

USCG Auxiliary Flotilla 070-11-10 Dunedin. Florida Larry O'Brien, Commander Elaine Clark, Vice Commander Max Garrison, Immediate Past Commander

# BUYERS' GUIDE

With the closing of the D7 store, area Auxiliary members should look to other sources for uniform needs. Just about all uniform components may be obtained online. As with many online stores, sizing can be a tough decision. Generally, uniforms run on the small side and most recommendations are to get a size larger than usual.

- Clearwater Air Station Exchange: The exchange at Clearwater Air Station stocks a supply of ODUs, T-shirts, and ball caps. You will need your Auxiliary ID. The supply of pants and shirts on the shelf tends to be plentiful in size small and large. The clerks will check the stock room if your size is not on display and they can also place an order to the national distribution center for you. Ask them for help on sizing.
- The US Coast Guard Uniform Distribution Center, (UDC).

  <a href="http://www.uscg.mil/UNIFORMS/">http://www.uscg.mil/UNIFORMS/</a> An Auxiliary member will need to set up an account for the first time purchase, which of course requires the AUXID number. The instructions are on the website. The sizing chart on the site can be a bit confusing. When ordering pants, shirts/blouses, remember the sizing runs small, especially for the ODUs. This website supports only Internet Explorer version 8; later versions will work in compatibility mode.
- The Coast Guard Auxiliary Association, Inc. <a href="http://auxiliarycenter.mybigcommerce.com">http://auxiliarycenter.mybigcommerce.com</a> A Non-Profit, 501 (c)(3) organization authorized by the Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard as the only corporation authorized to provide for the business management of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Outside of the UDC, this is the primary source for all things team Coast Guard for the Auxiliarist, including uniform devices, logo clothing, caps, ribbons, and official ODU T-shirt for warm weather uniforms.
- **Uniform Name Tapes:** <a href="http://www.uniformnametape.com/nametapes-5.aspx">http://www.uniformnametape.com/nametapes-5.aspx</a>
  Another source for uniform name tapes in the Uniform Nametape Company Inc of Tampa. They have supplied uniform name tapes for over 30 years to all branches of the military, including USCG Auxiliary.

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## SHIPMATE OF THE MONTH

On September 12 Flotilla 11-10 member Harvey Prior was named the Station Sand Key Auxiliarist Shipmate of the Month. Harvey was honored at a ceremony at Station Sand Key and presented with a citation and a challenge coin. Attending the ceremony to represent the flotilla were Larry O'Brien, Flotilla Commander, and Elaine Clark, Vice Commander; Division 11 was represented by Karen Miller, Division Commander, Peter Palmieri, Vice Commander, and Dudley Davis, Station Auxiliary Coordinator.



Photo by Elaine Clark

The citation presented by Station Sand Key Commanding Officer Steven McDonnell emphasized Harvey's dedication to the Auxiliary. Harvey joined the Auxiliary in 1986 and spent his first nine years as a member of the Tarpon Springs and Palm Harbor flotillas. He was an active member, serving as a crew member, coxswain, and watchstander, and holding multiple flotilla, division, and district staff offices including Publications, Aids to Navigation (now called Navigation Systems) and Flotilla Vice Commander. He served regularly as a watchstander for the Coast Guard at Station Sand Key. The demands of family life led him to take a break from membership for several years, but he returned to active membership and joined Flotilla 11-10 in 2011. Since reactivating his membership Harvey has served as Flotilla Staff Officer for Vessel Exams and for Operations, and also as Division Officer for Human Resources. Harvey is AUXOP and Operational Excellence qualified and has earned multiple awards, including Auxiliary Operations Service Award, Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation, and Coast Guard Unit Commendation.

