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Flotilla 33-1

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**On Facebook we are found at:
USCGAUX Flotilla 85-33-01**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

20 Aug	Flotilla 33-01 Meeting
25 Aug	World o' Water
25 & 26 Aug	Offutt Air Show
21 & 22 Sept.	Fall Business Meeting
	DoubleTree Downtown Omaha
06 Oct	OPTEx

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FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



We are now into August and some have asked what happened to the time? As I look at my calendar, and the hours, it wasn't hard to figure out. We have been a very busy bunch of Auxiliarists over the last several months. With all of the PE classes, PA events, fellowship activities and the much needed vacations, it all added up quickly. We still have a lot to do in order to complete our required operational hours, get boat crew training completed, and finally, get required QE's scheduled and completed.

We have several other events that are getting closer to being finalized and need our attention. With the Fall Business Meeting fast approaching we need all of your effort to make this a success. If you have any time and want to do something, please let know. I sent an e-mail to all of you regarding a summarized activities schedule and attire for each activity. It is very important that since this is a "high visibility" event that we follow those guidelines. We also have a couple of big PA events yet to complete with the Air Show at Offutt 25 & 26 Aug and the World o' Water at Wehrspann on 25 Aug.

As for the flotilla events, the second dues notice has been sent out, so if you are planning on attending the 20 Aug 12 flotilla meeting make sure you bring your dues. If you are not able or are not sure you can attend, please make sure that you mail your dues to George McNary, FSO-FN. We also have elections coming up for the flotilla leadership positions.

We have had many challenges, and you all have stepped up. Let's continue this and close out the year with as much success as we started the year with. I want to express my deepest appreciation to each and every one of you for your dedication and commitment to each of our missions.

Barclay Stebbins, FC

Crew Training August 11, 2012

Pictures by B Stebbins



U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary History Highlights

<http://www.history.auxpa.org/>

June 23, 1939 Congressional legislation establishes the Coast Guard Reserve as a volunteer civilian organization the purpose of which is to promote recreational boating safety and to facilitate the operations of the Coast Guard.

February 19, 1941 Congressional legislation changes the name of the Reserve to the Auxiliary and in addition, creates a military Coast Guard Reserve under which enrollees are subject to military law and the Articles of War.

June 1942 Congressional legislation allows Auxiliarists to enroll as part-time or intermittent members of the Coast Guard Reserve. Thousands of Auxiliarists enroll themselves and their vessels in the Reserve. Over fifty thousand temporary Reservists served during the war patrolling harbors, factories, bridges, and docks; fighting fires; providing emergency and disaster assistance; conducting search and rescue and anti-submarine warfare; training; giving blood; selling war bonds; recruiting SPARs (CG women reservists). (An equal number of Auxiliarists served, but many held both titles simultaneously, so the 50,000 figure is used for both the number of Auxiliarists and temporary Reservists.)

July 1942 Coastal Picket Force is formed; Auxiliary enrolls large sailboats and motor-cruisers and mans a number along with newly recruited yachtsmen for anti-submarine work along 50-fathom curve of Atlantic Coast.

Integrated Army-Navy-Coast Guard coastal and beach patrol system established consisting of mounted, foot, canine, and afloat units. Temporary reservists serve in all branches.

December 1942 Temporary reservists required to transfer to full-time active duty, if physically fit, or serve part- or full-time on a volunteer basis or resign from service.

November 1942 Congressional legislation allows women to enroll as temporary Reservists. This included Auxiliary members who numbered approximately 100, as of March 1943.

1944 Congressional legislation allows aircraft and marine radios to be used as facilities to assist with search and rescue operations.

1946 Flotillas established in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands.

July CG-170, "Instruction to Coast Guard Auxiliary," first Auxiliary manual issued.

1947 Courtesy Marine Examination Program (CME) is launched in the 7th District.

January 1948 Public Education program launched at the New York National Boat Show.

1950 First 8-lesson boating safety course developed.

1951 Bert C. Pouncey, Jr. elected first National Commodore at the first National Conference; National Board is created.

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1952 AUXOP established as original premier operational training program.

