

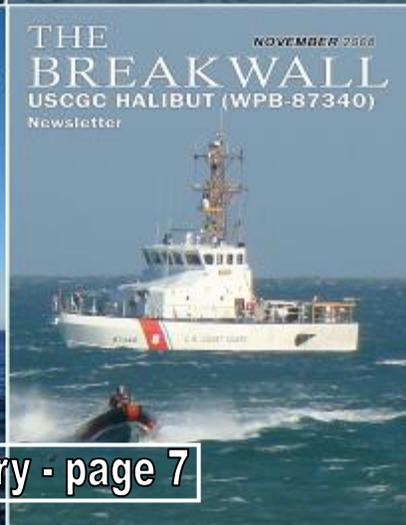
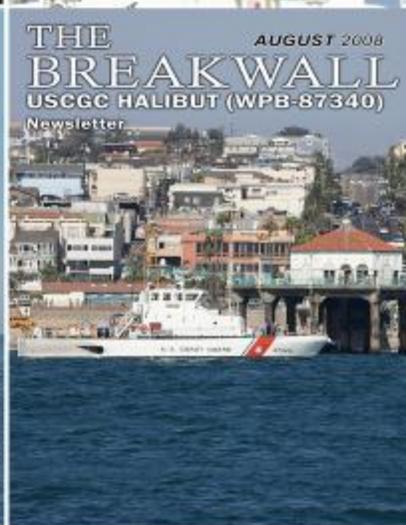
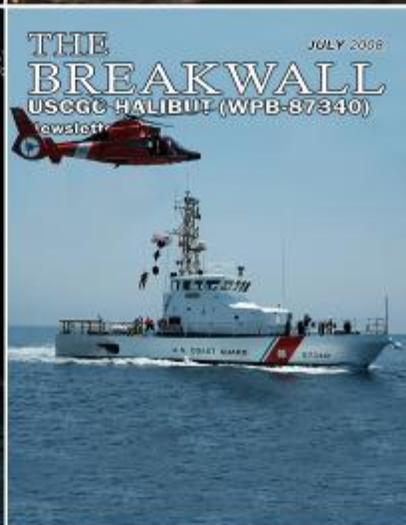
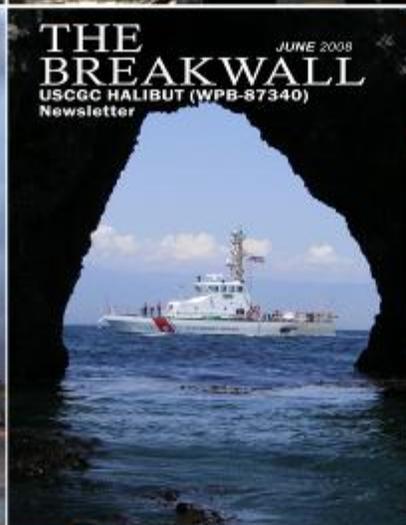
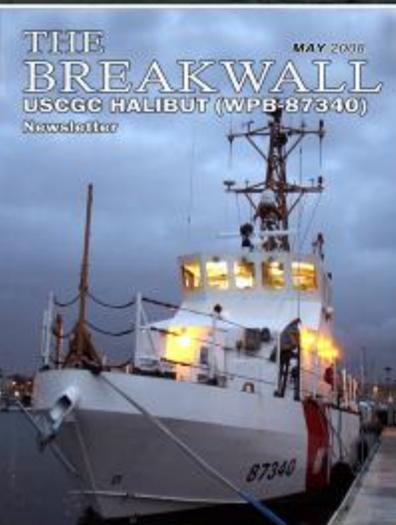
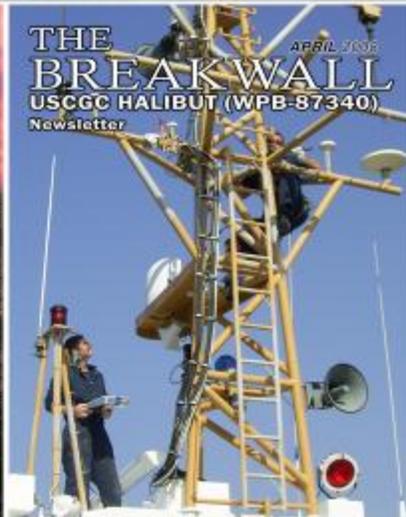
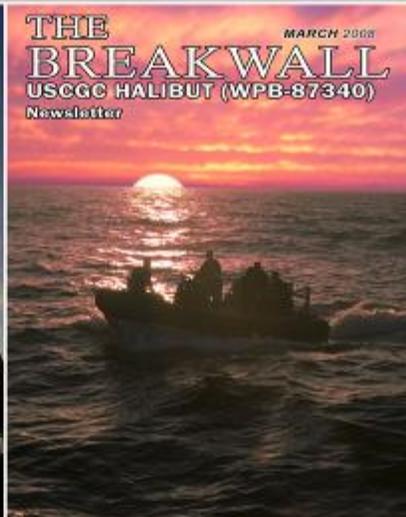
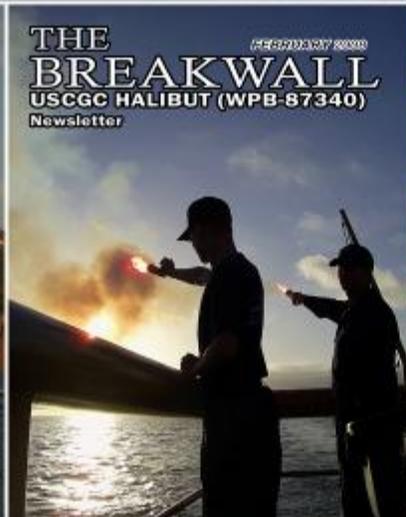
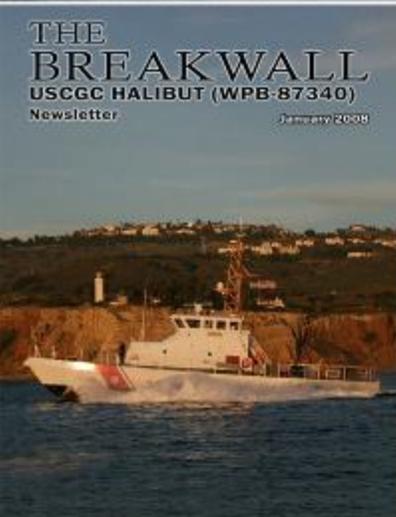


