

# 30 Knots



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## From the Captain's Log



We are happy to have 30 Knots on-line. It is a nice way to keep up on information. It took a lot of hard work to get this accomplished and we want to give our SO-PB a big round of applause and voice our appreciation.

What a year this new season has been. We have had three boat shows, one conference, and a series of Public Education Classes. Flotilla 2 had an Operation Boat Smart booth at a Walmart store in the Lake of the Ozarks. We would have had a better turnout for the boat shows, but we had some inclement weather during the show times, which kept the attendance down. Many of us were without power from two days to nearly three weeks. There was a lot of cleanup to do because we suffered a tremendous loss to our trees. This was the worst ice storm that we have had in over 100 years. It surpassed the one in 1984 and the one of October, 1996.

The Change of Watch was very nice and informative, and we were happy to have Division 31 join us for this purpose. It was noted that they had a nice time and enjoyed it very much. We had two workshops presented at the conference, and they were very informative.

We want to welcome aboard Eric R Reinersten, our recruiter and a member of Flotilla 30-01. He has consented to be our liaison officer for Division 30 for the Patriot Readiness program. We appreciate his efforts in this huge responsibility.

This is the first year we have given out a special award. It is the Willis Hintz Traveling Award. A selection was made by the Awards Committee and the first year recipient was Robert Vaughn of 30-07. Congratulations Robert.

We have had a number of illnesses among our Division membership this year. We would like to take a minute to wish each and every one of them a quick recovery. We hope they will be up and about soon so that they can enjoy the upcoming spring days, and to be ready for a summer full of good times.

That will sum it up from the Captain's log. Let's get ready for a wonderful summer of Coast Guard Activities. Thanks a lot.

Captain Robert L Dillard Division 30

## VCP Corner



I want to thank all of you for making the Change of Watch so successful and for Flotilla 30-13 as host for doing a wonderful job.

Our attitudes reflect our being. In other words, what we say and how we appear to others. Do we appear to be pleasing or over zealous? Domineering or professional in all things? Where do we stand with our fellow man? Are we respected, do we show respect? If not, can we change? Where do we want to be this year and the rest of the years to follow? It's up to you and you alone. So, let's start this year with self-improvement to the best of our ability. Success will be ours!

I wish all of you a successful year, teamwork will make the difference.

I want to thank all of the Division 30 staff for all their participation in the coming year.

Send in your thoughts and activities to our SO-PB who needs to hear from you.

R.P. Vaughn VCP Division 30

## Publications

This is my first attempt at 30 Knots. When I accepted this position Sally Merriman, the previous editor, was very ill and unable to pass on her expertise. I apologize to her memory for not getting this published sooner. I do not possess the journalistic skill that I have found in her publications, so I humbly offer my best at this time.

In my research I came across the original 30 Knots. It was printed September 1, 1969. It is a simple statement of facts and information. For the time being this will be my model. There is a copy of this piece of history on the web page. 30 Knots will be updated through out the year a minimum of once a quarter. Each flotilla and Division Staff officer will have their own page of information. If no information is submitted, a blank page will be on their link.

Food for thought -

If people would spend their time helping each other instead of looking for problems, a lot more would get done and we would all be a lot happier. If you know that something is not being done correctly, instead of derailing a project, allow the project to complete, but train your fellow team members to do the task correctly. Telling someone that they cannot do something because they are doing it wrong takes the air out of being a volunteer. It seems there is always a small group of people in any organization that are only happy when they are finding fault with other people. The auxiliary is part of a team. If we are not a team ourselves, then how are we any good to the Coast Guard. It's like we are in a rowboat. 98% of us are rowing forward, and 2% are rowing backward. We have to row at 102% to just keep going forward. If we all rowed together, we would reach our goals quicker, and be a lot less tired! Any and all comments are welcome. My e-mail address is [cgauxnet@hotmail.com](mailto:cgauxnet@hotmail.com) Thank you.

