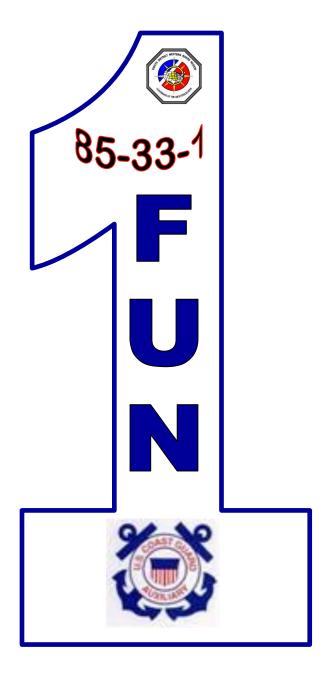
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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

07 September	Labor Day
11 September	Patriot's Day
12 September	World O' Water
21 September	Flotilla Meeting
10 October	Division 33 Meeting, Training &
	Election Dinner
12 October	Columbus Day
19 October	Flotilla Meeting
31 October	Halloween

See the calendars and check our website for possible date changes

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### FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S MESSAGE



### **SEPTEMBER 2015**

Fall is just around the corner with winter to follow, not too closely I hope. Let us enjoy the last of the hot days, and welcome the cooler weather to come.

Remember that we have the World O' Water event happening this month, and that all are welcome to come and help either in the water or on shore in the Division PA area.

Our next Division Training is in October with the Election Dinner to follow. Please keep a look-out for more information on this.

Stay safe!

Barb Westcott FC 8WR 33-1





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USCGC Diligence (WPC-616) First Cutter to receive prototype Racing Stripe in 1965.

# History of the Coast Guard Racing Stripe By Shane Wilson

Today most people are familiar with the Coast Guard Racing Stripe consisting of a wide red bar forward of a narrow blue bar both canted at sixty-four degrees above the horizontal with the Coast Guard emblem superimposed. This was not always the case, before 1967, Coast Guard assets were often confused with the U.S. Navy. During the modern era of the U.S. Coast Guard there has been a rapid shift from mistaken identity to a recognizable brand. A perfect example took place in October of 1956, the USCGC Pontchartrain came to the aid of a downed transoceanic aircraft. The Pan American Clipper 'Sovereign of the Skies' lost two of its engines en route from Hawaii to California. After the aircraft radioed the cutter and ditched nearby the Pontchartrain sent out its small boats and rescued all passengers and crew, on the deck of the cutter one passenger commented "Thank goodness for the Navy." This case is just one of dozens in which the Coast Guard seemed unrecognizable to the public.

President John F. Kennedy was aware of the importance of imagery, having relied on image building in his 1960 presidential campaign. In 1961 the President and First Lady began an effort to remake the image of the presidency. President Kennedy undertook a redesign of Air Force One, he felt the design and paint scheme provided by the Air Force was to regal looking and on the advice of the First Lady turned to French born industrial designer Raymond Loewy, whose work had been praised world wide during the Post-War Period. Loewy's Air Force One design won immediate praise from Kennedy and the press and the aircraft became an important symbol of the President and the United States on official visits. President Kennedy met with Loewy on May 13, 1963 to discuss improving the visual image of the federal government and Kennedy suggested the Coast Guard as a start. The design firm of Raymond Loewy/William Snaith Inc. received a contract for a ninety day feasibility study. In January of 1964, the firm presented its findings to the Coast Guard. Loewy/ Snaith recommended that the Coast Guard adopt a identification device similar to a trademark. The firm believed the symbol should be easily identifiable from a distance and easily recognized from other government or commercial emblems or logos and easily adapted to a variety of air and sea assets.

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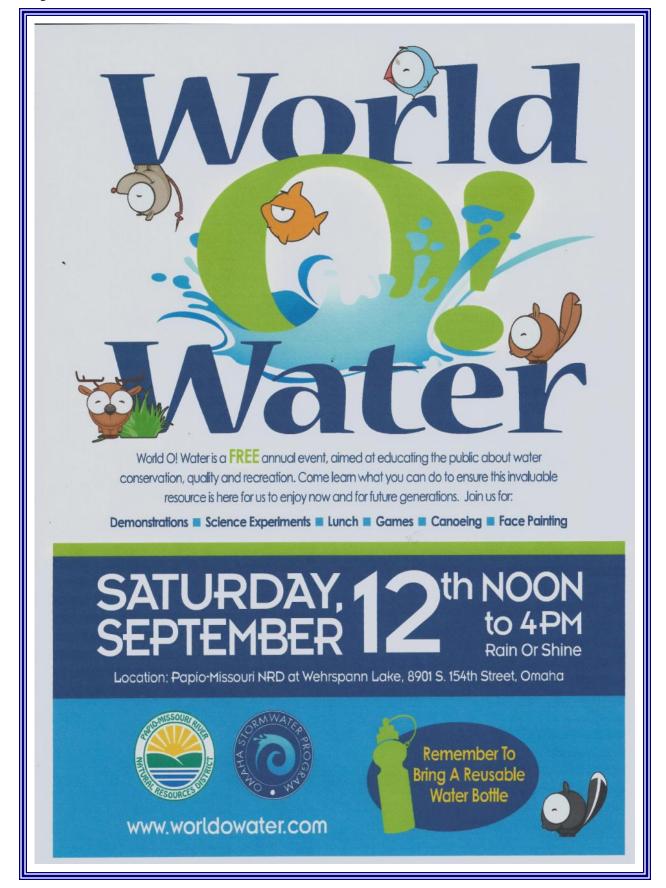
The Coast Guard established a committee to work with Loewy/Snaith on the project and on June 19, 1964 the Coast Guard signed a contract with the firm to study, prepare designs and make a presentation of a comprehensive and intergrated identification plan for the U.S. Coast Guard. On March 21, 1965 representatives from Loewy/Snaith presented their findings at Coast Guard Headquarters and on the same day Coast Guard Chief of Staff, RADM Paul Trimble agreed to proceed with the Intergrated Visual Identification Program. During the prototyping period, Loewy/Snaith selected a wide red bar to the upper right of a narrow blue bar canted at sixty-four degrees and running from lower left to upper right. The firm used its own stylized version of the traditional Coast Guard emblem for placement on the center of the red bar. The overall design came to be known as the "Racing Stripe" or "Slash" emblem. The Racing Stripe design was tested on cutters and facilities in the Coast Guard's Seventh District in the Florida area. The prototype slash was affixed to the cutters Diligence and Androscoggin as well as a buoy tender, vehicles and buildings at Station Miami, at North Carolina's Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City, the slash was affixed to an HU-16 Albatross amphibian and an HC-130 Hercules aircraft.

