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From the Flotilla Commander

It's that time of the year again for the Flotilla to exercise their ability to vote and to examine, discuss and vote upon the Budget for 2004. At our next Flotilla meeting on the 8th of March we will be voting on the Budget as well as several items brought up by the Capital Expenditure Committee. Included in this month's newsletter you will find a copy of the proposed budget as well as the items suggested for capital expenditures. Please take some time to review these and please attend the next meeting. We had a great showing at the February Flotilla Meeting, let's keep that

momentum going. Also, please put the upcoming boat shows in Portland and Gorham on your Calendar for March. The dates are listed in this newsletter. We will need a great deal of help and look to as many of you as possible to stand a watch and to help with set-up and breakdown. Please contact John Mottalini FSO-PA to schedule your time. If you are looking for a way to promote the Auxiliary and our missions, the booths we have at the various boat shows are a great way to touch the public. Thank you,

Keith Fosler FC-21



Capital Expenditure Requests:

- 1) A VCR/DVD combination player- approx \$150.00
- 2) LCD Projector (identical to our current one)- approx. \$900.00
- 3) Monies set aside for publication of manuals and training materials- approx. \$1000.00
- 4) Upgrading software on existing laptops or potentially acquiring 2 new Laptop computers- approx. range of pricing \$800.00 to \$2000.00
- 5) Equipping each OPFAC with a Damage Control Kit- approx cost per unit is \$60.00
- 6) File Cabinet to storing training materials and manuals- approx. \$50.00

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03/08/2004 Casco Bay Flotilla Meeting

Date—Monday, 3/08/2004

Time—1900

**Place—Rusty Scupper, at
USCG Station So.
Portland**

Uniform of the Day—Winter Dress Blue, Tropical Blue (Long).

REPORTS FROM:

The FC and VFC, along with comments from the Staff, and the Member Minute training period.

VOTE UPON:

The proposed **Flotilla Budget for 2004**; and, to discuss and vote upon the recommendations of the **Capital Expenditure Committee**.



Attention:

FLOTILLA DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!!

Copies will be distributed to members attending this Monthly Meeting.

Special points of interest:

• **WATCHSTANDERS COME FORTH!**
There are three boat shows in March, two on the same weekend. **WE NEED YOU** to promote boating safety!!! See page 5 for dates and contact FSO-PA John Mottalini [874-7641] for signing up for a slot!



From the Vice Flotilla Commander:

DO I NEED A SHIP RADIO STATION LICENSE?

On October 26, 1996, the FCC released a *Report and Order* in WT Docket No. 96-82, FCC 96-421 eliminating the individual licensing requirement for voluntary ships operating domestically which are not required by law to carry a radio. The paragraphs below describe how the rules affect the maritime public.

WHO NEEDS A SHIP STATION LICENSE?

You do not need a license to operate a marine VHF radio, radar, or EPIRBs aboard voluntary ships operating domestically. The terms "voluntary" and "domestic" are defined below. Although a license is no longer required for these ships, you may still obtain a license (and call sign) by following the procedures outlined in Section IV.

WHICH SHIPS ARE VOLUNTARY?

The term "voluntary ships" refers to ships that are not required by law to carry a radio. Generally, this term ap-

plies to recreation or pleasure craft.

Each Year Coast Guard Auxiliarists (folks just like you!):

Save about 400 lives!!

Enthusiastically perform about 100,000 vessel safety checks

Assist over 11,000 boaters in distress (potential casualties!)

Patrol (up to 25,000) for safety, navigation, chart updating, port security, and disasters including operation Noble Eagle - post 9/11 Fly over 2,000 air patrols

Operate over 2,300 radio stations

Educate over 500,000 students in boating safety classes

Train (45,000 hours nationally) to develop better skills to serve

Recruit new members to continue this nation's valuable volunteer service

Volunteer our experience, knowledge, desire and time to keep the recreational boating community safe and knowledgeable.



CANADIAN COAST GUARD AUXILIARY: [History] The tradition of vessels responding to distress situations is part of the fabric and, in many cases, the law for most maritimes nations. In Canada, the participation of volunteers in marine rescue pre-dates Confederation. A loose network of unpaid rescue agents reported incidents and organized searches for overdue vessels.

By the nineteen seventies, it became clear that a formal volunteer network was needed to provide a more effective response to marine incidents and implement a wider safety net for mariners. The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary was formed in 1978-79 in an effort to enhance search and rescue coverage and capability, and to better coordinate volunteer efforts. The organization has been saving lives ever since.