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## Flotilla T

St Joseph Flotilla 30-7 meets the second Tuesday of each month. Fellowship and dinner is enjoyed by all our members. We have been active with PE classes and are looking forward to a active spring and summer of safety patrols and VSC'S. January 18th thru the 21st we worked a boat show at the Civic Arena where 15 people were registered. We had 37 students in our February 2nd PE class that will last for 8 weeks and conclude with a banquet April 4th. Approximately 30 firemen will be attending another BS&S class (no date available at this time). Routine PE announcements have been achieved through radio and newspaper. Bulletin board announcements were used with various materials posters.

Mary Jo Payton VFC 30-7

## Member Training

Member Training Top Goals

Member training - Finding buildings to teach. Locating and finding dedicated instructors to teach public education and to help with member training. Officers who really want to make a difference. Training our people to qualify for our instructors to be well trained and to help new people and to pass it on. This is what we are all about, passing the ball on to someone else who has taken the time to train, and study, not to just sit and not keep the spirit rolling.

Bob Huff FC 30-4 has already started the specialty course Aux. Nav. . A list of Auxiliarists names, dates and a possible building location has been sent out. We are hoping that it works out.

Membership drive - In this program we all need to participate. Making plans to get members together, having booths with your Coast Guard recruiter at safety fairs. Some companies have Spring safety fairs. Call Wal-Mart and other stores that are safety minded. Incorporate vessel examinations, bring a patrol boat, make a small radio station and take the bull by the horns. Be enthusiastic and show the people how you like what you are doing. Be positive and use your training.

Operation - Here we have an opportunity to help your fellow Auxiliarists. Crew members can help the new students through each step. This helps you keep fresh on review. Coxswain can work with crew to become coxswain, helping the coxswain review and become QE. Working together in the flotilla and division level will enhance the Division 30 to higher goals and unity.

R.P. Vaughn SO-MT

## Personnel Services

### ONE FOR ALL CAMPAIGN (NEW RECRUITING PIN)

Effective immediately any Auxiliarists who recruited a new member in 2001 or who will recruit a new member in 2002 will be presented a special award pin signifying their accomplishment. Upon completion of paper work for the new member and a notification to me from either the FC or the FSO-PS I will forward the pin to the FC for presentation to the recruiting member. Only one pin per member will be issued.

This pin, which presents the Auxiliary emblem on a blue background with encircling "AMERICA'S VOLUNTEER LIFESAVERS", can be worn on civilian clothes, caps, etc, but it has not been approved for wear on our uniforms. Sample pins are being mailed to each Flotilla for examination.

Every member is encouraged to approach their friends, family, neighbors, work place personnel and others in their daily contacts. Share your enthusiasm and why you joined the Auxiliary. Hopefully, every member will strive to recruit one or more persons during the One for All Campaign and become eligible to wear the new recruiting pin.

Remember, this award is retroactive; if you recruited a new member in 2001, you are already eligible to receive a pin. Have your FC or FSO-PS send me your name and ID number and your pin will soon be in the mail.  
SHOW YOUR SPIRIT BY ASKING OTHERS  
TO JOIN AMERICA'S VOLUNTEER  
LIFESAVERS.

Jack Williams SO-PS

## Aids to Navigation

### Patrolling the Missouri River on the U.S.C.G. Cutter "Gasconade"

1 December 2001

At 0330 hours I got up on Friday, 9 November 2001 and drove to the Ameristar Casino (Mile 360.0 left bank) with my friend Kent Karmeier following me in his car. I left my van in the parking lot there and rode in Kent's car to Rulo, Nebraska to meet the U.S.C.G Cutter docked on the descending Right Bank at 0645 hours. The vessel left at 0700 hours heading downstream at approximately 13 m.p.h. My station was in the pilothouse as a guest of the Coast Guard. Chief John Tlacido is Skipper of the Cutter now. The vessel was going downstream to Glasgow, Missouri,. From Omaha, Nebraska on it's final trip. At Glasgow it would turn around and start picking up the red and green buoys going back upstream. We were pushing a buoy tender. The meals were free in the galley. The wonderful part of it for me is that I was able to get my 8 hours on to qualify as Crew for the year 2001.

We didn't stop as we went downstream. During patrol I was able to check the river mileage of the Missouri River for the daymarkers against the U.S.C.G. Light List of 2000. Check for new facilities and Marine Environment.

