

The Kelsey Point Light

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MEETING NOTICE:

Wednesday, 14 November 2012
Flotilla Base, Cedar Island Marina
Uniform: Tropical Blue or ODUs

AGENDA:

Election of Officers
Public Education and Member Training
December Holiday Party

DUES ARE DUE! DUES ARE DUE! HAMMONASSET JAMBOREE



This was our Boating Safety/Sea Partners Booth at the Hammonasset Jamboree on 6 October. On the right, Mark Bennett is telling about the invasive species that are displayed. Barbara Benjamin (left) and Helen Oullette are talking to folks about various aspects of boating safety. Other watchstanders included John Delemarre and Ginny Daniels. Thanks go also to Jim and Beth Terenzio for helping to set up and take down all the exhibits, etc.

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FIRST DISTRICT (SR)**

2012 ELECTED OFFICERS

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PUBLIC EDUCATION

How To Read a Nautical Chart on 25 FEB, 2 June GPS/Radar course and the September Navigation course were canceled.

Completed Courses

28 January ABS — 17 Students
31 March ABS — 19 Students
28 April ABS — 17 Students
30 June ABS — 22 Students
28 July ABS — 16 Students
30 July ABS in conjunction with DIV 25 —
12 Students
25 August ABS — 7 Students
27 October — 10 Students

Scheduled Courses

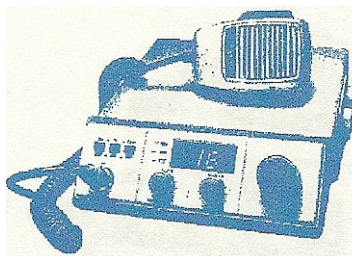
Saturday, 17 Nov — Navigation

PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES NOW

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, 11 November — Veterans Day
Thursday, 22 November — Thanksgiving Day
Friday, 30 November to Sunday, 2 December -
District Leadership Conference
Sunday, 9 December — 1st Day of Hanukkah
Tuesday, 25 December — Christmas Day
December — Flotilla Holiday/Christmas Party;
date and place to be determined

COMMUNICATIONS



The Flotilla Communications Officer requested information from the division officer regarding possible use of hand-held radios

while doing MDA/MOM patrols. It was suggested that the AUXNET system be used for all non-sensitive communications. Any sensitive communications should be done via cell phone. For a call sign, use the Resource Name (Mobile 24-xxxx) on radio communications.

FC REPORT

The division meeting was held on Wednesday, 3 October at CG Station New Haven with Kim Filion DCDR presiding.

Election of Officers resulted in Kim Filion and Mark Bennett elected as DCDR and VCDR respectively, for 2013.

Warrant Officer David McCarthy Operations Training Officer, from the DIRAUX office gave out special Membership Service Awards.

Reminders were given on various dates and to remember to follow the new protocols for flotilla elections.

Ginny Daniels has been approved as a proctor for specialty courses.

AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS



Above left, Dave Aresco is presented with his First CG Sustained Auxiliary Service Certificate for 793 hours. On the right, Mark Bennett receives his 5-year Membership Service Certificate. Both certificates were presented by John Ouellette FC.

— photos submitted by Dave Aresco

BOOTH AT GUILFORD DUCK RACE CELEBRATION



On 30 September, several members stood watch at the Boating Safety/Sea Partners Booth at the Guilford Duck Race Celebration. Shown above are Helen Ouellette and John Delemarre. Mark Bennett also stood a watch. They gave out pamphlets and “found” stickers for paddleboats and information on various invasive species.

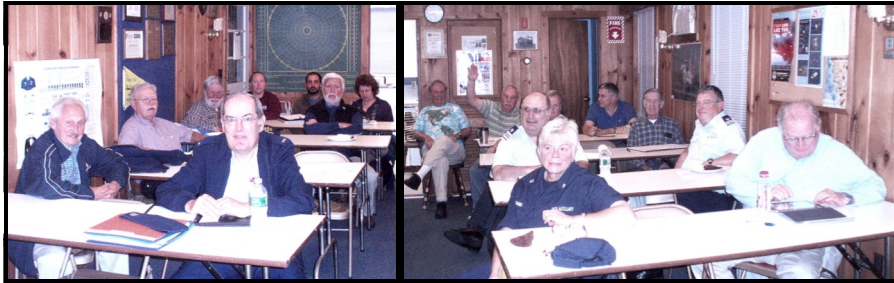
— photo by Mark Bennett

SCENES FROM THE OCTOBER MEETING



On the left, Dave Aresco VFC and John Ouellette FC are going over important information to give out to the members.

Above are cupcakes Helen Ouellette brought for everyone to enjoy and we did!



There were 18 members plus the FC, VFC and one member whose application is in process, and everyone is very attentive.

THE MDA/MOM PATROL and PROGRAM VISITS



Jim Terenzio (left) and Dave Aresco (right) were out doing on an MDA/MOM patrol on 17 October. They walked the docks of the marinas in Clinton as well as stopping in the marina offices for Program Visits. Ginny Daniels and Helen Ouellette provided radio communications.

— photos submitted by Dave Aresco

OCTOBER FLOTILLA MEETING

The meeting was called to order on 10 October 2012 at 1935 by John Ouellette Flotilla Commander. There were 20 members and one prospective member present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Benjamin.

On a motion by Jim Benjamin, seconded by Andy Wagner and carried, the minutes of the September 2012 meeting were approved.

REPORTS

FN — Flotilla remains financially sound

HR — There are two new prospective members, one is a firefighter from New Haven and one is a rescue diver. There is one application in process.

PA — There were no booths or other PA activities in September. The PA Officer stood a watch at the Orange Country Fair..

DA — MDA/MOM patrol scheduled for 17 October.

OP — Two patrols done in September. Two coxswains completed their 3-year check-ride.

MS — Received email from SO-MS that there are new regulations for 6-pack and fishing vessels.

MA — Fingerprint kit has been received. Ordered MARPOL and Oil Pollution decals twice, first time they were out of stock. Ordered 5 baseball caps, size large.

CS — The <http://www.boatsafect.com> website has been renewed for another 5 years.

Our WOW website has been approved. Tom Ceniglio will host our websites for awhile longer.

PV — Visits will be done in conjunction with the MDA/MOM patrol.

VE — 5 VSCs were done in September. All but one VE have done their 5 to remain certified for next year.

MT — 5 members are taking the Telecommunications Operators Course in Milford on Monday nights.

Milford plans to give the 1-hour TCT refresher course.

IS — As of 10 October all entries of submitted forms have been made and are awaiting approval.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

Election Screening Committee — Ginny Daniels and Jim Terenzio; letters were received from John Ouellette for Flotilla Commander and Dave Aresco for Vice Flotilla Commander

7028 Form — Members should fill out this form and send it to the Information Systems Officer (John Ouellette).

Division Logo — See the November issue of “Boat Basin” for the logo. It can be put on decals, mugs, shirts, jackets, etc. but each flotilla does its own ordering. It was suggested that flotillas get together to order to keep the cost down.

Flotilla Holiday/Christmas Party — Jim Terenzio will arrange.

GOOD & WELFARE

Thanks to Helen Ouellette for bringing refreshments of pizza.

