

FC and SO Reports for 04 October, 2023 Division 014-07 Meeting

From Sherrye Dawn Platte, SO-FN

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
D1SR DIVISION 07, WESTERN CONNECTICUT
MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

01 October 2023

I. Previous balance as of 01 September 2023: \$ 1871.39

II. Receipts:

Total Receipts: \$ 0

III. Disbursements:

Total Disbursements: \$ 0

NEW BALANCE (CURRENT BALANCE) \$ 1871.39

Upcoming Expenses (to be paid this month)

Upcoming deposits (to be deposited this month)

NOTE: *** Denotes transactions made that have not yet cleared.

From Eric Riznyk, VFC - 72

Subject: FC Report – Oct 2023

- We have 7 members that can be sworn in the next meeting they attend.
- A remote BA class was held on 19-21 SEP. Two students completed it bringing total BA completions for 2023 to 101. Recently enrolled 07-02 member, Israel Reyes, was one of them. The instructors were R. Talley and J. DeFranco. Next class is scheduled for 14 OCT and will be onsite in our training center.
- Currently, successful QE Sessions have been conducted for 2 coxswain and 3 crew. All other participants will go into or remain in REYR at the end of the year and will need QE sessions next year. The plan is to get facilities into the water in May if possible, conduct underway training in late May or early June, and conduct QE sessions in late June.

From Raymond Birnbaum, SO-HR 7

1. Flotilla 7-1: No report.
2. Flotilla 7-2: George Kollitides,, Donnalisa Persiani, Ilya Korisch,, Richard Allin, Mercedes Motz, Michael Babich, Nicholas Mellas, Morgan Orban and Israel Reyes can be sworn in at the next meeting they attend. We have the following new members this month in Morgan Orban and Israel Reyes. We have six new members YTD in 2023. I am still pursuing three other potential new members.
3. Flotilla 7-4 Working with recently enrolled members to assist them with Core Curriculum to attain BQ status. Some report enrollment keys are not working. Speaking with two new candidates (A. Schnapp & B. Strada) for membership. Forwarded them application packages. Following up this week. Working with new AP members re: uniform acquisition info. Assisting existing members with obtaining new member ID cards.
4. Flotilla 7-5 We have one new member that received his emplid in Michael Caldarola. We have an additional applicant in Kenny Stier. The FSO-HR is continuing to work with Ed Hickey and Scott McGurk on their packages. Ariel Jamil will be taking her New Member test in September so we may submit her application. The goal for September is three additional new members.
5. Flotilla 7-7: Carmelo Mendez attended our last Flotilla meeting and was given introductory material about the missions of the Auxiliary and a 7001 form. Hope to get him to fill them out soon. Michael Cowenhaven is a Norwich University graduate and no longer wants a military career. He is considering joining the Auxiliary. The FC and I are trying to get him to join.
6. Flotilla 7-8: We have a new potential member in William Roberts. We have completed his package and it was emailed to DIRAUX. Received emplids for Marilyn Corzo-Araoz , Madelyn Contreras, and Jim Hoffman. Donald Scanlon, Demetrios "Jimmy" Frazis, Yannick Passemart and Will Roberts are in AP status and are working on Core Training. Jake Williams Awas dis-enrolled for non payment of dues. I am working with additional prospects in Adam Monaim. and Andrew Constantin.
7. Remember that membership recruiting is everyone's job.

From Carol Saar, SO-IS

In the Activity Logs that FSO-ISs still have to review I am seeing the following:

There are 17 Activity Logs that are "Open" out of 50. This is a large number that are "Open". Flotilla Commanders: tell your members to go back through the Activity Logs that have "Open" status and change them to "Approval Requested". This is a repeat of an earlier request to make these changes. When the status is "Approval Requested", then the FSO-ISs can do the reviewing and then I can approve them or reject them.

