

## **DIVISION 3 COMMANDER'S REPORT for October 2009**

**Date:** 19 October 2009  
**Division:** 3 Roaring Thirties  
**DCDR:** Dean La Chapelle

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

1. OPTREX
2. SURFACE PATROLS
3. AUX ACTIVITY
4. MEMBER TRAINING
5. AGENCY INTERACTION

### **DETAILS**

1. The OPTREX at Whiskey Lake has been completed and the Brannan Island OPTREX is under way. As of this writing, 14 members from 6 different Flotillas and 3 different Divisions were processed by Qualification Examiners. Saturday Afternoon was devoted to a AIR/Surface SAR training mission utilizing an AUXAIR Helo and 4 AUX Surface Vessel Facilities. More to follow after the mission is critiqued.
2. Surface Patrols have been limited to the Sacramento River and Delta and the Sacramento River, Whiskeytown and Trinity Lakes in the north
3. Reported Activity: over 540 VE's and 78 PVs were conducted by FL-39 alone.
4. Marla MOURA SO-MS, conducted AWW training for two Division 3 flotillas, as well as a class for a current BS&S Class, which was very well received. Ed Kief, FC-33 and VDCDR-3 Elect has started a New Members Class, that should fill that period of confusion most new members experience.
5. Commo Watch Standing and on water training assistance for Stn. Rio Vista, as well as Group Humboldt continues as does the annual kayak and sailing regattas at Whiskeytown Lake in coordination with the USPS. Watch Standers at Air Station Sacramento man AOOD and OPERATION watches several shifts each week. Flotilla 39 continues it's relationship with Local Law Enforcement Agencies on several northern rivers and lakes. Training continues with at least one Indian Tribe Police Department. DCDR-3 Elect Bob Gwaltney travels to Group Humboldt to crew as ships Cook aboard an 87' Cutter.

### **DIVISION GOALS**

1. **TRAIN – QUALIFY – REFINE – PARTICIPATE**  
*Passwords for achieving our goals.*
  - **TRAIN** our Officers and Mentors, so they can train our membership
  - **QUALIFY** our members in the areas they seek to participate, so they can participate skillfully and proudly in the Four Corner Stones.

- **REFINE** our skills and attitudes to become proficient and professional in our missions
- **PARTICIPATE** in more and different activities to expand and round out our knowledge and skills