

Sagebrush Mariner Division 11 Newsletter

Spring 2008

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Calendar of Events

- March 7 – 8
Division Meeting
- April 15
Lake Lowell Opens
- April 19
Sea Partners Campaign
- April 21-22
Sheriff's Training
- May 19-23
Safe Boating Week
- June
Summer Issue of
Sagebrush Mariner
- June 6, 7 & 8
Lucky Peak

Reminder:

Be aware of Aquatic nuisance. Watch for these invasive species: hydrilla, milfoil, mitten crab, New Zealand mud snails, zebra mussels, and the latest threat ...the quagga mussel (cousin to the zebra mussel).

Tony Schiro Division Captain

Well, here we are in April already and the boating season is fast approaching. There are so many things to get done that it is hard to decide which to give priority. Without question the Sheriff's training is at the top of the list. We support this effort in every way we can as these are the folks we work with out there. I urge all of you that have the time and facilities to help out in this endeavor to do so. Contact VCP Larry Corning to sign up.

Many of you have been the beneficiary of a terrific effort of the part of IPDCP Charlie Caddy's efforts to obtain equipment from the DIRAUX office. Please cooperate with him on the necessary paperwork and let him know you appreciate his work on this project.

I cannot tell you how happy I was with our last Division meeting. It went even better than we had hoped. Your reports were on the money! They were given in a manner that was new and explanatory and earned us so many kudos from the senior officers that it made me proud to say "this is MY group". You all followed the VCP's instructions to a tee.

With this in mind, I want to tell you a little about our next Division meeting which will be the June 6, 7&8 weekend. We are going to look back to the past a little bit and take us to Lucky Peak. Our idea is to insert a meeting that is replete with fellowship and training and fun. Your Bridge is in the process of setting it up and as the details become firm we will send them out to you. However, the key to a successful event is going to be your participation. That will become the primary focus of our planning. You MUST support this event in order for it to be a success. We (your Bridge) will do the planning and put it together, but YOU must commit to supporting it and if you do we will have a great time with lots of accomplishments.

Sempar Paratus
Tony Schiro
DCP



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Caddy III

Mariner's Corner

Larry Corning VCP

Q: Why should you unplug your trailer lights before you submerge them in the water?

A: When backing down the boat ramp, you use your brakes. This causes the brake light bulbs on your trailer to go on, which produces a lot of heat; then, when the bulb is doused by cold water... "POOF"...no more light bulb.

News from our Flotillas

Division 11 Staff Officers

DCP Anthony Schiro
VCP Larry Corning
IPDCP Charlie Caddy
SO-CM John Mckay
SO-CS Jeff Caddy
SO-FN Carol Grassl
SO-IS Alvin Wonnenberg
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SO-MS Mary Corning
SO-MT Ron Fritz
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SO-PS Carol Grassl
SO-PV Larry Kelly
SO-SR Suzette Fritz
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Copies should be no more than 200 words.

Photographs will also be accepted. Please send them as jpg files to the above email address.



Flotilla 11 – 01

Dick Johnson FC

Flotilla 11-01 Boise had a great recruiting year last year. We have set a goal of getting eight more new members this year. During this year's first three monthly meetings, we have had a total of five prospective members come to our meetings. We have invitations out to another four interested people. A great deal of this recruiting effort has been made by new member Kristal Tighe. Not only has she accomplished this, she has also passed the Marine Dealer and Vessel Examiner tests this last month. Also new member Kari Ballard has passed the Vessel Examiner test this last week and her husband, John, will take the test very soon. It is great being a Flotilla Commander when you have so many great members in the Flotilla. We are blessed with great members.

Flotilla 11 – 04

Larry Kelly FC

In July, 2006, Canyon Flotilla 11-04, Caldwell, Idaho wanted to do something for our fellow Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary members that have crossed the bar. Under the direction of Larry Kelly FC 11-04 and Charlie Caddy III IPDC 11 an Honor Guard was formed. Since forming the Honor Guard we have been asked to participate in Veterans and Memorial Day ceremonies.

We represent our Coast Guard military and our Coast Guard Auxiliary by the folding of the American Flag, playing taps and presenting the Flag to a family member. At this time we have six members in the Honor Guard and have performed at (21) funerals including Graveside services. We have traveled as far as (200) miles away from home to honor our fallen comrades by request of the family and funeral homes. We are very proud to be a part of the Coast Guard Auxiliary in the State of Idaho.

The Swearing in of Officers at the Change of Watch Banquet



Pictured from left to right: VCO Dennis Hoppman, Andre Billeaudeau, LCDR, USCG, Tony Schiro Captain Division 11, Larry Corning Vice Captain Division 11

**Find Your Place
Get Involved**