There were 5 errors for the daymarkers, 2 new facilities: St. Joseph Regional Port Authority General Cargo Dock at Mile 448.0 left bank and Holiday Sand & Gravel Unloading Dock at Mile 337.5 left bank plus 2 locations where auto tires were placed along the stone-filled revetments of the banks.

At Kansas City, we had to turn around in the river waiting for the Hannibal Railway swing bridge to be in the open position. The bridge tender or operator was very slow in turning the bridge even though we had radioed ahead. Finally I got off about 1/4 mile upstream on the left bank from Ameristar and had to be helped up the stone / rock filled revetment since my knees are weak. One crewmember helped me toward where my van was parked. This was at 1800 hours.

It was quite an experience for me, on that I will not forget. Thank you Coast Guard.

Barry L. Bausenbach SO-AN

## Information Services Page

Several changes will be coming our way in the next few months with AuxDATA deploying 15 March. Because the Auxiliary is an even more important counter-part of the Coast Guard, they have developed AuxDATA with us in mind. We can all learn at the same time, I'll forward updates to your FCs as I receive them and I want the transition to be as easy as possible for everyone. I will accept all our existing forms until all the new forms are available. It will be a good idea for all the FSO-IS, as well as everyone else, to keep an eye on the Forms News page (<http://www.uscgaux.org/~forms/forms.html>) for the next few months to make sure you've got the latest forms available. In an effort to make mission reporting even easier I will also accept your reports electronically. Using Internet Explorer (IE) as your browser, go to the 8WR District website at <http://131.230.57.1/district/D8WR.htm>, click on "Other Member Services" and "On-Line AuxMIS Submissions." Your completed reports will be emailed directly to me.

I encourage everyone to download the latest free version of Acrobat Reader 5.0 from the national site at [www.cgaux.org/](http://www.cgaux.org/) Click on Member's Deck to enter and then click on the Adobe Acrobat Reader icon at the top right area of the screen. This will enable you to download forms and access portable document files (.pdf.)

The most significant change right now is your new Employee ID number "EMPLID," as it is referred to on all the forms. Contact your FC if you haven't gotten your new EMPLID number yet. Feel free to start using this number after 15 March 2002.

The first form to change will be the ANSC 7030, Activity Report – Mission. Travel and preparation times have been removed from this form and now must be included on the ANSC 7039, Member Activity Report. Another change will be to record missions with a start time and finish time. (0800-1500) This is because AuxDATA will not accept a number of hours, it requires the day, time, month and year to begin

a mission and the day, time, month and year to end the mission.

If any of you would like an AuxDATA Member Training Workshop, I will be happy to come visit. Contact me at [wegofish@usmo.com](mailto:wegofish@usmo.com) and we can get something set up. In the meantime, I know paperwork isn't fun and I salute all of you that do it. If a handful more members will jump on the paperwork wagon we'll all reap the benefits.

Here's a short story I've made up that holds an analogy I hope we can all see.

There was a gentleman I know in town that used to work for a large company. He was an annual leader in the sales force and was very successful. It even took two sales assistants, working full time, to write up all the orders he generated. He was a natural, loved his job and loved the recognition he received. He knew he was making a difference for the company. People around town were always telling him he should start his own business, he was a natural and could be even more successful if he would go out on his own. Well, after a few more quarters of being the leader of the sales force he decided, yes indeed, it was time to take the next step and start his own business. He had no problem getting financing from the bank to start his business because everyone in town knew he was the best and there was no doubt he would succeed.

Well, the first few months looked very promising and he had all kinds of support from his community and friends. He was sure he would probably have more orders generated in his first few months of being on his own than at his old job in the same time frame. Not too long after, he started getting really concerned and somewhat upset that he hadn't gotten any compensation in the mail from anyone. His finances were starting to get tight. One of his customers stopped by and asked how things were going and when his order was expected to come in.

His face turned flush and he suddenly realized...He had forgotten it was his job to do the paperwork. He hadn't written the orders!

