

Annual Review 2007

Message of the President and National Chair

Mr. George Da Pont Commisioner Canadian Coast Guard Transport Canada

Mr. Bill Nash Director General, Marine Safety

It is with great pride and satisfaction that the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (CCGA) presents you with this Annual Report of Activities for the year 2007.

This past year has kept our Auxiliarists very busy with a total of 1,829 taskings to 1,568 Search and Rescue incidents. The CCGA maintained the emphasis on training its members who took part in a total of 1,567 training exercises.

With 4,261 members and 1,199 vessels, the resources made available to the Canadian Coast Guard and Transport Canada are considerable and the contribution of our volunteers significant (about 150,000 volunteer hours in 2007).

We're also reporting a productive year with Safe Boating Activities. Auxiliarists participated in 463 boat shows, exhibitions and displays. They also conducted 3504 courtesy checks on pleasure craft.

On the administrative side, the CCGA worked closely with The Canadian Coast Guard and Transport Canada to renew the Contribution Agreement which expired on March 31, 2008.

The CCGA is gradually proceeding with the implementation of the SAR Management System. We are also taking a good look at the CCG SAR Needs Analysis in order to identify how the CCGA can best contribute to improving the SAR system. Finally, regional committees are looking at the CCGA Training Review in order to adapt our training programs to the ever changing needs.

On behalf of our 4,261 members, I'd like to thank the Canadian Coast Guard and Transport Canada for their continued support.

Malcolm Junderdale

Malcolm Dunderdale President and National Chair Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary



Volunteers Saving Lives on the Water

2007 at a Glance

January

Two Safe Boating Awards are presented at the 2007 CASBA Awards Night, held on Sunday, January 14th, in recognition of members of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary, Central and Arctic Region.

The crew of the CCGA Vessel "Baitfish", Steve Lightfoot, Phil Eagleson and Glen Goodale is presented with the CASBA Award for the "CPS Rescue of the Year".

Also, Leslie Reading, Vice President, Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Central and Arctic Region, is presented with the CASBA "Top Volunteer Dedicated to Safe Boating" award.

February

The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary C&A holds its Annual General Meeting in Mississauga on February 24.

Ms. Jean Murray is presented with the CCGA National Honorary Membership by the Chair of the Auxiliary Malcolm Dunderdale. Ms Murray was attending the CCGA Pacific Annual General Meeting in Victoria on February 24.

The "Bobbie the Safety Boat Theme Song" produced by the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary wins an Award of Excellence at the Communicator Awards - Audio Competition in the "Education" category.

March

The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Quebec holds its Annual General Meeting in Beaupré (Québec) on March 24. Ted Smith is elected President by the members.

The "Bobbie the Safety Boat Training Video" produced by the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary wins an Award of Distinction at the Communicator Awards – Video Competition in the "Education" category.

April

Two important projects submitted by the Coast Guard Auxiliary to the National Search and Rescue Secretariat are approved for fiscal year 2007-

08. The CCGA will receive a contribution of \$337,000.00 from the New SAR Initiatives Fund to purchase Search and Rescue Equipment and produce a Canadian version of the RNLI Handbook.

June

A delegation representing the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary attends the World Maritime Rescue Congress, June 3-8, 2007 in Gothenburg, Sweden.

July

On July 1, the new Canada Shipping Act, 2001 (CSA 2001) enters into force. The CSA 2001 replaces the Canada Shipping Act (CSA) as the enabling legislation governing safety in marine transportation and recreational boating as well as protection of the marine environment.

September

Team Florida West Coast is declared ISAR 2007 overall Champion and USCG Auxiliary Champion. Team members are Kevin McConn, Don Hoge, Jim Ryder and Max Garrison.

Team Central and Arctic is declared the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Winner, with team members Derek Cartier, Patricia Pearsall, Jim Snow and Neil MacDonald.

October

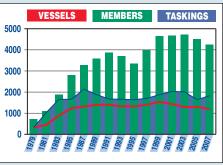
After its initial implementation in the Pacific region, the SMS (SAR Management System) will be gradually introduced in the Quebec and Central and Arctic regions.

