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From The Helm – Alick Elliott – Flotilla Commander 36

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This past month has been a very good one for Jean and I. We went cruising on my boat in the Keys for 10 days with my younger son and his two boys. Then on August the 5th we had a family dinner at La Vielle Maison to celebrate our Golden Wedding Anniversary, and on Friday the 8th of August (the actual date of our anniversary) we flew to England for two weeks vacation. Virgin Atlantic greeted us at Miami Airport with a surprise “Happy Anniversary” and upgraded us to their first class cabin. This was very much appreciated. I wish to thank all of you who sent us cards and greetings and I hope many of you will achieve a similar goal.

As many of you know “Operation Airbird” took place on Tuesday the 26th August 2003 off the Dania Pier. The purpose of this exercise was to create a Tactical Emergency Preparedness & Disaster Response Team to deal with Mass Casualties in an Air/Sea Catastrophe and assess its effectiveness. Over 30 Federal and Local Agencies with approximately 300 people were involved.

The scenario was a Boeing 767 aircraft with 276 passengers and 14 crew has hydraulic problems with its controls shortly after take off from Ft. Lauderdale Airport. It loses height and ends up making a soft landing in the ocean a half mile off Dania Pier in 19 ft of water. For the purposes of the exercise there are 103 dead, 137 injured and 50 uninjured. The plane stays afloat for 25 minutes.

There were 14 Auxiliary boats from Division 3. Endeavor was the only boat from Flotilla 36 and we went down to Bahia Mar on Monday to enable us to be at the Station by 9.00hrs on Tuesday. The crew consisted of Tom Sutherland, Marie Thompson, Richard Geisler and myself. Tom was mighty busy taking photographs of the Exercise, some of which you can see in this log. In addition Flotilla 36 fielded six more members at Station Lauderdale, namely Mike and Sandy Gardner, Tom Kegan, George Cousins, Lenny Schwartz and Bob Madden on Cat’s I.

Endeavor’s tasks were varied, but one of the most interesting was escorting “Cosmic Muffin” the floating fuselage to its predetermined “crash site” off the Dania Pier. (See Tom’s photos). The seas were very sloppy with 4-5 foot swells. We also transferred mechanics from the shore to the 110’ cutter “Chandeleur” which was positioned near the plane.

All of the casualties were pulled from the ocean and transferred by various agency boats including BSO, Marine Police, Fish and Wildlife, Boat US and Sea Tow and others to Triage positions on the shore where their “injuries” were examined and treated.

The exercise on the water finished by noon and we escorted Cosmic Muffin back to the entrance to Port Everglades and headed for Boca.

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USCG Auxiliary Websites of Interests	
USCG Aux What's New Page	http://www.cgaux.org/cgauweb/memtable.shtml
USCG Aux On-line Testing Page	http://cgexams.info/testing/
USCG Aux AuxInfo	http://www.auxinfo.uscg.gov/
USCG Aux e-Train	http://www.auxetrain.org/
USCG Aux Forms & Manuals Page	http://www.cgaux.org/cgauweb/tbforms.shtml
7 TH District DirAux West	http://www.dirauxwest.org/
ChDirAux Items of Interest Page	http://www.cgaux.info/g_ocx/
DIRAUX District 7 Homepage	http://www.d7oax3.net/
DIRAUX District 7 Directives	http://www.d7oax3.net/pol_dir.htm
USCG Aux D7 Member Page	http://www.cgaux7.org/index_members.asp



From The Helm – Michael Gardner
Vice Flotilla Commander 36
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I would like to share some information with you. Division 3 has provided a member to work with Station Lauderdale to act as an Ombudsman. Dorothy Comeau has completed the Ombudsman course and is now working directly with Lt. Powell, Commander of Station Lauderdale. They are looking for Auxiliarists who have some expertise in legal services, medical services, baby-sitting, transportation, tutoring, or whatever you deem that may be of assistance. Anyone interested in helping, give me a call promptly as there is a time limit, Sept 9. This program interacts the Coast Guard with the Coast Guard Auxiliary on a one on one basis.

Some of our members will be wearing a new ribbon. Members who were in the Coast Guard Auxiliary before 11 September 2001 and have completed certain activities are entitled to receive this award. The names of the eligible members have been forwarded.

Effective 01 June, 2004, all Auxiliary surface facilities, including PWC's, while underway on orders, shall have a minimum of one crewmember per vessel carrying the PEIRB (person emergency indicating radio beacon). Each surface facility owner that is issued a PEIRB shall be included on a property list maintained at the DIRAUX office. The Coast Guard will own the unit but we will be responsible to maintain in good working order. Will have more to say about this when more information is released.

There is going to be an emergency call out 26 August, near the Dania fishing pier. The scenario is that a plane leaving Ft. Lauderdale airport suddenly reports losing power and has a controlled landing in about 20 ft of water, I am proud to report that some of our operational vessels will be assisting in this drill as well as some of our members assisting the station.



