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National News:

What's new in the USCG Aux. in the last 30 days.

Partial List of New Directors

Commodore Jim Vass, NACO(e) has selected the following Auxiliary members to be Directors:

Operations:

DIR-R, Response, Robert T. Shafer, D9CR, currently serving as DIR-R DIR-P, Prevention, Gregory B. Kester, D8WR, currently serving as DIR-P

Recreational Boating Safety:

DIR-V, Vessel Examination and RBS Program Visitation, Lillian M Haines, D1SR, currently serving as DSO-VE

Operations Policy & Resources:

DIR-C, Policy & Resource Management, Gary Nordlinger, D5S, currently serving as DIR-C

DIR-B, Recreational Boating Safety Affairs, Bruce Johnson, D5S, currently serving as DIR-B

International Affairs:

DIR-IA, International Affairs, John Van Osdol, D7, currently serving as DIR-IA DIR-IC, Interpreter Corps, Klaus G. E. Bauman, D7, currently serving as DIR-IC

Mission Support:

DIR-G, Government Affairs, Nick Critelli, D8WR, currently serving as Chief, Government Relations Division

DIR-A, Public Affairs, Thomas Nunes, D11SR, currently serving as Deputy Director of Public Affairs

Force Readiness:

DIR-T, Training, Robert Fong, D9WR, currently serving as Deputy Director of Training

DIR-H, Human Resources, Joe O'Leary, D1SR, currently serving as Director of Human Resources

Planning & Performance Support:

DIR-M, Measurements, David Cooley, D8CR, currently serving as Director of Measurements

DIR-S, Strategic & Contingency Planning, Krista Tinney, D5N, currently serving as Deputy Director of Strategic & Contingency Planning

Note: This is only a partial list of Director Selections. Additional Director Selections will be announced shortly.

[Posted: Oct 7, 2010. Source: Tom Nunes, DIR-Ad]

Getting Green for Going Green: BoatUS Foundation Will Award \$1,000 to Winner of Environmental Leadership Award.

The BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water is accepting nominations until December 15 from any organization, group, marina, or individual who has made significant contributions in showing boaters, sailors, or anglers how to stay "green" through becoming more environmentally responsible and taking better care of their local lake, river, or bay. The one-page application form and details about the award and previous nominees are available atwww.BoatUS.com/Foundation, and questions can be sent to Susan Shingledecker at SShingledecker [at] BoatUS.com. [Posted: Oct 6, 2010. Source: Bruce White, BC-BLB]

IMSEP Exam is now active on NTC

The technical issues have been solved, and the exam is now active on the NTC. [Posted: Oct 6, 2010. Source: Matt Hammons DVC-TD]

ADDITIONAL AUX-10 CLASS IS BOOKED

The following classes have been proposed for 2011.

When the budget is approved we will be able to let you know which classes will occur.

11 – 13 Feb 2011 – Alameda, CA 4 – 6 March 2011 – Cape May, NJ 1 - 3 April 2011 – Pontiac, MI 8 – 10 April 2011 – Joliet, IL 10-12 June 2011 - Yorktown, VA [Posted: Oct 6, 2010. Source: Marilyn McBain, DVC-IL]

Advisory - AIRS Server Upgrade, October 7

An AIRS server upgrade is scheduled for Thursday October 7starting 1100 Eastern Time for a six hour window. During this time the website viewing should not be interrupted. Editing by the web manager should be postponed until after 1700 Eastern Time. The AIRS server provides web space for Flotillas, Divisions, and Districts. The upgrade will provide additional capabilities for future development.

[Posted: Oct 4, 2010. Source: Irene Wetzel, DIR-I]

Tips for Keeping Your Trailer in Tip-Top Shape in the Winter

A perfect boat is no good if it's on a bad trailer. These four tips for off-season care, courtesy of BoatU.S., will help make your trailer last and get your boat back in the water as soon as the new boating season begins.

TREES--Trees are trouble, so avoid them. Snow, ice, and limbs can cause damage, and leaves and pine needles can cause staining and clog up drain holes.

TILT--Tilt the bow up and let gravity work for you. Place a small block under the trailer jack and tie the drain plug to your ignition key. Also, make sure the boat's cover is tight and keeping out the water.

