

11th WATCH

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District 11, Flotilla 11-11

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Awards & Announcements

Flotilla 11-11 would like to congratulate:

All the members who received awards during the May Flotilla meeting. The amount of awards were staggering with many members receiving multiple certificates for courses completed and hours volunteered. Of particular note were Denver Driberg (FC) who received an award for completing over 5000 hours of volunteer service and Robert Gutman who received an award for over 750 hours of volunteer service. This level of dedication is the reason why the Auxiliary is able to assist the Coast Guard in so many of its daily activities. Congratulations and keep up the great work.

Lake Silverwood

Dated for Patrol

June 9, 10
June 23, 24
July 7, 8
July 21, 22
August 4, 5
August 18, 19
September 1, 2, 3
September 15, 16

All dates are tentative and Members need to confirm them with their chain of command before attending. Members are reminded that they need to let the Flotilla Commander and Vice Commander know if they are going to attend any of the patrols so that orders can be obtained.

Monthly Meeting Division 11

The next Division meeting will be on June 20, at Denny's Restaurant, 17009A Valley Blvd, Fontana, CA, meeting starts at 19:30, (7:30pm).

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-2

The next Flotilla meeting will be on June 6, at Denny's Restaurant 12180 Central Ave, Chino, CA, meeting starts at 19:30, (7:30pm).

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-5

The next Flotilla meeting will be on June 27, at 21180 Waite St, Wildomar, CA, meeting starts at 19:00, (7:00pm).

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-7

The next Flotilla meeting will be on June 27, at Denny's Restaurant 12180 Central Ave, Chino, CA, meeting starts at 19:30, (7:30pm).

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-11

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).

Monthly Meeting Flotilla 11-12

The next Flotilla meeting will be on June 27, at the Flotilla Vice Commanders Home, meeting starts at 18:00, (6:00pm), call for directions.

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. After casting off moorings at a mooring buoy in calm weather, you should
 - a) Go full ahead on the engine.
 - b) Back away a few lengths to clear the buoy and then go ahead on the engines.
 - c) Go half ahead on the engines and put the rudder hard right.
 - d) Go half ahead on the engines and pass upstream of the buoy.
2. After your vessel has been involved in a casualty, you are required to make your logbooks, bell books, etc., available to
 - a) Attorneys for opposition parties.
 - b) Marine surveyors.
 - c) U.S. Coast Guard officials.
 - d) All of the above.
3. An advantage of nylon rope over manila rope is that nylon rope?
 - a) Can be used in conjunction with wire or spring-lay rope.
 - b) Can be stored on decks exposed to sunlight.
 - c) Can hold a load even when a considerable amount of the yarns have been abraded.
 - d) Gives audible warning of overstress whereas manila does not.
4. An example of an anchor which has a stock is a
 - a) Bruce anchor.
 - b) Dunn anchor.
 - c) Hook anchor.
 - d) Danforth anchor.
5. An ocean towing bridle should
 - a) Have equal legs of sufficient length.
 - b) Have a large angle between the legs.
 - c) Be formed on a bight of cable through a ring.
 - d) Never be made up of chain.

Paratus Prep

Below are the answers for the month of
May

1. A condition where two currents meet at the downstream end of a middle bar can be determined by a
 - V-shaped ripple with the point of the V pointing downstream
2. A continual worsening of the list or trim indicates
 - progressive flooding
3. A crew member has just fallen overboard off your port side. Which action should you take?
 - Immediately put the rudder over hard left.
4. A deck fitting, used to secure line or wire rope, consisting of a single body with two protruding horns is called a
 - Cleat
5. A fid is a
 - tapered wooden pin used when splicing heavy rope.

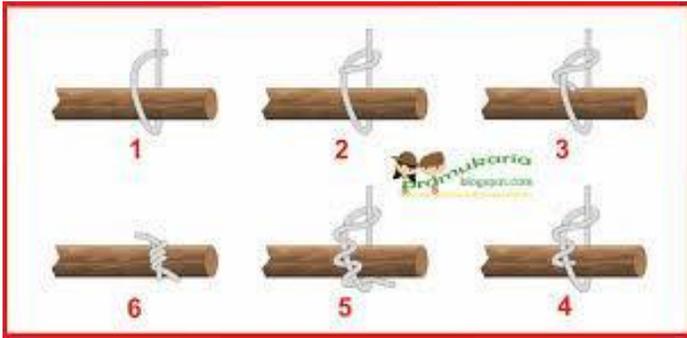
4th Cornerstone

Flotilla 11-11 would like to extend its welcome to Carl Dougherty, Flotilla Commander for Flotilla 114-07-06 (Morro Bay) who attended the May Flotilla meeting.