Vickie Vose, Information Services

## Public Affairs

### General Public Affairs Information

Writing, distribution, and promotion are all present and vary in each area and flotilla. Combine these with observation, questions and group interest and you have a valuable topic to share with your readers.

Using the 5 W's, who, what, when, where, why and how is an essential step in writing that PA (Public Affairs) release. Researching for a needed topic and verifying the BS&S classroom notice, making sure to check that the location, phone number and dates are correct before it goes to press or cable television.

Distribution can be as varied as your area. Hardcopy, e-mail, electronic guest books, bulletin boards in public buildings, radio and cable television. Persistence does pay off when using these resources.

Promotion materials are readily available, Auxiliary videos can be used in booths, television stations and movie theaters.

Mary Jo Payton SO-PA

### Multi-media's that channel information to the perspective members.

1. Cable spots can cover multiple areas. Contact the appropriate person and fax or snail mail the release.
2. Public buildings and retail stores are excellent sources. Flotilla 30-1 and 30-4 are using these. Those bulletin board announcements can say so much on Auxiliary letterhead with bold print.
3. Newspapers have a community calendar. Fax or snail mail the press release.
4. Radio spots reach vast areas and organizations. Visit the radio station with press release in hand or send it. 30-7 has accomplished a BS&S radio spot.
5. Sharing information and gaining new members can be accomplished with a variety of communication channels.

Mary Jo Payton SO-PA

### Vessel Safety Check Ideas

Contacting VSC's (Vessel Safety Checks) can be high and low tech. That one-on-one vessel check with your neighbor or a well marked information booth is an excellent example of low tech. Viewing the virtual VSC tour and photos on the Auxiliary Web Page <http://www.cgaux.org> is an example of high tech.

Promotion and setting up are essential to that VSC booth. Bulletin board announcements in public buildings, cable spots and word of mouth are only a few. Retail displays combining MDV (Marine Dealer Visitation) and VSC are effective. Having VSC's in a parking lot of a grocery store, retail store or any other appropriate store. Stressing the importance of a VE (Vessel Examination) can be achieved by showing manager the requirements and how important they are for a safe and enjoyable boating season.

Combine promotion with that sign up sheet at a flotilla meeting or conference. Using non-qualified as well as qualified. Non can pass out pamphlets and get interested in becoming a VSC ; qualified can perform safety checks.

Mary Jo Payton SO-PA

### FSO-PA Ideas

PA is a challenging and interesting area. It can be molded, shaped and say so much. Contacting other FSO-PA'S and sharing ideas are resourceful and practical. One persons ideas can spark an idea and you have a article being started, using the 5 w's, who, what , where, when and why and how.

Asking yourself or others, what is happening that would interest and encourage interest in the Auxiliary. If you have a special idea or want to encourage more activity, share these with an article.

Looking in the library for a free multi-media directory that includes television, radio, cable and newspaper contacts. Use the Division 30 Directory (look on page 42) for dates on current activities; Safe Boating Week, May 18-24 and United States Coast Guard Day August 4th.

Listening to members and the public can be useful. A question can lead to a whole article. While attending a boat show have a note pad handy to remind you of the great idea you want to share with others. Using what is appropriate and informative in your area is important.

Mary Jo Payton SO-PA Division 30

## Marine Safety

### MEP Organizations, Videos and Web Pages

MEP (Marine Environmental Protection) has multiple organizations to communicate information. The Center for Marine Conservation, The National Clean Water Boating Campaign and Sea Partners are only a few.

National Safe Boating Week (NSBW) is May 18-24, 2002. Their motto is, "Boat smart from the start. Wear your life vest."

"Our Playground Their World" and "Stop Exotics ("Clean Your Boat")" are excellent MEP video's. Use them in PE, PA and other appropriate displays. Obtain these through your SO-MA.

Trident, Sea Partners and Harbor Patrols, are important aspects of the MEP program. Trident is a program that will prepare the MEP auxiliary member in assisting MS training and growth.

Sea Partners, is an educational MEP organization that can be used by environmental, civic and the individual asking those environmental groups. Achieving harbor patrols can be interesting and informative. A Harbor Patrol Specialists Qualifications Guide, an OJT manual, is available on the CGAux.org web page. Web pages

The National Coast Guard Auxiliary web page (CGAux.org) and various MEP organizations are communication channels with a multiple interest audience. Guest books in these organizations can say so much to so many people.