TLC--Take care of the trailer. Stay on top of little things to prevent major problems later. Spray a good lubricant on metal trailer roller assemblies, winch gears, and electrical connections to prevent rust. Sand, prime, and paint any rust spots now on the (galvanized) metal trailer frame.

TIRES--Take them off--trailers don't need tires in the winter. Remove the tires to deter theft, and store them in the garage or shed to avoid sun damage. With the tires off, check and repack the bearings as needed. Block the frame and tie sturdy plastic bags over the hubs and brakes to keep them dry. If you will not be removing the tires, be sure to face the trailer away from the street and use a heavy-duty lock. Why tempt thieves with easy access to an expensive boat? Cover the tires with bags and make sure they are resting on a piece of plywood or plank to prevent dry rot. To avoid flat spots on the tires, move the trailer periodically a few inches throughout the winter.

Following these tips will help you be one of the first boaters underway when the weather warms up, and you'll be starting an extended boating season while other boaters are still stuck in their driveways waiting for expensive trailer repairs. [Posted: Oct 4, 2010. Source: Bruce White, BC-BLB]

Introduction to Marine Safety & Environmental Protection (IMSEP) Course Exam

The Training Department has run into technical issues in posting the exam for the new IMSEP course on the National Testing Center. They are working on these issues. We will announce the exam's availability as soon as these issues are resolved. [Posted: Oct 3, 2010. Source: Karel Kester, DVC-PO]

AUXCOM on Blackboard.com

Did you know that the AUXCOM Course (Auxiliary Communications) can be taken on Blackboard.com?

If you would like to participate in this online course just contact Dr. Juan Hernandez at e-mail address: drjhernandez@comcast.net

Dr. Hernandez will get you a password and user name and register you for the course! What are you waiting for...go ahead and get started on your AUXOP program today! [Posted: Oct 2, 2010. Source: Gail Venezio, DIR-T]

Paddlesports America Instructor Guide

The Instructor Guide for the **Paddlesports America** course is now available for download on the E-Library Resource Center. Click **here** to go directly to Paddlesports information. A printed copy of the Instructor Guide will still be included with the book orders. [Posted: Sep 29, 2010. Source: Anne R. Lockwood, DIR-E]

AUXCHEFs fill in after station disaster

When AUXCHEFs visiting Massachusetts from Virginia accepted an invitation from the Officer in Charge at Station Menemsha they expected a busy but calm week of cooking for the station personnel. Both Auxiliarists are graduates of AUXCHEF training, certifying them as chefs able to cook for large groups, such as Coast Guard Station personnel. They are adept in military style cooking and using Coast Guard accepted techniques and materials. A fire changed everything. Read how these Auxiliarists handled the situation, now on SITREP, the Auxiliary's National emagazine. [Posted: Sep 29, 2010. Source: Mel Borofsky, Editor SITREP]

Photo Contest & Call for Photos for Coast Guard Publications

A photo contest and call for photos for Coast Guard publications is being held as part of an initiative to gather photos for the upcoming Coast Guard Performance

Report and Posture Statement publications. Contact your District, Division, and/or Flotilla Public Affairs or Publications Officer for details.

[Posted: Sep 28, 2010. Source: Tom Nunes, DIR-Ad]

Corrections in Titles for Vice National Commodore and DNACO's

Corrections to previous postings:

Thomas C. Mallison is the Vice National Commodore (not National Vice Commodore).

Donald Frasch is the DNACO Operations Policy - Atlantic East

Mark Simoni is DNACO Operations - Atlantic Area West [Posted: Sep 27, 2010. Source: Tom Nunes, DIR-Ad]

Proposed AUX 04 classes for 2011

The following classes have been proposed for 2011.

When the budget is approved we will be able to let you know which classes will occur. ,

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24 FEB — 28 FEB 2011 Alameda, 12 students, 30 MAR — 03 APR 2011 Pontiac, 16 students, 28 APR — 02 MAY 2011 Academy, 20 students, 09 JUN — 13 JUN 2011 Seattle, 12 students
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[Posted: Sep 23, 2010. Source: Gail Venezio, DIR-T]

Proposed AUX 10 C-Schools

The following classes have been proposed for 2011.