### BRAVO ZULU

## GENERAL MANDATORY TRAINING

#### **Auxiliary Mandated Training (MT) - October 5, 2014 - Red Tail Lounge**

The purpose of Mandated Training (MT) is to build awareness and enhance the knowledge, skills, abilities, and attitudes of the Coast Guard's workforce. All other elements of the Coast Guard workforce have MT requirements, generally more extensive than those for Auxiliarists. MT cannot be taken lightly, and it is not unreasonable to expect in the future that Coast Guard Order Issuing Authorities will expect Auxiliarists to be current in MT requirements before making assignments to duty. The Auxiliary MT requirements established in section 8.E of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Manual (COMDTINST M16790.1 series) are in effect. Notably:

Auxiliarists must successfully complete the following MT during their first year of enrollment and then once every five years thereafter:

- Building Resilience and Preventing Suicide AUXLMS code 502379/AUXDATA code "SP"
- Security Fundamentals AUXLMS code 810030/AUXDATA code "SETA"
- Privacy at DHS/Protecting Personal Information AUXLMS code 810015/AUXDATA code "PAWAR"
- Sexual Harassment Prevention AUXLMS code 810000/AUXDATA code "POSH"
- Sexual Assault Prevention and Response AUXLMS code 810045/AUXDATA code "SAP"
- **Civil Rights Awareness** AUXLMS code 502319/AUXDATA code "CRA" Auxiliarists must successfully complete the following MT <u>only once</u> (new members shall complete them during their first year of enrollment):
- Ethics 1 / Personal Gifts AUXLMS code 502306/AUXDATA code "ET"
- Influenza Training AUXLMS code 502290/AUXDATA code "INF"

Enrolled Auxiliarists (prior to and including 18 January 2013) have until 31 December 2016 to complete all eight of the MT courses listed here; however, all new enrollees must complete all Auxiliary MT courses within their first year of enrollment. For this purpose, the first year of enrollment will extend to 31 December of the year following their Base Enrollment Date. For example, if a new enrollee has a Base Enrollment Date of 19 January 2013, then that individual will have until 31 December 2014 to complete all Auxiliary Mandated Training. Class attendees can stay for as many workshops as they desire or as few as needed. However, they will be required to sign the 7039 for each session attended, must remain for the entire workshop, and pass the final exam of the two courses requiring those exams.

The planned schedule is as follows:

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## GENERAL MANDATORY TRAINING

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1210-1310	Sexual Assault Prevention and Response
1320-1420	Civil Rights Awareness
1430-1530	Building Resilience and Preventing Suicide
1540-1640	Ethics 1 / Personal Gifts – Written Exam required
1650-1750	Influenza Training – Written Exam required

Deadline for registration for this training is 30 September. Please notify Bill Clark, Flotilla Staff Officer Member Training (FSO-MT), if you intend to participate in any of these sessions.

Karen Miller, Division 11 Staff Officer Member Training, provided the information for this article.

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- The Lighthouse Uniform Co: <a href="http://catalog.lighthouseuniform.com/coastguard/">http://catalog.lighthouseuniform.com/coastguard/</a>
  This commercial site is easier to navigate. The selection of uniform components, devices, and shoes is very straightforward.
- CutterAgent Design and Services: <a href="http://www.cutteragent.com/cgaux">http://www.cutteragent.com/cgaux</a>
  Another commercial site with many uniform components, including the hot weather uniform shorts and t-shirts
- **Classroom Supply:** There is a small supply of the older tucked-in ODUs in the classroom. The pants may be cut and hemmed for hot weather shorts; it may also be helpful for you to try on the sizes available and judge your correct size from them. If you are missing some uniform devices, there is a small selection in the supply closet, including ribbon holders of various sizes.

Scott Birdwell. Flotilla Staff Officer Materials

# PHOTO ALBUM





Charles Whitener, Kathy Quimby, and Allen Leimbach completed the swim test; Rob Bonnem took a relaxing dip in the pool in his Mustang.

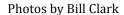
Photos by Bill Clark



What was all wrapped up in the parking lot of Station Sand Key this month?

A NEW BOAT!

Station Sand Key staff accepted delivery of the new 29 foot vessel. We'll be looking for that one on the water!









Attending our August meeting were new members Brenda Shiffer and Philip Fulkerson, recent transfers from Las Vegas. Ron Shebanek and Ed Burgess, Flotilla Staff Officer Human Resources, welcomed Sherri Hines, who just transferred from Madeira Beach.

Welcome Aboard!



Do you think Station Sand Key Commanding Officer Steven McDonnell was happy about that new boat?

