

INFORMATION ON THE U.S. COAST GUARD STRATEGIC PLAN

In place of the Chair's comments we want to keep you informed on the progress of the USCG Strategic plan. Listed below (in no special order) are the goals approved April 4, 2006 by National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC). These goals were developed by both BSAC and a special sub Strategic Planning Panel of leaders in the different boating organizations. It is worth mentioning that several of the NSBC board members such as Ed Carter, Ruth Wood, Monita Fontaine in addition to past NSBC chairs, Pam Dillon and Larry Innis and NSBC Executive Director Virgil Chambers contributed to the development of these BSAC and USCG coordinated goals.

Strategic Plan of the Recreational Boating Safety Program as proposed to the National Boating Safety Advisory Council by the Strategic Planning Panel*

The mission of the National Recreational Boating Safety Program: To minimize the loss of life, personal injury, property damage, and environmental impact associated with the use of recreational boats, through preventive means, in order to maximize the safe use and enjoyment of U.S. waterways by the public.

Goal 1 - Improve the reliability of boating accident reporting and data analysis through gap analysis so more reliable injury trends and property damage can be identified. Current fatality data have high confidence levels.

Goal 2 - Ensure that marine casualties are accurately reflected in the fiscal year annual Coast Guard performance reports by identifying four distinct categories supported by the data; recreational boating fatalities, recreational boating injuries, commercial boating fatalities, and commercial boating injuries, so that a true comparison of the significance of these marine casualties can be examined.

Goal 3 - Use the NSRE studies as a baseline for boating participation days established as a denominator of 10 million participation days. Begin exploring other possible boating activity measurements such as exposure hours should annual surveys improve the availability of a more sound denominator.

Goal 4 - Set the single figure recreational boating fatality reduction goal based on the following calendar-year table through 2011, ensuring this figure is captured for comparative purposes on the method historically (calendar-year) used: 2006 – 655; 2007 – 640; 2008 – 625; 2009 – 610; 2010 – 595; 2011 – 580.

Goal 5 - Create a single-figure (no denominator), five year average recreational boating fatality reduction goal based on the following calendar-year table through 2011: 2006 – 693; 2007 – 671; 2008 – 655; 2009 – 640; 2010 – 625; 2011 - 610

Goal 6 - Create a recreational boating accident injury reduction goal based on the following calendar-year table through 2011: 2006 – 3438; 2007 – 3288; 2008 – 3150; 2009 – 3000; 2010 – 2850; 2011 - 2700

Goal 7 - Create a combined recreational boating fatality/injury reduction goal based on the following calendar-year table through 2011: 2006 – 4131; 2007 – 3959; 2008 – 3805; 2009 – 3640; 2010 – 3475; 2011 - 3310

Goal 8 - Calculate targets and capture data on both a Federal fiscal year and calendar year basis in order to provide relevant and timely data as needed. Request that the Coast Guard present these numbers to the goal setting recommendation panel when they reconvene.

Goal 9 - Reconvene the goal setting recommendation panel of the boating public to assist the Coast Guard in completing the strategic planning by developing objectives and strategies to meet these goals. 🚤

NAUTICAL NONSENSE

Congratulations to our previous Nautical Nonsense winners, **Pete Chislom** and **Jeff Decker**. They each received a NSBC polo shirt for being the first people to correctly send their answer to the NSBC. Remember, the first person to correctly email their answer to office@safeboatingcouncil.org will win a prize. Good Luck!

A POWERFUL SMALL BOAT THAT PUSHES OR PULLS AN UNPOWERED PASSENGER SCHOONER IS CALLED

A "___ BOAT"? 🚤



Last issues question was: The boatswain's pipes were first used in early Roman and Grecian Galley; Their shrill tones set the pace for rowers at their oards and is also used to make announcements aboard ships. What Shakespeare play mentions these pipes? The answer: The Tempest and Pericles, Prince of Tyre.

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