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11 – 13 Feb 2011 – Alameda, CA
4 – 6 March 2011 – Cape May, NJ
1 - 3 April 2011 – Pontiac, MI
8 – 10 April 2011 – Joliet, IL
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[Posted: Sep 23, 2010. Source: Gail Venezio, DIR-T]

New Currency Maintenance requriements for PWO Beginning 01 Jan 2011

ALAUX-037/10 issued this week has new currency maintenance requirements for PWO operators starting January 1, 2011. Click here to go to the Response Department Surface News page for details.

[Posted: Sep 22, 2010. Source: Bruce C Pugh DVC-RE]

New Flight Crew Medical Screening requirements

In order to increase overall program safety and standardize medical requirements, all Auxiliary air observers are required to meet the same medical screening requirements as Auxiliary air crewmen. The new Flight Crew Medical Screening document AV-10-1 dated 16 SEP 10 is now available. **This document may be**

found by following this link to the Response Department News page for Air operations.

[Posted: Sep 22, 2010. Source: Bruce Pugh DVC-RE]

Education Connection Posted

Read the latest update about the 2009 boating statistics from the Office of Boating Safety in the September 2010 edition of the Education Connection . the E-Department newsletter. Other articles include AUXplusPE update, Soundings Magazine information, and the ILearning Corner – "Where Am I?" [Posted: Sep 21, 2010. Source: Anne R. Lockwood, DIR-E]

Flotilla pushes life jacket loaner program

There is an age-old saying, "You can talk the talk if you can walk the walk." This Central Florida flotilla has done just that! Using in house donations, obtaining an important grant, challenging themselves and the craftsman within the unit, the Flotilla has instituted a two fold approach to saving lives on the water. They turned a hulk of a boat into a "safety demo boat" and using the aforementioned funds, established a county-wide child's life jacket loaner program. Read about this multi-year project, now on SITREP, the Auxiliary's National e-magazine. [Posted: Sep 20, 2010. Source: Mel Borofsky, Editor SITREP]

Auxiliarists to be Assistant National Commodores

NACO (elect) Jim Vass has selected the following Auxiliarists to be Assistant National Commodores effective 1 November 2010:

ANACO-RS: Readiness Support and Planning & Performance Support: Gail M. Venezio, D1S, currently serves as Director of Training.

ANACO-IA: International Affairs: Everette L. Tucker, Jr., D5S, a former NACO, currently serves as ANACO-IA.

ANACO-RP: Response & Prevention: David A. Elliot, D7, currently serves as ANACO-RP.

ANACO-GP: Governmental & Public Affairs: Robert E. Nelson, D8CR, currently serves as Director of Public Affairs.

ANACO-PR: Operations Policy & Resources: Jackson J. Gumb, D8WR, currently serves as ANACO-GP.

ANACO-PS: Planning & Performance Support: Stephen R. Salmon, D11NR, currently serves as Director of Strategic & Contingency Planning.

ANACO-RB: Recreational Boating: Chester H. Lowe, D1S, currently serves as the Executive Assistant to NACO.

ANACO-SA: Strategic Analysis: Fred C. Gates, D11SR, currently serves as ANACO-SA.

ANACO-IT: Information Technology: Daniel L. Maresh, D8WR, currently serves as District Commodore, D8WR.

ANACO-CC: Chief Counsel: Sigurd E. Murphy, 8CR, currently serves as Deputy Director of Prevention.

[Posted: Sep 19, 2010. Source: Tom Nunes, DIR-Ad]

• District Election Results

District 1 SR

DCO - Hal Marschall, DCOS - Vincent Pica DCAPT - Sherry Kisver, Manfred Germann, Alex Malewski, Robert Gesullo

District 5 NR

DCO - Harold T. Robinson, DCOS - Kenneth Brown, Sr.
DCAPT - Robert F. Roetz, Eugene J. Morris, Kevin "KC" Murphy

District 5 SR

DCO - Robert Birrane, Sr., DCOS - Theodore Potter

DCAPT - Gary Derby, Jeffrey Stewart, Jr., John Sill

District 7

DCO - Walter Jaskiewicz, DCOS - John Tyson

DCAPT - Pat Feightery, Bob Weskerna, Mel Manning

District 8 CR

DCO - Woody Simpson, DCOS - Mike VanderMate DCAPT - Larry King, Allen Harding, Roy Pell

District 8 ER

DCO - Richard A. Washburn, DCOS - Joseph W. McGonigal DCAPT - Gerlinde Higginbotham, James C. Meyers, George Schal

District 8 WR

DCO - Robert Smekta, DCOS - Richard Lawrence
DCAPT - Kathryn Bernstein, David Starr, Brenda Collister, Gail Redin

District 9 CR

DCO - Dick Martin, DCOS - Llorens (Joe) Chenevert DCAPT - Joseph Gregoria, Dora Jasinski, Ray Roberts Jr.

