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Division 3 BBQ

**FOOD**

**FUN**

**FELLOWSHIP**

**SEMPER  
PARATUS**



**WHERE'S MY CAKE?**



**DCDR'S "BOSS"**



**COMO MCBAIN**



**BEAUTIFUL DAY AT SYC**



**SET UP TIME**



**COOKS GOTTA EAT TOO**



**SHIPMATES AND FRIENDS**



**IT'S COMING, SETTLE DOWN!**



**TOMMY H. AND HIS CREW**

**HONOR**

**RESPECT**

**DEVOTION TO DUTY**

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**GREG VANKOERSEL AND HIS  
WOOF (USCG APPROVED  
CANINE PFD STANDARD)**



**JIM GOFF AT WEST MARINE**

**24-25-26 SEPT CAPITAL AIR SHOW MATHER FIELD SACRAMENTO, CA EXHIBITS, PLANES, MILITARIA, AIR SHOWS AND THE USCG (AD AND AUX) WILL BE THERE WE HAVE 2 10X10 SPACES HELP SET UP AND STAFF THESE BOOTHS AND MEET THE PUBLIC. REMEMBER, WE ARE ALL AMBASSADORS AND RECRUITERS FOR THE USCG AND USCG-AUX ODU IS THE UOD IS SO CLEAN 'EM, PRESS 'EM, & SHINE THOSE BOOTS AND LET'S GET TO WORK AND HAVE SOME FUN. WANT TO HELP? WELL, I COULD USE YOUR TALENT SO CALL RICHARD CELIA 916-713-5727 LEAVE A VM IF NO ANSWER.**

**25 SEPTEMBER BOW WOW DAYS ORANGEVALE COMMUNITY PARK. 7145 FILBERT AVE. OUR MISSION IS TO ASSIST THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH PETS ESPECIALLY HELPING KEEP THEM SAFE IN A NEAR WATER, WANT TO HELP, CALL DON ANDERSON VCDR AT 916-205-1106**

**BOAT AMERICA VIA ZOOM END OF SEPT INSTRUCTORS CALL RICHARD CELIA AT 415-7135727**

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**Decorative Lights** While patrolling at night, you can't help but notice that many boats are now adorned with extensive decorative lights. Very often these decorative lights are a clear violation of **Rule 20(b)** which states that decorative lights shall not be mistaken for or impair the visibility of required navigation lights. Furthermore, superfluous lighting must not interfere with the keeping of a proper look-out.

**Headlights** Many boats are now using very powerful "headlights". These forward-facing headlights send blinding light into oncoming vessels in violation of 46 CFR Section 97.25-1 and Title 14, California Department of Boating and Waterways Section 6695. In addition to blinding oncoming traffic, these headlights also interfere with the visibility of navigation lights.

**These boating safety risks should be addressed in ALL of our public education efforts. Furthermore, boating safety would be greatly enhanced if law enforcement address these issues.**

**REMEMBER, WHEN YOU ARE IN YOUR UNIFORM YOU ARE  
THE FACE OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD TO THE PUBLIC**