



**Homeland  
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**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary  
District 11 Northern Region**

*Serving Northern California, Nevada, Utah*



**District 11NR Electronic Board Meeting**

15 May 2013

1900 PDT

**Call To Order:** 1905

**Roll Call:** DCO Rod Collins - Present

DCDR-1: Richard Celia – Present

DCDR-3: Carl pierce – Present

DCDR-4: Judy Estaban – Present

DCDR-5: Jim Blackburn – Present

DCDR-6: Sean Sheehan – Present

DCDR-7: Mike Thompson – Present

DCDR-8: Tim O’connor – Present

DCDR-10: Phil Grove – Present

DCDR-11: Bill Stolz – Present

DCDR-12: Linda Haynes – Present

P-PCA: Mary Kirkwood – Present

DCAPT-RBS: Simone Adair – Present

DCAPT-RES: Wally Smith - Present

DCAPT-SPT: William Correll – Present

IPDCO: COMO Angelo Perata – Present

DCOS: Richard Thomas – Present

DIRAUX: CDR Curtis Sumrok – Present

OTO: CWO James - Excused

**DCO Rod Collins – Report to Board:**

CG is cutting back in their missions, due to sequestration, so they are starting to look at the Aux for support on more missions.

National Auxiliary Conference (NACON) will be in San Diego this year.

Fleet week is up in the air. Blue Angels are cancelled but not sure if it will still get support from other military forces.

Uniforms - we need to be in compliance. Keep them sharp.

DTRAIN numbers are not completely in but we will be under budget for this year.

New DSO-PA is Jerry Edelen

All members please check the District calendar for dates of activities and make sure that your events are in the calendar correctly.

Coast Guard Ball was an excellent time. EXCOM made some great contacts with the Gold side at the ball.

**District Board Reports:**

**DCDR-1 Richard Celia – Report on File**

Division Optrex was a great success with 4 Past CDR’s attending, 9 facilities and all 17 participants passed

**DCDR-3 Carl Pierce – Report on File**

FI 33 conducting NSBW events at Discovery Park, Sacramento, Whiskey Town and Bandy Creek

FI 03-10 executed a very successful Life Jacket Exchange, old for new, sponsored by Kohl’s

**DCDR-4 Judy Estaban – Report on File**

Division Optrex had an excellent day with 4 vessels and all 9 participants passed.

NSBW events will be held in Redwood City with ADM Carl Schulz as Grand Marshall.

**DCDR-5 Jim Blackburn – Report on File**

“Auxiliary University Program” is a ‘go’ at the California Maritime Academy. 20 people interested and 5 Auxiliarists confirmed. FI 51 should help with instructors for the AUXOP program.

Bill Correll mentioned D11S’s DCO is involved with the program. He asked if OK to make inquiries and was given the ‘go ahead. He will make contact next week.

Division OPTREX had a good day with 12 passing qualifications.

FI 57 Working on diversity and getting more PE instructors qualified with. A PE is scheduled for next week.

FI 53 needs help scheduled for 07 Dec 2013 in Vallejo. The flyer will be available soon.

**DCDR-6 Sean Sheehan – Report not on file**

The 2 facilities down for repair are back online.

In the D11NR “Fitness Challenge”, 2 of our teams were in the top 25 and plan to continue within the Division. NSBW events in Monterey, with Sta. Monterey, Cal Fire and Fish & Wildlife; Capitola and Santa Cruz at the Santa Cruz Harbor. “Oxter”, the otter suit, donned by an Auxiliarist, will attend.

The PA Proclamation program was a complete success with 4 cities receiving their proclamations. PSA are scheduled with 3 local radio stations with one live radio segment to air this week.

FI 06-10 founding member and Div 6 past DCDR, Milt Entwhistle, was among several people honored for their service to the county at the “Local Hero’s” luncheon at the Coconut Grove. He was honored for conducting ‘Boating Safety’ classes for the past 45 years.

**DCDR-7 Mike Thompson – Report on File**

Had successful Safety Affairs and Lake Powell training with the Nation Park Rangers and State Park Rangers. Worked with D11S with OTW training.

NSBW events included VSE check stations, Booth at Cabella’s.

Received a new request for Patrols at Logan Reservoir. Different events are planned through the summer.

