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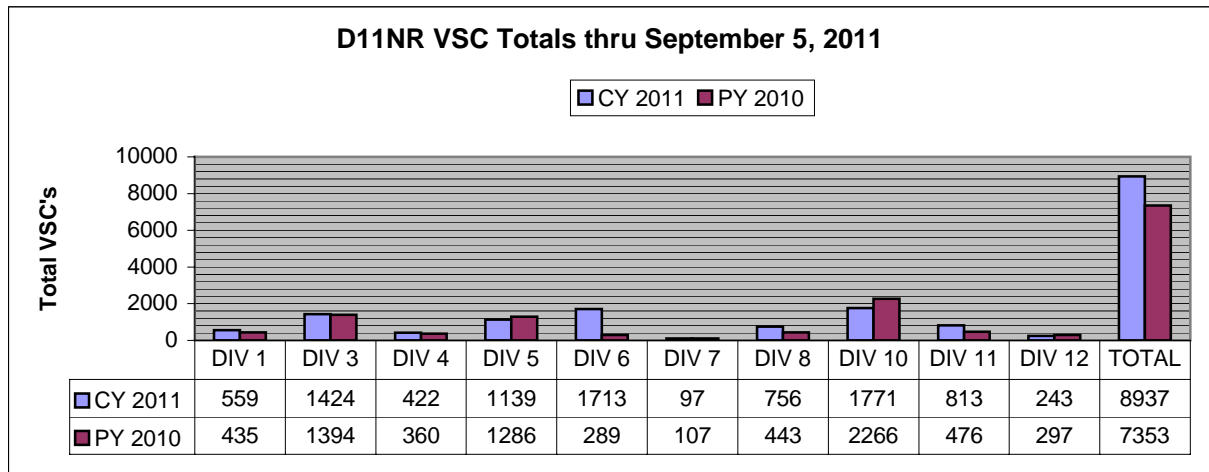


Vessel Safety Check Report September 2011

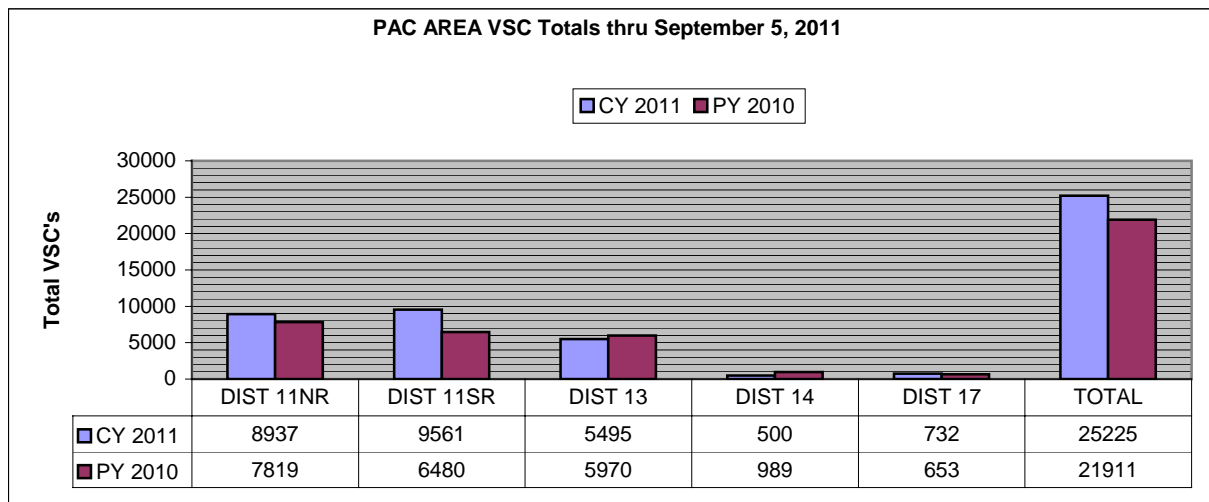


James Goff ADSO-VE Mike Lauro DSO-VE Tony Budlong ADSO-VE Phil Grove ADSO-VE

D11NR 2011 Statistics*



PAC AREA 2011 Statistics*



The goal for D11NR is **11,000 VSC's**. We are **81%** of our goal for the year and **121%** of 2010 production at this time! The data source is **AUXINFO***.

Additional stats from **AUXINFO*** indicates that **5,100** or **57%** of our VSC's are First Time VSC's. In addition **5,745** or **64%** are High Risk VSC's.

