

8TH EASTERN REGION DIVISION ONE

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AUXDATA-II Entry Training



Jeff Vail Helping Trainer (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

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Fall 2024

AUXDATA-II Entry Training

On 29 June 2024 IPDCDR and SO-IS Tom Foreman conducted a class at Broad Ripple Post 3, The American Legion for Division I members wishing to enter their own activities and hours. The class consisted of seven (7) students. The class was two (2) hours long from 1000 to 1200. Members wishing training brought their own Laptop computers to become familiar with the procedures of logging-on and data entry of various activities.



Tom Foreman covered the various areas of the Form 7029. What each section of 99A through 99E is best en-

Ric Wiseley In Training At American Legion Post 3 (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

tered. Members had a full two hours of education and

learning.



Carter Keith, Instructor Tom Foreman and DCDR Mike Richardt (photo by: Skip Nunweiler) AUXDATA-II contains information that has been recorded regarding Auxiliarists' activities. Information such as member activities, personnel training tasks, current qualification status and more. It also contains awards and devices received during their careers in the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

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Fireworks Display On Geist Reservoir (photo by: Geist Lake Coalition)

"... were aboard the beloved facility ..."



View of Geist Reservoir (photo by: Bryan Runion)

Independence Day Geist Safety Patrol

On 4 July 2024 Coxswain Walt Guntharp, and Boat Crew of Dan Gillahan, Doug Jave, Tom Foreman and Brent Abshier went to Geist Lake to run a Safety Patrol for the 4th of July. They were aboard the beloved facility Tail Walker Too.

The day began with rain, but eventually cleared. The precipitation kept many boaters away, but Coxswain Walt provided security for the fireworks crew as they prepared the fireworks barge for their show. Once complete they setup a no enter zone around the perimeter to keep boating spectators safe while enjoying the fireworks display.

Their patrol started after the 1730 meeting. They were busy all evening and completed the patrol at 0300 on 5 July 2024. Some of their tasks were keeping spectators away from the explosives on the barge. They did have at least one task of towing a boat and spectators to safety.

They also patrolled the lake for any boater having problems. Their patrol was proof to all boaters that day that help is there if it is required. After all we are:

> America's Volunteer Lifesavers





The View of the Coxswain (photo by: Doug Jave)



On Station With Coxswain and Boat Crew (photo by: Doug Jave)



Carmel and Lawrence Community Safety Days

On Saturday, 17 August 2024 we attended Carmel Safety Day in the same place as last year. Walt Guntharp brought his facility for the public to view. We also had the 10' \times 10' canopy advertising the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. This has been the normal spot for many years.

We setup early and ready when it opened at 0900. It was a good day to interface with the general pubic. It finished at 1300 after a great day of communicating with those attending..

The following weekend the Lawrence Community Safety Day on 24 August 2024 behind the Lawrence Fire Dept. It started at 1000 and finished at 1400. It was a warm day to speak to the public attendees.

Of course Theodore Edward Bear (AKA Ted E. Bear) drew plenty of attention from the children passing by. That gave us a chance to tell people what we do on local lakes and the Ohio River.

Of course Walt Guntharp was there with his facility and Mike Richardt to help setup. This brings up another request that



Helicopter (AKA Rotary Wing Aircraft) Arriving (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

Tail Walker Too on Display at Lawrence Safety Day (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)



Our Booth is Setup (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

those helping, please arrive about an hour and a half prior to opening to help setup. That will relieve extra work on setup. Also there was Flotilla I-7 FC Bob Fiers and SO-PA Skip Nunweiler.

This was a full day of fun and learning for young children as well as those a little older. This was the first year we attended. Last year a lightning storm kept us away until this year.





Carmel Fire Department Displaying U.S. Flag (photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

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Tom Foreman On Bridge of Stargazer II (photo by: Ric Wiseley)



Division One

Riverfest - Cincinnati, OH



Fireworks Display Coordinated with Music (photo by: Northern Kentucky Convention & Visitors Bureau)

This Labor Day Weekend, gave summer the proper send off by attending the largest firework displays in the Midwest, Western & Southern / WEBN's Riverfest! Come to Sawyer Point and Yeatman's Cove in downtown Cincinnati for a mid-day extravaganza as you patiently wait to witness mesmerizing firework explosions above the Ohio River. Grab quick bites from local food vendors, listen to live music and participate in fun activities that are perfect for the whole family to enjoy. Once night hits, be among the excited half a million festgoers as Rozzi's Famous Fireworks launches a series of breathtaking fireworks displays that illuminates the stary sky, while WEBN (102.7 FM) plays music to correlate with the show.

Celebrate the final days of summer and end the season with a bang during Western & Southern / WEBN's Riverfest!

Coxswains Jeff Vail and Walt Guntharp led Division I in

the annual event. Those who crewed for Walt Gunthaep was Dan Gillahan, Doug Jave and DCDR Mike Richardt and those who crewed with Jeff Vail were IPDCDR, Tom Foreman and Ric Wiseley.



Tailwalker Too On Patrol at Riverfest (photo by: Ric Wiseley)