Two potential new members also attended, Harold Hackmann and Frank Sirna. We hope they enjoyed their visit and will continue their journey to become Flotilla Members.

Knot of the Month

Timber Hitch



The timber hitch is a knot used to attach a single length of rope to a cylindrical object. Secure while tension is maintained, it is easily untied even after heavy loading.

Flotilla Photograph

There has been a change in the date for the Flotilla Photograph.

During the Flotilla meeting for Flotilla 11-11 on September 25, 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.

Why I Became a Coast Guard Auxiliarist

Perhaps it was the sense of adventure, or the wish to give back to the community and my country by serving in a needed and worthwhile organization. Opportunities abound but having read the material on the Coast Guard Website and later during my studies discovering items such as the Coast Guard Ethos. I became committed to become an involved Shipmate and do whatever was necessary to be the best that I can be.

Coast Guard Ethos

I am a Coast Guardsman

I serve the people of the United States

I will protect them

I will defend them

I will save them

I am their shield

For them I am Semper Paratus

I live the Coast Guard Core Values

I am proud to be a Coastguardsman

We are the United States Coast Guard

The Core Values of Honor, Respect, and Devotion to Duty are the key reasons that I am proud to be a United States Coast Guard Auxiliarist.

Submitted by

Lewis Plaut

Newest Flotilla Member

Flotilla 114-11-11

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

Dates to Remember

June 2, 2018, 8:00am – 5:00pm, About Boating Safety Course, Corona Odd fellows Lodge, \$10 for lunch, email Tom Olson SO-OP.

June 23, 2018, safety perimeter for swimmers in Big Bear Lake Triathlon and Life Jacket Trade in.

Aug 11, 2018, 8:00am – 5:00pm, About Boating Safety Course, Corona Odd fellows Lodge, \$10 for lunch, email Tom Olson SO-OP.

Sep 29, 2018, 8:00am – 5:00pm, About Boating Safety Course, Corona Odd fellows Lodge, \$10 for lunch, email Tom Olson SO-OP.

Oct 20, 2018, 8:00am – 5:00pm, About Boating Safety Course, Corona Odd fellows Lodge, \$10 for lunch, email Tom Olson SO-OP.

Auxiliary History

June

June 23, 1939 Congressional legislation establishes the Coast Guard Reserve as a volunteer civilian organization the purpose of which is to promote recreational boating safety and to facilitate the operations of the Coast Guard.

June 1942 Congressional legislation allows Auxiliarists to enroll as part-time or intermittent members of the Coast Guard Reserve. Thousands of Auxiliarists enroll themselves and their vessels in the Reserve. Over fifty thousand temporary Reservists served during the war patrolling harbors, factories, bridges, and docks; fighting fires; providing emergency and disaster assistance; conducting search and rescue and anti-submarine warfare; training; giving blood; selling war bonds; recruiting SPARs (CG women reservists). (An equal number of Auxiliarists served, but many held both titles simultaneously, so the 50,000 figure is used for both the number of Auxiliarists and temporary Reservists.)

June 4, 1952 President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed the first National Safe Boating Week.

June 5, 1976 the Teton Dam in Idaho burst, flooding a considerable area and washing toxic chemicals out of a warehouse into the reservoir below the dam. Coast Guard Auxiliarists warned boaters to evacuate, and helped build a levee that saved the city of Idaho Falls.

My Story

All the members of Flotilla 114-11-11 have been supportive and encouraging in all the work that we have accomplished together. If your encouragement was not there in the context that it was, I would have never scaled the height which I have manage to do and thus become a proud member of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.

This letter is to thank all the Flotilla's members for all your support and encouragement. This milestone was not easy but, with your help, I made it!!!

There are many foreigners like myself who are of the belief that they MAY not be able to accomplish their goals in our new home the United State of America, BUT the approach of Flotilla Commander Denver Driberg at an event proved them wrong; "You can do so many things as a member of the United State Coast Guard Auxiliary, regardless of being foreign borne," here I am actually living my dream giving back to my new country, now called my new home THE UNITED STATE OF AMERICA!

