

# Auxiliarist of the Week

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Great Falls / Garvey Wood



**Garvey (Gar) Wood of Loma, Montana is a member of Flotilla 10-07 located in Great Falls.**

**With Recreational Boating deaths increasing nearly nine fold in 2008 over 2007 (26/3), Gar took the initiative to attend two high-profile Great Rockies Sportsmen's Shows to target high-use boating areas. To cover one of the shows, Gar drove 682 miles to represent the USCG & USCG Auxiliary at the Sportsmen's Show in Billings.**

**While at the shows, he encountered hundreds of recreational boaters who reaped the educational benefits of visiting the USCG RBS booth. Additionally, Division 10 received a robust list of citizens interested in joining the Auxiliary. Gar also made key contacts with other key RBS stakeholders.**

**Due in part to the tremendous interest at the two Sportsmen Shows Gar has taken the lead an effort to identify and establish what would be two Auxiliary detachments; one in Billings and the other in Lewistown.**

**Gar is presently the Flotilla Commander as well as Member Training, Publications and Personnel Services Staff Officer. Gar is also his Division's Personnel Services and AtoN Staff Officer.**