



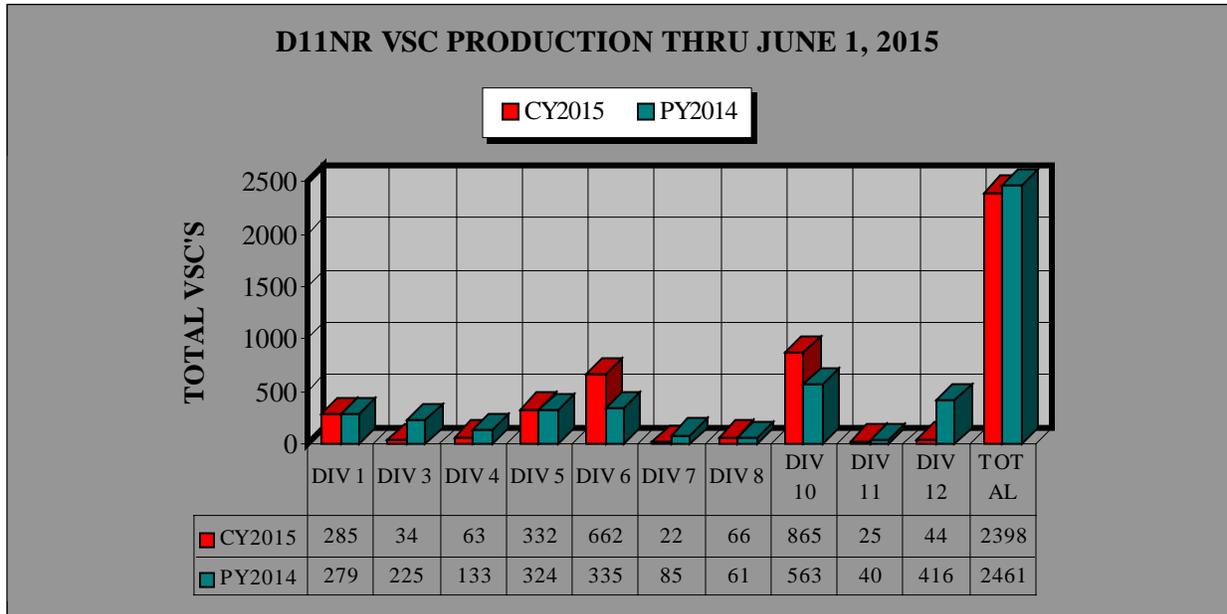
## Vessel Safety Check Report June 2015

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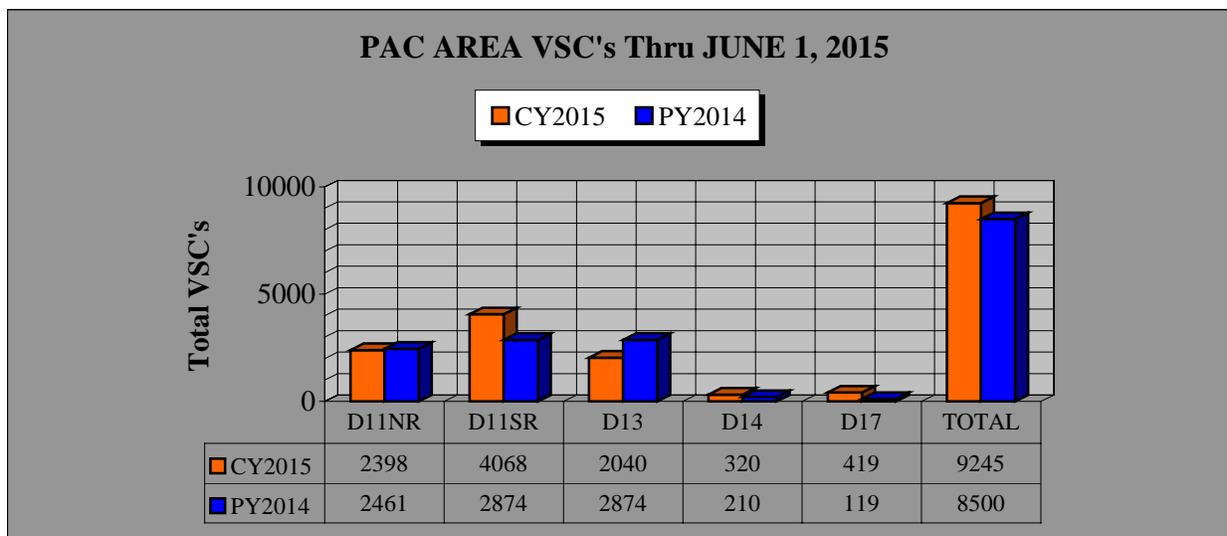
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### District Statistics\*



### PAC Area Statistics\*



The 2015 goal for D11NR is **9,000 VSC's**. We are **27%** of our goal for the year and **97%** of 2014 production at this time. The data source is AUXINFO\*. Additional stats from AUXINFO\* indicates that **2,108** or **88%** have passed the VSC, **973** or **41%** are First Time VSC's, **675** or **28%** are High Risk VSC's. In addition, **794** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **33%** of our total VSC production.

