

Flotilla 87 Meeting Minutes August 2021

Unit: 113-08-07, Mendocino County

Date: 21 August, 2021

Meeting Start: 1103 via GoToMeeting

Attendees:

Steve Nilson, FC	Glenn Funk, IPFC	Chris Aycock
Lorraine Cheney	Bruce Lewis	Helen Mackenzie Morris
Madeleine Brink, SR		

Division Attendees: None.

Station Liaison:

AP Status: Scott Smith

Guests: None.

Quorum was met, 7 members.

Previous Meeting Minutes: July 2021 meeting minutes approved by Glenn Funk, seconded by Lorraine Cheney.

Station Liaison Report: None.

Flotilla Commander (FC) Report:

1. The Everguard Coast Guard emergency phone program calls all Auxiliarists in the event of an emergency and all that is required is to answer the call only once. If you receive a phone call, text message, or any other form of communication, please answer the first one. They are getting only a 30% response rate.
2. Steve took the following information at the Division meeting held on August 11th over Zoom:
 - a. If you have an instructor rating or other competency, if it is out of date or you are no longer available to fulfill the job, please inform AUXDATA and update your record as soon as possible. The system inundates upper management otherwise. We have to inform them as Steve can't. Log into the system and look yourself up. Lorraine can't as she is out of the country. Steve will send a reminder to do this and Glenn will send a reminder to Chris and Jan.
 - b. Covid has arrived in Fort Bragg. The Division is going to hold their Change of Watch ceremony over Zoom this year.
 - c. Steve took a vote of the members to not hold the BBQ this year because of the virus. He said that it isn't worth the risk. Bruce moved and Chris seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays. (One member hadn't arrived yet.)
 - d. The in-person COW has been cancelled for the same reason. Steve said that we're still at the rising part of the Covid infection curve and moved and Bruce seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays. We're going to hold a gotomeeting on the established date. (Sunday Dec. 12th at 11.)
 - e. The PCA Fair to be held on 9/18 and 9/19 in Alameda is still scheduled and a class list has been sent. You can stay at Motel 6 and you will need a valid ID.
 - f. Activities around the Division:
 1. Flotilla 39 was planning to have an integrated exercise with helicopters and boats on Lake Shasta at Whiskeytown but it was cancelled as very few boaters appeared.
 2. Crescent City still doesn't have a boat with which to do Search and Rescue operations. The VFC is in Alaska on duty.
 3. Flotilla 88 went over to Lake Berryessa and came across a boater towing a parasailor without a lookout.
3. Chris Aycock is now BQ.

Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC) Report: None.

Other Staff Reports: None.

Commendations, Awards and Member Recognition: None.

New and Continuing Business:

- Steve said that they were going to polish the lens this month but the risk of being in a confined space is too great. The lens looks quite clean.
- Bob sent out dues notices. Steve said that the email addresses are correct but Lorraine's address is still listed as Fort Bragg. Lorraine tried to change her address on AUXDATA II but the system wouldn't accept it because she's out of the country.
- Jen has completed all of her BQ courses except for the boating safety class. Glenn said that the one-day About Boating Safety course is acceptable to fulfill this requirement. This can be done on-line. He also said that the old BS&S two-day class is not in the future. Lorraine mentioned the books in the oil house and said that the used ones were discarded. We discussed what to do with the new books and it was brought up to donate them to an educational group or contact the educational section of the Coast Guard.
- The July BBQ has been cancelled because of Covid but we can get together ourselves if we want to.
- Steve said that he is retiring and Jen will be our new Navigation officer as soon as she completes the boating safety course as she has everything else completed.
- Elections are coming up in November so in October we need to come up with a committee which is responsible for asking people to become FC or VFC. If we have only one person running for an office we can vote for them verbally by acclamation. Steve and Lorraine will send out invitations for FC and VFC and Steve will send an email for the Navigation position.

Good of Order/Fellowship:

Meeting adjourned: 1202 hours.

After Meeting Notes:

Important Future Dates:

- **Next flotilla meeting: September 18th at 11 on GoToMeeting.**
- **BBQ: cancelled due to Covid.**
- **October: Deadline to obtain your RealID.**
- **Sunday Dec. 5th: Division COW lunch over Zoom online.**
- **Sunday Dec. 12th: Flotilla COW over gotomeeting at 11am.**

Web Site References

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=113-08-07>

Flotilla 87 web site

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Madeleine Brink, FSO-SR, Flotilla 87