

11th WATCH

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District 11, Flotilla 11-11

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Cap'n Barnaby Says...

In the days of the Clipper Ships there lived a sailor by the name of Matthew Walker, who was sentenced to death for a serious crime. He was offered a full pardon by a sea-faring judge if – and only if – he could show the judge a knot which the judge could neither tie nor untie. Accepting the judge's challenge, Matthew called for 60 feet of Manilla rope. He then retired to the privacy of his cell and unlaidd the rope halfway. He put in a knot (now called a Matthew Walker knot), and rerove the remainder of the rope the way it had been to begin with. The knot was so intricate and interwoven that the judge was so impressed and greatly perplexed. True to his word, the judge immediately granted Matthew Walker a full pardon. And that is the legend of the Matthew Walker knot.



Above is a 4, 5 and 6 strand Matthew Walker knot.

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.

Monthly Meeting Division 11

The next Division Meeting will be on Oct 17th, 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 Oct 3rd, 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 Oct 24th, 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 Oct 24th, 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 Oct 23rd, 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 Oct 24th, at the Flotilla Commander and Flotilla Vice Commanders Home, meeting starts at 18:00, (6:00pm), call for directions.

Paratus Prep

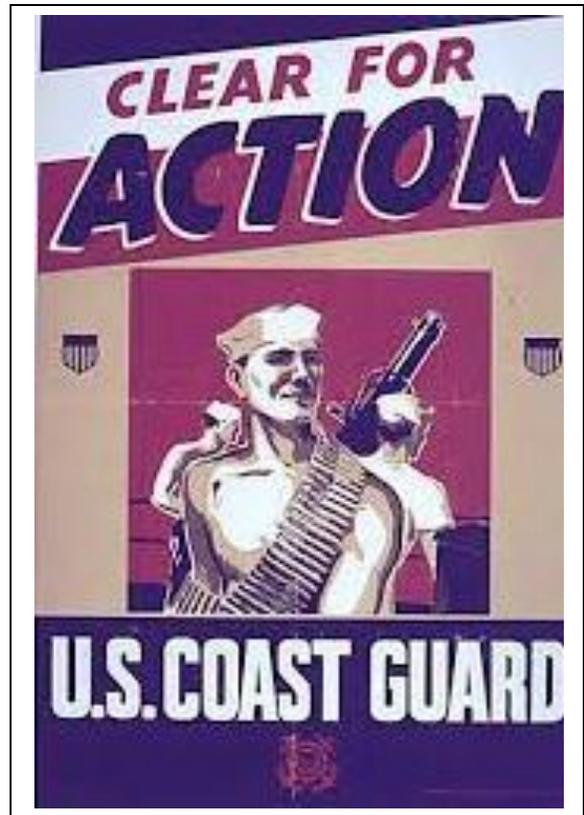
For a chance at recognition by the Flotilla, please send your responses to Kerry Morgan VFC, FSO-PB. Members who get all five questions correct will have their names read out during the monthly Flotilla meeting. The VFC can be reached at: kerrym1968@yahoo.com

1. The part of an anchor which takes hold on the bottom is the?
 - a. Arm
 - b. Base
 - c. Fluke
 - d. Stock
2. The rope which is the lightest is?
 - a. Manila
 - b. Nylon
 - c. Polypropylene
 - d. Dacron
3. The size of wire rope is determined by the?
 - a. Number of strands
 - b. Number of wires in each strand
 - c. Circumference
 - d. Diameter
4. The strongest of the natural fibers is?
 - a. Cotton
 - b. Hemp
 - c. Manila
 - d. Sisal
5. The term "lee side" refers to the?
 - a. Side of the vessel exposed to the wind
 - b. Side of the vessel sheltered from the wind
 - c. Port side
 - d. Starboard side

Paratus Prep

Below are the answers for the previous month

1. The total weight of cargo, fuel, water, stores, passengers and crew, and their effects, that a ship can carry, is the?
 - a. deadweight
2. The upward slope of a ships bottom from the keel to the bilge is known as?
 - a. Deadrise
3. The usual method of arranging a line on deck so that it will run out easily without kinking or fouling is?
 - a. faking down the line
4. The vertical motion of a floating vessel in which the entire hull is lifted by the force of the sea is known as?
 - a. Heave
5. To "belay" a line means to?
 - a. secure it to a cleat



Knot of the Month

Sheet Bend



The **sheet bend** is a knot that joins two ropes together. Doubled, it is effective in binding lines of different diameter or rigidity securely together, although it has a tendency to work loose when not under load. The sheet bend is related in structure to the bowline.

Auxiliary History September

Public Law 451 passed by the Congress in September, 1945, added owners of aircraft and radio stations to the list of those eligible for membership in the Auxiliary.

Signalman 1st Class Douglas Albert Munro, the only CG awarded the Medal of Honor. September 27, 1942, CG Signalman Douglas Munro died at Guadalcanal. CG Signalman Munro was killed while rescuing 500 Marines from a beach while under heavy fire. When asked previously why he wanted to join the Coast Guard Munro said "Because the Coast guard is focused on saving lives, not taking them" and at Guadalcanal that is exactly what he did.

Dates to Remember

November 27th, 2018 - Flotilla 11-11 Yearly Photograph at the start of the monthly Flotilla meeting. All Auxiliary Members are asked to attend and wear either Tropical Blue Uniform or professional civilian attire.

December 9th, 2018 - Flotilla 11-11 Christmas Party. Mill Creek Cattle Co. (Banquet/Meeting Room) 1874 Mentone Blvd., Mentone, CA 92359. \$19.99/person. The Flotilla will pay \$10 towards each Flotilla's member's meal.

