

Ahoy Chapter members and friends.



The print "battlefield" 11 prints left

A few items of business for the chapter:

1. Work party last Saturday:

Nine chapter members came to the work party last Saturday after a hearty breakfast at the Main

Street Grill. Our purpose was to continue work on the J-Boat and ready the OP Boat for display

at the Fort Lewis Museum this next Saturday and Sunday.

Attending were:

Steve Morrison, Bern, Bob, Jamie, Peter, Jan, Bruce, Bernard McVay and myself.

A. Projects worked on: (reported by Bruce)

Deburred sharp edges on stair trailer hitch.

Sorted out gun mount pins and replaced pin on aft mount – attached to lanyard.

Installed new raw water seacock handle port side.

B. Noted work projects for future work parties:

Both seacocks need serviced. Will not move/can't shut them off! We will resolve before the

boat goes into the water. Bilge suction valve tapered square has been cut off, new handles

need hole enlarged or valve needs square cut down.

Found missing port engine dipstick hanging on shield plate. Re installed.

Lubed fuel fill plugs.

Truck needed primed (again) need to get 10mm wrench for bleeder screw.

Trailer organized for Ft. Lewis and beyond.

Be sure and **mark** your calendars for the "On the Water Activities" for this summer. Our annual Chapter BBQ at Des Moines and the Tacoma Seaport Maritime weekend. See the updated Chapter calendar for more details attached above. We will need your help support

to make these activities a success. **Heads up regarding the J-Boat!** As it has turned out the

J-boat is in need of a few hard to find parts with some of these parts needing fabrication

before the J boat can be put into the water. Our two boat patrol will need to be delayed until late fall. We are looking at putting both boats into the water and do patrols in the Marysville sloughs. Details to follow!

2. Our next chapter activity:

July 31st-August 1st, Fort Lewis Museum, 50th Anniversary Vietnam Display Event

We will meet at the rats nest at 9:00am Friday the 30th. We will hookup the boat and get the

hydraulic stairs in tow and be on the road by 10:00 am. We have a list for base access, If you

want to help us give me a call. The boat will be on display from 10:00am until 17:00pm.

3. Our “on the water activity” for August 21st-22nd:

Aug. 21st-22nd, Des Moines Chapter BBQ 2021, Launch & Dock & mini patrols

We will move the OP boat from Fort Lewis to Des Moines on Friday August 20th. CSR Marine will lift

us into the water as their schedule allows. We should be in the water by noon. We will check out

a bad injector and work on getting the boat running optimal for the weekend. Remember that the

chapter BBQ will be noon Sunday Aug. 22nd in the marina as years past. Rumor has it that we will

have slabs of BBQ beef ribs along with the Peter’s great burgers. The food is always the best!!!

Let’s celebrate the breakout of from the covid with our vaccinations for protection. Let’s party!!!

4. Our “on the water activity” for August 28th-29th:

August, 28th and 29th, Tacoma Seaport Maritime Weekend

- Tacoma WA. Friday August 27th We will move the boat and position it from Des

Moines to Tacoma dockside at the Seaport Museum. We will spot the utility trailer

for easy access. On water activities with Ships Stores Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th,

Have your families meet us there. Boat will be crewed from 10:00 until 4:00 with boat

movements based on associate memberships sold. **The last word** is that we will have

the CRS11 sailors with their boats docked with us at the museum. The seaport museum is providing dock space for us all and excited to see the old brown water navy and our current navy CRS11 warriors..



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Navy!

CRS units in the UAE (chips off the old block)!

5. Chapter finances:

The general fund is stable and we are staying afloat thanks for your monthly donations. We are hoping to raise some funds this next month with our on the water activities and ship's store at Des Moines and Tacoma.

Stay safe guys! Your chapter leadership,
Peter, Bob and myself



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