



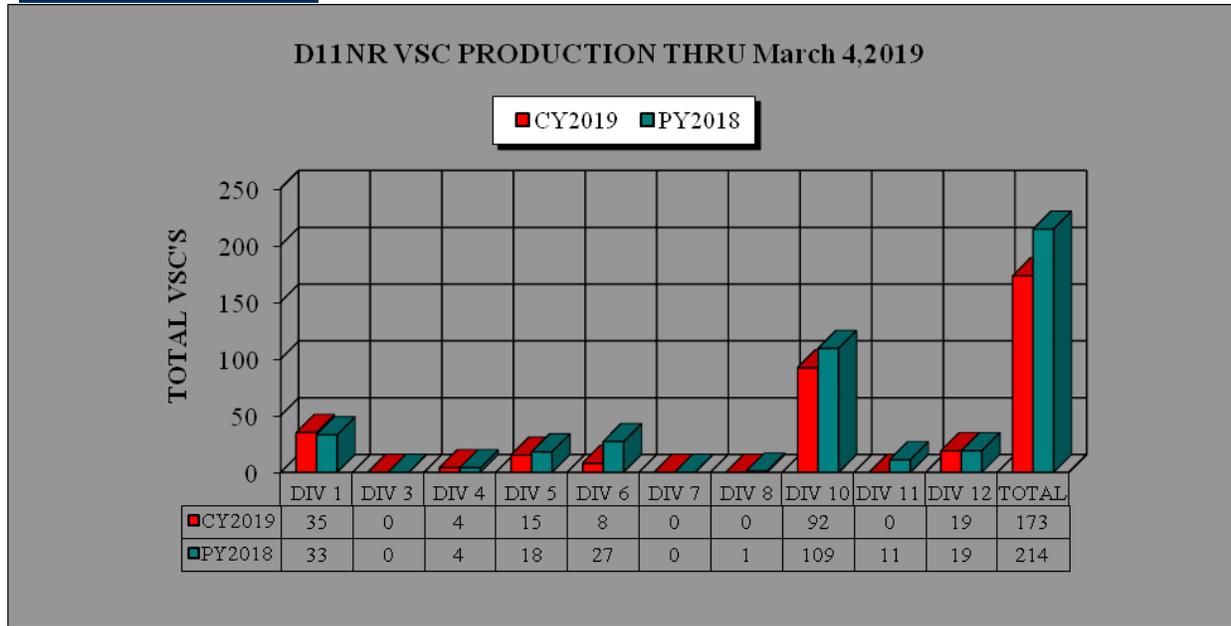
Vessel Safety Check Report March 2019



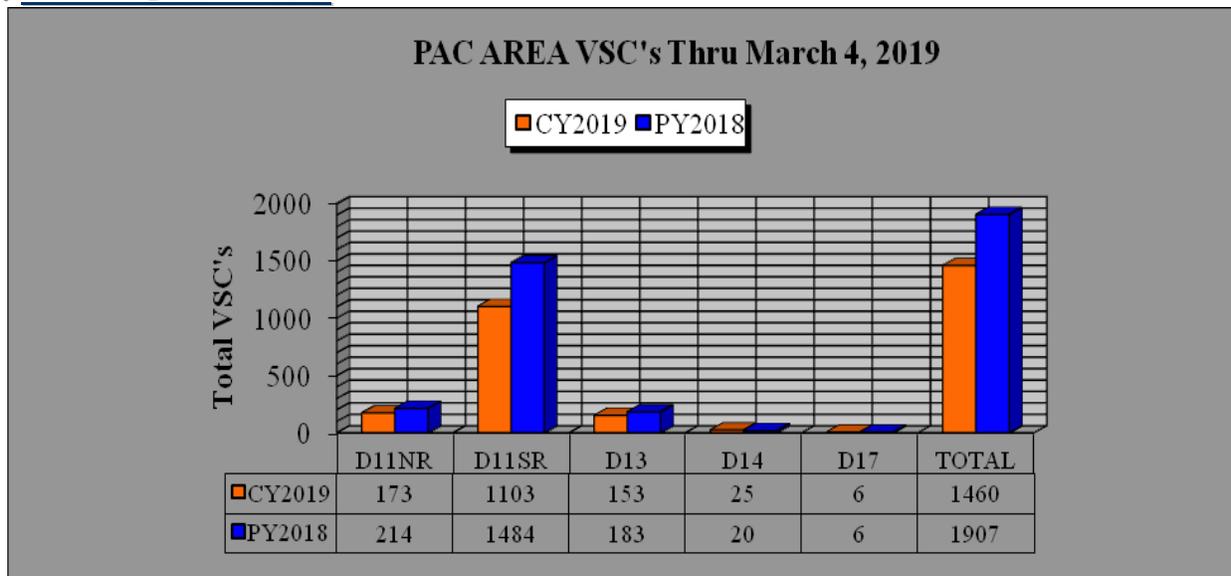
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District Statistics*