Communications Services

Joseph G. Dinmore, FSO-CS (fso-cs@cgauxboca.org)

A new link button has been placed on the home page. It is called MEMBERS ONLY. It will allow instant access to restricted material, like the roster, THE LOG, and other materials for members only.

Steve Grevemeyer is still working on the website database.



Member Training

Thomas H. Kegan, FSO-MT (fso-mt@cgauxboca.org)

Member Training Items in progress;

1. Coxswain Training Class classroom every other Thursday, participants have schedule.
2. Held a new member orientation class on Monday August 24 , 14 new members in attendance. From this meeting, a class in Vessel examiners, Auxop Communications, and Boat Crew training will be developed. These members are eager to get started so please if you see them at the meeting, get to know them.
3. We have three members just about to finish up on the 7 Auxop courses. By the end of the year this will make 7 new AUXOP members. Great job to these members.



Publications

Tom Sutherland, FSO-PB (fso-pb@cgauxboca.org)

I am baaaaack! I hope you enjoy this log as much as I had fun putting it together. I had taken over 90 pictures of the disaster drill and threw out about 15 of them due to being blurry from the rough waters. Then I had to select 6 of the best to give you a feel for what went on. Then I put 6 more into a collage as shown on the last page. Some of those pictures look like they really belong in the main picture. The intensive graphics probably caused your download to take longer than normal for our Log. No apologies this time, as the pictures are worth a thousand words.

The interaction of seven (7) different services and agencies as shown in the collage show you that we all can work as a team and oh my, was I proud to see it all that day.



Information Services

Jerald Edelman, FSO-IS (fso-is@cgauxboca.org)

Hi, I hope everyone is having a great snowbird free summer. Remember when filling out your forms please, check and double check that all needed boxes are filled in. Some people are leaving out dates, times, and or missions. Radio people if there is a boat on patrol please put in an order number for only 1 of the boats out, if more than one are out, if no boats are out leave it blank. In the remarks section say there where no boats on patrol. Facility number is their FL or Documentation number not their call in number When checking and you see your reports where entered or not, please call me . Do not send me a duplicate form. Again enjoy the summer.

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Boca Radio North	561-243-1313	Ft. Lauderdale (McVey)	954-463-0034
Boca Radio East	561-368-5943	Pompano	954-941-5781



Public Affairs

Ronald Dillion, FSO-PA (fso-pa@cgauxboca.org)

Hope you had a great July and August.

Since my last **LOG** entry, my family and I have spent vacation time making a great 5400 mile road trip which, coincidentally, included the Rhode Island/Massachusetts area covered in Training Chart 1210. It is indeed a beautiful area, especially in the summer, but a treacherous body of water for the unknowledgeable sailor.

Speaking of unknowledgeable boaters, we need your help in getting the word out about the many informative courses offered under the direction of our Public Education Officer Andrea Rutherford. As an attachment to this month's log, we have prepared a brief course description and schedule. I would personally appreciate it if you would post this information on your office, school and civic and/or religious center bulletin board. And don't be shy about mentioning the educational opportunities we offer to your friends and family members as well.

As CG Auxiliary members, we are all part of getting the safety message out to the public. Please help. I know I can count on your support. Thank you all in advance.



Public Education

Andrea Rutherford, FSO-PE

We've had a busy summer, with a Boating Skills & Seamanship session ending July 29, a Boating Safety Course on August 9, and a GPS session on August 16.

Thank you to all the instructors and aids who gave their time and shared their expertise in Public Education this summer:

- **BS&S:** Pat Feighery, Mike Hanuschak, Gail Edelman, Bob Hersey, Hank Garrow, Alick Elliott, Tom Rutherford, Mike Gardner, Lenny Schwartz, Jerry Edelman, Leah Dalton, Jerry Rispoli, Tom Kegan and Ghenz Kosova (Boca Marine Patrol), as well as many others.
- **BSC:** Mike Hanuschak, Mike Gardner, Lenny Schwartz, and Sandy Gardner.
- **GPS:** Art Makenian, Tom Kegan, Gail Edelman, and Jerry Edelman. Court McLeod from West Marine assisted with the hands-on demonstration.

Coming up: Registration for Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) will be held on September 3 (7-8 pm), and it will meet on Tuesday evenings until the end of October. If you or your family or friends are interested in attending, please feel free to call me.

Wanted: One dedicated individual who can tie our BS&S students up in knots—literally. We need a marlinespike instructor who can spend about 10 minutes each of night BS&S this fall teaching the bowline and a few other knots. Please call me if you can (help) teach this very important skill to PE students.

Thanks Again to all the instructors and aids who gave their time and shared their expertise in Public Education this summer:



Bob Hersey teaches boat handling to a Tuesday night BS&S Class



Lenny Schwartz helps Bob demonstrate "dipping the eye."



