

# The Log

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**PALM BEACH, Fla. - Auxiliary members from Flotillas 51 and 36 (FSO-IS Jane Sabbagh) are out on safety patrol last weekend, 11 Sep 2021, with coxswain, Louis Townsend. They recover and dispose of a floating log from the shipping channel in the port. Imagine the damage that the log might have done to the hull or prop of a boat!**

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# *From the Helm...*

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## **FLOTILLA COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all doing well and healthy.

Thank you to everyone for submitting your DUES in time. If you have not yet, please do so or let us know if you are planning to disenroll or retire.

VDCR Brody has been hosting weekly Boat Crew classes and they are going great. As mentioned at the Division meeting, and our September meeting, the Division will have a booth at Fort Lauderdale Boat Show. Once I receive more information and the times, I will let you know.

With the New Year coming in, if anyone has any interest in taking on Staff positions, please let us know and we will provide you with all the information you need. These types of positions are an amazing opportunity to acquire some leadership skills, open new relationships with the public as well as within the Auxiliary community. The lessons that I learned as a FSO, VFC and now FC, have helped shape me into a better person and everything I've learned I have been able to apply to my personal and professional life.

Please feel free to reach out to us for anything you need.

We're here to serve you.



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ALL MEMBERS: Time to check and make sure your trainings are up-to-date! All members need to update 5 CORE courses every 5 years. There is one CORE course that once you've taken it, does not need to be renewed (Ethics). You **can check your status on the attached list at the end of the log.** Trainings in yellow mean that you have until this year to update them – so don't wait any longer. Trainings in red mean that you are past your time to do the trainings. Yellow or red – please get your trainings done. Remember, keeping your trainings up-to-date is part of your commitment to membership. If you need to update any or all of your CORE courses, here's how you do it.

### CORE Courses

Go to the Auxiliary Online Classroom <http://classroom2.cgaux.org/moodle/>

Log in (top right)

Username (member ID #) and Password (your password)

Scroll down to T-Training (Including Leadership Development)

Auxiliary Core and Basic Qualification Training Portal

Select AUX Core Training Certification Portal

Select the course(s) you need

Watch the Training Video

Upon completion of each CORE Training Course, complete the self-attestation form (located on the site) and send it to your FSO-IS, Jane Sabbagh at [IntracoastalLife@gmail.com](mailto:IntracoastalLife@gmail.com)

MEMBERS WHO JOINED AFTER 2/1/2018: Basic Qualification Courses (BQC-II) are a requirement and part of your commitment to membership. There are 7 units that need to be completed, and once completed they do not need to be renewed. You **can check your status on the attached list at the end of the log.** If you need to take any or all of the BQC Courses, here's how you do it.

### BQC II Leadership Courses Located Online

Go to the Auxiliary Online Classroom <http://classroom2.cgaux.org/moodle/>

Log in (top right)

Username (member ID #) and Password (your password)

Scroll down to T-Training (Including Leadership Development)

Auxiliary Core and Basic Qualification Training Portal

Select AUX Basic Qualification Course II-2017

Select each module, study the guide, take the National Testing Center assessment.



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Hello all....we are looking forward to seeing everyone soon at our Flotilla store ☺!



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Please submit any articles or photographs you would like published in the LOG. Please stay safe. Until the next issue...



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The USCG Light List (2019 Annual Publication) is available online at

<https://navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lightlists> . These Light List products are corrected through the latest Coast Guard "Local Notice for Mariners" for each Coast Guard District. To access them, click on

the appropriate section map (District 7 for our area) or the links below the map. These publications contain a list of lights, sound signals, buoys, daybeacons, and other aids to navigation. Weekly updates to the USCG navigation system are included in the Local Notice to Mariners, which is available as a download PDF file. Click District 7 on the main page, and follow the instructions for downloading.



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Our August 21 boating class was held at Henderson High School, Boca Raton, on the FAU campus. Thanks to Joel Herbst's generosity and support, our 18 students and instructors met in the media center for the day, a spacious room of tables with a large TV display for easy viewing.



Thank you to instructors Eric Weinbaum, Michael Byer, and Michael Brody for assisting me with the class, and to Joel Herbst for making us all feel welcome. The students all wore masks and were relaxed and appreciative. Our next class will be October 16, back at the base, where we will again require masks. Fortunately, students handle this fine and are grateful for an in-person class.

As always, thank you to Rafael Baez and Mike Gonzales who continue to contribute to our Flotilla's Instagram site, <https://www.instagram.com/uscgauxiliary36/> where we promote our boating classes, as well as other Flotilla 36 activities.





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## REPORTING OUR HOURS

January 1, 2021 to Sept. 20th: A look at how we are doing as a division in reporting our hours, doing program visits, and vessel exams. We did a better job reporting hours last month as you can tell by our total reported hours- even though we still have many members who have yet to report their time. Let's get everyone reporting their time so that we get credit for all we do.