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Newsletter



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Greetings

Friends,

HALIBUT continued to be busy with exciting operations for the month of April, participating with NOAA and California Department of Fish and Game on Unmanned Ariel Systems (UAS) Tests in California's Northern Channel Islands. Operations are highlighted in the newsletter with press release included. We welcomed two new crewmembers from Coast Guard Training Center Cape May, and had a phenomenal morale day out at the go-kart track and San-Onofre State Beach for some surfing.

Congratulations are in order to HALIBUT's Engineering Officer, Tim Pettengill for being frocked to the rank of Chief Warrant Officer (CWO2). (Pictures at bottom of page) Mr. Pettengill will be moving on this summer as the Engineering Officer for Coast Guard Sector Los Angeles/Long Beach. (see pictures at bottom of this page)

A reminder, HALIBUT's Change of Command will be at 1000 on 19 June 2009 at Coast Guard Moorings, Marina del Rey CA. Invitations will be out soon. Thank you for your continued support!

Best Regards,
LT Paul Miller
Commanding Officer



Welcome Aboard!



HALIBUT welcomed two new crewmembers recently. FN Hall (left) and SN Cain. Hall is from San Diego, CA and Cain is from Morro Bay, CA.



HALIBUT Morale



CGC HALIBUT'S Morale Fund contributes directly to the Morale, Wellness, and Recreation (MWR) of the crew. Unit ball caps and T-Shirt sales contribute directly to this fund. If anyone is interested in supporting the morale program with either a private donation or through hat/t-shirt sales, please contact:

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Coast Guard Assists with Unmanned Aircraft Tests

Story By: LTjg Stephanie Young and Mr. Anthony Turner

MARINA DEL REY, Calif. - Coast Guard Cutter Halibut, an 87 foot coastal patrol boat, homeported in Marina del Rey, provided support for trials of unmanned aircraft in the northern Channel Islands.

