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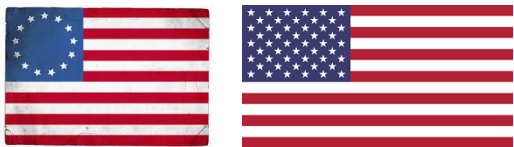
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Dare to Be Great!

Ahoy There

Our country has flown many flags over the years. Some of them are little known since they were used for only a short time before they were replaced by a newer version.



An interesting fact that is not widely recognized is that once a flag has been adopted, officially, it may be flown as long as it is serviceable. Thus, it is as legal to fly the Betsy Rose flag as it is the current 50 star flag, if you wish to do so.

Information for this section comes from a Coast Guard Auxiliary Book from 1988 dealing with clipart for Auxiliary newsletters and was donated by Larry Bitonti, FSO-OP.



Larry Bitonti (FSO-OP)

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-11

All Flotilla Meetings will be held at Denny's Restaurant, 1180 Alabama Street, Redlands, CA, (North of I-10 freeway in Redlands, CA). Fellowship Hour begins at 1830, (6:30pm) meeting starts at 1930, (7:30pm). Below are the dates for upcoming meetings:

February 25th, 2019

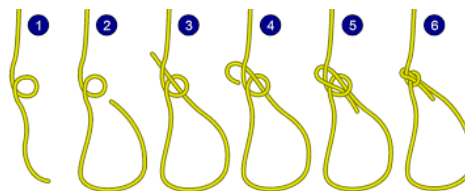
March 26th, 2019

April 23rd, 2019

May 28th, 2019

Knot of the Month

Bowline



The **bowline** is a simple knot used to form a fixed loop at the end of a rope. It has the virtues of being both easy to tie and untie; most notably, it is easy to untie after being subjected to a load. The bowline is sometimes referred as King of the Knots because of its importance.

Paratus Prep

For a chance at recognition by the Flotilla, please send your responses to Kerry Morgan FSO-PB. Members who get all five questions correct will have their names read out during the monthly Flotilla meeting. The FSO-PB can be reached at: Kerry.d.morgan1968@gmail.com.

1. To "ease the rudder" means to?
 - a. Move the rudder slowly in the direction of the most recent rudder command.
 - b. Bring the rudder amidships.
 - c. Decrease the rudder angle.
 - d. Steer the course which is your present heading.
2. A "figure eight" knot is used to?
 - a. Be a stopper.
 - b. Shorten a line.
 - c. Join lines of equal size.
 - d. Keep a line from passing through a sheave.
3. A "loose" tow may cause all of the following EXCEPT?
 - a. Loss of maneuverability.
 - b. A saving in the transit time.
 - c. Damage to the towing vessel and tow.
 - d. Lines to part.
4. A "Mediterranean moor" should be used when?
 - a. Anchoring in the Mediterranean.
 - b. Docking stern to a berth.
 - c. Docking bow to a berth.
 - d. Anchoring in a strong current.
5. A "skiff hook" is a device used to?
 - a. Attach a towline to the eye bolt to the bow of a trailer-able boat.
 - b. Shorten the length of catenary in the towline.
 - c. Create a temporary fairlead.
 - d. Join a towline to a pair of towing bridles.

Paratus Prep

Below are the answers for the previous month

- 1) While standing look-out at night, a dim light on the horizon will be seen quickest by looking?
 - A little above the horizon.
- 2) While steering by autopilot you notice that the vessel has deviated 15 degrees from course and there is no corrective rudder being applied. As a standard operating procedure you should first?
 - Switch to hand steering.
- 3) While underway in thick fog you are on watch and hear the cry "man overboard". Which type of maneuver should you make?
 - Williamson turn.
- 4) Wire rope is galvanized to?
 - Protect it from corrosion due to contact with saltwater.
- 5) You are anchoring in a river where the current is from one direction only. The best way to lay out two anchors is to have them?
 - So that their lines form an angle.

Did You Know

The deepest recorded point on the ocean floor is the Mariana Trench, with a depth of nearly 36,000 feet. It can accommodate thirty Empire State Buildings standing one on top of the other.



10 Reasons Why Everyone Should Want To Be A Leader

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is always looking to “promote.” We want all our members to have served in at least one “Flotilla Staff Officer” position, and also to think about taking a leadership position as a Flotilla Commander or Vice Flotilla Commander. Here are 10 reasons to want to be a leader.