**DCDR-8 Tom O’Connor – Report on File**

FI 88 OPTREX to be held 31 May to 01 Jun Clear Lake, CA

‘Boating Safely’ events are getting underway with PFD giveaways for First through Sixth Grade children.

The CG Facility now has a full crew and looking for another great season.

**DCDR-11 Bill Stolz – Report on file**

One facility and 3 Auxiliarists attended “Antlers” and had a great time.

NSBW coming along weather permitting. 24 marine events planned with possible Station involvement.

Force Multiplier cooperation with the District 25 Power Squadron using our resources for scheduling.

Next Division meeting scheduled for 25 May at CG Station.

PSA event is being planned with a 1 minute TV spot on the largest TV station morning show.

**DCDR-12 Linda Haynes – Report not on file**

VSE’s, PA events, and ‘Boating Safely’ classes in Elementary Schools are scheduled during NSBW.

Life Jacket Giveaways: Boat US is giving double the amount of grants this year. A Church in Oakley was given a grant for 4500 life jackets.

FI 12-91 will be present at the 2 day ‘Art & Wind Festival’ with a planned Cal Star Helicopter to land.

Division 12 Aux Chefs to participate at Captain Stowe’s and Captain Jewiss’s retirement event.

Auxiliarist Jim Murphy from DIV 5 will be filling in as “Food Service Specialist at Sta. Golden Gate for 10 days.

**PCA Mary Kirkwood – Report not on file**

OPEX planned probably for 28 SEP 2011, at either CG Island or Delta, to avoid America’s Cup races. On the water exercises, dockside training and BBQ planned. Details to follow.

The first “Memorial” committee meeting will be held in early June, details to follow. Information on obtaining leftover granite slabs that need to be moved contact Roger Haynes. Ad to be placed on Craig’s List .

PCA Fair 7-8 September on CG Island will be worked around the District Meeting.

National is looking at mentoring training. By 31 December 2014 all new members must have training done.

**DCAPT-RBS Simone Adair - Report on File**

The Division 1 OPTREX was very well attended.

VSE’s on 2 Jun at the Emmeryville Marina for all requested vessels. Make a big effort to do vessel exams on all boats in slips at the Marina. Vessel examiners needed.

RBS, kudos for a great job well done.

**DCAPT-RES Wally Smith - Report on File**

Attended OPTREX at Antlers and Berkeley. Both events were first class.

Attended “Local Hero’s” breakfast sponsored by the Red Cross. About 300 people also attended. The Red Cross provided 50 “First Aid Kits” to hand out.

The Gold Side requested surface & air training support from the Auxiliary.

New AOMS up and running. It is so much better with a 4 day payment response time versus 4 weeks.

**DCAPT-SPT William Correll – Report not on file**

Attended Division 5 OPTREX. It was a wonderful event.

To encourage Diversity, Jimmin Chang is requesting IS Officers to push members to check AUXDATA info and enter any minority information if applicable.

**IPDCO COMO Angelo Perata**

National is promoting a better understanding between the Auxiliary and Auxiliary Association.

Working on making awards tracking more visible to the members.

Working on AUX 10 for IS Officers because C school will not be offered.

Working on improving the 8hr TCT classes for the near future.

There are changes to Form 7028 Skills Bank, please make a note.

2012 boating accidents and fatalities are down 12.9% with alcohol still the leading contributor. The PE program is more visible.

NACON is scheduled for 18-25 AUG 2013 in San Diego, CA. Rod requested Tom Malison's article regarding Sequestration be sent to EXCOM Board & Staff only.

**DCOS Richard Thomas – Report on file**

Attended the Coast Guard Ball which was a delightful event.

I was privileged to be asked as a guest speaker for the Lake County Rotary Club.

Currently working on the ASOC requirements.

COMO Perata and guests were heartily welcomed for the Dinner, Cooking Class and Winery Tour. We all had a great time.

D-Train 2014 Committee has had several Web meetings.

**DIRAUX CDR Curtis Sumrok**

OTO scheduled to be back around 01 June and will resume PPE visits in near future. The problem of PPE being sold on Craig's list has been taken care of. PPE equipment is government property and must be returned to DIRAUX. PO Kerry Ingerson will be leaving late July and replaced by PO Robinson.

Email Inbox, please call the office & verify it was received and responded to.

