MEMBER TRAINING TOPICS



FOR FLOTILLA MEETINGS

WHY DO MEMBER TRAINING AT A FLOTILLA MEETING?

Flotilla meetings are an ideal teachable moment.

Captive audience!

Variety of possible topics

Audience's mind is already on Auxiliary business.

WHAT AREAS CAN BE ADDRESSED?

Administration

General Training

Operations

Traditions, etiquette

Any subject is a potential MT session topic

GENERAL GUIDELINES!!!

- A. Session should be only 15-30 min.
- 1. Longer sessions cause members to lose interest.
- 2. Session not intended to be indepth look, but concentrate on one specific aspect of subject.

B. Always include a mechanism to personally involve members.

1. Contests

2. Audience Participation

3. "Prizes for correct answer

SUGGESTED TOPICS

A. ADMINISTRATION

1. FORMS

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- 1. How to complete forms
- 2. Where to send completed forms
- 3. What happens to completed forms
- 4. Why is form important. i.e., what does the form do for the member and the Auxiliary.
- 5. Complete a form and follow through the process.

UNIFORMS

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- 1. Proper wearing of a particular uniform e.g., Tropical Blue, Long, Working Blue, etc.
- 2. Explain why proper wear in important . I.e. professional look, represent Coast Guard, etc.
- 3. Have several members each wear a specific uniform correctly. Have another member wear a uniform incorrectly.
- CAUTION: Make sure the correct uniform is correct, and you know what is incorrect on other one.

AUXILIARY ORGANIZATION

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- 1. FLOTILLA
- 2. DIVISION
- 3. DISTRICT
- 4. NATIONAL

What are the jobs at each level?

What does each job entail

How to become an elected officer

How to become an appointed officer

AWARDS

- 1. What are personal awards? Unit awards?
- 2. What do the different attachments mean?
- (stars, etc.)
- 3. What are the criteria for some higher awards.
- 4. Explain concept and order of precedence.
- 5 Prepare handout based on AUX Manual to show
- precedence of ribbons/medals.
- 6. Go around room and point out awards that a member is wearing, and discuss that award.

GENERAL TRAINING SUBJECTS

What are the procedures to become

- 1. Qualified Crewmember
- 2. Coxswain
- 3. PWC Operator
- 4. Pilot
- 5. Air Observer
- 6. Vessel Examiner
- 7.Commercial Fishing Vessel Examiner
- 8. Instructor
- 9. Master Instructor
- 10. Marine Dealer Visitor
- 11. Auxop (Auxiliary Operations Specialist)

What has to be done to maintain qualifications in each

- SUGGESTION: Have the appropriate FSO do the presentation.
- Ask for volunteers at the end to start the various qualification processes.

ONLINE TESTING

- 1. Use of <u>www.auxetrain.org</u> for qualification tests.
- 2. Training Aids available at DIRAUX WEST.

MANDATORY COAST GUARD PROGRAMS

SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION

■ TEAM COORDINATION TRAINING(TCT)

MENTORING PROGRAM

OPERATIONS

- I. CREWMEMBER DUTIES
- II. COXSWAIN DUTIES
- III. PWC OPERATOR DUTIES
- IV. RADIO OPERATOR DUTIES
- V. PILOT DUTIES
- VI. OBSERVER DUTIES
- VII. HOW A BOAT, AIRCRAFT, PWC, RADIO BECOME A FACILITY OR OPERATIONAL FACILITY.

OPERATIONS

- **SUGGESTION:**
- Pick a particular area of qualification to discuss, I.e., towing, use of a drogue or sea anchor, knots, pro-words, regatta or boat parade patrols, etc.
- Use visual aids where possible.

TRADITIONS, ETIQUETTE, MISCELLANEOUS.

- I Boarding a military vessel
- II. Departing a military vessel
- III Wearing a cover (hat) inside vs. outside
- IV. Saluting
- V. Addressing Military personnel correctly.
- VI. Flag etiquette
- VII. Military timekeeping
- VIII. Local Emergency Response Plan
- IX. Types of Ensigns. Burgees, Pennants

Traditions, Etiquette and Miscellaneous (cont'd)

- X. Auxiliary relationship with local law enforcement (invite someone from local law enforcement to attend a meeting and talk about their job)
- XI. What an Auxiliarist can and cannot do.
- 1. Political arena
- 2. When and where not to wear a uniform
- 3. No law enforcement
- XII. Proper response to civilians who wish to donate to the Auxiliary.
- XIII. Change of Command Ceremony
- XIV. Ship Christenings

Traditions, etiquette, and miscellaneous (cont'd)

- XV. Types of Coast Guard vessels
- XVI. Types of Coast Guard Aircraft
- XVII. Guest Speakers:
- 1. Police, Sheriff, Parks and Wildlife
- 2. Boat U.S.
- 3. West Marine
- 4. Insurance Companies
- 5. GPS Manufacturers
- 6. Boat Manufacturers
- 7. Outboard/inboard manufacturers

REMEMBER

TRAINING KEEPS MEMBERS

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