*Statistics as shown in **AUXINFO** thru September 5, 2011

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following members who passed the Vessel Examiners class over the Past Commander Assoc. Training Fair over the weekend of August 20th-21st:

Radeene Anguiano	06-07	Benjamin Anguiano	06-07
Pamela Stracey-Rowe	05-05	Anson Hung**	01-05
Brian Babcock**	10-02	Cynthia Dragon	01-07
Cynthia Perazzo	05-07	Lewis Alexander	06-04
Norwood Maddry	05-01		

****COMPLETED THE QUALIFICATION!**

Please offer assistance to help one of your flotilla members complete their qualification ASAP.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following examiners who have performed 20 or more VSC's during 2011: *

Steven M. Johnson**	05-01	Patrick W. O'Reilly	05-05
Eldred W. Johnston	06-04	Arturo Alvarez	10-06
Kenneth L. Mc sheehy	10-06	Michael R. Arnold	11-05
Joseph W. Harris	11-01		

This brings our total to 75 examiners reaching this plateau!! This is approximately 23% of the total District examiner base. 2010 had 69 examiners or 21% at this time. Be sure to check the D11NR Vessel Examiner recognition site:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html> for your name! It is also accessible from the D11NR Vessel Examiner site: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>.

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** February 2011

Welcome Aboard and Welcome Back!

With the addition of new examiners for 2011, our examiner base is now 325 active examiners! This represents about 20% of our total District membership. This information is supplied by the Director's office, as examiners are qualified.

John J. Loero	01-07	Willie C. Burr*	05-03
Thomas L. Sprague	06-04	Sterling K. Hanson*	07-06
Tony J. Zocchi	07-06	Roy M. Jones	08-07
Wayne Farnholtz*	08-08	Michael W. Coburn	10-05
James J. Duffley	12-01	Katharine L Langs*	12-05

*Recertified

VSC Calendar

D/TRAIN-March 23rd-25th 2012 Monterey

National Safe Boating Week (NSBW) May 19th-25th 2012

Inland Lake Blitz-June 2nd 2012

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following members who have recently achieved the coveted **Recreational Boating Safety Device (RBS)**. These members are part of an elite group- approximately **3%** of our D11NR membership who have dedicated 2-years to achieve this recognition!

Billy Ray	05-02	Thomas Sarnicola	05-07
Martin Crowningshield	12-91	Roger D. Haynes	12-91



National and District News

District News

-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.

-**D11NR Vessel Examiner/Program Visitor Survey**- There is now a temporary link on the District Vessel Examiner website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> for a survey that mirrors the PV/VE survey on the National VE website. Thanks to Rich Thomas DCAPT and Jan Jewell ADSO-CS/VE this one has been re-created on Monkey Survey for our District. Please take a minute to click on the link and answer the 16 multiple choice questions. In addition, there are 2 optional questions at the bottom that will allow you to express your thoughts and provide contact information should you choose. Your truthful answers are very important to the future direction of the District "V" and "PV" Depts. You only will get one opportunity to fill out the survey as the site will remember your computer and the survey will only be active for 14-days. Your answers will remain confidential.

-**The Delta Blitz**- Thank you to the following HARD working vessel examiners for a hugely successful Delta Blitz 3 at Discovery Park in the high 90's heat in Sacramento over the weekend of 13-14 August:

James Ippolito 3-3

Jan Jewell 8-7

James Goff 3-5

Michael J. Lauro 10-02

Tommy Holtzman 3-5

Carrie Van De Boom 10-3

205 VSC's were performed over both days-a **NEW** D11NR record for the Coast Guard's law enforcement blitz days! Many examiners drove many miles, donated many hours of their time, and incurred significant expense in helping to educate and prepare the boaters prior to launching this recent weekend. Special thanks to Carrie Van De Boom from 10-03 for her effort in providing a Marine Safety table, meeting and greeting the boaters in line, and directing traffic. She also jumped in to perform a VSC or two when necessary. In addition she and all the vessel examiners kept a smile as they enduring temperatures and walked **MANY** miles up and down the rows of waiting boaters.

The combined total for the Stockton and Sacramento events is **385 VSC's!** This is a new performance record for this event.

-Stand-Up Paddleboard (SUP) FAQ's. A recently released Coast Guard memo from July 2011 that answers questions about paddleboards is available on the D11NR website: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html> under "Hotline Line Messages". Please take a minute to review this information. Also, please remember that paddleboards **DO NOT** qualify for a VSC. However, they may present an educational opportunity about safety and the kayak I.D. decal.

National News

-2012/VSC DECALS-National Commodore James Vass, and Chris Edmonston, President of the Boat Owners Association of the United States (BOAT/US) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to provide VSC decals for the next 4-years. The four year partnership with Boat/U.S. ® will provide resources to support, promote and help grow the Vessel Safety Check program. The new partnership between Boat/U.S.® and the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will continue to add value of Vessel Safety Checks for the overall safety efforts of the boating community.
Source: Navigator Express 9/2011



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

