# Flotilla 87 Meeting Minutes February 2018

Unit: 113-08-07, Mendocino County

Date: 17 Feb 2018

Meeting Start: 1030 @ Point Arena High School Library

Attendees:

Glenn Funk Lorraine Cheney Betsy Frey
Steve Nilson Chris Jewell John Fischer
Kath Disney Nilson Jan Jewell Greg Ford

Madeleine Brink Jeffrey Gunning

Ken Reynoldson Helen MacKenzie Morris

**Division Attendees:** None **Station Liaison:** None

AP Status: John Fisher, Helen MacKenzie Morris, Bruce Piercy

Guests: None Quorum was met.

Minutes for Nov 2017 were approved. [No meeting in December due to COW or January due to

government shutdown.] Glenn moved, Ken seconded.

Station Liaison Report: None.

## Flotilla Commander Report

Steve attended the Division 8 webinar on 17 JAN. News from that:

Merge: Flotilla 8-6 (Eureka) has merged with 8-11 (Crescent City), due to a longtime shortage of officers.

<u>Sea Scouts:</u> are now officially named US Naval Sea Cadets, and are merging into USCG, and will be part of a flotilla. We wondered how that would work, since many Sea Scouts are too young for the auxiliary.

Mandatory training: will be dropping 2 classes and adding one, on human trafficking.

<u>Uniform:</u> should be worn properly; this is a hot button issue. Note ODU sleeve lengths are now personal choice rolled up or not, unless the local OIC says otherwise.

Division change of watch: will be 2 DEC 2018 at Benbow Inn.

<u>BQII</u> is the new online course for new members. It's also useful towards the AUXOP pin. Note there are online Aux Procedures and Aux Leadership courses, needed for our flotilla leaders. Note we need a new FC next year, since Steve will time out.

<u>Speedier security process:</u> D11N is in beta for this process. We do not know whether the faster advancement out of AP will help our 3 current members who are in AP.

Steve gave Glenn 2018 VE decals, initially 5 per vessel examiner.

#### **Vice Flotilla Commander Report**

Summary staff reports were sent out in email. Division was sent a template for these reports.

#### **Other Staff Reports**

<u>HR:</u> information on flotilla membership was distributed. Updates are welcome. Jan noted her correct email is <a href="member1222499@gmail.com">member1222499@gmail.com</a>. Other contact information changes should be submitted on a 7028 form. See *After Meeting Notes* below for directions to the Forms Warehouse. Submit a 7028 WEBFORM through the PDF Forms button in the Forms Warehouse.

<u>Communications (Everbridge System Test):</u> Note there will be a test of the AUX notification system at 1800 hours tonight 17 FEB. Please respond to one of the messages. If you screen messages, please ensure you will receive the messages.

## **Commendations, Awards and Member Recognition**

Ken received his FSO-OP certificate, since he missed the December COW.

Ten years of dedicated service awards went to Michael Arnold and Bob Gerbi.

## **New and Continuing Business**

<u>Audit:</u> The flotilla audit is due at the of this month. Betsy, Helen and Madeleine were assigned to the Audit Committee. They will review the books. Lorraine has the 7025 report prepared, plus the inventory report from Anne. She will send these to Steve after the audit occurs.

<u>Budget</u>: After discussion, it was proposed that we use the same budget as last year, about \$1,000 in the red. Glenn moved, Madeleine seconded. All were in favor.

<u>VE:</u> 2018 VE and Paddlecraft decals were distributed.

Morale Luncheon: St. Patrick's Day lunch at Noyo Station is scheduled for 14 March at the station. Helen passed around a menu signup sheet. She will email the menu signup list and will check with Roberto, FC 8-8, Lake County.

<u>ABS class:</u> scheduled for 25 FEB only has 3 students signed up so far. It was noted we had not contacted radio stations KZYX in Mendocino County, or KTDE and KGUA in Gualala. Also, Form 7023 has not yet been submitted; it would have been a source for potential students. **In the future, we should do these notifications sooner.** Class will be canceled unless we have 5 students by mid-week. Students and radio stations should be notified of cancellations.

<u>Fuel Farm:</u> The new port-a-potty is lightweight fiberglass. It sometimes slides ten feet and has blown over. It's rented from O'Neil Septic Service, with a USCG contract. Ken is working on a stabilization solution.

Recent Observations: A CG buoy tender was observed near Noyo. Also, last month ships near Pt Cabrillo were seen laying cable.

<u>Web Site:</u> Information about our web site is included in *After Meeting Notes* below. It includes ways to enter or change your member zone password; also a Calendar for meetings and other activities.

## Good of Order/Fellowship

After-meeting lunch at Rollerville Cafe.

Meeting adjourned: 1123 hours.

**After Meeting Notes:** 

## **Using our Web Site**

Our web site is at http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=113-08-07

Sign in to the member zone (bottom left).

The left sidebar has various useful buttons:

- Calendar
- · Member Training
- Members Only allows you to create or change your member zone password.
- Useful Links -> ANSC Forms takes you to the forms warehouse. E-forms allow you to submit information online and to keep track of your 7029 hours.

#### **Important Future Dates:**

- 10 MAR 2018 10:30 Flotilla 87 Monthly Meeting @ Station Noyo River [moved up a week due to Whale Festival at Pt Cabrillo]
- 3-4 MAR 2018 Whale Festival at Pt Cabrillo
- 17-18 MAR 2018 Whale Festival at Pt Cabrillo
- 23-25 MAR 2018 D-Train in Reno

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Frey, FSO-SR, 113-08-07