Looking forward to sharing your division activities with other auxiliary members.  
Mary Jo Payton ADSO-MS-PA-PB, SO-MS-PA

## Sea Partners

In 1994 Sea Partners (SP) an educational, Coast Guard approved outreach program started after the Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act. SP message is that plastic pollution has harmful effects. Reduce, recycle and improve the Marine Environment. (ME). Communicating with our waterway users, marina owners, industry and the general public on protecting ME is a vital task. Our present and the future of clean waterways can be preserved with SP. Educational philosophy is to enforce, reward and educate on the effects of oil, waste and debris on ME.

### Goals of SP

Increase compliance of MS laws. Enlighten community awareness of marine pollution issues, encourage public conservation of MS. Prevent discharge of marine pollution. Increase spill reporting to the National Response Center 1-800-424-8802. Reduce discharge of plastic, garbage in the water. Education of dumping restrictions. Marpol garbage restrictions, it is illegal to dump plastic or garbage in our lakes and oceans. Zebra mussels are barnacle like aquatic nuisance 1 to 2 inches long. Appearance of a small yellowish or brown "D" shaped shell with dark and light stripes. Grown in clusters in shallow 6 to 30 feet of algae rich water, attaching to solid objects. Posing a multimillion-dollar threat to the North American industry. Public reporting helps prevent the mussels spread. For information contact 454-3367

Mary Jo Payton ADSO-MS-PA-PB, SO-MS-PA

## Finance

I am the new finance officer. I look forward to working with all of you this year. We have established our bank account. For those of you who will have receipts for me to pay, please submit a copy of the receipt with an explanation. If you don't submit the explanation, it will slow down the process. Thank you.

Brenda McCallister SO-FN

The Division 30 web page is at <http://www.cgaux.net/index2.html>

## Division Calendar

April 26-27, 2002 - Spring Conference, Osage Beach, MO

May 18-24, 2002 - National Safe Boating Week

June 25, 2002 - Deadline for submitting articles for 30 Knots

July 20-21, 2002 - Aids to Navigation on Missouri River, Verification of lights with Division 30 and 31.

August 4, 2002 - United States Coast Guard Day

August 10, 2002 - Division Picnic, Sterett Creek

August 25, 2002 - Deadline for submitting articles for 30 Knots

August 29 - September 1, 2002 - National Conference, Orlando, FL

September 4, 2002 - Deadline for Submitting reports for Eight Western Rivers Awards

September 4, 2002 - Deadline for AUXMIS entries for 2002 Awards Year.

October 1, 2002 - Change to Winter Uniform

October 1, 2002 - Deadline for disenrollments to Division 30

October (TBA) - Division Fall conference and elections

October 27, 2002 - Daylight Savings Time ends

November 1, 2002 - Deadline for disenrollments to DIRAUX

November 25, 2002 - Deadline for 30 Knots Division newsletter articles

December 15, 2002 - Deadline for Flotilla Elections

December 15, 2002 - Deadline for Annual Unit Officer's Reports to DIRAUX

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The next deadline for submitting articles to 30-Knots is June 25, 2002.  
Please submit articles to -

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Marine Safety	Mary Jo Payton
Marine Dealer Visitor	Robert Dillard
Aids to Navigation	Barry Bausenbach
Communication Services	Debi Marlott

## Smithville Radio Watch and Member Training Schedule

May 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>  
June 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>  
July 6<sup>th</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>  
August 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>  
September 7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>  
October 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>

Training will be held at the Coast Guard Auxiliary's campsite in the Crows Creek Campgroup at Smithville Lake.

1. Bring your lunch and drinks.
2. If you plan to spend the night, bring the appropriate camping gear. We do have (1) tent to stay in. We also have a small stove and lantern. Water, electricity, sanitation and showers are available.
3. If you have a Boat and Trailer, use Crows Creek Ramp, and park your Trailer.
4. There is a fee to spend the night.

Contact Bob Vaughn SO-MT for further information.

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