A team from various state and federal agencies, including the National Ocean and Atmospheric Agency (NOAA) along with the Cutter Halibut tested the feasibility of utilizing unmanned aircraft to obtain data in "marine protected areas." "Marine protected area" is a term for a defined region with unique conservation and management regulations. In our region, there are two marine protected areas that are looked at more closely by federal, state and local officials: Carrington Point and Profile Point.

Agencies such as Coast Guard, California Department of Fish and Game, NOAA, National Park Service, and the local squid fishing fleet look at these particular marine protected areas as places where natural and cultural resources are given greater oversight than the surrounding waters because of their concentration of squid.

It is because of this dense population that the need to sustain the critical habitat and marine resources is so important. Due to the availability of squid in the marine protected areas, there have been numerous reports of incursions by fisherman landing squid in the "hundreds of tons" in these areas.

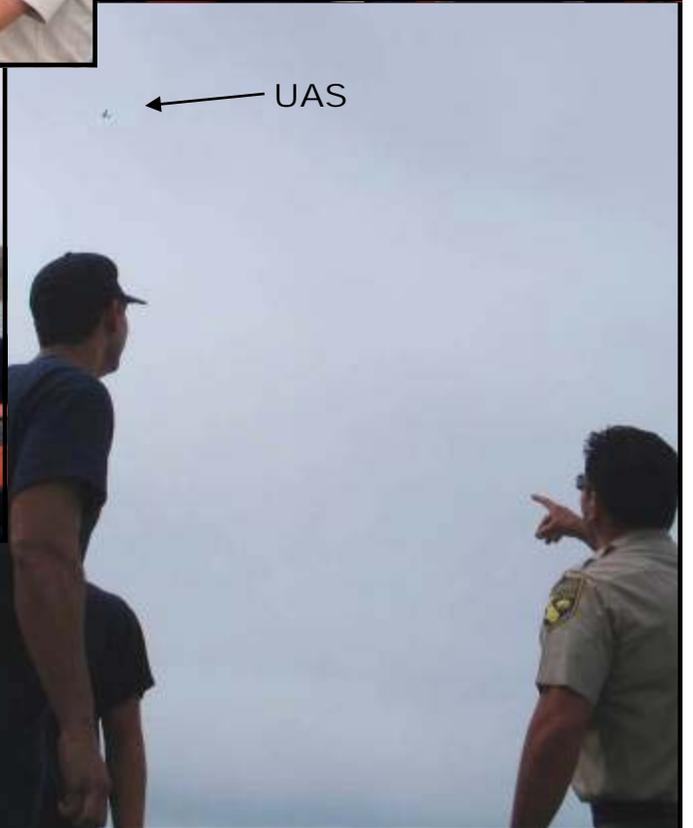
The Halibut was equipped with a remote video terminal that allowed the agencies to monitor the video and data observed by the Unmanned Aircraft Systems at distances up to 10 nautical miles. California Department of Fish and Game Wardens remained onboard the cutter and the NOAA Vessel Shearwater analyzed the capabilities of the technology. Lt. Paul Miller, Commanding Officer of Halibut stated, "I am grateful of NOAA and the California Department of Fish and Game for including Halibut in the pre-employment stage and testing of this technology. Technology such as the Unmanned Aircraft Systems will allow us to work safer and smarter in a biologically and operationally diverse area of Southern California."

The two full days of operations and testing yielded promising results for NOAA's interagency initiative in California's Northern Channel Islands. The Coast Guard looks forward to these partnerships and working in our mission area of Living Marine Resource Enforcement.

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CGC HALIBUT and NOAA R/V SHEARWATER off the coast of Santa Cruz Island, during the UAS Testing. UAS circled in picture flying above HALIBUT.