Wally brought pictures from DIV 6. Thanks for starting this. Each Division now has a spot on the office wall to show their pictures. New guidelines for published for Land Mobiles. Assume all is going well, if not, let him know. Your flexibility is appreciated. Keep up the great work. Thank You

**Old Business:**

NSBW: Rod asked for lots of pictures to be sent to District office for a wall of pictures.

Simone asked that all reports for NSBW be sent to Diana Serchia.

Rod said how proud he is of all reports coming down within the District.

Standing Rules: Rod asked if any standing rules not submitted. All turned in.

Linda asked if the 25% minimum for quorum has been decided. It is a hot item across the U.S.

Rod said there is no answer from Joanna Nevesny yet.

Skills Bank: Please have members update their backgrounds and proficiencies.

**New Business:**

D-Train 2014: Committee already meeting. Historically the decision as to venue rest with DCO but Rod would like input. The options are 1. No D-Train or continue? 2. Same type of format with event at a Hotel and a fellowship weekend? 3. Funding for Board & Staff, instructors & support people? Should figure on Coast Guard funding not available.

Phil Sanchez has recommended venue Sacramento or Burlingame Hotel. The room cost is same and the meals are comparable price.

Rich Thomas said options could be to hold it on CG Island, combine D-Train with PCA Fair, lunch meal provided by Aux Chef's, offsite for evening banquet, rooms local in Alameda area and supply our own food for Friday night. The cost would be much less. Considering a \$3,000.00 exposure.

Linda Haynes mentioned in past D-Train's each Division did something for Fun Night. Said either OK with her.

Richard Celia, leaning toward Sacramento. Would support either city. Would prefer hotel over CG Island. If held in a city it would provide PA opportunity to expose the community and new people to the Auxiliary.

Jeff, Asked what about Petaluma. Rod looked into it and would not be as beneficial. We could be bumped, bunkbeds and dormitories, classrooms spread out, and Chow Hall for the banquet would be after chow hours. Travis has only 2 classrooms. Richard would preferred Sacramento.

Carl Pierce, Sacramento OK, prefer Old Town area.

Rod said we could still get good support having it at a hotel.

Rich Thomas, looked at negative/positive. Those members that do not go because of out of pocket cost for meal and hotel, location and lack of specific training. If CG Island there could be specific training, crew, ferry boat PQS, sign offs, swimming pool.

Judy Esteban, does not want to cut PCA Fair.

Rod mentioned it might be an issue of which one gets funded.

June District Meeting: 1030 to 1530 Coast Guard Island, Alameda. Combination in-person and webinar.

There is no funding for District meetings for rest of the year. It will be on "non-reimbursable orders". Please let DCO know if you will be attending. There will be a live webinar and video. This will be a test run. D11S did a memorial service webinar & video that went well.

Linda asked if DCO wants snacks at the meeting. She could get a backup. Rod said probably not.

September District Meeting: Combine with PCA Fair on Coast Guard Island 1300 to 1800. Moved because of America's Cup. Elections will be held In-person and Webinar.

Diversity: Please read report from Jimmin Chang. He would like to know how divers D11 really is.

**Old Business:**

TCT: Jim Blackburn, there is a delay from National for orders. Please send requests 2 months prior. Div 3 waiting for a date. Div 10 ongoing request. There is an active duty class coming up. Rod asked him to put it in email and send to the Board.

**Final Comments:**

Carl Pierce mentioned all but 2 Divisions were represented at their OPTREX. Oregon & Utah had great support.

Jerry Edelen a new staff member would like to thank Perry Joiner for his help with PA. Also thank Diana Serchia for getting all her reports in.

Rod mentioned possibility of a Webinar Calendar on the District Calendar page. It could bring up a form 1. Invite to a Webinar 2. Schedule a Webinar 3. Bring up a calendar with scheduled webinars.

Gail Ramsey, DIV 7 Lake Powell has 2 new PWC requals. We've been busy. In 2012 had 41 missions, in 2013 63 missions so far. The 3 year requal has done a lot for how well our District is trained. We're getting trained. We're getting it done.

Rod: Thank You for making D11N the Best District. Have a great time. Stay Safe.

**Adjourned: 20:48**

**Next Meeting 15 JUN 2013 CG Island & Webinar 1030**