District 9 ER

DCO - Nancy Rudiger, DCOS - Robert Laurer DCAPT - Ed Monaco, Robert Young

District 11 NR

DCO - Angelo Perata, DCOS - Rodney Collins
DCAPT - Mary Kirkwood, Dean La Chappelle, Richard Thomas

District 11 SR

DCO - Harry Jacobs, DCOS - Al Verdi DCAPT - Trent Kelly, Dennis Grinstead, Mary Klock

District 13

DCO - Peter Raiswell, DCOS - Dean Wimer

DCAPT - Richard Coons, Richard Seifert, Larry Graves

District 14

DCO - Burkard Berger, DCOS - Roger Johnson

DCAPT - Mike Waterfield, Richie Sweet

District 17

DCO - Roy Stoddard, DCOS - Mike Morris DCAPT - Dan Cole

[Posted: Sep 18, 2010. Source: Irene Wetzel, DIR-I]

• New Introduction to Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Course
The new Introduction to Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Course
(IMSEP) has been posted on the Prevention Department website under the Marine
Saftey Training Ribbon section. This course replaces the 2002 version of the same
course. The exam for the 2002 version will remain on the National Testing Center
until 01 October 2010 to allow those currently studying that version to complete the
course. The new exam will be posted on 01 October. Those completing the new

course will not need to complete the Initial Indoctrination to Marine Safety (IIMS) course as a part of the Marine Safety Training Ribbon or Trident qualification requirements.

[Posted: Sep 17, 2010. Source: Karel Kester, DVC-PO]

OPERATIONS POLO SHIRT FORMS

You may now obtain the forms for both the 100% cotton version and the new moisture wicking version of the Operations Polo Shirt by going to the ASSOCIATION WEBSITE. The forms include instructions to guide you in placing your order.

[Posted: Sep 16, 2010. Source: Martin L. Phillips, Executive Director, CGAuxA]

Western Outdoor Times Features CG Auxiliary

The Coast Guard Auxiliary is the front page feature of the Western Outdoor Times, Arizona Boating & Watersports publication for October 2010. View the photo review of the successfulCoast Guard Auxiliary National Conference.

[Posted: Sep 16, 2010. Source: Irene Wetzel, DIR-I]

"Round Island Row" in honor of DC3 Bruckenthal

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

Written by: LTJG Stephanie Young

Post co-authored by Christopher Lagan

In 2004, Damage Controlman 3rd Class Nathan Bruckenthal became the first Coast Guardsman killed in action since the Vietnam War while serving in Iraq. Nate Bruckenthal was an inspiration both to his shipmates and the Long Island, N.Y. community that he called home. Nate's influence on one group of Long Islanders was so strong that they set out earlier this summer to honor the fallen Coastie with a row around Long Island in support of the Wounded Warrior Project.



DC3 Nathan Bruckenthal became the first Coast Guardsman killed in action since the

Chris Cuddihy, Ryan Cuddihy, Rick Shalvoy and Chris Rizopoulos, set out in a 24-foot wooden lifesaving vessel to complete the 300-mile circumnavigation of Long Island on August 15 following a memorial service at Coast Guard Station Eatons Neck. The 'Round Island Row,' which raised \$4,000 dollars for the Wounded Warriors Project, would test the will of the four friends, and the strength of Nate's memory would help one man overcome the very limits of his physical endurance.

"Station Eatons Neck was honored to be the ceremonial launching point for this courageous feat in support of the Wounded Warrior Project," said commanding officer Chief Warrant Officer Steve Pollock. "The ceremony was even more poignant for us because it was dedicated to DC3 Nate Bruckenthal. The Bruckenthals are and will remain part of our family."

