop at BQN Air Station. Three AuxAir members attended the Aux-18 course in Pensacola, FL on March 21-22. Chuck Fisher is the organizer and moderator for the workshop.

5. Robert Fabich completed the AUXCHEF program at Clearwater Air Station. One day was dedicated to preparation of meals and serving meals to the Station active duty and the Auxiliary D-7 Leadership Workshop team and students.

16-02: No Report

16-03: Five (5) phone calls on the Coast Guard Line , requesting assistance for 2- Boat on Fire; 2- Boat in distress; and 1- Person in the Water. All cases were referred to Sector San Juan.

Flags and Ceremonies:

16-01: 1. Miguel Ramos received the Auxiliary Commendation Medal for saving a life by conducting CPR on a civilian.

2. Robert Fabich received the Auxiliary Achievement Medal for contributions to the Port State Control program.

16-02: No Report

16-03: Report submitted, no activity.

Community Support:

16-01: 1. American Waterway Watch program - 27 hours

2. 7th annual Pancake Breakfast held at Cheeseburgers in America's Paradise. Auxiliary members prepared and served breakfast to over 200 residents. Local merchants donated supplies. Cheeseburgers donated their establishment.

3. About Boating Safety course for public was held.

4. 1 member qualified for both AUXPAT and AUXSEA

5. 6 members qualified for AUXWEA

6. Created a separate WOW website page dedicated to NSBW with links and history. Part of our Flotilla WOW site for public access and awareness.

16-02: No Report

16-03: Report submitted, no activity.

Local Media Involvement:

16-01: 1. Local social media, VI Source and St. Croix Lime picks up coverage for Pancake Breakfast.

2. AUX Live and AUXPA websites prints AUXCHEF news release.

16-02: No Report

16-03: Report submitted, no activity.

Problems and Suggested Solutions:

16-01: Working with Vice Division Commander for possible interest and assignments to the FSO-CS positions in Flotillas 02 and 03. Mainly for work with their WOW sites.

16-02: No Report

16-03: None

Recommendations:

16-01: None

16-02: No Report

16-03: None