Tom Rutherford gives students hands-on practice in the Saturday radio class.



The big night -- Jerry Rispoli monitors students taking their final exam.



Irene Azzarito, Gail Edelman, Sandy Gardner, and Kristy Colina assist in grading exams.



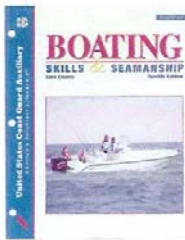
Mike Gardner awards a boating certificate to a happy and relieved graduate.

Boating Education Program US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 3-6, Boca Raton, FL 2004 Catalog

3939 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33432
Spanish River Park on Route A1A
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Boating Skills & Seamanship



This 8-week program teaches basic boating safety for adults and teens. It is suitable for those who power, sail, or paddle. The program includes chapters on boating terminology, safety equipment, trailering and handling techniques, aids to

navigation, and navigation rules.

Meets Tuesday evenings, 7-9 pm. Materials fee: \$50 (\$25 for additional family members sharing the same textbook).

Sessions scheduled to begin January 6, June 1, and August 31. Check Website or call for exact dates.

Boating Safely Course



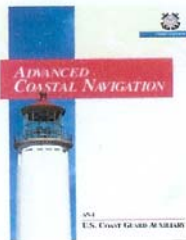
This one-day program is an eight-hour, eight-chapter session designed to appeal to hunters, anglers, personal watercraft operators and other boaters who cannot find time for a full, comprehensive program.

Meets Saturday, 9 am-5pm.

Materials fee: \$40.

Sessions are scheduled for April 3, May 1, August 7, and November 5. Check Website or call for exact dates.

Coastal Navigation



This 10-week program provides basic and advanced navigation techniques for boaters involved or interested in extended cruising.

Requires reading and hands-on chart-work using navigation tools.

Meets Wednesday evenings, 7-9 pm (occasional Saturdays).

Materials fee: \$75. Additional plotting tools required (can be purchased on-site).

Sessions scheduled to begin January 7 and September 1, based on minimum enrollment (15). Check Website or call for exact dates.

Navigating with GPS



This program provides an introduction to using the satellite-based, electronic navigation system known as GPS (Global Positioning System). Suitable for those who own or are planning to buy a GPS unit. Some prior knowledge of chart and compass

is helpful. Program also covers radio communication and intro to navigation. Meets Saturday, 9-5 pm. Materials fee: \$50.

Sessions scheduled April 17, August 14, and November 13. Check Website or call for exact dates.



Secretary / Records

Connie Sprake, FSO-SR (fso-sr@cgauxboca.org)

Towards the end of this Log, are the minutes of last months general meeting. If you have any questions about the minutes please feel free to email me at the above address.



Finance & Materials

Leonard Schwartz, FSO-FN/MA (fso-ma@cgauxboca.org)

Again, I must repeat that our little store is open on the days of our Aux. monthly meeting from 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. When the meeting starts, we will close and that is that, so if you require any item, please be there before the meeting starts and we will be glad to help you. I want you to know that it now takes longer to get some of our items from 7th District store but it will improve as they get there stock up to par. Just remember that the store is there to help you, so take advantage of it whenever you can.

Finance-

The members who as yet not sent in there dues, I would suggest you do so at once. Just remember that you will receive that letter telling you of your disenrollment at the beginning of September. If at that time you want to resign, please fill out the form at the bottom of the letter, sign and date. We hope this will not happen, so please sit down now and send in your check.



Emergency Preparedness & Operations

Robert Madden, FSO-EP, FSO-OP (fso-op@cgauxboca.org)



Summer is almost over and I hope everyone has had a fun-filled and safe season. Our operations tempo has been quite busy considering many of our vessel owners have been out of town.

This summer we have been busy qualifying new crewmembers (congratulations to you all) performing MSO patrols at Port Everglades, ATON patrols, as well as our AOR safety patrols. Flotilla 3-6 provided vessels for the tragic air collision off of Deerfield Beach. *A busy summer.*

As of press time for the LOG we are preparing for the Mass Causality Drill in Broward County. Flotilla 3-6 is furnishing the Press Boat and several members are involved with the exercise at Station Lauderdale.

Hurricane season will be in full swing shortly. Let's make sure our families, our homes and our vessels are ready.

Sempre Paratus

Disaster Drill 8/26/03



Cosmic Muffin heading to station.



CG Chandeaur heading to station.



Picking up victims from the fuselage.
Can you see the victim's head in the water?



Picking up victims that had drifted from the fuselage.



Even the Media was there by Sea.



And by Air.

