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## **MEMORANDUM**

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- From: Doug MacPherson DCDR, 113-03
- To: District Commodore District 113

Subj: DIVISION 03 COMMANDER's REPORT – February, 2024

#### Highlights

- 1. Air Observer Academy
- 2. International Sportsman's Expo
- 3. Change of Watch (COW)
- 4. Nine (9) perspective new members being vetted for membership across the Division.

#### Details

<u>Pete Hnat</u> from FL 31 led a successful Air Observer training in January. Thirteen members participated and will continue training in upcoming months for the Air Observer qualification.
Coordinated by <u>Don Anderson</u> from FL 33, Six (6) Auxiliarist worked in the State of CA Boating and Waterways Booth, Saturday and Sunday fielding Recreational Boating Safety questions and promoting the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

3. The Division held its Change of Watch (COW) on January 13. Honored guests included Captain Taylor Lam and his wife Cindy, BOSN2 Thomas Perez from DIRAUX and Commodore Curtis Han. The Division appreciated the presentations by Captain Lam and Commodore Han. Among the many awards presented, **Jim Goff** who retired this year, received a certificate from the Legislature of California for his 18 years of service promoting Recreational Boating Safety with the AUX.

#### **Agency Interactions**

- 1. State of California Dept. of Boating and Waterways (Sportsman's Expo.)
- 2. Station Rio Vista (Auxiliarist <u>Steve Harrison</u> responsible for the initial qualification of two gold side non-rates that just arrived at the station to include radio watch standing and the station's geographic AOR)

#### Goals for 2024 (tactics and numerical goals available on request)

- 1. RE-ENGAGE our members who have been inactive in the last few years.
- 2. RETAIN our current active members
- 3. RECRUIT new members

### Challenges

1. Flotillas fulfill required functions with limited enrollment.

## **Upcoming Events**

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	РОС
Sacramento Boat Show	March 7-10	Cal-Expo, Sacramento	Don Anderson FL 33
AUXACN	Feb. through Mar.	Online	Doug MacPherson FL 35
Sacramento Waterway	March 23	Freeport Bridge,	Jeff Fite FL 3-10
Clean-up		Sacramento River	
Boat America Class	Mar. 16		Don Anderson FL 33
Station Rio Vista Boating	April 13	Station Rio Vista	Steve Harrison FL 35
Season Kick-off Event			
Boat Crew/Coxswain	Feb. through Jun.	Sacramento Yacht Club	John Hardin Fl 35
Academy	Saturday's 0900-1200		
Division 3 OPTREX	Jun. 1-2	Sacramento Yacht Club	John Hardin Fl 35

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Jim Goff Certificate of Recognition from The California Legislature upon his retirement from the Coast Guard Auxiliary



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New Leadership being sworn in at the COW.



# The start of a night patrol on the Sacramento River.