\*Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru **June 1, 2015**

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **30+ VSC** plateau for **2015**. With the addition of these 7 new members, this brings our total to **23** members and are part of an elite group-approximately **11%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership. These members will receive special recognition and their names will be listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>.

<b>Richard A. Saber</b>	<b>01-02</b>	<b>James R. Goff</b>	<b>03-05</b>
<b>Steven M. Johnson</b>	<b>05-01</b>	<b>Patrick W. O'Reilly</b>	<b>05-05</b>
<b>Wilfred A. Sumner</b>	<b>05-05</b>	<b>Jim D. Blackburn</b>	<b>05-07</b>
<b>Joseph R. Chavoan Jr.</b>	<b>10-03</b>		

### Welcome Back!

With the addition of these new examiners for 2015, our examiner base is now **201** active examiners. This represents about **12%** of our total District membership. This information is supplied by the Director's office, as examiners are qualified.

\*recertified

**NO NEW MEMBERS TO REPORT**

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have recently achieved the coveted **Recreational Boating Safety Device (RBS)**. These members are part of elite group-**79** members or approximately **5%** of our D11NR membership who have dedicated 2-years to achieve this recognition! Check to see if your name is listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

<b>Raymond W. David</b>	<b>06-04</b>
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### VSC Questions- These are actual questions from VE Exam Version "F" dated 2014.

Answers can be found in another location in the report.

**1. When there is a permanent fuel tank compartment without an electrical source of ignition in the compartment and everything else has passed, can you issue the VSC decal?**

- a. Yes, as long as the ducting is connected to the blower intake and extends only into the top third of the compartment.
- b. No, permanent fuel tanks can rust and puncture. They should not be contained in special compartments.
- c. Yes, as long as the fuel tank is vented to the outside of the boat.
- d. No, since the compartment doesn't have enough room to contain the exhaust ducting and cowls required by the Coast Guard.

**2. You are performing a VSC in a state that requires all vessels to carry an anchor and anchor line. The 13' Jon boat you're checking doesn't have one on board. Can you issue a VSC decal since anchors are on the "right" side of the Form 7012?**

- a. No, if you signed off on a boat without an anchor when the state requires one, the fine is transferred to you instead of the offending boat owner.
- b. Yes, anchors and anchor lines are just good ideas and recommended by the VSC program. However, the VE is not law enforcement so you should issue the decal.
- c. Yes, some states have initiated laws that are impractical. Since a small 13' Jon boat couldn't carry enough anchor line to reach to the bottom of a deep lake anyway, issue the decal.
- d. No, regardless of which side of the Form 7012 the item is on, item 14 on the left side of the form requires compliance with state and/or local laws.

### Calendar

- Operation Dry Water June 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>
- PCA Training Fair August 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>

### National and District News

#### National News

#### District News

-PLEASE do NOT wear boots to climb aboard a vessel to perform a VSC. Our program allows for deck shoes, white or black tennis/walking with soft soles. If this is not an option, please consider purchasing disposal shoe/boot covers available in the paint or hardware dept. at Walmart, Lowes, Home Depot, etc, a package of 6 for under \$10.

-Just a reminder that if you have NOT completed the REQUIRED National Vessel Examiner (VE) workshop as required by June 30, 2014, as of December 31, 2014, you are now in REYR status. Your failure to complete the required workshop by December 31, 2014, means you will have to complete the required workshop and in addition perform 2 VSC's with a qualified examiner and then submit the MT-2 to DIRAUX to be reinstated. Please go to the D11NR website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> where you can find an easy to follow link to AUXLMS for the 30-minute workshop, or a 1 1/2 hr power-point presentation shown at the 2014 D/Train that can be downloaded and presented locally by a qualified instructor. If you attempt the AUXLMS version, PLEASE make certain you take the FULL 30-minutes!

**-VSC's ON RENTALS-**At the request of Commodore Collins, to maintain uniformity in the VSC program, moving forward, **ALL** VSC's for rental agencies that rent pwc's, fishing boats, houseboats, paddlecraft, etc. will now require a D11NR Rental Agreement with the dealer. This program is relatively simple, straightforward, and is self-explanatory. You can find a copy of the instructions (ML-1), a sample introduction letter (ML-2), and a copy of the agreement (ML-3) on the D11NR Vessel Examiner (VE) website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> under "**VE FORMS**". These are done in Microsoft "Word" and you can tailor them for your individual needs. Please note that to participate in this program, a Program Visitor (PV) is required. However, if you are a Vessel Examiner (VE) and a current Program Visitor (PV), you can fulfill that requirement. Please print (2) copies-one for you to keep after signed by the vendor, and one for the vendor to keep after you and the Program Visitor (PV) have signed it. You should maintain your copies for the calendar year.

**-A special request** from the Director's office; PLEASE have the qualifying members 7038 with the 5 VSC's entered into AUXDATA by the FSO/SO-IS **PRIOR** to submission of the MT-2 to the Director's office.

### **Dockwalker News**

A new link to the Dockwalker website has been added to D11NR VE website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> under "Useful Links".

VE Test Question Answers

1. "C" page 3-24 VSC Manual
2. "D" page 3-27 VSC Manual

**Let's work together for our safety and the safety of others by setting an example and wear our lifejackets while performing VSC's especially when working around docks and when climbing aboard large vessels!**