James M. Maxner, VFC



Highlights of 9 February 2004 Flotilla Meeting

In attendance: FC Keith Fosler; VFC James Maxner along with approx. 56 members in attendance including Wayne Hutchins, Jack Spiegel, and a special welcome to Jim Williams and George Chambers.

Welcome Comments and Updates

– FC Fosler asked several people to stand for recognition who have been involved with security issues with MSO. This group has contributed 37% of all time. They have saved 1600 man-hours for the USCG recently with this volunteerism.

Additional recognition goes to:

Bob Gelles is working his way through MS and has completed two of the requirements; Phil Quinn has organized a

NavRules course; Robyn Fink is doing a great job assisting with Boat Crew; David Drake is actively setting up courses and has taken over his role in a short period of time; and, Glen Roberts did an excellent job teaching the AUXCOM course.

Station S. Portland received the Sumner I. Kimball Readiness National Award. Only 29% of the stations qualified. *Congratulations* to Station S. Portland for this prestigious award.

F21 received an ops award at the District meeting.

Staff officers present gave brief oral reports on their duties.

Member Refresher Session- VFC Maxner presented info on the awards system, breast/cap devices, & the Collar

Devices within the Auxiliary. Jim also presented info on the protocol for saluting.

New member Keith Allen was sworn in.

Security Check Form (SF 86) information was presented by FC Fosler.

Important information- Do not sign, date or send the form until you are told to do so.

Kevin Cady is a new Aux. member & is a member of Portland Police Dept. He will assist us with fingerprinting.

An adjudicated officer does all this. David Bilodeau – is the point person for the paperwork. Adj at 2110.

Submitted by Janis Childs





UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
CASCO BAY FLOTILLA INR 21

INCOME:	Proposed 2004 Budget	2003 Actual	2003 Budget	2002 Actual	2001 Actual
Dues	\$3,300	\$3,908.25	\$3,350.00	\$3,237.75	\$2,765.00
PE Classes (Including text books, charts, etc.)	8,500	8,548.90	8,500.00	9,060.30	10,758.50
PE Classes (carryover from prior year)		2,820.00	2,000.00		2,044.66
Dinner Meetings & Refreshments	3,000	3,029.00	650.00	2,038.50	403.00
Lobster Bake Income	600	623.00	100.00	564.00	115.00
Uniforms, Insignia, Coffee Mugs, etc. sold to mbrs				12.00	32.00
Miscellaneous		431.00			
TOTAL	\$15,400	\$19,360.15	\$14,600.00	\$14,912.55	\$16,118.16
Note: \$2820 collected in 2003 for PE is not in 2002 income					
EXPENDITURES:					
Dues (National, District & Division)	2,500	\$2,892.75	\$2,500.00	\$2,445.00	\$2,035.50
Dinner Meetings & Refreshments	3,000	3,304.02	2,500.00	2,301.80	1,953.29
Equipment & Equipment Repair & Service	400	1,363.41	1,575.00	1,274.40	440.68
Gifts and Flowers	300	354.88	300.00	285.83	55.59
New Member Exp. (Insignia & District Lunch, etc)	300	160.15	375.00	187.23	353.15
PE Material (Text Books, etc.)	4,500	4,196.10	3,500.00	4,613.00	7,318.00
Picnics & Lobster Bakes	1,200	1,256.79	1,200.00	905.19	593.54
Portland Partnership (Children's Project)	50	26.25	50.00		
Prizes, Awards & Trophies	300	294.82	300.00	274.45	257.59
Flotilla Directory	25	8.28	25.00	24.60	25.83
PE Expense (class related by Officer)	400	118.06	400.00	375.91	109.85
Office Supplies & Services (expenses by Officers)	1,715	787.86	1,725.00	1,270.09	571.41
Telephone Calls by Officers / Members	25		150.00	75.26	89.64
Miscellaneous		406/00		290.54	
Total	\$14,715	\$15,169.37	\$14,600.00	\$14,323.30	\$13,804.07
Interest income on CD	\$80	\$82.59		\$82.33	
Net income over expenditures	\$765	\$4,273.37	\$0.00	\$671.58	\$2,314.09



EXPENDITURES:	2004 BUDGET				2003 AC\TUAL				2003 BUDGET			
	PE	OFF SUPP	TELE	PE CLASS	OFF SUPP	TELE	PE	OFF SUPP	TELE	PE	OFF SUPP	TELE
Chargeable to Departments												
FC Foster K		150			65						125	25
VFC Maxner J		125									50	25
AN Michaud B		25									25	
CC Heggens A		25									25	
CM Roberts G		25									25	
CS Henry II E		90			35						50	
FN Bilodeau Deb		125			83						125	
IS Davidson J		200									25	75
MA Larkin D		25			4						25	
MV Magoon N		25									25	
MS Farwell T		25									25	
MT Drake D		150									150	
OP Quinn P		200			348						200	
PA Motalini J		100			8						100	
PB York D		150			224						450	
PE Henry II E		100		118	21			400			100	
PS Bilodeau Dave		100									100	
SR Childs J		25									25	
VE DeMarco V		50		25							75	25
Totals	400	1,715	25	118	788	400	1,725	150				



