October 13, 2011 Minutes of Meeting North Star Flotilla 1-76

The meeting was preceded by a Pot Luck Dinner at 6pm. Thanks to all for your gourmet delights!

Members: Robert Pardi, Enis Pardi, Nick Butziger, Roz Butziger, Robert Van Herpe, Maureen Van Herpe, Charles Jenison, Siirley Dudley, Garth Dudley, David Butziger, Gregory Serabian, Irving Wood, Douglas Henson, Donald Anderson, Debra Anderson, Gary Davis, Elizabeth Davis.

All participated in **Project Rudolph** – writing cards to service men and women on front lines or in hospitals overseas. Maureen took them to send out.

Meeting called to order at 7:15 pm

FC Nick Butziger led members in a Pledge to the Flag and a Moment of Silence.

**SR**- Minutes of the September Meeting were accepted as emailed.

**FN – Garth** reported the funds, and read thank you notes from outside guests who attended the steak fry. The flotilla gave Bob and Maureen Van a round of applause.

Flotilla owes Inc. for the Shipwreck party.

Bob Pardi moved that the flotilla repay Inc. for that, as well as the rent to the end of the year. Seconded by Don Anderson. Unanimous.

FC Nick Butziger presented 5 year Service Awards to Garth and Shirley Dudley. Congratulations!

He read the Division stats. We need to send our hours to Mike Quinn - <a href="michaelsquinn@gmail.com">michaelsquinn@gmail.com</a> 65% of the time is reportable on 7029 forms. Gary Davis reminded everyone that guidance for this is on our website northstarflotilla.com

Charlie Jenison was again voted in as Vice Division Commander, and Dietmar Jackson as Division Commander

CDR Wiliford is our new Director of Auxiliary.

## **VFC Bob Van Herpe** called for Staff Reports:

PE – Roz Butziger announced Winter Courses – BS&S, Sail, and Navigation. We will meet at Toll Gate High School on the third floor. Our classes will start Monday Jan 30 and run Mondays and Thursdays for 8 weeks, not counting school vacation or snow days.

The Summer Course will be BS&S and will start June 7 and end June 28, and meet Mondays and Thursdays at the

headquarters.

There will be an Instructor Workshop on November 17 Thursday at 7 pm at the headquarters. Planning your lesson, Using your proctors, Hands on, Training Aids. Instructor Preference Sheets were passed out.

**AV-Bob Pardi** said Sector is doing a show and tell with Rescue 21 at Woods Hole Oct 21 at Mass Military Reservation (otis) Tropical blue or a suit.

**IPFC and Vice Division Commander Charlie Jenison** said Tall Ships are coming to Newport in 2012. We will be needing a screen for the Parade of Ships – probably on a Saturday.

America's Cup trials will be next year. The harbor will NOT be shut down. They are bringing them inside the Bay. May

want boats to patrol it. Early June.

Nick Butziger and Benny Peters were given an award for being UPV Directors and both received a special Admiral's coin.

Nick thanked all for their support. We have 8 UPV examiners finishing up – all in 76. Cape May NJ to Maine will be

standardized for First District. VSC takes about ½ hour. UPV takes 2 hours at least. CG enters UPV sheet into the

MISLE Program. We had 3 failures on the UPV, but now they have come up to standard. Nothing in MISLE can be

used to target the failed boat.

**PA- Maureen Van** will get out the word on the upcoming classes. Some papers will not take information until closer to the time of any event.

**COMs – Doug Henson** showed us levels of security. Robert Walker a big spy was a custodian who failed to destroy crypto key lists and gave Russians lots of information. Pueblo capture added to enemies' knowledge of our operations.

**OPS** – Bob Van needs to do a check ride, Derek needs hours to keep out of REYR, Mary needs a check ride

**Social – Maureen** thanked all for the Pot Luck dishes. **Christmas Party/ Change of Watch** will be at Greggs in North Kingstown on Sunday Dec 11 at noon. The cost is \$20.00 each. The flotilla will pay for the appetizers. Bring a gift (about \$10.) wrapped and labeled "buoy" or "Gull" for our "Robbers' Christmas trading.

**FC Nick** said heat is needed for the back room. Also, the COMs officer will work with the VFC to put up an antenna on the building.

## **Annual Flotilla Election**

Vice Division 7 Commander, Charles Jenison held the election, asking for nominations from the floor. It was moved and seconded and unanimously voted that the secretary cast one ballot for:

FC – Robert Van Herpe

VFC –Robert Pardi

Congratulations!

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Maureen asked if we should look into getting a new flag. We can get one that has been flown over the White House for free.

FC asked Maureen to look into the Newport Playhouse for a November activity.

## **Division 7 Social Evening** honoring all the work done this past year- **Sat Jan 14 at Newport YC Save the date!**

Nick will do patrol Oct 23 if anyone needs hours or training.

Charlie moved we adjourn the meeting. (Maureen seconded that). Meeting adjourned at  $9:14~\mathrm{pm}$