

“The Fun One”

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Flotilla 33-1

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

16 Apr	Boating Class @ Offutt
18 Apr	Flotilla 1 Meeting
20 Apr	Boating Class @ Midlands Hospital
21 Apr	Boating Class @ Midlands Hospital
7 May	Boating Class @ Bass Pro
16 May	Flotilla 1 Meeting
21 May	Boating class @ Midlands Hospital

21 & 22 May

National Boating Safety Week

Kick-off at Cabela's in LaVista

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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



First, let me express my gratitude to all of you that made it to the 2010 Awards Program on March 19, 2011. We, as a flotilla, made a great showing in numbers and support. I also hope that attending the workshops was beneficial. The fellowship after the Awards Program was very rewarding for all as well. I had a great time being able to spend some time with all of you.

Next, a big thank you and congratulations to us is in order. Winning the Commodore's Flotilla of the Year and the Best Flotilla of the Year for Division was a great accomplishment when we consider all the challenges we faced. As usual the "Fun One" stepped up and got the job done thanks to the great leadership Richard provided. Also, of notable mention, Jean and Richard received the Strike Force Instructor Award and Richard receiving Runner Up, Instructor of the Year. That is a tribute to their commitment to our Boater Education Program. Great job Richard, you can't pass that one to anyone as you earned it!



Photo by Jim Westcott

As we prepare for new opportunities and continue training for this year, we cannot live in the past and must keep moving forward. I think each of you now has a fundamental understanding of the tasks, and the rewards we get for giving that little extra effort in all of our program areas. I truly believe that if we look at our goals and work together as a team, we can get to the next level.

Again, I can't thank the new members enough for stepping up and working your new staff positions. I hope that we can meet all of your individual goals of why you joined the Auxiliary. I believe that if we meet those goals, the goals of the Flotilla will easily be met as well.

Barclay Stebbins, FC

Flotilla 33-01
2011 Performance Goals

Marine Dealer Visits: 100

Member Training: All members complete required annual training timely.

New Members: 2

Patrol Hours: 300

Public Affairs Hours: 60

Public Education:
 B.S. & S. Course:
 State Classes: 10

Vessel Examinations: 60

Copies of the approved minutes of meetings sent monthly to DCDR and DIRAUX

Meet every month with a quorum present.

Flotilla Social Events: Two, one in the summer and the Christmas Party.

2011 Watch Words/Mission Statement/Goals:

Educate	–	Educate our members
Evolve	–	Evolve processes
Excel	–	Excel in our missions

Through member education and process evolution, we will excel in the missions outlined by the four cornerstones of the Auxiliary: VSCs, Public Education, USCG Operations and fellowship.

Goals – Need to be:

- 1) Achievable
- 2) Measurable
- 3) Further our missions.

Frank Reiss
DCDR 33 8WR



Updates



<http://users.mo-net.com/district8wr/members/index.htm>

Vessel Facility Inspection and Offer For Use Form revised

Form ANSC 7003 for Vessel Facility Inspection and Offer For Use has been revised effective January 2011 and posted to the [National forms](#) webpage. The old form has been superseded. Please use the new form when doing new or annual renewal for your OPFAC (Operations Facility).

Auxiliary Medical Instructions

The Commandant has authorized the utilization of Auxiliarists in the performance of health care activities for which they are already trained, found qualified, and licensed, registered or certified. The new Medical [COMDINST 6010.2C](#) provides instructions for Auxiliarists who also happen to be medical professionals that may want to volunteer their services in support of a local Coast Guard clinic.

All interested members should carefully read paragraphs 6 through 10, then if you wish to apply follow the steps in paragraph 6 as appropriate. The DIRAUX office would like to be copied on any members applying for this program.



DSAR 2011 - The website for DSAR 2011 is located at <https://sites.google.com/site/dsar2011> This site contains the Registration forms for the teams, Competitor's Handbook, registration and other deadlines, location information, other important dates, etc. The link to the DSAR 2011 website will be available in the left navigation column of this webpage (<http://users.mo-net.com/district8wr/members/index.htm>) under the Training category near the bottom of the column until after the DSAR event. 25feb11

The 2011 DSAR is June 3-4, 2011 in Kimberling City, MO. Official travel days are Thursday, June 2 and Sunday, June 5. If you plan to come to DSAR, you can request non-reimbursable orders to get the lower hotel rate.

If you have already sent one to Laura Simpson, do not send another one unless information has changed since you sent the first one. Please complete your travel order request using the link: http://www.trlmo.com/cgaux8wr/Forms/trvrqst_eform.htm

Please state in the comments section that it should be for non-reimbursable orders.

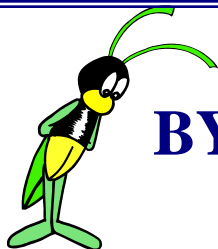
Submit your travel order request to Laura Simpson no later than Tuesday, May 19, 2011.

Thank you.

Jack

Jack Gumb
8WR D-CR
DSAR 2011 Coordinator





BY THE HEALTH BUG

April Notes

As this section is not just for boating, here is some information from NOAA
Weather, Weather, and MORE Weather

NOAA's weather programs touch the lives of every American. Every day, decisions are made based on NOAA weather information – from the mundane "should I pack an umbrella today?" to the most critical and potentially life-saving.

