

11th WATCH

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District 11, Flotilla 11-11

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Awards & Announcements

The Flotilla would like to congratulate:

Denver Driberg
Darcy Clarke
Davidsol Cometa
Eric Aguilar
Phil Becerra
and
Robert Gutman

These Flotilla members all received awards in April for outstanding cooperation and assistance in furthering the purposes and principles of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

Felix Aisuan-Auigbe for receiving his Coast Guard ID card

Denver Driberg for receiving the Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation Award

Cap'n Barnaby Says...

The sea has spawned many superstitions, in addition to legends of mermaids and sea monsters. To this day, Scottish fishermen try not to pass a barefoot woman before boarding ship. They never talk about four legged animals while at sea. Both of these reputedly scare away the fish. Scotsmen also refuse to wear Harris Tweed jackets or caps at sea. The wool is dyed with lichen called crotal, which grows on shoreline rocks. Locals believe "crotal always returns to the rocks" – a predicament sailors would rather avoid.

The wisdom of Cap'n Barnaby comes from a Coast Guard Auxiliary Book from 1988 dealing with clipart for Auxiliary newsletters and was donated by Larry Bitonti.

First Aid

One of the most important things the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Auxiliary does is the saving of life and for five of our flotilla, the importance of that job was brought home during the First Aid Training conducted at the Oddfellows Lodge in Corona during the month of April.

Cynthia McClain, Robert Gutman, Christopher Rosario, Kerry Morgan, Glen Anderson and Felix Aisuan-Auigbe completed the grueling 10 hour class alongside many other members of the Division to earn the coveted honor of being allowed the responsibility of caring for the general public during the next two years of volunteer service with the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Members were instructed on how to perform CPR, control bleeding, and immobilize broken bones along with many other important tasks that we all hope they will never have to put into practice.

Alongside our Flotilla shipmates were our very own Division Commander Emil Schultz Jr and Division Vice Commander Carrie Olson.

Monthly Meeting

The next flotilla meeting will be on June 26, 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).

Paratus Prep

For a chance at recognition by the Flotilla please send your answers to Kerry Morgan VFC, FSO-PB. Members who get all five questions correct will have their names read out during the monthly Flotilla meeting. The VFC can be reached at: kerrym1968@yahoo.com

1. A condition where two currents meet at the downstream end of a middle bar can be determined by a
 - a) Small whirlpool.
 - b) Smooth patch of water.
 - c) V-shaped ripple with the point of the V pointing downstream.
 - d) V-shaped ripple with the point of the V pointing upstream.
2. A continual worsening of the list or trim indicates
 - a) Negative GM.
 - b) Progressive flooding.
 - c) Structural failure.
 - d) An immediate need to ballast.
3. A crew member has just fallen overboard off your port side. Which action should you take?
 - a) Immediately put the rudder over hard right.
 - b) Immediately put the rudder over hard left.
 - c) Immediately put the engines astern.
 - d) Wait until the stern is well clear of the man and then put the rudder over hard right.
4. A deck fitting, used to secure line or wire rope, consisting of a single body with two protruding horns is called a
 - a) Bitt.
 - b) Bollard.
 - c) Capstan.
 - d) Cleat.
5. A fid is a
 - a) Mallet used when splicing wire rope.
 - b) Sharp pointed crow bar used to unlay wire rope.
 - c) Tapered steel pin used to separate wire rope.
 - d) Tapered wooden pin used when splicing heavy rope.

Paratus Prep

Below are the answers for the month of April

1. A vessel is wind rode when it is?
 - At anchor and heading into the wind.
2. As the propeller turns, voids are formed on the trailing and leading edges of the propeller blades causing a loss of propulsive efficiency, pitting of the blades, and vibration. These voids are known as?
 - Cavitation.
3. If a mooring line should part while you are tying up at a dock, you should make a temporary eye by tying a?
 - Bowline.
4. In bad weather, what length of chain should be used with a single anchor?
 - 10 times the depth of water.
5. In nautical terminology a "dog" is a?
 - Device to force a water tight

4th Cornerstone

The Flotilla would like to welcome its newest member Lewis Plaut. We hope you have many happy years with your new Coast Guard Auxiliary family and friends.