PAC AREA Statistics



The **2019** goal for D11NR is **5,000 VSC's**. We are **3%** of our goal for the year and **81%** of **2018** production at this time. The data source is AUXINFO*. Additional stats from AUXINFO* indicates that **139** or **80%** have passed the VSC, **105** or **60%** are First Time VSC's, **56** and or **32%** are High Risk VSC's. In addition **34** Paddlecraft VSC's have been performed, which is approximately **19%** of our total VSC production. We currently have **139 ACTIVE** Vessel Examiners(VE's)

*Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru **March 4, 2019**

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have achieved the **20+ VSC** plateau for **2019**. This brings our total to **1** examiner for **2019** and are part of an elite group- approximately **1%** of our D11NR Vessel Examiner membership of **139**. These member(s) have received special recognition and their names are listed on the member recognition page: page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

Karl G. Keller **10-03**

VSC Questions

-These are actual questions from VE Exam Version "F" dated 2014. Answers can be found in another location in the report.

1. Inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are becoming more and more popular. You are examining a 22' stern drive vessel with two adults and two pre-teen children aboard. They proudly show you their four new inflatable PFDs, which are out of the manufacturer's original packaging. If everything else is okay, can you issue a VSC decal?

- a. No. Inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are not yet Coast Guard Approved so they don't count as acceptable for carriage.
- b. Yes, Inflatable life jackets are acceptable for anyone on board.
- c. No, inflatable Life Jackets (PFDs) are not approved for children under 16 years of age.
- d. Yes, but you need to examine the firing device by removing the CO2 cartridge to determine it has not been used.

2. On ANSC 7003, if the boat is not trailerable, do all owners have to initial?

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. No, only one owner
- d. Initials are not required

Calendar

D/TRAIN-Reno March 22nd -24th

NSBW May 18th-24th

Additional events may be found by clicking on the calendar link on the D11NR VE website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>

National and District News

National News

- **There** is a link listed on the D11NR Vessel Examiner (VE) website:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html> under "**HOTLINE MESSAGES**" for the new **not mandatory** 2019 Vessel Examiner Workshop. This is a good 15-minute review and most importantly slides 19-23 refer to the new PFD labels/icons. Please take a few minutes either at home or at a flotilla meeting to review this important new information.

Source: Ed Lieblein DVC-VE

District News

-On January 2019, our Vessel Examiner (VE) active database dropped to 139 active examiners, with **141** in REYR. The active total is approximately 8% of our D11NR membership.

-**Please** pass the word that there will be a brief Vessel Examiner (VE) workshop at D/Train from 1315-1400 in TETON Room 1 that will cover accessing information from AUXINFO.

-**Just** a reminder, per the 2015 Vessel Examiner (VE) workshop, paddlecraft VSC's DO **NOT** count toward the initial VE qualification or requalification. The VSC may be performed a sailboat, powerboat or PWC.

-**For** Coast Guard liability insurance purposes, **PRIOR** to leaving the house for **ANY** VSC activity other than to participate at an organized station, **PLEASE** remember to notify a member of the flotilla leadership (FC, VFC, and FSO-VE) of your planned activity.

The notification could be in the form of an email, text message or a phone call. In the unlikely event of an incident, be prepared to provide proof of the notification. In addition, per the new VSC Manual please remember, you also need to be in uniform and if boarding a vessel you need to be wearing a lifejacket.

-**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 at any the paint or hardware dept. at Wal-Mart, Lowes, Home Depot, etc, a package of 6 for under \$10.

-**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.

VE Test Question Answers

1. "C" pg 3-6
2. "A" 7003 pg1

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!