Unit Name ↑	# of Members	Total Hours Reported	# Program Visits	# VSC Exams
BOCA RATON	85	8029.21	15	35
DANIA BEACH	48	7097.96	139	98
LIGHTHOUSE POINT	34	3145.46	129	508
PLANTATION	64	7700.87	12	43
POMPANO BEACH	39	899	19	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>26872.5</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>692</b>

## FOTILLA'S VOLUNTEER HOURS

It's time to report your hours for September. All members should be reporting time spent reading emails, attending meetings, and any other activities in which they participated.

## AUXDATA II ACCOUNT

Need help getting started? The first step is to set up an AUXDATA II account.

Here's how:

Go to <https://uscg.force.com/auxcommunity/login>

Username: your member number @uscg.aux

Click on Forgot Your Password and follow instructions

## HAVE AN ACCOUNT, BUT NOW WHAT?

Report your hours for each month

Go to <https://uscg.force.com/auxcommunity/login>

Login: Username: your member number @uscg.aux (i.e. 1234567@uscg.aux)

Follow the steps in the “Report Hours” guide found here: [Report Hours.docx - Google Drive](#)

Any questions or need help reporting your time, call Jane Sabbagh 561-317-4546.



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#### **Prospective Member Recruitment – My Contact Information:**

The best way to alert me of a prospective member's interest in our organization is via email: [fso-hr@cgauxboca.org](mailto:fso-hr@cgauxboca.org). I encourage you to invite the prospective member to a flotilla meeting. We encourage all prospective members to complete the About Boating Safely class prior to filling out the application – we want to include a copy of the certificate with the application.

#### **New Member Intake Procedures**

Meet with the FSO-HR to complete an application and related documents:

1. Review the prospective information booklet (emailed prior to meeting)
2. Take the new member exam
3. Provide proof of citizenship (birth certificate, US passport, other certificates)
4. Take ID card picture
5. Pay dues check (pro-rated for the rest of the year)
6. Include copy of Boating Safety Class certificate
7. If prior military service, copy the discharge papers (such as DD-214)
8. Provide an emergency contact (name, phone, email)



**Program Visitor**

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For those members who do not already know about the program, the Public Visitor (PV) Program is a part of the USCG Auxiliary Recreational Boating Safety mission. The PV program is designed to provide the boating public with the most current boating safety information and to establish a point of contact for boaters interested in boating safety. Businesses such as marine dealers, marine stores, dive shops, marinas, libraries, nautical stores, etc. in turn, can provide their customers with boating safety literature, information on Courtesy Vessel Safety Checks, and the location of public education courses.

Monthly visitations provide an informative interaction between the USCG Auxiliary, businesses and the boating public. If you are interested in becoming a Public Visitor representing USCG Auxiliary 3-6, please Rafael Baez for assistance.



**Tom Thayer**  
**FSO-DV**

### **SEEK WAYS TO WELCOME AND BENEFIT FROM DIVERSITY**

- A.** Mix diverse co-workers to help open minds and reduce bias and stereotypes.
- B.** Encourage all individuals to express views, suggestions, insights, and ideas.
- C.** Emphasize to employees and members that expressions of bias or stereotypes are not acceptable.
- D.** Treat all members as individuals.

*Source: Valuing Diversity Training Handout*



# Book Talk

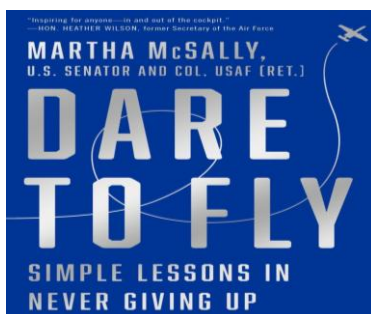
By Rafael Baez

This month's book "Dare to Fly: Simple Lessons in Never Giving Up. By Col (RET.) Martha McSally.

She was/is the first woman, in the US, to fly in combat as well as the first to be a Commander of a Squadron. Col. McSally's career was full of challenges and obstacles on the way, but her will and determination to achieve her goals led her to a wonderful career and eventually became a US Senator for Arizona.

An extraordinary leader, who fought hard to overcome adversity in her life and used those experiences to become the successful leader she is.

I learned many lessons from this book and her life and I highly recommend it.







## Has your Auxiliary member ID card expired?

Once a year, check the expiration date on your member ID card. The card is valid for 5 years. When it's time to get a new card, you initiate the process. If it's within a few months of expiration, or has already expired:

1. Tell the FC or VFC that you need a renewed ID card. They can help you get started.
2. Have your picture taken in the office (red background, uniform shirt). Zoom in so only your head with the red background is showing.
3. In an email, send the picture to the FC. Also provide the current information on the back of your card: Height (inches), weight, eye color, hair color, blood type, date of birth, and ID number.