Activity Calendar for September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1 Labor Day	2 BS&S 7: P.M. registration	3 A.C.N. 7:P.M. Lesson 1	4 Flotilla Meeting 7:30 P.M.	5	6 Vessel Saftey Checks Silver Palm Pk 0900 Auxop. Training
7	8 New Member Training Aux. Coms ? Aux. Seamanship	9 City Use	10 City Use of Building	11 Coxswain Training 7.P.M.	12	13 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship
14	15 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	16 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 1	17 A.C.N. 7:P.M. Lesson 2	18 Staff Meeting 7:15 P.M District 7 conf..	19 District 7 conf..	20 North Radio Vessel Saftey Checks Silver Palm Pk 0900 District 7 conf..
21 North Radio District 7 conf..	22 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	23 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 2	24 A.C.N. 7:P.M. Lesson3&4	25 Coxswain Training 7.P.M.	26	27 p
28	29 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	30 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 3				

Activity Calendar for October:

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 A.C.N. 7: P.M. Lesson 5	2 Flotilla Meeting 7:30 P.M.	3	4 North Radio Vessel Safety Checks Silver Palm Pk 0900 BS&S Radio 0900-1100
5 North Radio	6 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	7 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 4	8 City Use of Building	9 Coxswain Training	10	11
12	13 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	14 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 5	15 A.C.N. 7: P.M. Lesson 6	16 Coxswain Training	17	18 Vessel Safety Checks Silver Palm Pk 0900
19	20 New Member Training Aux. Coms Aux. Seamanship	21 BS&S 7: P.M. Lesson 6	22 A.C.N. 7: P.M. Lesson 7	23 Staff Meeting 7:15 P.M.	24	25
26	27	28 BS&S 7: P.M. Exam	29 A.C.N. 7: P.M. Lesson 8	30 BS&S Graduation 7:00 PM	31	

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD CG-3615 (Rev. 3-02)		AUXILIARY - RECORD OF UNIT MEETING			
UNIT NUMBER		UNIT NAME (as recorded in AUXDATA)		MEMBERS PRESENT	
0700306000		FLOTILLA 36		IQ or BQ – 33 AX – 13	
DATE	MEETING TIME	MEETING LOCATION		TYPE OF MEETING	
3 July 2003	1930	Base		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular Bus <input type="checkbox"/> Special Bus	
UNIT OFFICERS PRESENT				GUESTS PRESENT	
FC Elliott, VFC MGardner, AN Mark Thompson, CS Dinmore, MS Marie Thompson, MV Grady, CM Feighery, MT Kegan, OP-EP Madden, PE Rutherford, FN-MA Schwartz, PS SGardner, SR Sprake Absent: IPC-CC Makenian, IS Edelman, PA Dillon, PB Sutherland, VE Elvas				Jean Elliott Joan Jegggar, will transfer membership Sandy Huster	
CONDENSED VERSION OF REPORTS AND MOTIONS VOTED ON					
Invocation – Alick Elliott requested the membership pause for a minute of silence in remembrance of those who lost their lives during the Iraq war.					
Introduction of Guests FC – 1) Swore in new member Stan Silverman 2) The American Heart Association will be conducting a CPR class at Station Lauderdale July 14 3) The Coxswain meeting held June 15 was a great success. Some members indicated their interest in getting their boats qualified for patrol duty 4) Introductions from the audience 5) Instead of a guest speaker for tonight's meeting, a video of the Coast Guard in training and duty on the Columbia River was shown There will be no General Meeting in August but there will be a Staff meeting August 21. FN-MA – Reminder to get dues in ASAP. MT – 1) Thanked all the Captains for their help in the QE Mission June 28 2) Several members still need their Annual Currency Maintenance 3) There will be a CPR class held here in August. Tim Fry who is Chief of Ocean Rescue will be conducting the classes on Saturdays 4) There will be a new coxswains' orientation August 7 at 7 pm. OP-EP – 1) Mentioned that Pat Feighery and he were working on a Hurricane Readiness Plan including a Call-In Activation Team 2) There will be a Division Mass Casualty Drill the end of August or 1 st September. CM – 1) He is working on getting more people involved on the call-in team. If you are interested in participating, let him know. Those signed up will attend a meeting in August 2) Watch Stander boards are up, need your help. CS – Steve Grevemeyer indicated that the new Roster database will be operational in 2-3 weeks. 4 th Cornerstone Committee – Checking out having a twilight picnic at the Base sometime this fall. The Change of Watch dinner/dance will be December 7 at the Delray Beach Golf Club. Prices will be about the same as last year. No Old Business or New Business addressed. Motion made to adjourn.					
UNIT TRAINING TOPICS PRESENTED					
TCT Workshop will be at the Base July 12 from 0800 to 1700. It is mandatory every 5 years. If you are working at the CG Station, a 2-day course is required.					
REMARKS (Include special events, future plans, awards presented, special guests present, etc.)					



How many services and agencies were involved in this drill?
How many can you count?
Answer in FSO-PB article.

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