I would like to apologize for sending this letter of appreciation out late; it is something that I had wanted to do earlier, but life kept getting in the way. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support, guidance and encouragement without which I would never have achieved my goals. I can now proudly say, I'm a member of the United State Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Submitted by
Felix Aisuan-Auigbe
Flotilla 114-11-11
United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

My C-School Experience

On May 4, 2018 a group of semi-confident Auxiliary IS Officers met in the city of Phoenix, AZ. They thought that this was going to be three days of easy review. What they endured was a barrage of information that would make a mere mortal weak in the knees. The instructors had prepared a curriculum that included learning about Auxiliary forms and codes, AUXDATA entry, and reporting. The content was extremely in depth and very well presented. The group endured ten-hour days of instruction that culminated in a three-part test. By the time of the test, students were expected to know what forms and codes were needed for each mission, how and when to fill out the myriad of Auxiliary form, and how to correctly enter all missions into AUXDATA. The class was amazing and a wealth of knowledge and information. All of the items presented were relevant and can be applied at each and every level of the Auxiliary, especially the Flotilla level. Thank you to the instructors for their time and support (Linda McCarty DVC-UI, Pamela Berger BC-UIA, Laurel Carlson DSO-IS).

Submitted by

Christopher Rosario
FSO-IS, FSO-MS, FSO-SR
Flotilla 114-11-11



Photo submitted by Christopher Rosario

ID Cards

Please check your I.D. cards to ensure they are in date. Any member of Flotilla 11-11 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

Shalom to the Coast Guard Auxiliary

As part of the Coast Guard Auxiliaries push for diversity Flotilla 11-11 went somewhere we have never been before and we are so glad we did.

During a local synagogue event the Flotilla was allowed to present a Public Affairs booth to let the congregation know what the Coast Guard Auxiliary does and who we are. Philip Becerra FSO-MA was the Flotilla representative who provided his time and expertise, fielding questions and providing information to synagogue attendees interested in Coast Guard activities and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. While FSO Becerra showed everyone why he is the fountain of knowledge about our Flotilla he did it while showing respect to the customs and courtesies of the Jewish congregation. Thanks to the great job FSO Becerra did the Flotilla has a new member Lewis Plaut.

Way to go FSO Becerra, what a great way to show respect for diversity within our community and our Flotilla.

Cap'n Barnaby Says...

The common phrase “to know the ropes” means to be familiar with all the details. This expression is attributed by many to the days of sailing ships, when experienced sailors were expected to be familiar with the use of a bewildering array of lines which led to the sails. Such a man literally “knew the ropes.” Other experts who study such things claim the phrase came from the gentry who frequented race tracks, and that the “ropes” were the horse’s reins. Thus, one “knows the ropes” who best knows the handling of the reins. Take your pick on which one sounds right to you.

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.



Philip Becerra FSO-MA



Photos taken by Aux. Scott Hedblom – Left: Aux. Kevin Conquest (Div. 10), ceremonial piper, standing in front of the memorial markers at USCG Base Los Angeles-Long Beach. Center: Cmdr. Marshall Newberry (USCG Base Los Angeles-Long Beach) speaking about the importance of fellowship as members of the Auxiliary and Team Coast Guard Right: Aux. Joe Vara Jr. (Div 11.) standing by the ship’s bell used for the ceremony.

District 11 Southern Region Memorial Marker

Long Beach – Members from various Flotillas within Division 11 participated in the annual USCG Auxiliary District 11 Southern Region Memorial Marker ceremony at Coast Guard Base Los Angeles-Long Beach this past Saturday. The ceremony is designed to pay homage to Auxiliary members in either retired or in good standing, who “crossed the bar” during the previous year.

Members of both the U.S. Coast Guard and the Auxiliary performed various ceremonial duties which included cannon volleys, an honor guard with a bagpiper, and guest speakers who all reminded those present of the service and contributions of those who have “crossed the bar.” Coast Guard Cmdr. Marshall Newberry, guest speaker for the ceremony, stated “the Auxiliary has a long history of making fellowship a priority”.

This year 28 Auxiliarists were remembered for their service to promote boating safety and help others be safe while using America’s waterways.

Written by
Paul Saba
SO-PA



Semper Paratus



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Approved with the following suggestions:

Approved with revisions

Additional Notes:

Very nice job!

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