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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

1 December 2003

VC —From The Flotilla Commander:

At our next formal Flotilla Meeting Keith Fosler will take over as your new Flotilla Commander and I will become your new Vice Flotilla Commander and Immediate Past Flotilla Commander.


It has been a pleasure serving the Flotilla as Commander during the past two years. When David Booth and I assumed our current positions we wanted to move the Flotilla in new directions, increase membership and help being a member of 21 fun and rewarding for all.

I am proud of our accomplishments and, more importantly, I am proud of our members. Without your hard work and dedication to count on we would not have been able to always answer in the affirmative when asked to take on a new challenge or responsibility. You can be proud of yourselves and the accomplishments of your Flotilla!

I have complete confidence that Keith Fosler is going to be an outstanding Flotilla Commander and I am looking forward to working with him as his VFC.

I'd like to thank Dave "ACE" Booth for his service and friendship and both Keith and I will be looking for his help in the new year. Thanks Dave!

Please accept my wishes for a wonderful holiday season and we'll see you at the Flotilla Holiday Party and at the Change of Watch!

Semper Paratus! 
Jim

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Special points of interest:

- New Auxiliary Website effective 6 Dec 2003: <http://www.uscgauxsoportlandme.com>
- The Casco Bay Flotilla **Change of Watch Dinner** is scheduled for Monday, 12 January 2004. Further details will be coming—Please plan to attend!
- Registration begins 1 December 2003 for Boating Safety Courses [ACN & BS&S]
- Make sure your info is correct in the directory. The 2004 Directory is soon to be published.



Holiday Party 6 December 2003



Please come to our Flotilla Holiday Party!

It will be a great time to fellowship, meet our new members, eat lots of food, and kick off the holiday season. Bring your spouse or date, and a pot luck dish to share. Don't forget your serving dish and serving utensils. The flotilla will provide paper goods, coffee, and soda. BYOB if you care to do so. See you at the party!

DATE: Saturday, December 6

TIME: 5:30 pm

PLACE: Home of Steve and Brenda Babirak, 5 Stonebrooke Road in Scarborough

CONTACT: Brenda Babirak TEL: 885-1516 —EMAIL: bbabirak@hotmail.com

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FSO-SR—Minutes of 10 November 2003 Flotilla Monthly Meeting

In Attendance: FC James Maxner, VFC David Booth, Commander Group Portland Patrick Trapp, District Commodore Robert Johnson, Division Captain William Buckley, Guest Speaker Tom Shyka from GOMOOS, Approximately 38 FL 21 Members.

The meeting was called to order at 1900. VFC Booth led the Pledge of Allegiance and V. DeMarco led the Invocation. Guests were introduced and dinner was served.

Elections:

Division Captain William Buckley conducted the elections. Approximately 38 members were present so a quorum existed. Nominating Committee Chairman D. Abbott gave his report. There were 2 nominees: Keith Fosler for Flotilla Commander and James Maxner for Vice Flotilla Commander.

Flotilla Commander: There were no nominations from the floor. The Secretary cast one ballot for Keith Fosler. Keith Fosler was elected Flotilla Commander.

Vice Flotilla Commander: There were no nominations from the floor. The Secretary cast one ballot for James Maxner. James Maxner was elected Flotilla Vice Commander.

Congratulations Gentlemen!

New and Old Business:

- It was noted that on this day in 1775, the US Marine Corps was born. Semper Fi!
- John Gannet from a Florida flotilla, who visited our meeting last month, sent a thank you letter to FL 21.

Special Presentation:

Captain Trapp and Commodore Johnson presented Winslow Pillsbury with the AUXOP (Operational Auxiliarist Status) device. All AUXOP qualified members present stood with Win to congratulate him.

Guest Speaker:

Tom Shyka from GOMOOS gave an excellent presentation on the Gulf Of Maine Observing System. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Awards:

- The following members were awarded the Service Ribbon, Meritorious Commendation, Team Coast Guard: L. Lemieux, T. Larkin, D. Larkin, K. Morton, B. Gelles, M. Kasny, W. Pillsbury, and P. Leslie.
- Win Pillsbury—AUXOP Administration
- Keith Fosler—Administrative Procedures
- Al Bingham—NAVRULES
- Robyn Fink—Crewmember
- Brian Spivey—Crewmember

Door prizes were awarded and the meeting adjourned at 2110.