From Joseph Stilo, SO-PV

Marine Dealer Visits ----- PV REPORT for the month of SEPTEMBER

Flotilla 71	Reported	0 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	18
Flotilla 72	No report	0 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	0
Flotilla 74	Reported	0 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	0
Flotilla 75	Reported	37 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	171
Flotilla 77	Reported	27 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	163
Flotilla 78	Reported	32 visits for the month of SEPTEMBER	YTD	178

DIVISION 7 TOTAL YTD 457 Program Visits ----- Jan.1 To Sep. 30
Hoping for 60 + more visits for the month of OCTOBER

From Allan Wolkoff, SO-NS

As noted in last month's report, all 55 PATONS that were assigned to Division 7 for verification have been verified and entered into Harbormaster. We have also been tasked with a newly reestablished bridge verification program. Seven bridges in Division 7 have been assigned as high priority. These are:

1. The South Fulton Ave Bridge over the Hutchinson River in Mt Vernon, NY.
2. The Metro-North (Cos Cob) railroad bridge.
3. The Glen Island Bridge in New Rochelle, NY.
4. The Washington Street Bridge over the Norwalk River, in South Norwalk, CT.
5. The Norwalk River Railroad Bridge – 2 over the Norwalk River, in South Norwalk, CT.
6. The Saga Metro-North Bridge over the Saugatuck River in Saugatuck, CT.
7. The Bridge Street Bridge over the Saugatuck River in Saugatuck, CT.

As of this time, numbers 1,2, and 3 have been done. We are planning completion of the other 4 which can be done by land or water as appropriate.

From Reed Hamel, FC-75

Add 1 new member in Sept. 2 New applications sent to NY in Sept.
Setup election committee for FC & VFC. Rpt. due in Oct.
William Lipscomb requaled as Coxswain in Sept.

Still waiting on approvals for Walter Anderson as Boat Crew and David Saaybe as Instructor. S/B in Oct.

Coxswains 7 Crew: 6 OPFAC: 8

PE classes remain scheduled and attendance remains high.

Flotilla Boat will be stored at Nichols Marina in 2023/24. S/B placed on the hard by Oct 15th.

Will be meeting in mid OCT to review annual currency requirements and paperwork for Boat Crew members.

Will continue surface patrols in OCT. Will do night patrols also.

Plan on painting Flotilla Bldg. overhang in mid OCT.

Will be doing PPE in OCT.

Continuing PV & VEs

From Reed Hamel, SO-MT

Urge FCs, MTs, OPs & IS to review annual currency maintenance procedures & paperwork requirements.

From Mike Reidy, SO-CS

I checked the six flotilla websites in the division, and for the flotillas that are currently offering the Boat America class, most of them are missing an opportunity to promote the classes on the main page of the website. For flotillas that rely on the income from PE classes, this should be a priority. I will help anyone interested in getting this information onto their page.

From Peter Grunthal, SO-SR

DSO-SR Bruce Caldwell has advised that effective September 2023 all meeting minutes must be submitted on an interactive Form 7000. I have been using the format for several months, but from now on I will be using and distributing the actual interactive Form.

Caldwell has instructed me in a telephone call that minutes shall only include:

- Whether or not a quorum
- Officers attending
- Minutes approved
- Whether or not Financial Report was approved, no numbers unless stated at meeting
- No electronic reports
- SO/FC oral reports only in briefest summary
- No data that is entered in AUXDATA II
- Motions made and expenditures approved, must be recorded.
- Attendance can be attached

Caldwell noted that SO and FC reports are intended to be submitted up the chain, not distributed at meetings or by the SR for that meeting. Example: FSO-FN reports to SO-FN, who reports to DSO-FN.

The Division minutes shall be submitted by the SO-SR to the DSO-SR after they have been approved. Hold draft minutes until shortly before next meeting.

These instructions notwithstanding, I am prepared to distribute timely electronic reports to all Division officers as I have been doing in the past, to give all officers a picture of activities.

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