- 01-Leaders get to celebrate accomplishment
- 02-Leaders get to build up the self-worth of others
- 03-Leaders get to accomplish great things with a team
- 04-Leaders get to call others to action
- 05-Leaders get to create memorable events for others
- 06-Leaders get to use their influence to serve others
- 07-Leaders get to cast vision for a brighter tomorrow
- 08-Leaders get to bring people together
- 09-Leaders get to leave a legacy
- 10-Leaders get to do it all over again tomorrow

There is a great price to leadership but the payoff is substantially higher.

Why would you not want to be a leader?

If you're interested and considering a Leadership position in a Flotilla, Division, District or even National level talk to your Flotilla Commander, Denver Driberg, Vice Flotilla Commander Chris Rosario, or Flotilla Staff Officer for Member Training Davidsol Cometa, and they will discuss with you ways to move your auxiliary career to the next level

Submitted by **FC-Denver Driberg**

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https://www.uscg.mil/diversity/diversity_portraits.asp



Denver Driberg (FC)

Uniform of the Day

How to Accessorize

While we, as Auxiliaries, wear the uniform of the Coast Guard, we have the option to add a little of ourselves to how it looks. Don't get me wrong, we cannot dye the shirt pink or wear thick gold necklaces hanging down our chests with the shirt open to the third or fourth button, but we can do a couple of little things.

Handbags – ladies may carry the handbag in the hand or wear it over the shoulder with a strap. The strap may be shortened allowing the handbag to be carried over the arm. While it is not stated what shoulder or hand to be used it is expected that if you are in uniform you should be able to render a salute. With that in mind the handbag should be on the left side of your body.

Personal Display Items – you can wear bracelets, necklaces, wristwatches and rings but there are limits while in uniform. If they are visible while in uniform, they must be conservative, non-controversial and in good taste. There shall be no more than two rings on each hand. While in uniform, men are not allowed to wear earrings while women may wear one pair of gold, silver or pearl earrings which are small (maximum ¼ inch in length) and of the round ball style. Women may wear diamond stud earrings when in dinner dress uniform.

Tattoos – brands, body piercings, tattoos, intentional scarring or mutilation, or modification of the head and neck are prohibited unless they are required for legitimate medical purposes. Any markings on or above the neck may not show above the collar line of the tropical blue shirt. Any markings on the body that are contrary to the published basic core values of the Coast Guard, show political endorsements, advocate or symbolize all types of discrimination, sexual images, supremacist or extremist groups, gangs, drug use, are prejudicial to good order and discipline, or are of a nature to bring discredit upon the service are prohibited

Cosmetics / Fingernails – while the AuxMan Chapter 10 does not say men are prohibited from wearing cosmetics it also does not give directions on what can be worn. Unlike women who are allowed to wear cosmetics however it shall be of a conservative standard. Women may also wear nail polish, but the color shall be conservative and neutral in color. Decorative nail are not allowed so ladies please consider your uniform before those special four inch nails with the picture of your favorite Coast Guard Cutter on are applied.

Additional Items – just when all you men thought the ladies were the only ones allowed a little bling in their uniform there is still something for you. Cuff links, shirt studs, tie clips and tie tacs are authorized, but please make sure you are wearing the tie before you put the clip or pin on.

Submitted by Aux. Kerry Morgan



More information about Auxiliary uniforms will be published each month. If you have any questions about the uniform please feel free to contact your Flotilla Command or log onto cgaux.com and read the chapter which discusses proper uniform wear, AUXMAN Chapter 10.



4th Cornerstone

From left to right we have Immediate Past Flotilla Commander Marcella Reinerthungerford, Flotilla Staff Officer Secretary of Records Marcy Clarke, Flotilla Staff Officer Human Resources Cynthia McClain, Division 11 Commander Carrie Olsen, Flotilla Member Kimberly Morgan and Flotilla Member Linda Renquist at their end of year party.



Photo Taken BY FSO-PB Kerry Morgan

Auxiliary History February

On February 19, 1941 Congress passed a law restructuring the Coast Guard Reserve. Henceforth the Coast Guard was to operate two reserve forces. The existing civilian reserve organization was renamed the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. A new U.S. Coast Guard Reserve was to function on a military basis as a source of wartime manpower, like the reserves of the other armed services.

An executive order of February, 1942 directed the Secretary of the Navy to take the necessary steps to prevent "sabotage and subversive activities" on the nation's waterfronts. The task of protecting the hundreds of warehouses, piers, and other facilities that kept the American shipping industry in business fell to the Coast Guard, which in turn delegated it to the Reserve and the Auxiliary.

ID Cards

Please check your I.D. Cards to ensure they are current. Any member of Flotilla 11-11 who does not have a valid ID card or whose ID card will expire within the next 60 days should contact **Cynthia McClain**, FSO-HR.

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