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**Monthly
Flotilla Meeting
August 8, 2005**

Time: 1900
**Place: Rusty Scupper Club
So. Portland, Maine**
**Uniform: TBL or appropriate
civilian attire**

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From our Commander.....

August already! it's hard to believe. For those of us who are boaters, it's scary. Our season is shrinking and it's a month to Labor Day. My comment is, fear not, September was awesome last year, and maybe we'll get another one. My other comment is that the recreational boating business in Portland appears to be firing on all cylinders. Higher gas prices have not kept people away from the docks and it doesn't appear it has hurt sales. The marinas and the dealers are busy and when you combine that with good weekend weather, you get a lot of people on the water. Even though it's August and the season is on the short end that doesn't mean that people are going to start putting boats away.

Our work on and around the water doesn't stop or decrease just because the season is getting short, if anything, the need for our services increases as the rush for the water increases during the last month of the summer. If you are in surface operations stay vigilant. If you are a Marine Dealer Visitor your season doesn't stop on Labor Day. If you are a VE, not everyone gets a decal the first day they are in the water. Thanks to all of you for all you do and my final message, please keep doing it! Be safe and enjoy the summer.
Thank you, Keith Fosler FC-21



Can you say lobstah?

**Annual Lobster
Bake
Saturday, 10 Sept**

Mark your calendars!
Meet at Brad & Susan Thompson's home on Higgins Beach. contact Susan Thompson to learn what you can share for a side dish.



Staff Officer Reports

Aids to Nav [V. Thompson] — Mail and phone campaign for update and status of PATON assignments. The only ones to respond to date are Ken Cyll and Al Bingham.

Marine Safety [K. Cady] — HAR-PAT's continued 4 times a week via vehicle supplementing active-duty Petty Officers. CBL patrols were very active, particularly with the MARSEC 2 increase for ferries and other mass transportation. PO Chris Porter plans to continue Trident training after Labor Day. It appears Pollution Response Specialist would be the next block of instruction. I have been assigned by CAPT Garrity to the Planning & Operations section conducting Planning / Intelligence under LTCDR Matt McCann.

Membership Training [D. Drake]

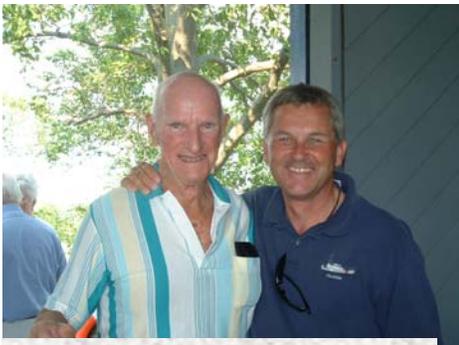
—Instructor Course Materials will be ordered this week for the upcoming class. We currently have 7 members from 21 signed up and 2 members from 25. I am also in the process of starting to setup Instructors for the AUXSEA class to begin in September. An email announcement will be coming soon. The original date scheduled for the Instructors class was August 9th, but this is very likely going to change. I will be advising the Flotilla and Staff when I know more. Annual recertification CPR course is still scheduled for 15 October.

Pubic Affairs [J. Mottalini]—I spoke to the reporter, David Hench, as a private citizen who provides feedback to staff and editors on periodic basis regarding his recent front page lead CBL Ferries in 21 July Portland Press. (Briefly described to him the various duties performed by Flotilla 21 and those "sun-bathing" featured ferry riders from Flotilla 24!)

I then volunteered that he should check out our Flotilla 21 web site for details of what we really do and that as the Public Affairs Officer of this unit, I could arrange a tour, meeting, interviews, photo ops, etc. He was very impressed and said he would like to get in touch.

Personnel Services [K. Caprio] — 10 new members have had their paperwork OK'd & they are now entered into the USCGAUX database; 5 new member forms were returned for minor paperwork. In other words..."... we're progressing in a forward direction!!..."

Program Visitor [J. Horne]—Have been delivering class posters and other promo material like the proverbial paper boy on his bicycle around the lakes region marinas and even on the jet ski/boat rental desk at Naples causeway.



Another picture-perfect day for F21 members to get together at the Light at Portland Head for our annual picnic. July 2005





U.S.S. Iwo Jima in Portland July 4th Weekend



Nearly the size of three football fields and can hold more than 3,000 sailors and marines.



A huge ***thank you*** to all members of the USCG Auxiliary and USCG for the many hours volunteered to be on seas and in Casco Bay to escort the **U.S.S. Iwo Jima** through the fog into port, maintain a safe harbor for all to enjoy over the Fourth of July weekend, and to escort her safely out to sea.





August 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 1900 Flotilla Mtg, Rusty Scupper, S.Portland	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	24	25 Division Board & Staff Meeting	26	27
28	29 1900 Flotilla Staff Meeting, Classroom Sta. So. Portland	30 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	31			

AUXOP — AUX SEA Course begins 19 Sept 2005

The next AUXOP course to be offered is AUXSEA. AUXSEA, the Auxiliary Seamanship Specialty course, is designed to present the Auxiliarist with a thorough knowledge of vessels and proficiency in their operation. An AUXSEA Specialist has extensive knowledge of vessels and their propulsion systems as well as detailed information on how vessels are constructed, founded and operated.

For more information contact FSO-MT, David L. Drake II



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September 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Labor Day	6 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	7	8	9	10 1300 <i>Lobster Bake, Brad & Susan Thompson Home, Higgins Bch</i>
11	12 Flotilla Monthly Mtg, Rusty Scupper, So. Portland Base	13 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC 1900 Instructor Course, Classroom Sta. S. Portland	14 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	15	16 1900 District Board & Staff Mtg (Elections) Assabet Valley HS	17
18	19 AUXSEA	20 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	21 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	22	23	24 Autumn Begins
25	26 1900 Flotilla Staff Meeting Classroom Sta. So. Portland	27 1900 ACN AUXNAV Hildreth Hall, SMCC	28 1830 BS&S Hildreth Hall SMCC	29 Division Board & Staff Meeting	30	



Where is this flag located?

Please send your answer to FSO-PB Lani York, york2@adelphia.net. Names of those who submit the correct answer will appear in next month's newsletter.

Hint: the location is in a river that flows into Casco Bay.

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Quinn, Davidson, Coxswain
Thompson on patrol.



Sea Scouts receive awards

It wasn't too long ago that **Steve Birmingham** introduced members of the **Sea Scouts** Ship No. 12 at a recent monthly Flotilla meeting.

In the June 9th edition of the *Portland Press Herald*, an article was published about three scouts receiving advancement awards. The ceremony took place at a Bridge of Honor ceremony, held May 12 at the U.S. Coast Guard Station in So. Portland.

Steven Birmingham, "skipper" of the group, explained the three scouts, all students at Scarborough H.S., had to devote at least 16 hours to community work, know how to tie various knots, learn how to be safe on a boat, and pass a swimming test. James Goodrich, former undersecretary of the Navy and former CEO and president of Bath Iron Works, presented the three members with Apprentice Awards and youth leader position badges.



The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is composed of uniformed, non-military volunteer civilians who assist the Coast Guard in all of its varied missions, except for military and direct law enforcement. These men and women can be found on the nation's waterways, in the air, in classrooms and on the dock, performing Maritime Domain Awareness patrols, safety patrols, vessel safety checks and public education.