On May 4, 1966 the testing committee sent to the Commandant a favorable report regarding service wide use of the Racing Stripe. During the prototyping process the committee decided against the Loewy shield and opted for the services traditional shield emblem. By the spring of 1967, most of the issues had been resolved. On April 6, 1967 Commandant of the Coast Guard ADM Edwin Roland issued Instruction 5030.5 which ordered service wide implementation of the Intergrated Visual Identification System. The adoption of the Racing Stripe initially met with resistance from the Coast Guard's service culture. Over the course of the late 1960's and early 1970's the symbol spread to every maritime and air asset in the service By 1975, the sail training barque Eagle remained the last asset not sporting the emblem. Traditionalist had long held that the Racing Stripe would destroy her classic lines and look. As 1976 was approaching the nation was preparing for the bicentenial and Eagle was to serve as host ship of OpSail '76. The Coast Guard leadership saw an opportunity to present the services brand identity to the world by distinguishing Eagle from the other ships. In 1976 Eagle became the last cutter to receive the Racing Stripe.

Since the 1970's the Coast Guard Racing Stripe and color scheme has been applied even to assets not commonly associated with the service. Alterations in color and angle, the Racing Stripe has become a symbol for sea service vessels at the federal, state, county and municipal levels throughout the United States and foreign services. Today, the Coast Guard has been associated with the Racing Stripe for over forty years. During this time the Coast Guard has served throughout the world and collaborated on a variety of levels with foreign coast guards and sea services. The Intergrated Visual Identification Program stands as the most successful branding program of any U.S. military branch and possibly of any federal agency in the government. Before the late 1960's many could not identify Coast Guard assets until it adopted a brand identity that is recognized today.

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Members of 33-1 made the trip to Sailorville Lake to support 33-4 for their QE Photo by Barclay Stebbins, DCDR



View from the deck of the USCGC Gasconade

Photo by Greg Tunink



### BY THE INFORMATION BUG

### September Notes

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## Zebra Mussels Found at Lewis and Clark Lake

LINCOLN – Cooperation from boaters and anglers is urgently needed to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species following the discovery of zebra mussels in Lewis and Clark Lake in northeast Nebraska.

Earlier this week, the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks found adult zebra mussels in a marina on the South Dakota side of the lake. Subsequently, the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission found zebra mussels on boat ramps at Lewis and Clark State Recreation Area's (SRA) Weigand Marina. Mussels also have been found in the Missouri River just below Gavins Point Dam.

Game and Parks personnel are working with officials from South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks, several federal agencies and local authorities to increase education on aquatic invasive species, increase boat inspections and enforcement of regulations, along with monitoring to determine the distribution of the mussels.

The impacts of zebra mussels on the Lewis and Clark and Missouri River are hard to predict, but they have been known to have significant economic and ecological consequences. It is important to prevent their spread to even more waters used by boaters and anglers who had recently been on these zebra mussel-contaminated waters.

Anglers and boaters should take the following precautions to prevent the introduction or spread of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species:

- By law, a boat that has been on a water body may not leave a launch area with water still present in any compartment, equipment or container that may hold water. Drain water on site. Dump any baitfish in the trash or at a fish-cleaning station on site.
- By law, a boat or trailer may not leave a launch area with any aquatic vegetation from that water body still attached.
- By law, a boat may not arrive at or leave any water body in Nebraska with water other than from a domestic source, except for fire-fighting purposes.

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• Clean, drain and dry your boat. Zebra mussels can survive out of water for up to two weeks. After boating in infested water and before launching your boat in a different water body: pressure wash the boat with hot water (preferably more than 140 degrees F) and rinse equipment with hot water. Run water out of the lower unit upon exiting the water body. Spraying the boat and live wells with vinegar and letting it soak for 20 minutes can also kill zebra mussels. The best way to prevent the spread is to allow the boat, all compartments and equipment to dry for at least five days before launch into a different water body.

Lewis and Clark SRA is located 7 miles north of Crofton in Knox County. For more information on aquatic invasive species, visit neinvasives.com.





The zebra mussel is a small freshwater mussel. This species was originally native to the lakes of southern Russia, being first described in 1769 by the German zoologist Peter Simon Pallas in the Ural, Volga and Dnieper rivers. <u>Wikipedia</u>

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