The FC will submit your photo and information into the system. In a few weeks, the new card will be sent to the FC, who will have it at meetings. Bring your old card to swap out for the new card.

Note: If you present an expired card at the gate of a military base, you will not be allowed entry and your card might even be confiscated.



## Here are some useful local boating websites:

Port Everglades: <http://www.PortEvergladesWebcam.com>

Boca Raton Inlet: <http://www.pbcgov.com/webcams/bocainlet/>

Boca Raton South Beach Park: <http://evsboca.netfirms.com/>

Lake Boca Webcam: <http://lakebocacam.com/>

Delray Beach: <http://delraybeachwebcam.com/>

Jupiter Inlet: <http://www.evsjupiter.com/main.htm>

Lake Worth or Palm Beach Inlet: <http://www.pbcgov.com/webcams/lwi/>

Boynton Beach or South Lake Worth Inlet: <http://www.pbcgov.com/webcams/slwi/>

Florida Intracoastal Waterway Bridge Guide

<http://www.hisc.org/Cruising/FloridaAtIntracoastalWaterwayMovableBridgeGuide.pdf>

Hillsboro Inlet Tides

<http://tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/tideshow.cgi?site=Hillsboro+Inlet,+Coast+Guard+Light+Station+Florida>

Hillsboro Inlet Tides (and other stuff)

[http://www.windfinder.com/tide/Hillsboro Inlet Coast Guard Light Station Florida](http://www.windfinder.com/tide/Hillsboro+Inlet+Coast+Guard+Light+Station+Florida)

## Important Web Sites:

<http://www.cgauxboca.org/>

Flotilla 36 Log, roster, flotilla info - USCGAUX Home USCG.org

<http://home.auxidept.org/>

National Info. What's New Page, USCG Seventh District, AUXINFO Division 3 Flotilla 6

<http://www.cgaux7.org/index7.htm?page=members>

USCG Seventh District /Diraux.org

<http://d7diraux.org/scripts/cgiip.exe/WService=d7diraux/d7gw.htm>

Gateway Membership ID cards, Member Training Guide, Introduction to training available, Member Training Qualification Guide, All Courses, Division 3 Training Guide, Training in Division 3, Division 3 Member Training Guide, Training in Division 3, New Member Training power point presentation, History of USCG, Auxiliary New Member Course Student Study Guide -1.pdf



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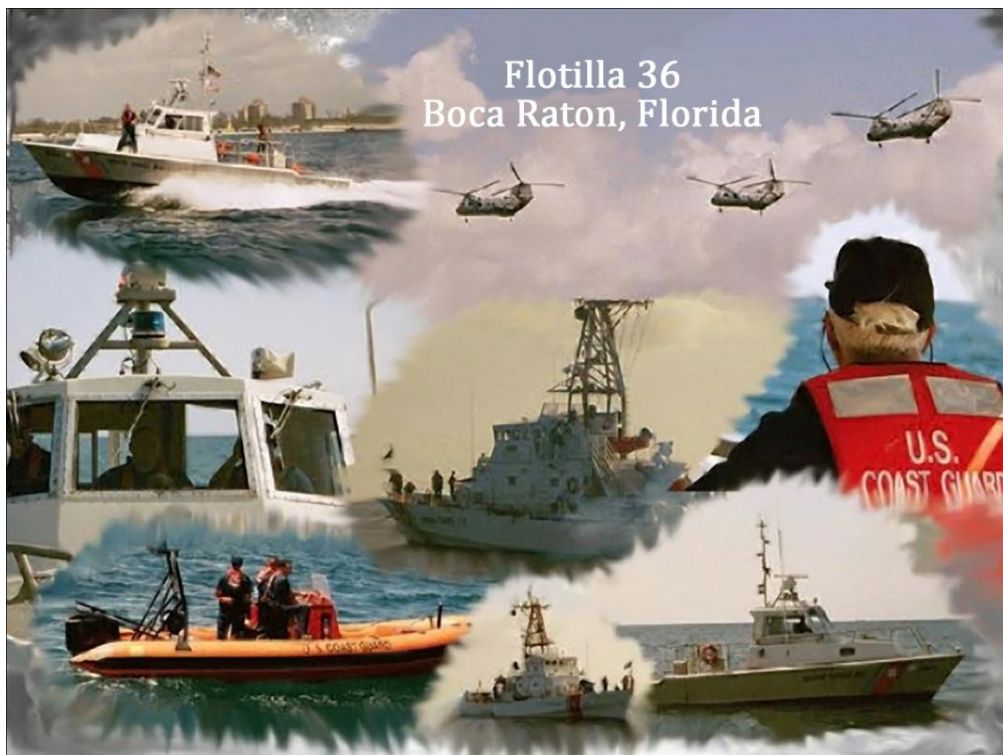
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The Marine Safety building is immediately south of Spanish River Blvd on A1A.

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