As the four men rowed through New York Harbor, a thunderstorm broke out over Long Island Sound. While the lifesaving boat would withstand the treacherous waves, Rick Shalvoy was forced to abandon the row after suffering from seasickness and severe dehydration.

Down a man, the crew carried on in hopes of completing the trip. It was not to be. With only three men rowing, Mother Nature would force the crew to beach their boat and abandon the row.

Defeat was too bitter a pill for Shalvoy to swallow. Rehydrated and determined, he set out in a one-man row boat, rowed out to the location where his comrades were forced to abandon, and resumed his journey.



Chris Cuddihy, Ryan Cuddihy and Chris Rizopoulos practice in a 24-foot wooden lifesaving boat prior to the Round Island Row. Photo courtesy of Rick Shalvoy.

"I had to think long and hard if someone was trying to tell me something," recalls Shalvoy. "Failure was not an option. That's just not the way this mission was going to go." Shalvoy would row for six more days through heavy seas and a twoday nor'easter to complete his mission as Coasties kept a watchful eye and cheered on this civilian who was pushing himself to the limit in honor of one of their own.

Those cheers and the persistent resolve of Shalvoy were reminiscent of another row back in 1999. During that year's 'Row for a Cure', Shalvoy would drop out of the race after an incident with a powerboat only to resume his row to the cheers of Coasties aboard Coast Guard Cutter Point Wells ... including a young Nate Bruckenthal. "If Nate were here right now I would want to thank him," said Shalvoy. "Throughout his life, he was an example of selfless service."

Guardians of the Week – The crew of the Auxiliary Vessel Amy Julie

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2010

Written by: LTJG Stephanie Young

Last week, the Association for Rescue at Sea (AFRAS) held its annual award ceremony and awarded the Gold AFRAS medal to Aviation Survival Technician First Class Pepe Carire.

This week the Compass brings you the story of the AFRAS Silver Medal winners, presented to the coxswain and crew of the Auxiliary vessel Amy Julie: Robert Joseph, Leo Lake, Paul Sadeck and Rodney Thomas.

The volunteer crew of the Amy Julie set out on the morning of August 26, 2009, for a routine safety patrol on Buzzard's Bay, Mass. As noon approached, the once calm summer breeze quickly stiffened and began gusting to 25 knots.

The crew of the Amy Julie decided that it was best to start checking on popular fishing and recreational boating areas. The crew's plan to check the popular areas paid off, when the Amy Julie approached a fishing area and spotted a 17-foot center console boat submerged to the gunnels.



The crew of the Amy Julie stands with Coast Guard Commandant Adm. Bob Papp after they were presented with the AFRAS silver metal. The crew of the Amy Julie: Robert Joseph, Leo Lake, Paul Sadeck and Rodney Thomas. Coast Guard photo by Telfair Brown.

The boat had been swamped in the rolling seas with the two people on board in waist deep water. Thomas was able to translate for the distressed boaters, and the crew found that shockingly, there was a third man missing in the water.

The Auxiliary crew immediately contacted Coast Guard Station Menemsha, who launched a response boat, but due to the sea conditions and winds, the station crew still had 45 minutes before they could arrive on scene.

The station watchstanders directed the Amy Julie to remove the two men from the boat without delay and to start searching for the third boater who was now missing in the water.

"The captain told us that a third man had fallen off the boat near a red buoy and that they had been swamped about an hour ago," said Sadeck. "Both men were frantic about their friend who had fallen into the water. They kept telling us that he fell near a red buoy."

The crew had extensive knowledge of the local area and knew that the nearest red buoy was nearly one and a quarter miles southwest of them – directly into the oncoming waves.



The AFRAS Silver Medal is presented annually to a deserving United States Coast

Guard Auxiliarist(s) who performs a rescue at sea. Coast Guard photo by Telfair Brown.

The Amy Julie head straight into the waves, and as they closed in on the red buoy, they spotted the missing boater as he struggled in the water. He was nearing exhaustion, with his left arm around a child's orange life jacket and a cushion tucked under his right arm.

"He looked exhausted and as we approached him he lost the cushion," said Sadeck. "We threw him the life ring and it landed right over his arm. We pulled him to the boat and lifted him aboard."