Toys 4 Us

It's that time again

Christmas will be here before we know it. Flotilla 11-11 will be accepting donations of toys for our Coast Guard families during the October Flotilla meeting (10/23/18)

Please bring any gifts unwrapped and the Flotilla Commander will deliver them to the appropriate Coast Guard unit before the next meeting.

Please consider not only the younger children but also older ones such as teenagers. Gifts may be large or small and may also consist of gift card but please do not submit cash, checks or money orders.

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 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

Command Vote for Flotilla 114-11-11

The September meeting involved the selection of the new command for the Flotilla.

The position of Flotilla Commander remains unchanged with Denver Drieberg staying in the position for a second year.



Flotilla Commander

The new Vice Commander will be Christopher Rosario. They will be taking over the position in January when the current Vice Commander steps down from his position.



Vice Commander

Uniform of the Day

Congratulations you have made it into the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Now you want to look and sound like the rest of your shipmates and one of the easiest ways is to wear the uniform. But where do you get your uniform and which one do you get first.

The answer to these questions depends on a number of other questions:

1. What time of the year is it?
2. What job do you want to do in the Auxiliary?
3. How much money do you have to spend on the uniform?

If its winter then the Flotilla may not be doing boat crew training so Operational Dress Uniform (ODU) would not be needed. During the winter months the majority of times a member will be in uniform will be for Flotilla meetings and usually the uniform for those meeting will be Tropical Blue Uniform (Trops)

If an Auxiliarist is only interested in boat operations then ODU's may be the first uniform bought.

When it comes to the price it is always best to shop around and ask others in your Flotilla if they have any uniform for sale and for those visiting "D Train" there is usually a uniform store open during that weekend.

Once you have an I.D. card an Auxiliarist may buy uniforms from a Coast Guard Exchange and most other Base Exchanges, however be careful what you buy as sizes differ and make sure the wording on the uniform includes "Auxiliary" and not just "Coast Guard."

One of the most commonly used ways of getting a uniform is to order it through the Uniform Distribution Center (UDC) but once again ensure you know the right size. The UDC is open from 0800 to 1500 (EST), Monday-Friday, excluding Federal holidays.

Uniform Price List - <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/psc/MU/docs/USCG%20UDC%20Price%20List.pdf?ver=2017-09-29-122042-867>

Uniform Catalogue - <https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Portals/10/CG-1/psc/MU/docs/USCG%20UDC%20Product%20Catalogue.pdf?ver=2017-11-22-113337-410>

Phone Number - 800-874-6841 Primary / Toll-Free. 1-609-861-1221 Secondary / Local

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 send an email to: kerrym1968@yahoo.com

Congratulations

Flotilla 11-11 would like to congratulate the following people:

Kimberly Morgan for completing her Vessel Examiner Test.

Lewis Plaut for completing his Vessel Examiner Test.

Christopher Rosario for completing Aux 20 Intro to Auxiliary Public Affairs.

Cynthia McClain for completing AUXFS Annual Sanitation Workshop Test.

Cynthia McClain for achieving the Coast Guard Sustained Auxiliary Service Award (1053 Hrs).

Larry Bitonti for achieving the Coast Guard Sustained Auxiliary Service Award (4507 Hrs).

Robert Gutman for completing his Fingerprint Exam.

Robert Gutman for achieving the Auxiliary Annual Service Performance Award for completing 60 vessel exams.

Michael Bishai for meeting the requirements of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and becoming the newest member of Flotilla 114-11-11.

My C School Experience

My first step in attending a “C School” was to look at the Calendar on the Coast Guard School list Then I shared your interest with my Flotilla Commander. After discussing with my Commander he made a recommendation to sector to approve my request and this was forwarded to the class instructor. Once accepted by the instructor I received notice from the sector Yeoman. This was a very exciting moment. There were other details, such as, travel orders and instructions to make flight and hotel reservations as directed.

In my case my desire was to go to Leadership AUXLAM part A and B in Novi, MI. I traveled on the holiday September 3rd and returned Sunday the 9th. There were hundreds of pages of pre-class-reading assignments and even a personality assessment. My highlighter became my best study friend. We were told in advance to watch the WWII movie 12 o'clock High as it has been used as a leadership training model for years. There were two major parts of the class Strat-leadership and Intervention which helps current and future leaders enhance their skills. Lastly, it is amazing who you will meet at these schools, networking at the extreme. I learned so much.



Submitted by Aux. Philip Becerra

FLOTILLA 114-11-11 / Inland Empire

You are invited to join Flotilla 114-11-11, as it's time to celebrate another year of service to our community, nation and in support of the US Coast Guard.

Event: Flotilla 114-11-11's **Christmas Party & Flotilla Change-of-Watch Dinner**

Date/Time: Sunday, Dec.09.2017 / 1700 hours (5.00pm)

Place: Mill Creek Cattle Co. (Banquet/Meeting Room)
1874 Mentone Blvd., Mentone, CA 92359
University Exit, Interstate 10-Redlands (map below)

Menu: Dinner Package 3 - \$19.99

Buffet – Tri-tip of Beef / Mill Creek Savory Chicken (Marinated, roasted and finished on the char grill, always tender and juicy) / Vegetarian Lasagna.

Cost: \$19.99/person.

The Flotilla will pay \$10 towards each Flotilla's member's meal. You are welcome to bring your spouse, partner, and kids.



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Approved with the following suggestions:

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Additional Notes:

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