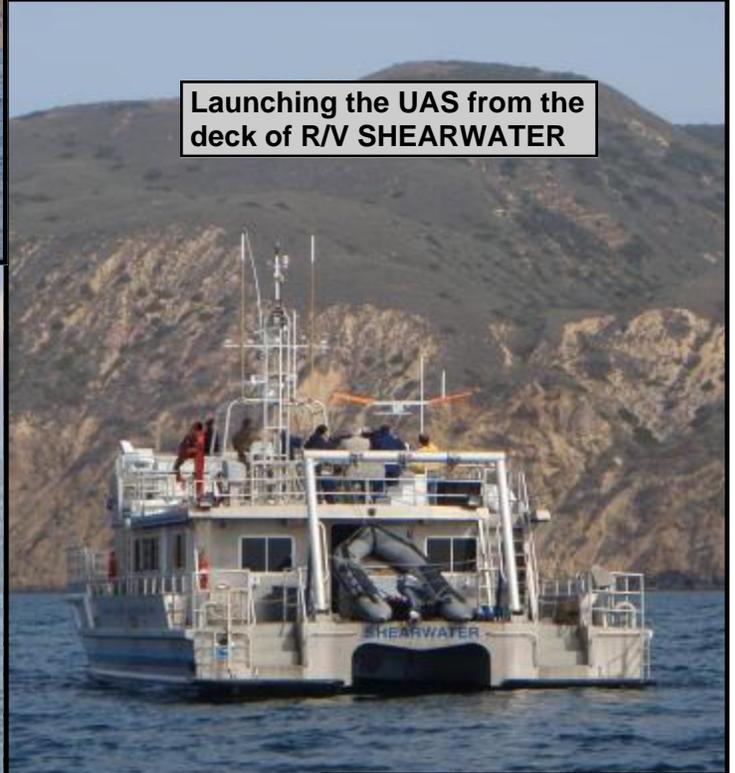


(clockwise) HALIBUT as viewed by the UAS PUMA AE from 500ft, passive remote video terminal used to monitor, The BM3's in the small boat, CADFG Warden Santos Cabral points out the UAS flying overhead of HALIBUT, Warden Cabral and BM3 Tinajero in the small boat, Warden Cabral discusses UAS Operations with crewmembers.

ON PATROL



Launching the UAS from the deck of R/V SHEARWATER





GO Speed Racer

(clockwise) LT Miller and AUX Trent Kelly (not pictured) discusses safe boating issues at a luncheon sponsored by the California Yacht Club: The crew split up for a great morale day recently, with half going to San Onofre state beach for some dawn patrol surfing and the other half going go-karting; Cutter moored in Santa Barbara Harbor. (center in back of picture)

CD's Recipe of the Month

When the Cook is Away....

Grilled Chicken Paillard

Directions

Whisk together lemon juice, shallot, olive oil and black pepper in a large baking dish. Add the chicken, turn to coat and marinate in refrigerator for 30min.

Preheat grill to high. Remove chicken from marinade, season with salt on both sides and grill for 2 to 3 min per side or until golden brown and just cooked through.

Combine arugula, tomatoes and onions in a large bowl, toss with vinegar and oil and season with salt and pepper, to taste. Place each paillard on a large plate, drizzle with extra-virgin olive oil and top with some of the arugula tomato salad. Garnish with lemon halves.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 small shallot, chopped
- 1/4 cup pure olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon coarsely ground fresh black pepper
- 4 boneless, skinless, chicken breasts, pounded thinly
- Salt to taste
- 1/2 pound arugula
- 2 ripe beefsteak tomatoes, diced
- 1 small red onion, peeled, halved and thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, plus additional for garnish
- Lemon halves, for garnish

* Recipe courtesy of Food Network, Bobby Flay

HALIBUT on You Tube

To see the latest CGC HALIBUT YouTube Video, please Go to:

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Videos by SN Brandon Blackwell



HALIBUT was fortunate enough to be recognized as winning first place in the Coast Guard-wide CDR Jim Simpson Award for 2008, recognizing excellence in public affairs and community social outreach. The award was sponsored by Coast Guard Headquarters. HALIBUT's social/print and aggressive media stance is largely attributed Coast Guard Auxiliarist support from Mr. Anthony Turner, Ray J. Pages, and Trent Kelly. Additionally, your support for the Breakwall and the crew is whole-heartedly appreciated! The cover is a montage of Breakwall covers from 2008.

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