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cc: Rod Collins, COS
District Board

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Subject: Division Commander's Report

Highlights:

1. Division COW
2. Flotilla COWs
3. First Division meeting summary
4. Participation in Xmas dinner at Rio Vista
5. IMD call out
6. Division AUXDATA emphases
7. Public Ed and Member training
8. Marine Visitation
9. Vessel Examinations

Details:

1. Division 5 had a successful COW on 10 December 2011. Many awards were presented and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all in attendance. Honorable attendees included: Capt. McGuire, Head of Prevention, CDR. Toma, Sector San Francisco prevention Chief, Capt. Cullen.(Ret. USCG) , DCAPT Richard Thomas and DCAPT Curtis Han. The 2012 Division COW is already scheduled and placed on the District calendar.

2. All Division 5 Flotillas have completed their respective COW, except Flotilla 5-5 which is scheduled for the afternoon of 21 Jan 2012. A big congratulations go to all those flotilla Commanders who stepped up to take a leadership role in 2012.

New Flotilla Commanders include:

5-3 Randy McCormick

5-5 Jeff Tuttle

5-7 Cindy Perazzo

And returning Flotilla Commanders

5-1 Steve Johnson

5-2 Craig Hartman

Division 5 leadership congratulates them all for stepping up to this vital leadership role.

3. The first Division meeting of 2012 was held on 5 January 2012. I was extremely pleased with the Staff officer and guest attendance. Upcoming meeting plans and topics were discussed, including in the near future: Everbridge, Dock walker program presentation, Division Optrex and QE secessions. Importance of the February PCA training, and the upcoming D-Train, a Committee chair was established for the National Safe Boating Week, May 19-25, member training ideas were discussed and the SO-MT has been steadily working on these ideas since that date.

The Division finance and inventory report is almost completed and will be submitted on time. All flotilla commanders were encouraged to get their finance and inventory reports completed in a timely manner.

All flotillas were informed that revised Standing Rules are forth coming under a standardization policy within the Auxilliary, details will follow as they transpire.

4. Division 5 and Division 3 did a joint participation in the annual Christmas Eve Brunch and Dinner preparation at USCG Station Rio Vista , Thanks to all including a couple of AUXCHEFs that helped us out.

5. In mid December, the Auxiliary's assistance was requested by Sector San Francisco to support the IMD in a recovery operation at the Port of Richmond. Many MS Division 5 members are active participants in this call out. The Call out continues at this time as the cleanup is not yet complete.

6. AUXDATA entries were emphasized at the Division meeting. It was stressed that everyone needs to stress the importance of getting all 7029 & 7030 and all other mission data to the respective IS officer for entry into AUXDATA. It was also to all that REYR status not only hurts the individual but also reflects the overall status of the at the Flotilla and Division levels and that all those in REYR status to get themselves current or at least notify DIRAUX that they are no longer interested or capable of those disciplines.

7. Division 5 Public Education, Member training, including AUXOP training is well under way from the first division meeting on with many classes already scheduled or in the planning stages. A Big Bravo Zulu to those persons jumping immediately into these critical disciplines in a timely manner.

7. Each Flotilla is scheduling Marine Patrols for the upcoming year.

8. The Marine Visitation Program is well established within the Division and is anticipate to remain in an upward trend.

9. Vessel Safety Check stations and schedules are in competent hands are currently being established and scheduled.

10. Division 5 is an active partner in the upcoming D-Train organization and coordination with Division 6 to establish the biggest and best D-Train ever.

Respectfully Submitted,

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