Respectfully Submitted,
Brenda Babirak, FSO-SR

FL 21

FSO-MT—Membership Training

These are the dates for December:
12/13- **TCT Training.** Starts at 0800 at the Station Classroom. If you are going into the Crew program or if you haven't had TCT in five years and are planning to stay active in operations next year, you need this program.

12/15- Final Exam for **AUXWEA.** Starts at 1900 at the Station Classroom.

12/15-Final Exam for **AUXNAV Part A.** Starts at 1900 at the Station Classroom and the Station Mess.

The date for the AUXNAV Final Part B

will be announced by Tom Larkin at the conclusion of Part A Exam.

If you have any questions or wish to sign up for TCT, please contact me.

Thanks, Keith Fosler FSO-MT

Boat Crew Seamanship Class

This is a reminder to all who intend to attend the Boat Crew Seamanship Class

which begins in January. Please let Phil Quinn or Robyn Fink know that

you'll be attending and what you need for manuals.



Flotilla Trip to Battleship Massachusetts in Falls River, MA



A group shot of the Flotilla members that joined in on the trip to Battleship Cove on the 4th of October. A big thanks to Brad Thompson and Vin DeMarco for driving the group down for the day's event! Pictured from left to right are: Jim Williams, George Chambers, Bob Gelles, Lani York, Jim Maxner, Vin DeMarco, Brad Thompson, Manning Chase and Don Curtis. Along with touring the battleship, they toured the destroyer Joseph Kennedy and the submarine Lionfish, along with other vessels and exhibits on shore. Not pictured are friends and spouses who also attended.

Year-End Reminders

STAFF OFFICERS

Cut Off date for entering IS-Reports into Auxdata

December 15th will be the cut off date for entering IS-Reports into Auxdata. All IS-reports after the 15th of December will be entered into Auxdata after January 1, 2004.

Judy Davidson, FSO-IS

Please plan on attending the December 8th staff meeting as this is our 6-month planning session. Therefore it is very important that all officers attend if possible. Please send your input with someone who will be attending if you cannot attend.

Vin DeMarco will be preparing a dinner snack for us which will be ready by 6:30 PM, at the Rusty Scupper. The meeting will follow at 7 PM.

Directions to the Holiday Party

1. From the North: Exit 2 off 295. Head south on Route 1 and cross the marsh in Scarborough. At the second light after the marsh (Dunstan Corner), take a right onto Broadturn Road. Go for 1.7 miles and take a right onto Stonebrooke Road. #5 is the second house on the right, white colonial.

2. From the South: Exit 5 off the Maine Turnpike. Head north on Route 1. At Dunstan Corner, take a left onto Broadturn Road. Go for 1.7 miles and take a right onto Stonebrooke Road. #5 is the second house on the right, white colonial.

3. From the West: Turn onto Broadturn Road off of Route 22 at South Buxton Corner. Follow Broadturn Road through the Holmes Road intersection (red blinking light). Go 1 mile past the intersection and turn left onto Stonebrooke Road. #5 is the second house on the right, white colonial.





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Calendar—What's Happening in and December and January

6 Dec — Holiday Party at the Babirak Residence, 1730

7 Dec — Pearl Harbor Day

8 Dec — Staff Planning Session, Rusty Scupper, 1830

13 Dec — TCT Training, Station S. Portland Classroom, 0800

20 Dec — Hanukah

22 Dec — Winter begins

25 Dec — Christmas

26 Dec — Kwanzaa begins

2 Jan — New Year Day

6 Jan — ACN Classes begin

7 Jan — BS&S Classes begin

12 Jan — Casco Bay Flotilla Change of Watch Dinner, 1800—Details to follow


AUXWEA— 1900, Station S. Portland Classroom: 1 Dec

AUXNAV—1900, SMMC, Tech Center Room 203: 2, 9 & 16 Dec

BS&S—1900, SMMC, Hildreth Hall Room 101: 3, 10 & 17 Dec

Boat Crew Seamanship Schedule—1900, Rusty Scupper: 6, 13, 20 & 27 January

Become a Vessel Examiner In-A-Day!

Such a workshop is being offered at the January District Meeting in Newton, MA. For more information, contact FSO-VE Vincent DeMarco. 

*HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND BEST WISHES FOR A
HAPPY NEW YEAR!*