Photos by Elaine Clark



# **CLASSIFIEDS**

### HELP WANTED

**Crew members and Trainees needed:** Enjoy a scenic cruise on the Intracoastal Waterway or the Gulf of Mexico aboard a luxurious Auxiliary facility. Opportunities for crew members and trainees are sent out monthly by Harvey Prior, our Flotilla Staff Officer for Operations. (<a href="https://harvb4@aol.com">harvb4@aol.com</a>) Watch for his e-mails and respond promptly to ensure your place on the next voyage.

**Photojournalists:** See your photographs published in the *Wet Gazette* or on the flotilla's website. We are always looking for articles about Auxiliarists, interesting experiences, anecdotes, and photos. Take your camera whenever you participate in an Auxiliary activity, whether it is a patrol, a public affairs event, public education class, or vessel exams – it might just be the perfect photo-op. Submissions may be sent to Walter Murray, our webmaster, at <a href="mailto:auxdatawpm@gmail.com">auxdatawpm@gmail.com</a>, or to Elaine Clark, Flotilla Vice Commander, at <a href="mailto:emclark1229@tampabay.rr.com">emclark1229@tampabay.rr.com</a> Please send all photos in large format.

### GENTLE REMINDERS

**Dues Payments:** Annual dues are payable now for calendar year 2015. Dues paid by September 30 are \$60.00; after that date an additional \$15.00 late fee is added. Avoid multiple notices and reminders – pay your dues now. Christine Carlson is our Flotilla Staff Officer for Finance; contact her at Cm.Carlson@hotmail.com

**Third Quarter Stats:** The third quarter of 2014 ends September 30. If you want your activities and hours included in the statistics for the quarter be sure to file your activity forms before the end of the month. These statistics are important to your flotilla – we want our dashboard to reflect the dedication and hard work of our members. If you are uncertain which form to file, or how to file it, visit this month's Office Hours (Tues., Sept 23 at 1900) for assistance

### **ONE-LINERS**

**Mandated Training:** Oct. 5 at Red Tail Lounge. See pages 3-4 for details

**1-Hour TCT:** Oct. 18 following Division meeting; contact wclark107@tampabay.rr.com

**Office Hours:** Tuesday, Sept 23, at the Dunedin classroom, 1900.

#### **OCTOBER** Mon **Tues** Wed Sun **Thurs** Fri Sat Yom FSO Kippur Crew class Meeting 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Crew class Flotilla Reports CPR/First Meeting Due Aid 13 **15** 17 **12 14** 16 18 Columbus Division Day Meeting/ Crew class Crew class Elections 1-Hr TCT 21 22 23 19 20 24 25 Northern Area Fam **ABS Class** 26 27 28 29 30 31 Office Halloween

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**ABS** class

Dunedin Flotilla 11-10 is a uniformed unit of America's Volunteer Life Savers, the **United States Coast Guard** Auxiliary. The 70+ members of Flotilla 11-10 augment the US Coast Guard (Sector St. Petersburg, Station Sand Key, Air Station Clearwater) and provide assistance to boaters in distress along the Gulf coast of Florida as well as vessel safety checks and safe boating courses to prepare boaters for safe and enjoyable times on the water.

Flotilla meetings are every second Thursday evening of the month, beginning at 1900, at the Red Tail Lounge at the Clearwater Air Station, unless otherwise announced.

FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICERS		
Flotilla Commander	Larry O'Brien	
Flotilla Vice Commander	Elaine Clark	
Immediate Past Flotilla	Maxell Garrison	
Commander		
Communications	Guy Warner	
Communication Services	Walter Murray	
Diversity	Carolyn Hughes	
Finance	Christine Carlson	
Human Resources	Ed Burgess	
Information Services	Walter Murray	
Marine Safety	Roger Montembeault	
Materials	Scott Birdwell	
Member Training	Bill Clark	
Navigation Systems	Doug Simpson	
Operations	Harvey Prior	
Partner Visits	Rob Bonnem	
Public Affairs	Karen Montembeault	
Public Education	Larry O'Brien	
Publications	Your name belongs here!	
Secretary	Barbara O'Brien	
Vessel Exams	Fred Peruche	

Visit the flotilla's website at

www.Dunedin-CoastGuardAux.com

complete officer reports

current information and photos

helpful links

(Walter Murray, Webmaster)