With the mission to protect life and property, and enhance the United States' economy, NOAA's National Weather Service is the sole official voice of the U.S. government for issuing warnings during life-threatening weather situations.

Covering the sun to the seas, the National Weather Service provides local and regional forecasts, and emergency alerts for severe storms, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, extreme heat, winter storms, fire threats, tsunamis and solar flares. From its national centers to its 122 Weather Forecast Offices and 13 River Forecast Centers, the National Weather Service is watching over the nation and your neighborhood.

Weather and climate sensitive industries in the United States account for about one-third of the nation's Gross Domestic Product. Marine, aviation and space interests rely on National Weather Service information, alerts and warnings. In addition, NOAA has a responsibility to support the growth of an environmental information enterprise, a partnership between government, academia and the private sector.

These services are supported by organizations throughout NOAA, including NOAA's Satellite and Information Service, which maintains the satellites and data used in weather forecasting as well as historical climate records, and research and products provided by NOAA's Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research and the National Ocean Service to improve forecasting ability.





Bernie (or is it Bernadette?)
and Barb with their new caps



Some of the photos of the fine meal and fellowship had at the Awards Dinner

Photos by Jim Westcott



Richard Gobel receiving the
BEST FLOTILLA OF THE DIVISION
Award

Photo by Jim Westcott



Jose Medina's skill in boat making.

Photo by Jim Westcott



Nebraska Boating Law
Administrator,
Herb Angell

Photo by Jim Westcott



Master Chief Deane Smith,
Chief Scott Adler, of the Coast Guard Cutter Gasconade
and their ladies

Photo by Jim Westcott



From: James E. Vass, Jr.
To: DNACOs
Re: Youth Policy

In recent years, the Coast Guard Auxiliary has continued to meet our Nation's needs through increased attention to our younger citizens by providing youth oriented recreational boating safety instruction. This is being accomplished across the nation by our skilled members in many settings, including, presenting Auxiliary Public Education (PE) Courses, using Sea Partners programs, and working with "Coastie" at various public venues and in the classroom.

During the last few years, The Coast Guard Auxiliary has expanded its youth interaction by entering into participatory agreements with the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) and U. S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) to provide shoreside and underway training opportunities to interested youth of these organizations.

The scope of this training was designed to be a subset of the standard Auxiliary boat crew and coxswain qualification tasks.

Since its inception, the BSA and NSCC Auxiliary training programs, and related youth interaction such as assisting at National Scouting Jamborees, have caused a number of our members to raise concerns about legal liability and personal risk while providing educational instruction and assistance to youth. These questions gave rise to the recent "ADVISORY ON AUXILIARY INTERACTION WITH YOUTH GROUPS" issued by the Chief Director. This document correctly states that the Auxiliary does not have a structured youth program and that the Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 series), in section 2.B., specifically lists youth programs that Auxiliarists and Auxiliary units are not authorized to directly sponsor or interact with, other than providing standard PE programs or assisting with Coast Guard approved support initiatives.

One of my Strategic Imperatives is to maintain the high standards of the Auxiliary by ensuring that we continue to maintain the integrity and dependability of the organization. This requires accurate guidance to our members from their leadership when questions, such as theses concerning youth activities, arise.

continued

Our agreements with both the BSA and NSCC to provide specific shoreside and underway instruction is a commitment that some of our members may wish to undertake. However, before they do, they must understand the risks involved including potential legal liability inherent in working with youth in our litigious society. Before engaging in such activities, interested members and units should first use their Chain of Leadership to obtain the consent of the District Commodore to engage in the activities; and, thereafter, consult with the District Legal Officer (DSO-LP) regarding all pertinent legal issues. The DSO-LP can discuss many subjects, including, personal liability, unit liability, insurance and other protective measures, parental releases for underage participants, the need to have chaperones present, available training from outside organizations concerning working with youth, and can answer questions about the applicable agreements with the youth organizations. Also, interested members and units should use the Boating Department's AuxBWiki site at <http://auxbdeptwiki.cgaux.org> and fully review all of the information about providing instruction to youth.

As is the case with any on-the-water training, training youth should only occur on Operational Facilities, under reimbursable orders, and the required coxswain and crew should not participate as instructors while performing their duties. In addition, at no time should a youth trainee be permitted to operate the vessel. All safety measures should be utilized to the greatest extent possible during these activities to ensure a safe and rewarding experience for both the youth trainees and Auxiliary participants.

Very respectfully,
James E. Vass, Jr.
National Commodore



APRIL 2011



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 0900 hrs Boating Safety Class at Cassling
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 0800 hrs Boating Safety Class at Offutt AFB Capehart Theater
17	18 1930 hrs Flotilla 33-01 Meeting	19	20 1830 hrs Boating Safety Class at Orgam Room, Midlands Hospital	21 1830 hrs Boating Safety Class at Orgam Room, Midlands Hospital	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

MAY 2011



National Boating Safety Week Kick-off will be May 21 & 22 At Cabela's in LaVista

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22 National Boating Safety Week Kick-off	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				