MARCH 2004

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	1900—AUXCOM Classroom Base S Portland	1900—ACN SMCC, Health Science Center, Room HSC-07 <u>Tides & Tidal Currents</u> 1900—Boat Crew Training, Rusty Scupper	1900—BS&S, SMCC Hildreth Hall, Rm 101, <u>Knots for Your Boat</u>	1900—Operation NavRules, Classroom Base S, Portland		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	1900—Flotilla Meeting, Rusty Scupper	1900—ACN SMCC, Health Science Center, Room HSC-07 <u>Radionavigation</u> 1900—Boat Crew Training, Rusty Scupper, Base S Portland	1900—BS&S, SMCC Hildreth Hall Rm 101, <u>Weather & Boating</u>			Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show	1900—Flotilla Meeting, Rusty Scupper	1900—ACN SMCC, Health Science Center, Room HSC-07 <u>Radionavigation</u> 1900—Boat Crew Training, Rusty Scupper, Base S Portland	1900—BS&S, SMCC Hildreth Hall Rm 101, <u>Your Boat's Radio</u>	1900—Operation NavRules, Classroom Base S, Portland Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show	Portland Yacht Services Boat Show Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show	Portland Yacht Services Boat Show Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Portland Yacht Services Boat Show Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show	1900—Flotilla Meeting, Rusty Scupper	1900—ACN SMCC, Health Science Center, Room HSC-07 <u>Fuel/Voyage Planning</u> 1900—Boat Crew Training, Rusty Scupper, Base S Portland	1900—BS&S, SMCC Hildreth Hall Rm 101, <u>Test / Graduation</u>	1930—Division Board & Staff Meeting Cumberland County Civic Center Boat Show	Pine State Boat Show, Univ of Southern Maine	<u>First Aid/CPR Training</u> Pine State Boat Show, Univ of Southern Maine
28	29	30	31	<p align="center">9th Annual Auxiliary Night at the Pops! Saturday, 29 May 2004—to purchase tickets, contact: Jennifer Fletcher (508) 979-8779 / jidf877@aol.com Deadline for payment is 15 April 2004 \$43 perperson This evening will be taped for PBS.</p>		
Pine State Boat Show, Univ of Southern Maine	1900—Flotilla Staff Meeting, Classroom Sta S, Portland	1900—ACN SMCC, Health Science Center, Room HSC-07 1900—Boat Crew Train.	1900—BS&S, SMCC Hildreth Hall Rm 101 One-Day FS&S — Centerboard Yacht Club			

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From the desk of FSO-MT....

The **AUXCOM** course is underway. Next class will be March 1st.

First Aid is scheduled to be held on March 27 at the South Portland Station Classroom.

Start time will be 0800. This is currently scheduled to be an all day course.

The instructors will be Glenn Roberts, Marlene Martin and Janis Childs. Janis Childs will be providing training on choking situations with

"Choking Charlie". Please sign up early as seating will be limited. The uniform of the day will be Tropical Blue Long. If you have any questions please contact David Drake FSO-MT.

Sexual harassment training will be scheduled with the time, place, and date to be announced.



AUXILIARY IS MONTHLY TIPS

Activate your account at www.auxedirectory.org. It's easy and it's a way to check if your email address in AUXDATA is correct. It also ensures your way of staying on top of the news and changes in our ever-changing, fast-paced Auxiliary.

Please stay tune to this box each month for a new tip in completing forms and/or accessing data in AUXINFO.

Thanks to all the members that have taken time in filing their reports, especially the 7029's! This is good for the Flotilla.

It is important for members to learn how to monitor their own activity. I will lead an AUXINFO class again this summer.

FSO-IS Judith Davidson

Congratulations to Dan Abbott! Dan Abbott, a faculty member in the Architectural & Engineering Design Dept of SMCC, received a national award from AutoDesk, a software co. with offices in 160 countries. Dan was named the top-rated speaker in his category for his lab, "Changing Hundreds of Drawings in a Hurry" at the AutoDesk Univ. training conference, which took place in December in Las Vegas. More than 3,500 participants attended the conference of four days. This was the second consecutive award presented to Dan in this category. *Congratulations!*