The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary - Pacific's fast rescue craft simulator (FRCsim) is officially unveiled on October 18th, in Victoria at SARSCENE, Canada's annual Search and Rescue conference.

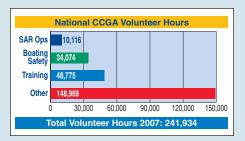
November

On November 04, a joint training exercise in Newfoundland ends in tragedy. CCGA vessel Sea Urchin capsizes on its way back to dock. CCGA member Dennis Chaulk Sr becomes the first CCGA volunteer to lose his life on a tasking.



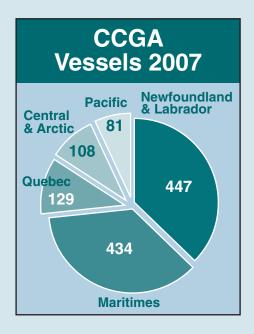


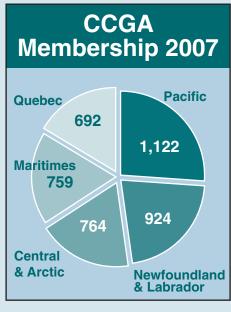
The CCGA-National currently has 4,261 members and 1,199 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliary vessels were tasked 1,829 times to assist mariners.

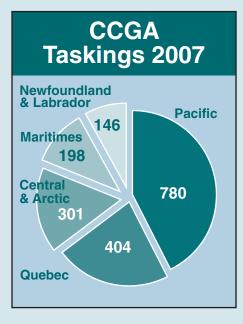




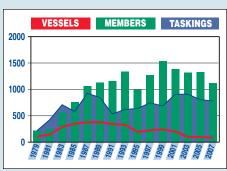
Across Canada, Auxiliarists participated in 1,567 training exercises and 463 boat shows, exhibitions and displays. They also conducted 3,504 courtesy checks on pleasure crafts.











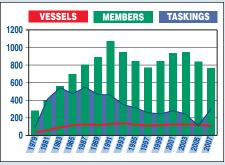
CCGA Pacific currently has 1,122 members and 81 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliarists were tasked 780 times.



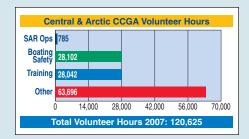


Members participated in 1,349 training exercises and 148 boat shows, exhibitions and displays. Members also conducted 1,750 pleasure craft courtesy checks in 2007.





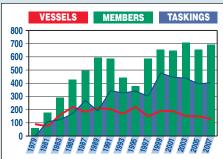
CCGA Central & Arctic currently has 764 members and 108 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliarists were tasked 301 times to SAR incidents.



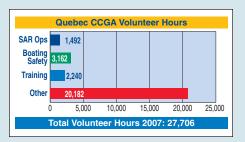


Auxiliarists participated in 27 training exercises and 231 boat shows, exhibitions and displays. They also conducted 965 courtesy checks on pleasure crafts.





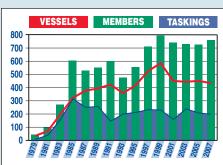
CCGA Quebec currently has 692 members and 129 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliarists were tasked 404 times to SAR incidents.





Auxiliarist also participated in 68 training exercises and 40 boat shows, exhibitions and displays. They conducted 665 courtesy checks on pleasure crafts.





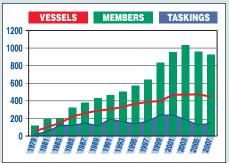
CCGA Maritimes currently has 759 members and 434 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliarists were tasked 198 times to SAR incidents.



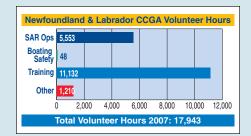


Auxiliarists participated in 62 training exercises. They also conducted 124 courtesy checks on pleasure crafts.





CCGA Newfoundland and Labrador currently has 924 members and 447 enrolled vessels. In 2007, Auxiliarists were tasked 146 times to SAR incidents.





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