1953 CG-289, first Courtesy Marine Examination manual issue.

1955 Academy Introduction Mission (AIM) program is begun which recruits potential cadets for the U. S. Coast Guard Academy. Presently, approximately 200 high school students get a taste of "swab summer" prior to their senior years by attending AIM Week at the Academy each year.

Operations in 17th District in Alaska reactivated following hiatus after World War II.

1957 Ole Evinrude Award presented to Auxiliary for its "outstanding contribution to recreational boating afloat."

1958 Auxiliary helps implement provisions of the Federal Boating Act as well as new vessel numbering system through the public education and CME programs. State law enforcement officials are trained in the new law and seamanship. Between 1950 and 1960, 18 million Americans move to the suburbs, a factor that increases the number of boating "enthusiasts" to 40 million by 1959.

June 4 President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaims National Safe Boating Week under Congressional resolution. First initiated under the leadership of Steve Sadowski of the 1st Coast Guard District in 1952.

1959 First operations manual/training course initiated.

1961 The *Navigator*, the national publication of the CG Auxiliary commences publication.

1962 National Oceanographic Administration enters agreement with Auxiliary for chart updating.

1964 Auxiliary conducts chart-updating nation-wide for Coast and Geodetic Survey.

1967 Coast Guard transferred from the Department of Treasury to Transportation

1968 Auxiliary adopts navy blue ensign/emblem with white stripe.

Auxiliary receives National Safety Council citation for distinguished service to safety.

1969 Boating Skills and Seamanship course required for membership; expanded to 12 and 13 lessons.

1971 Under the 1971 Federal Boating Act, Auxiliary flotillas are allowed to open on sole-state waters. Federal construction of inland lakes, dams, and reservoirs greatly increases boating in western and plains states and scores of flotillas begin to operate there. As a result the search and rescue caseload soars, reaching a peak of 58,000 persons assisted in 1980.

1973 Youth courses begin with development of Water 'n Kids course.

Auxiliary takes over seven small boat stations on Great Lakes.

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1975 Coast Guard adopts "Bender Blue" uniform, replacing khakis.

1979 Bolling Douglas of the 7th District elected first female district commodore.

1984 Auxiliary Boat Crew training program is established under which coxswains and crew members are tested on seamanship and search and rescue operations by specially qualified examiners.

1989 50th Anniversary of Auxiliary celebrated; history program established.

1990-91 Coast Guard begins integration of Auxiliarists into everyday operations: Auxiliarists inspect commercial fishing vessels, fly as air observers in C-130 aircraft, work in Coast Guard offices, qualify as Coast Guard boat crew.

1993 First Personal Water Craft (PWC) utilized as Auxiliary facilities.

1996 Congressional legislation expands role of Auxiliary to include any Coast Guard mission, except direct law enforcement and military operations, as authorized by the Commandant.

2001 For the first time since World War II, Coast Guard Auxiliary lends major operational support to Coast Guard in protecting U.S. cities, coastlines, ports, and citizens against foreign attacks, due to Al Qaeda terrorist attack on New York City and Washington, D. C., on September 11.

Auxiliary publishes first official history, *United States Coast Guard Auxiliary: A History, 1939-1999*, authored by John A. Tilley of East Carolina University (U.S. Government Printing Office)

2002 U. S. Coast Guard transferred from the Department of Transportation to the Department of Homeland Security.





BY THE INFORMATION BUG

AUGUST Notes

As this section is not just for boating, here is some information from an internet article:

Information for this fact sheet was provided by :

Bill Swank with the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Public Affairs

Hypothermia in the summertime? You're kidding me!

WASHINGTON – Hypothermia is not just a winter danger...it's a summertime danger, too. With air temperatures climbing well into the 80s and 90s in many parts of the country, hardly anyone gives a thought to hypothermia while cruising down a river, spending hours fishing on their favorite lake, or heading out on a day-trip to the deeper waters of the Atlantic.

But the fact is water temperatures could be well below the air temperature and an unexpected dunking as a result of a boating accident could have disastrous results...particularly if you are alone.

For example, if you are boating in Miami's Biscayne Bay in mid-July, the water temperature will be in the mid-to-high 80s...and you can spend many hours immersed before the symptoms of hypothermia set in – plenty of time for a rescue.