Flotilla Photograph

During the Flotilla meeting on June 26, 2018 the Flotilla will be taking its first Group Flotilla Photograph. All members are asked to attend and the uniform of the day will be Tropical Blues (Trops) or professional civilian attire.

Letter from the Flotilla Commander

It's my honor to be the Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 11-11 in 2018. We have a distinguished heritage with many great leaders who have led and helped this Flotilla flourish. We are in a new age where we will use both personal contacts and social media to reach out and bring new members into the Auxiliary. Some of the questions that potential members ask are –

Why join the US Coast Guard Auxiliary?

Are you looking for adventure while serving your country and your community?

If you are, consider joining the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Wherever your interests lie, and whatever life skills you have, chances are that the Coast Guard Auxiliary can offer you an area to serve that will enrich your life in ways you may not have imagined. The Auxiliary offers you a unique opportunity to make a real difference in your local community and across the country.

We welcome and recognize your past experience, skills and talent. We challenge you to have fun learning new skills and qualifications in company with a very special group of volunteers. The Coast Guard Auxiliary offers a number of opportunities, but the tasks can generally be divided into three service areas:

Recreational Boating Safety

One of the Auxiliary's primary missions is recreational boating safety. This mission is accomplished by qualified members delivering Public Safety Boating Education training and classes, by providing voluntary vessel safety checks to boaters, by visiting with and educating local marine related industries, and by general outreach to the boating public through boat shows and other public venues and events

Operations and Marine Safety

For those interested in boating, the Auxiliary offers a rigorous level of hands-on training and qualification as boat-crew and coxswain. Qualified Auxiliarists perform regular safety patrol missions in their local area and support local boating activities on-the-water such as regattas, fireworks & fleet visits.

In addition, the Auxiliary works side-by-side with their active-duty USCG counterparts in many other mission areas, including environmental protection, Commercial Vessel Safety Inspections, Port Security and Planning, Licensing and Documentation, and other vital operational roles. Auxiliarists receive training virtually identical to that of their active duty and reserve counterparts.

Mission Support

The Auxiliary needs people with leadership, administrative and technical skills (such as web site design, computer server administration, graphic design, photography, videography, communications, public relations/public affairs, instruction and instructional design, and personnel services) to support those Auxiliarists involved in the recreational boating safety and operations & marine safety missions.

Let's get the message out Shipmates and share this article with your friends, and let's grow our Flotilla and reach more people in our community. It's a pleasure for me to be in the Auxiliary, and I am here to serve the members of the Flotilla.

Denver Drieberg
Flotilla Commander-Flotilla 11-11



Russell Davis IPFC, FSO-CM, FSO-PV

ID Cards

Please check your I.D. cards to ensure they are in date. Any member who does not have an I.D. card or whose I.D. card will expire within the next 60 days should contact **Cynthia McClain**, FSO-HR. The FSO-HR can be reached by using the following email address:

Cynthia.mcclain13.cm@gmail.com

Russell Davis

It is always sad when we have to say a final farewell to a shipmate, especially those who had such an impact on the Flotilla.

Last year the Flotilla lost Russell Davis. Russell was a Veteran of the U.S. Navy and had been with the Flotilla for 12 years. Russell was the IPFC, FSO-CM. FSO-PV at the time of his passing and has been greatly missed by all in the Flotilla. Russell's dedication to service was a beacon to us all and his knowledge and enthusiasm during the monthly meetings has been sorely missed.

Russell was preceded by his loving wife Suzette.

The Flotilla also lost Terrence L Kinsella.

Terrence starting out in Thousand Oak CA at Flotilla 7-3 and transferred into the Palm Desert Flotilla 4-5 before arriving at Flotilla 114-11-11. Terrence was not a Flotilla Staff Officer but maintained his ties with the Flotilla and was a member who was always willing to help those in need.

Russell and Terrence will be just two of the names read out at this month's Memorial Marker Ceremony. We of the Coast Guard Auxiliary mourn our loss, but we are consoled by the belief that when the final watch changes for us and we too cross the bar our shipmate will be waiting to lead us into safe anchorage.



Semper Paratus

