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## Vessel Examinations Department

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Cc: DCO Victor J. Connell, IPDCO Eric Jacobson, DIRAUX, All RCO's, All DCPs,  
All DSO's, ADSO-VE, and All SO-VE's  
Subject: DSO-VE Report



**YTD DISTRICT VSC COUNT: 203\*      PYTD DISTRICT VSC COUNT: 244\***

We are **3%** of the District goal of 7,500 VSC's and **83%** of 2007 production.

Stats from AUXINFO\* indicate that **57 or 28%** of our VSC's are **First Time VSC's**. In addition **106 or 51%** are **High Risk VSC's**.

\*As shown in AUXINFO thru January 2008.

### **DIVISION STAFF OFFICER ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM: January 2008**

#### **-DIVISION 1-SF BAY (Richard A. Saber SO-VE1)**

**NO REPORT SUBMITTED.**

#### **-DIVISION 3-SACRAMENTO (James Goff SO-VE3)**

**NO REPORT SUBMITTED.**

#### **-DIVISION 4-SOUTH BAY (Joaquin P. Duran SO-VE4)**

Flotilla 4-8 reports 7 misc. VSC's and Flotilla 4-9 reports 28 misc. VSC's. NO REPORT SUBMITTED from Flotilla's 4-1, 4-3, and 4-6. Communicated with South Bay Lakes Rangers to prepare a combined plan for VSC activities for the season, and possible assistance in containing or preventing potential problem with Zebra/quagga mussels.

#### **-DIVISION 5-WEST DELTA (Robert Smith SO-VE5)**

Flotilla 5-1 reports no VSC activity. One Candidate will take class at PCA Fair. Flotilla 5-2 reports 12 misc. VSC's performed, one member qualified. Flotilla 5-3 reports no VSC activity and nothing to report. Flotilla 5-5 reports 12 misc. VSC's and (1) CFVE performed. VSC Station scheduled for Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend at Lake Sonoma. Other Flotilla's are welcome to participate, Preparing for NSBW. Flotilla 5-7 reports 7 misc. VSC's performed.

Total VSC 31 and 1 CFVE. SO-VE reports a NEW computer for better reports!

#### **-DIVISION 6-CENTRAL COAST (Stan Wolfberg SO-VE6)**

Flotilla 6-1 reports 3 operational facility exams and no VSC activity. Flotilla 6-4 reports 1 misc. VSC. NO REPORT SUBMITTED from Flotilla 6-7. Flotilla 6-10 reports 1 misc VSC, and 3 CFVE's.

#### **-DIVISION 7-UTAH (Riley Turpin SO-VE7)**

Reports 2 misc VSCs

#### **-DIVISION 8-NORTH COAST (Douglas Pohlson SO-VE8)**

**NO REPORT SUBMITTED**

**-DIVISION 10-SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY (Mike Lauro SO-VE10)**

Flotilla 10-03 reports 3 misc.VSC's performed. **NO REPORT SUBMITTED** from FLOTILLA10-2, 10-3, 10-04, 10-5 and 10-06.

**-DIVISION 11-LAKE TAHOE/NEVADA (Ray Ellen Wise SO-VE11)**

SO-VE reports plans in the works for a potentially banner VSC year! Stations are planned at Lake Tahoe with assistance from NDOW.

**-DIVISION 12-FREMONT Richard Scheuerman SO-VE12)**

**NO REPORT SUBMITTED.**

<b><u>-Division Statistics</u></b>	<b><u>2007</u></b>	<b><u>CHANGE</u></b>	<b><u>2008</u></b>
District 11 NR=	244	<b>-44</b>	203
Division 1=	11	-4	7
Division 3=	1	-1	0
Division 4=	5	0	5
Division 5=	21	-21	0
Division 6=	9	-9	0
Division 7=	0	0	0
Division 8=	0	+5	5
Division 10=	185	-32	153
Division 11=	1	-1	0
Division 12=	11	-5	6

**-VSC Calendar**

- VSC class at the PCA Fair-February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>
- NSBW-National Safe Boating Week-May 17<sup>th</sup> to May 24<sup>th</sup>
- VSC Mega-Weeks- ENTIRE month of June

**-DISTRICT/ NATIONAL NEWS**

Congratulations to Jim Blackburn! Jim was recently appointed Branch Assistant for the National V Department for data base management.

The winner of a one-week berth on the USCG Barque "Eagle" was Auxiliarist Timothy Engrav of Flotilla 87, District 9-CR. Tim performed 20 VSC's-in September!

In the continuing evolution to provide information to assist both the new and experienced vessel examiners, 2 new power points and the Facility Manual Supplement to the VE Manual have been added to the Vessel Examiner page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve.html>. They can be all found under: **"Qualification and Study Opportunities"**. The 1st is: [VSC Review on Power Point](#) and the 2nd is: [Facility Review on Power Point](#). In addition, the manual is also located under: **D11NR VESSEL EXAMINER INFORMATION**.

Once again, West Marine is offering a 10% discount coupon on safety equipment to boaters who receive a VSC. Copies of the coupon can also be found on YOUR VE website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve.html>. This year, there are 2 pages to print.

If you intend on printing quantities, because the coupons are in color, you might consider changing your printer settings to gray scale.

The National V Department has released the 2008 VE Workshop. The workshop is NOT mandatory, but units are encouraged to hold workshops to better their knowledge of their examiners. The workshop can be downloaded from: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve.html> or <http://safetysealnet/workshops>. The workshop is also available on a CD # 2001A from ANSC.

**Please share this report with your FSO-VE's and local examiners. As always, if I can be of ANY assistance to any DCP or SO-VE, I hope there will be no hesitation to contact me. Working together we can once again make D11NR one of the top VSC performers nationwide for 2008!**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Michael J. Lauro DSO-VE**