But if you are boating on an inland lake or river, or off the coast of Long Island or New England, it's an entirely different story. In water temperatures from 70-80 degrees, exhaustion or unconsciousness can set in within 3-12 hours; 60-70 degrees, 2-7 hours, and in water from 50-60 degrees, you could be unconscious in 1-2 hours.

Once your core body temperature drops from normal 98.6 degrees to 95 degrees, your extremities are numbed to the point of uselessness – trying to fasten the straps of a life jacket or cling to an overturned boat becomes nearly impossible. Panic and shock set in, and total disorientation can occur. Cold water robs the body of heat considerably faster than cold air.

To guard against the potential for succumbing to hypothermia as a result of a summertime boating accident, the Coast Guard Auxiliary suggests:

1. Know the weather conditions before you set out...don't leave your port or dock if the weather may turn rough.
2. File a float plan to tell your friends and family where you are going and when you plan to return.
3. Always wear a life jacket while boating.
4. If you wind up in the water, try not to panic as it can increase heat loss from your body and shorten your survival time...remain in a curled up, heat-retaining position.
5. Stick with your capsized boat and try to get as much of your body out of the water as possible.
6. Avoid consuming alcoholic beverages while boating...they allow heat to escape from the body more quickly because alcohol dilates blood vessels.



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AND
YOUR TIME COMMITMENT
FOR THE
HOSPITALITY ROOM**

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Friday Night Fellowship = FUN



"Marriage is Murder"

American industrialist Spencer Tracy is marrying off his only daughter to worthless playboy Micky Fisher. Do the top-secret Tracy gunsights used in the bombing runs over Berlin have anything to do with the spies with this damn war going on? Tune in.

The Fremont Mystery Train will commit murder.
Come find out who done it!

Those that wish, may want to dress in 1940's
period or black/white clothing.



Want to be a part of this show?

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can forward your information to the
production crew.



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INCLUDED WITH THE MEAL PRICE**

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary: Who We Are...

This information can be found at: <http://auxpa.org/about/who-are-we.php>

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary is the civilian component of Coast Guard Forces. Founded in 1939 by an Act of Congress as the US Coast Guard Reserves and re-designated the Auxiliary in 1941. The 31,000 volunteer members (men and women) donate thousands of hours in support of Coast Guard missions.

The Coast Guard does more than just Search and Rescue, and with the exception of direct law enforcement and military action, the Auxiliary is there, side by side, working with regular and reserve Coast Guard units, every step of the way. We're found in every part of the United States, not just where Recreational Boating is found.

The National Organization is broken down along the lines of the Coast Guard Districts (some districts are further sub-divided for ease of administration). Districts are then sub-divided into Divisions, with these units further sub-divided into Flotilla's. The Flotilla is the mainstay of the Auxiliary, and every member must belong to a Flotilla.

We're serious about Boating Safely and Boating Safety. We provide public education on a wide-range of boating topics. We even have programs for KIDS!

In addition to being a major team member of the Coast Guard (our numbers exceed the current strength of the USCG), we are a social and fraternal organization.



News Release

Boaters Use a Checklist Before Getting Underway

WASHINGTON- Keeping track of appointments or events has become more complex in a very over scheduled world. A list of reminders added to the calendar on the refrigerator or in the smartphone can help make sure nothing is forgotten. When it comes to leisure time a checklist is still valuable especially when heading out onto the water.

Create a pre-underway checklist like the Coast Guard Auxiliary has for their boat crews. Each time before an Auxiliary boat leaves the dock the entire crew reviews a standardized checklist together. Once all the items on the list are checked off it is time to get underway. It does not have to be complicated; this is just an example of a pre-underway checklist you could use:

- Driver's license
- Current registration papers and boating safety course completion card
- Check fuel supply and oil level
- Working proper navigation lights for night operations
- Enough lifejackets, the right size for all
- Marine radio
- GPS
- Float plan left in your vehicle or with a friend

Other emergency equipment such as flares, first aid kit, signaling devices and tools
If something does not add up it is OK not to get underway. It is always better to choose safety than take a risk with your life or the lives of your passengers.



Photo by Diane Riggan

David Elliot USCG Auxiliary
Assistant National Commodore
for Response and Prevention
reviews pre-underway checklist
with crew member Wayne
Johnson before getting underway
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