With all three boaters now safe, the crew directed their attention to getting the conscious but lethargic man to shore. The three survivors were transported to an awaiting ambulance where they were provided medical aid.

The coxswain and crew of Amy Julie may have used their gut instinct to make one last trip to the popular fishing area, but their training and ability to adapt as the situation progressed proved that the Coast Guard's volunteer force, is a vital force.

Member Training

Classes

Hank Foglino and Dick Rothamel started teaching the AuxCom course on Tuesday, nights @ NatGrid-Northport.

Upcoming Classes

Courses are planned for Aux Seamanship and Aux Weather.

Contact Hank Foglino, SO-MT for details.

New AUXOP Requirements

Starting on 01 JAN 2011, the AUXOP program will be revised to consist of core, leadership, and elective credit elements in order to give variety to Auxiliarists, increase practical AUXOP relevance to Coast Guard missions, and better assist the Coast Guard to fulfill needed skill sets.

Under the new program, Auxiliarists will be required to successfully complete a minimum of seven (7) credits from three categories of courses detailed in items (1)-(3) below to receive the AUXOP qualification. This revision will give Auxiliarists more choices to meet program requirements, allow the pursuit of preferred focus areas, and apply credit for ICS training and expertise.(more)

Achievements

Congratulations to the following member on their achievements:

Division 22 Certificate of Appreciation:

John Scannello

Annual Service Award:

Terry Kinch - Public Education

10 Year Service Award:

Jeff Snyder

Auxiliary Sustained Service Award:

Tony Schwally - 7,722 hours

Hank Foglino - 6,016 hours

Zac Steinbrecher - 5,504 hours

John Knipper - 5,262 hours

Jeff Snyder - 3,075 hours

Member Profile - Tim Hamill

By Tyler Hicks

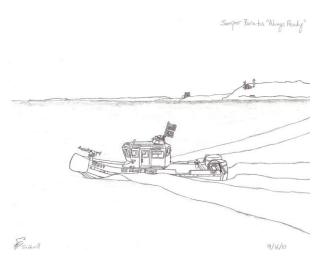
Tim Hamill, the youngest member of Flotilla 22-01, started in boating with a family friend. The friend had a 25-foot power boat and he let Tim steer the boat—a really great experience. It was during these boating trips with the family friend that Tim acquired his love of boating. Since starting on the 25-footer, Tim has "graduated" to larger vessels. He has been on five cruise ships. On cruise ships Tim always makes friends with the Captain. The result? Tim gets a guided tour of the ship. During these tours Tim has learned a lot about ships. Tim's mother and father have always been most supportive of his



interest in boats, ships, and the U.S. Coast Guard. And Tim has visited a number of other ships, as well. He counts two submarines, two battleships and two destroyers, along with the U.S. Coast Guard Training Ship "Eagle." Tim's favorite battleship is the U.S.S. "Missouri," aboard which the

treaty ending World War II in the Pacific Theatre was signed. As a Senior in High School, Tim plans to apply for admission to the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London. He's actively pursuing high SAT grades so he will be eligible to take the Academy Entrance Exam. Tim's parents help and encourage him in every way they can to achieve outstanding scholastic results so he can achieve his goal of entering the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Meanwhile, Tim has been on plenty of boats in the Huntington and Northport areas. He's been out with the Coast Guard at Eaton's Neck. And Tim has been out in rough weather on his friend's boat. He says he enjoyed the challenge of the waves and seas.

As a hobby, Tim makes pencil sketches of boats and ships. His favorite sketches are of Coast Guard boats and ships. An example of one of his sketches



accompanies this article. Tim, as the youngest member of Flotilla 22-01, is an excellent example of how today's youth can start focusing on his or her career early in life. It is truly inspiring to all members of Flotilla 22-01 to see Tim working towards a future rewarding and significant career in the U.S. Coast Guard. We're all rooting for you, Tim!

On the Links- GeoWake

On our links page, is a hyperlink to the GeoWake web site.

GeoWake lets you superimpose a NOAA chart on the google maps program.

You can locate a place by typing the town name or zip code. You study the map or satellite view, and then click to superimpose a chart of the area.

It works for Aton verifiers or armchair sailors.

Semper Paratus!