



Minutes of November 10, 2011 Meeting

Meeting was preceded by dessert and coffee.

FC Nick Butziger called the meeting to order at 7:30pm with a Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and a Moment of Silence for our departed members, and all Auxiliarists and Servicemen and Women.

Members in attendance: Nick Butziger, Robert Van Herpe, Roz Butziger, Michael Quinn, Garth Dudley, Robert Pardi, Enis Pardi, Donald Anderson, Tom Wilcox, Debbie Pass, Debbie Anderson.

Guests: Steven Quinn

FSO/FN – Garth said the flotilla has repaid Inc for the steak fry and for rent. All members but one has paid their dues. There is no completion on Debbie Anderson yet so no bill yet.

Nick Butziger received an award for UPV Program Director, UPV Instructor, UPV Examiner and UPV Inspector, as well as a Service Award

Mike Quinn received a Service Award

Awards for absentees will be passed out at a later meeting.

The Division 7 Meeting will be at our headquarters on Tues Nov. 15 at 7pm.

Call out tree response order came out from CG Admiral. You need to reply to the email with qualifications and whether or not you plan to opt out of the calling tree. This replaces the Everbridge System. The Admiral says we must have 100% response with any callout in 12 hours.

FSO/PE – Roz passed out the public education schedule for Jan, Feb and March. We have a new source of charts – Paradise Cay in Arcata, CA. Half price charts. Less if more than 50 ordered. 1210TR Nav Rules book is also half price.

We will have an Instructors' Workshop next Thursday night at 7 pm at the headquarters. Sign up by calling Roz or Nick 739-6028 or email roz@butziger.com If there is no interest it will not be held. We plan to show techniques as well as lesson planning, this time using small navigation sections, from chart symbols to set and drift.

FSO/PA– Bob said he would print 12 – 18 posters to advertise courses. Mike said to leave sheets for people to take at stores etc. Mike has put the classes, prices, times, on our website. Mike will also put them into the Boat US online education section.

FSO/VE – We have done over 200 VSC's. For UPV we count hours, not inspections

FSO/COMS – Doug is in Florida

FSO/OPS- We have done 85 safety patrols, Everyone who needed a 3 year check ride has had it except one who will do it next year.

Joe StJean needs a Florida QE check ride to do operations there, whereas we in NE accept anyone who has done it anywhere.

FSO/MS – Gary had no report but will do a PowerPoint presentation in Jan. Nick asked him to so a presentation on HARPATs.

FSO/NS – Bob Pardi said ANT Bristol announced we have already done 41% of what is to be done and that is excellent! The goal was 33% this year. Mike has even done some more to add to that. We have done 100% of the bridges to be done! January 1 we start again. If anyone wants to recommend anyone for awards in doing this – a crewman or whatever – who does a great job, that would be appropriate. Send it to Bob Pardi.

The Christmas Change of Watch/Party will be held on December 11 at Gregg's in North Kingstown at noon. Only \$20.00. The flotilla will pay for appetizers. There is a children's menu, and Maureen will get out something to everyone on the prices for children.

*Post meeting Update on Newport Playhouse. Cancelled. Sold Out! We will do it in January instead, but this time – reserve early so we can get reservations. At that price they go fast!

FSO/MAT – Mike brought a box of old style uniforms that people ordered. We will get together a list of who ordered what. Also for PEC, a bag with inflatable PFD, canisters and refills, a flipchart, demos, etc. This will help in our presentations.

FSO/IS – send in your 7029 forms. We have done 29 chart updates, 93 MDV's, 155 hours of PE. Put in your hours. If you do not know how, just email Mike with what you have done and he will post it for you. Help our flotilla and Division!

Old Business

Heat is needed for the back room! We do work in there, particularly for the PEC! There is already 220 there. Bob said he will do it! Mike had the radio facility inspected, so let's get up the antenna.

Send your check made out to North Star Flotilla to:

Maureen Van Herpe
146 Pray Hill Rd
Chepachet, RI

New Business

Member Training – Marlinspike. How would you teach someone? What are some tricks? Have them close their eyes after you show them and have them try once or twice. That makes them focus on the motions.

Mike showed us how to get free charts on line. Free chart plotter!
Nick presented a PowerPoint game on nautical terms.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm