

# THE INLAND SEA

## FLOTILLA 12 - 1 LAKE MARION, SC

### USCG AUXILIARY GAZETTE

"USCG AUXILIARISTS RECEIVE NO PAY, NOT BECAUSE THEY ARE WORTHLESS BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE PRICELESS"

Meetings: Third Wednesday - Clarendon Co. Emergency Service Complex, Commerce St., Manning



**FLOTILLA COMMANDER JOHN OWEN**  
Division Vice Commander(e) VCDR



Congratulations to William Hayes, Flotilla Commander (elect) and to Robert (Bob) Young, Vice Flotilla Commander (elect). Thank you both for volunteering to serve in a leadership role for our flotilla. I know we can look forward to your direction and guidance. Mark your calendars: Our flotilla **Change of Watch is scheduled for 03 DEC 2014** at Clark's Restaurant, Santee (details forthcoming). Al Crothers, DCDR, will attend and we have invited BM1 John Palmer.

Highlights from the Division 12 – October meeting: Reminder to ensure completion of annual requirements (hours, VE's, etc.) to maintain certifications; Reminder of District 7's annual requirement of at least one Night Patrol be conducted; District dues will increase \$2 in 2015; **Division COW scheduled for 17 JAN 2015** at Litchfield Golf and Beach Resort – details forthcoming; District 7 DIRAUX CDR Stewart and District Commodore (elect) Weskerna provided insights and comments; **Division election results – Commander John Murphy (12-10) and Vice Commander John Owen (12-1).**

Awards received during the Division meeting for our flotilla and members were: National Commodore's Diversity Management 3 Star Award of Excellence to Flotilla 12-1; District 7 Human Resource Challenge Coin Award to John Owen for service as SO-HR from 2011 to 2014; Commodores' Certificate of Excellence for Vessel Exams to Steve Rodvansky and John Owen; Commodore's Certificate of Excellence for Multi-Directorate (Operations/Marine Safety/Recreational Boating Safety/Member Services) to John Owen; and District SO-PE "Century Club Award" to John Owen for completing over 100 Vessel Exams during 2013.

We will be conducting a PA event at the Safety, Environment and Sustainable You Healthy Living Fair at Schneider Electric in Hopkins on 5 November from 1100-1600 hours. Schneider Electric is located on Hwy 378 (Garners-Ferry Rd.) between Sumter and Columbia. Also, CG and Aux members and facilities from 12-1, 12-3 and Station Charleston will be participating in the **Columbia Veteran's Day Parade on 11 NOV.** (See Joe's Thanksgiving article) Ω

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**FLOTILLA COMMANDER (e) William Hayes**



Where has the year gone already? Can you believe the COW is just around the corner? As we start winding down, this is a great time to get your efforts recorded. Make sure all of your time is reported.

Kudos to Flotilla 12-1. At the Division meeting earlier this month, our group was recognized for vessel exams and diversity. Thank you all for all the work that you do.

My sincere appreciation for the confidence vote at our flotilla meeting in which you elected me to be your 2015 Flotilla Commander. I will do my utmost to ensure our flotilla continues the excellent achievements shown the past two years under the leadership of John Owen.

Do you have an area that really interest or intrigues you? If so, this is a good indication of a place you may serve. Often the things that capture our interest, are areas where we excel. We are in real need of an **Information Systems** staff officer. Please check the IS article below. Sue Hastings, DSO-IS, is really over worked currently handling four flotillas' plus her division and district duties. There will be additional C-School's (AUX-10) for FSO-IS's in 2015 in Georgetown. Let me know and we will get you enrolled. We are also in very much need of a **Public Education** officer. Let the bridge know if there is an area that interest you.

Thank you all for your contributions! Ω



## SANTEE COOPER DREDGING DIVERSION CANAL

Navigational dredging operations began the second week of October between channel markers 30 and 32 where the Diversion Canal enters Lake Moultrie.

Approximately 100,000 yards of sediment will be removed. Boaters are urged to use caution, to maintain a safe distance from the work zone established by the contractor and to be mindful of their wake as they pass through the work zone.

This canal that connects Lakes Marion and Moultrie was last dredged in 1988.

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## OPERATIONS Joe Livingston



The weather is getting cooler and now is a good time to prepare your boat motor for winter. With the widespread use of ethanol gasolines, condensate (water) in gas tanks has become a common occurrence, especially during this time of year when the temperatures can vary significantly on any given day. This variation in temperature encourages condensation and the resulting water can cause major problems with outboard motors – They tend not to run very well on a water / gas mixture! There are three common ways to minimize the negative effects of using " ethanol" gasoline in your boat motor – 1) Use a gasoline additive designed to minimize or eliminate condensation in your gas. There are several products available that do a good job of this. 2) Keep your gas tank FULL. Minimizing or eliminating the amount of air on top of the gas in your tank will reduce the source of the condensate thus reducing the amount of condensate. 3) Install a water "trap" in your gas line. The installation of a water / gas separator will not keep condensation from occurring in your tank but it can help remove water from your gas before it gets into the motor. Using any one of these will help deal with the condensate problem, but the most effective course of action would be to use them all. Sort of added insurance. ----- A boat motor that won't start, or worse yet one that starts and runs long enough to get you out on the water and then quits, can really ruin your day. Be prepared and take steps now to keep this from happening so you don't have to be rescued by the Coast Guard Auxiliary! -- SEMPER PARATUS!

### COAST GUARD PLANS TO CLOSE SC HELICOPTER STATION

The U.S. Coast Guard is closing the Johns Island remote air facility that uses one of five SAR helicopters assigned to its Savannah, GA station. The closing date is 30 November. The copter would move back to the Georgia station and eventually on to somewhere else. The Georgia station is 80 miles from Charleston. The Coast Guard defended the Charleston facility closure by citing a 43 percent drop in search and rescue missions, from 153 in 2011 to 86 in 2014.

#### LIFE OF MAN

*SCHOOL TABLET  
ASPRIN TABLET  
STONE TABLET*

#### ADULT TRUTHS

*I have a hard time deciphering the fine  
line between boredom and hunger.*

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## MEMBER TRAINING Perry Moses III



At our October flotilla meeting we reviewed the AuxLMS courses that are required to be completed by every auxiliariest by December 30, 2016. There are a total of 8 courses, all of which are available on line. New members must complete these during the first year they are members. For the current members you will have a five year cycle after you complete the first course, meaning that you will need to retake the course each five years. Courses #7 and #8 are only taken once. The courses are as follows:

1. DHS Together- Resilience Training
2. Security Education and Training Awareness
3. Privacy at DHS/Protecting Personal Information
4. Sexual Harassment Prevention
5. Sexual Assault Prevention and Response
6. Civil Rights Awareness
7. Ethics 1/Personal Gifts
8. Influenza Training

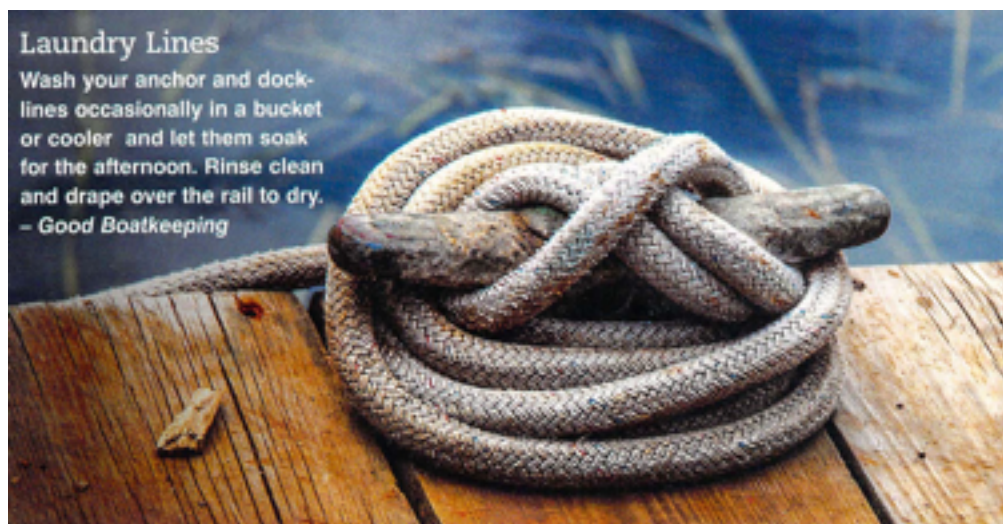
I urge each of you to start now completing these courses. Don't wait until December 2016. I don't think the individual courses take long; however, I would advise you to take one at a time. If you log in to take a course, after you complete the course log out and then log in again for the next course. This seems to reset the time clock so you want be disconnected in the middle of a course.

To access the AuxLMS you will need an email address that is unique to you.

You can set up your account at <http://auxofficer.cgaux.org>

To access AUXLMS at <https://auxlearning.uscg.mil/>

If you have any problems, please give me a call and I will try to walk you through the process. Ω



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## HOW TO FLY THE FLAG ABOARD



### United States Ensign

The U.S. national ensign, sometimes called "50-star" or "Old Glory," is the proper and preferred flag for all U.S. vessels. Your boat should wear it from 0800 until sunset, and when you enter or leave port during daylight or at night, weather and rig permitting. While in port, if you leave your boat and will not return before sunset, lower and stow the national ensign before you go.



### United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Ensign

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary *blue ensign* may be worn on a boat that has been approved as a current *facility* by the organization. It is flown both day and night. The current *facility* must wear the national ensign whenever the Auxiliary ensign is worn.



### United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Operational Ensign

The USCGAux *operational ensign* (white with the orange and blue diagonal stripes of the U.S. Coast Guard) is worn in place of the blue ensign on USCGAux vessels while under Coast Guard orders or on patrol missions. When under orders, only the U.S. national ensign, the USCGAux operational ensign, and one officer flag may be flown. All other signals must be removed. The dimensions of the operational ensign should not be greater than those of the national ensign.

## PUBLICATIONS

COMO Jay Dahlgren



## SOME (MORE) PUNCTUATION RULES

### COMMAS FOR LISTS

This is probably the first thing you ever learned about commas, that they divide items in lists, but are not required before the *and* on the end:

The four refreshing fruit flavors of Opal Fruits are orange, lemon, strawberry and lime.

I had a marvelous time eating in tavernas, swimming in the turquoise water, getting sloshed on rosé wine and not sending postcards.

The colors of the American Flag are red, white and blue.

The rule here is that the comma is correct if it can be replaced by the word *and* or *or*. For example: "I had a marvelous time eating in tavernas *and* swimming in the turquoise water *and* getting sloshed on rosé wine *and* not sending postcards." This would be the grammatical consequence of omitting the comma: a sentence that is clumsy (and sounds a lot more sloshed), but still counts as grammatical. What a loss to the language it was, incidentally, when they changed the name of Opal Fruits to Starburst. Ω

Bad reports and manuals get written not merely because the authors don't have adequate control of style, but because they don't select, interpret, and write for people.

**-Russell Ritter**

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## DIVISION 12 DIVISION MEETING

A well attended Division 12 meeting on 11 October 2014 and the final one for the year. Our visitors included the Director of the Auxiliary, Commander Seward and Sector Charleston, Captain Rodriguez, DCAPT-N Dave Fuller and his wife Nan Ellen, DCDR 2. Our newly elected D7 Commodore(e) Bob Weskerna was also able to attend. This, of course, was the very first time ever that both South Carolina Commodores were present at a Division 12 meeting.

A pleasure for our flotilla was witnessing our Flotilla Commander receive his new Division 12 Vice Commander shoulder boards having won the election for that office. 2015 DCDR will be John Murphy. Congrats to both. Ω

*Thanks to Barbara Burchfield for these photos.*



2015 INCOMING D7 STAFF FROM DIVISION 12  
*Phillip Poole, DSO-LL; David Hastings, DSO-CS; Festus Burchfield, DSO-OP; COMO Bob Weskerna; Sue Hastings, DSO-IS; Al Crothers, DSO-MT; Jackie Weskerna, D-AD; Barbara Burchfield, D-AA*



DIRAUX CDR SEWARD & SECTOR CHAS CAPT RODRIGUEZ



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**MATERIALS/**

**VESSEL EXAMINATIONS** Ron Cunningham



**VE** The left photo below shows FSO-VE/MA Ron Cunningham, John Owen, FC 12-1 and Swamp Fox Boat Club President Jim Sikes. On September 29, Mr. Sikes presented Flotilla 12-1 with a Grant Award of \$1000. This award will be used to purchase a portable generator for our trailer. This generator will eventually power our mobile radio and equipment to enhance communications in our AOR.

Lower right photo shows our Flotilla Commander presenting the District 7 Certificate of Excellence for Vessel Exams to Stephen Rodvansky. However, John Owen also received this certificate. Ω



**MA** Remember that since the District Materials Store has dissolved, new Auxiliary items and equipment may be bought at [www.ShopAuxiliary.com](http://www.ShopAuxiliary.com).

The new Vessel Safety Check Manual 2014 is now available on the FedEx site for \$2.31 each. It is 79 pages in length. Please let all of your Vessel Examiners know it is available. It will not be available from the Auxiliary in print form, but may be downloaded as a PDF if a member does not want to purchase via FedEx.

**STATES AND WHAT THEY ARE FAMOUS FOR:**

NEW YORK ..... IS HOME TO THE NATION'S OLDEST CATTLE RANCH, STARTED IN 1747 IN MONTAUK.

NORTH CAROLINA ..... HOME OF THE FIRST KRISPY KREME DOUGHNUT.

NORTH DAKOTA ..... RIGBY , NORTH DAKOTA , IS THE EXACT GEOGRAPHIC CENTER OF NORTH AMERICA .

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## November – A Month of Thanksgiving

*Joe Livingston*

As we begin this year's Holiday Season with Thanksgiving on the 27<sup>th</sup>, this special day causes me to think of all the things that I am thankful for, and believe me, I have, as all of us do, a long list of things for which to be thankful. As I think of this there are two things that come to mind that always rank very near the top of my list. –

First, I am eternally thankful to be an AMERICAN! I am proud to be a citizen of the greatest country that has ever existed. As Americans we have more freedom, more prosperity, and more opportunity to live as we wish, than any other people in this world. And we generously share our prosperity with other people less fortunate than we. People from all over the world risk life and limb to come to our country for a chance to have the freedoms and opportunities that we take for granted every day – for the chance to become an American! I thank God for our country and for what she stands. ....

The second thing, as Veterans Day approaches – I am eternally grateful for all the men and women who, from the very beginnings of these United States, have served in our military services. Many of us in the flotilla and many in the Auxiliary are counted in these ranks and I thank you for your service. Without the service and sacrifices that you and all the members of our Armed Forces have made for over 200 years, I would not have been able to write what I did above. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen, of The United States, and those that have supported them, have secured the freedoms that we too often take take for granted. And the outstanding young men and women of today's Armed Forces continue to stand the watch over these freedoms today. I thank God for those who have stood the watch, and for those who now stand the watch, over our great nation.

You know, I think it is very appropriate that Veterans Day is followed so closely by Thanksgiving. Think about it. .... Happy Thanksgiving, and Semper Paratus! Ω

## BOATING AT NIGHT

As we get older, our ability to see at night deteriorates. While we may not be able to improve our night vision, we can take precautions to operate a boat safely at night.

**KEEP YOUR WINDSHIELD CLEAN.** If you can see your windshield as opposed to seeing through it, it needs cleaning. Salt spray is a notorious windshield fouler. If necessary, stop the boat and clean it.

**WEAR A LIFE JACKET WITH AN ATTACHED STROBE LIGHT AND WHISTLE.** A person in the water is a lot harder to see than a navigation light. **WEAR SUNGLASSES UNTIL THE SUN GETS LOWER IN THE SKY DURING LATE AFTERNOON.** Normally, your eyes take a half hour to achieve maximum night vision, but a few hours of bright sunlight can delay this for hours. **AT NIGHT, LOOK SLIGHTLY TO THE SIDE OF AN OBJECT TO SEE IT.** Using averted vision in darkness helps your eyes see the object better than looking directly at it. **COVER ONE EYE WHEN YOU APPROACH A DOCK OR LIGHTED AREA.** According to Car and Travel, the AAA magazine, truckers sometimes do this when gassing up at night to preserve their night vision in one eye. **USE RED INSTRUMENT LIGHTS.** Your eyes are less sensitive to red than any other component of visible light. In my cabin, I have the choice of a white or red overhead light; the red light will give enough visibility to locate what I want but not take away my night vision.



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## OOOPS

This happened 21 September at Dreher State Park Ramp at 0400 when returning from fishing. The trailer is submerged. The top of the guides can be seen. As the owner walked back to the pier to bring the boat to load on the trailer. The truck slipped out of gear and, of course, he forgot to set the emergency brake! Probably hadn't consumed his morning coffee!

-John Owen



## INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Thanks to Sue Hastings, SO-IS, for assisting our flotilla by entering our activity hours until we can get a training FSO-IS. Please consider the flotilla FSO-IS position if you have an interest. There will be additional C-School's (AUX-10) for FSO-IS's in 2015. Let the FC and/or Sue know.

Remember that a member is not "assigned to duty" without direction from proper CG authority to do the mission. For VE, PV, PE, PA, MT - assignment comes from the Flotilla Commander.

Flotilla election results need to be entered after 20 DEC. Turn in the 7007 forms to Sue.

\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*Get your activity hours for 2014 to Sue no later than 14 JAN 2015. If you cannot access the proper reporting form, send Sue (or FC) an email.\*\*\*

REWK/REYR: Anyone in REWK status for VE's at the end of the year will go into REYR status. The VE workshop must be completed before 31 DEC. The VE workshop is available on AUXLMS. Remember to complete prior to 31 DEC to ensure entry in AUXDATA. Ω

-John Owen

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## HUMAN RESOURCES/ DIVERSITY

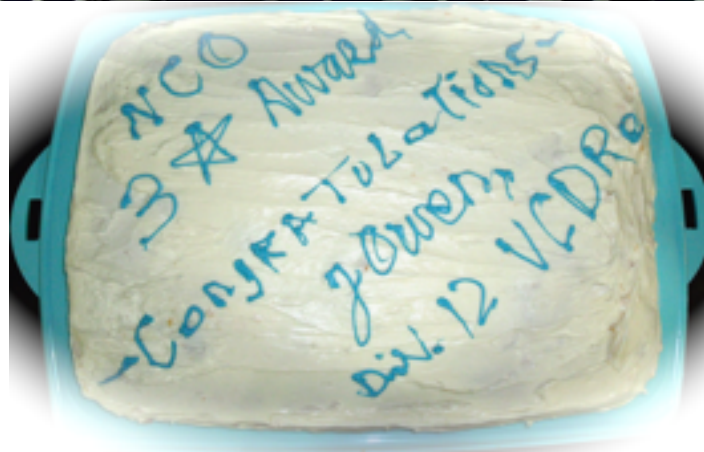
John Owen, FC 12-1

**HR** Thanks to all for signing up for another year to support the Auxiliary. Jimmy Johnson, Jr., will not continue his membership. I thank him for his time and service and hope he may consider re-enrolling in the future.

Remember that the greatest resource for recruiting new members is YOU!

**DV** Congratulations Flotilla 12-1 for receiving the NCO 3 Star Award of Excellence for Diversity Management! This flotilla award is for distinction in managing and valuing diversity. We were required to complete at least four criteria in four different areas – Creating a Positive Environment, Valuing Members, Promoting Individual Success, and Carrying out Diversity Outreach Activities in Communities. Note: Our flotilla (along with Flotilla 12-6, Mt. Pleasant) are two of the five flotillas receiving this award within our entire District.

Please remember Veteran's Day on 11 NOV and Thanksgiving on 27 NOV. Ω



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**VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER(e)** Bob Young  
**SECRETARY/RECORDS**



**FC** called meeting to order o/a 1900hrs followed by POA and invocation. FSO Reports: **DV** reported that November is National Cancer Awareness month; **FN** reported all dues were paid and reported the flotilla's balance; **SR** reported all required reports were submitted; **MA** said materials due in were in limbo... items ordered are being processed; **VE** reports good effort... Division 12 did 1680 VSCs last year – 800+ by Flotilla 12-1; **OP** reported on flotilla participation in 11 November Columbia Veterans Day parade; **PA** added flotilla participation in Schneider Elect Co “Safety Day” on 5 November; **MT** reminded members of TCT training to be conducted in Georgetown on 12 November and that coxswain and crew training must now include one night patrol per year to maintain proficiency; discussion ensued as to when flotilla members could meet this requirement... general consensus was next month.

**FC** informed members of flotilla's grant from Swamp Fox Boat Club (see VE article); he also reported on Division 12's quarterly meeting. He addressed awards received at the division meeting.

Flotilla 12-1 elections were then held – quorum present – there being no nominations from the floor, William Hayes was elected 2015 Flotilla 12-1 Commander and Bob Young as Vice Flotilla Commander 12-1.

**MT** then announced that the November meeting will include the PPE inspection/maintenance.

Awards and scheduled flotilla activities are covered elsewhere in this gazette. Ω

## PUBLIC EDUCATION

*John Owen, FC*

If any instructors need “instructional time” for their annual certification, there is one meeting left in this year. So get with FSO-MT Perry Mosses III, and coordinate a training class. Also, check out other local groups you (or spouse or friends) may have memberships with and offer a class for Suddenly In Command, Marine Safety, etc. Check out the National and District PE website for information. Ω

*A bar where boaters may stop?*

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## MEMORANDUM

From:   
W. E. Seward, CDR  
CGD SEVEN (dpa)

To: Distribution

Subj: DIRECTOR OF AUXILIARY OPEN DOOR POLICY

1. The Seventh Coast Guard District Auxiliary's ability to efficiently identify and satisfactorily resolve problems is vital to mission accomplishment. Meaningful, two-way communication is essential to taking care of people and to proper performance of our duties. The chain of leadership is an indispensable component for sharing information. Leaders at all levels must be available and willing to listen. When properly used, the chain of leadership can solve problems quickly and at the lowest appropriate level.
2. I'm interested in any issue that concerns the morale, administration, mission accomplishment, and care of this organization and its members. Because our Auxiliarist play an important role in how this District functions, it is vital that I have an Open Door policy that encourages all concerned to communicate important and timely information to me or to seek necessary guidance from me.
3. This Open Door policy is not meant to conflict with similar Order Issuing Authority (OIA), District Commodore or lower level programs which should be used first. However, issues that cannot be resolved at a lower level, despite genuine good faith attempt to fix them, can be brought to my attention. I will be interested in knowing what has previously been done to solve a problem, and will gladly do what is appropriate and feasible at my level to assist. All Auxiliarists requesting an audience will contact Ms. Ruth Fernandez, (305) 415-7051, for an appointment.
4. Use of this Open Door policy is not appropriate to address cases or issues being processed in separate, specific administrative or disciplinary channels designed to resolve the matter (e.g., Auxiliary administrative discipline procedures). Those systems must be allowed to run their normal course as determined by the appropriate Commandant Instruction(s).
5. I will not tolerate retribution of any kind against a member who chooses to use the open door or who chooses to seek assistance from the Civil Rights Directorate, my staff, or anyone else who is in the business of helping our Auxiliary members.
6. A copy of this memorandum shall be posted on all Flotilla and Division bulletin boards.

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*Hey y'all – We're proud of our 2 COMOS from South Carolina!*

*Article and photo by Barbara Burchfield, State Liaison Officer-South Carolina*

Up until the election at District Training and Conference in September, COMO Jay Dahlgren was the first and only Commodore in District 7 from a South Carolina flotilla. Jay is legendary for his sense of humor and is often sought out for his extensive knowledge of Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary protocol and policy. He is always ready to help others, and always puts the needs of the Auxiliary first.



Commodore Jay Dahlgren, Flotilla 12-1 Lake Marion, and  
Commodore-elect Bob Weskerna, Flotilla 12-6 East Cooper

Now COMO Dahlgren is proud to stand beside and stand up for Bob Weskerna, newly elected Commodore for District 7, saying "we can all look forward to Bob's leadership and empathy throughout his two years at the helm of District 7."

Bob's background in education and mathematics as well as his Auxiliary certifications and qualifications have prepared him to lead the district and its 5,700 members. He has volunteered nearly 27,000 hours to the Auxiliary since joining in 2002, the equivalency of having a full-time career position. As he begins his term as Commodore, let's make sure we all stand with Bob to make these two years at the helm the best possible. Achievements and proficiency at the flotilla level will echo our support.

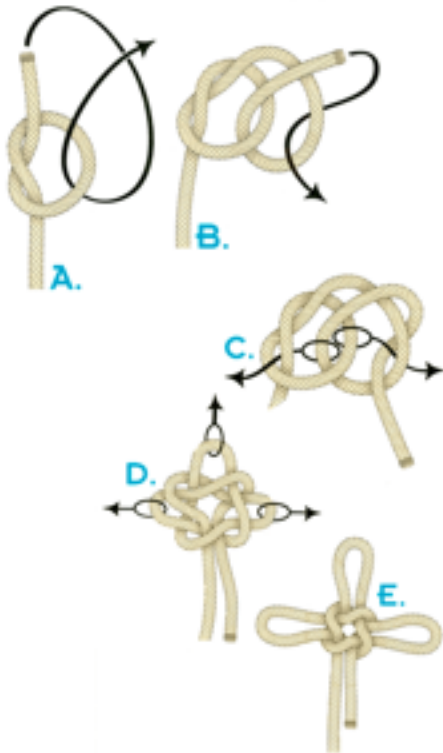
Thanks for taking the lead, COMO Jay and COMO Bob!

Why is it that when someone tells you that there are one billion stars in the universe, you believe them but, if they tell you there is wet paint on the bench, you have to touch it to check?

**QUESTION:  
WHY ARE ZERO SCORES IN TENNIS  
CALLED 'LOVE'? (PAGE 12)**

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## TRUE LOVER'S KNOT



Also called the clover or cross knot, this knot has three loops at right angles to one another. It's stable only if the load is equally distributed on all three loops with the working part and bitter end leading away in the fourth direction. This knot has little to offer other than its intrinsic beauty.

- A. Start with an overhand knot
- B. Following the arrow in A. start a second overhand knot, linked to the first, and complete it following the arrow.
- C. Before proceeding, make sure the knot looks like this
- D. Following the arrows in C. and D., carefully pull out the three loops from inside the knot while holding the working part and bitter end together. Adjust the knot by pulling each of the three loops and the working part/bitter end out from the center of the knot.
- E. The final result

## TRIVIA

### S.M.O.M.



The actual smallest sovereign entity in the world is the Sovereign Military Order of Malta (S.M.O.M). It is located in the city of Rome, Italy. Has an area of two tennis courts and, as of 2001, has a population of 80— 20 less people than the Vatican .It is a sovereign entity under international law, just as the Vatican.

## CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHERS

*The only reason they say 'Women and children first' is to test the strength of the lifeboats.*

- Jean Kerr

## WORLD'S BIGGEST PLANE AIRBUS Airbus A380.....555 Passengers



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## BOATING SAFELY

*Train wrecks few  
Reason clear  
Fireman  
Never hugs Engineer*

### FACT

IF YOU STOP GETTING THIRSTY, YOU NEED TO DRINK MORE WATER. WHEN A HUMAN BODY IS DEHYDRATED, ITS THIRST MECHANISM SHUTS OFF.

ALSO...EACH YEAR 2,000,000 SMOKERS EITHER QUIT SMOKING OR DIE OF TOBACCO-RELATED DISEASES

### PHILOSOPHY OF AMBIGUITY.

*Why don't you ever see the headline  
'Psychic Wins Lottery'?*

## NOVEMBER 2014

*Veteran's Day. 12-1 will be  
in the Colo. parade. Call  
Joe Livingston to join us.*

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*19 Flotilla meeting 1900*

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*FORM 7029*

5 DEC.

**12-3 COW**

### LEXIPHILE:

VELCRO: WHAT A RIP-OFF!

*A shoal!*

## ISN'T NATURE AMAZING?

*A white tailed ptarmigan!*



*How many? Would you believe  
a flock of 6? Look closer!*

### WORDS

*These parting words we have to say  
Are painful to endure  
Each dollar bill that comes my way  
Seems on its farewell tour.*

### ADULT TRUTHS

*I wish Google Maps had an "Avoid Ghetto" routing option.*

*In France, where tennis became popular, the round zero on the scoreboard looked like an egg and was called 'l'oeuf,' which is French for 'the egg.' When tennis was introduced in the US, Americans (naturally), mispronounced it 'love.'*