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SALTY SPRAY-- KEEN COMPETITION

Reservists In Pacific Yacht Race

At high noon on 4 July, a fleet of 52 crack ocean racers started the 2,225 nautical-mile race from Los Angeles to Honolulu. The snap of ballooning spinakers taking a Force 5 breeze marked the 23rd start of this thrilling competition. Before these "old salts" would see Diamond Head on Oahu, Hawaii, they would stand watches in stormy seas, run low on provisions in some cases, suffer frustrating breakdowns of equipment, and constantly worry about hitting the dot of an island on the endless expanse of the Pacific. This is the longest and most grueling yacht race in the world. It is run every two years.

Although these sportsmen never stopped being bounced and beaten by the capricious sea, they did have one comforting thought. The Coast Guard Cutter DEXTER accompanied them throughout the race in case a serious emergency arose. As in the past several races, DEXTER provided an "insurance policy" against loss of life and equipment. Aboard DEXTER, new 6 x 8 Reservists from the Coast Guard Receiving Center, Alameda, Calif., had a "bird's eye view" of the exciting competition and the ingenious strategy used in such a race. Most of the Reservists were new to the open sea, but several were veterans of both sheltered-water and open-sea sailing. Although their primary mission was to escort the race, normal at-sea training continued. Occasionally, encounters with one of the competitors would all but stop the training routine. The Reservists and instructors alike

were understandably enraptured by the majesty of these sleek yachts, straining under full sails drawn taut by the wind.

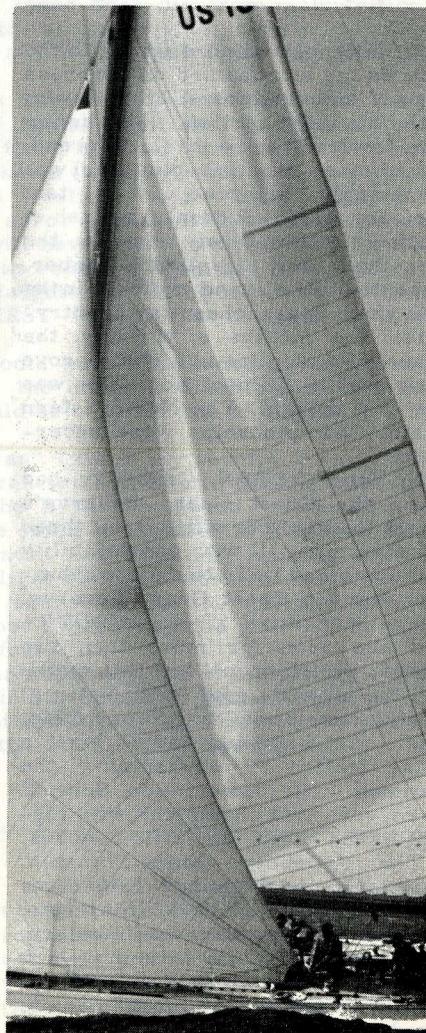
As the "fleet" approached Diamond Head the lead yacht was the 72-foot ketch TICONDEROGA, 26 years old but still a great beauty. It had taken her 11 days, 16 hours, 46 minutes and 35 seconds to cross. However, the handicapping system, baffling to the landlubber, gave top prize this year to the German-built 90-foot sloop ISLANDER.

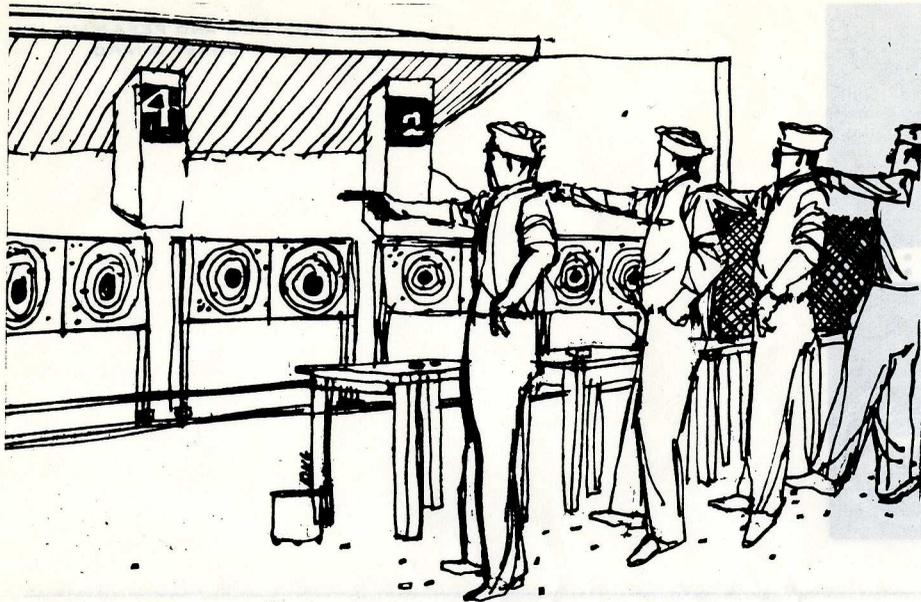
It had been an exciting, grueling race. Some of the yachts remained in Hawaii while others started the long trip home. DEXTER sailed on to Honolulu for a short visit to the Fourteenth District. The excitement had been great, but there was work still ahead, much still to be learned by the new Reservists. The Trans-Pacific yachts were on their own to return home, for DEXTER went back to sea to continue drills and exercises, training the Reservists aboard before their release to West Coast districts.

HEY! WHERE'S THE PAY?

If you've often asked this question about your drill pay check, then you may have overlooked the obvious answer. Drill pay checks are normally mailed on the 15th day of the first month of each quarter; i.e., January, April, July, and October. The checks which pay for drills attended during the previous quarter are sent to each Reservist's home

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Pistols Flame: Reserve Shooters Zero In On Target

A white hat tilted slightly to the side as the sun dazzled on the brass edge of amber glasses. Then slowly, with calculated motion, a blue denim arm lowered to eye level. At its end, a cold mass of silver-blue steel was menacingly balanced by a taut shoulder blade. Suddenly, a flash of motion, followed at once by the piercing crack of splitting timber. Repeatedly the sound exploded in the suburban Massachusetts countryside. The months of training, the years of discipline now could prove their worth. Competition--this was the key thought. The Northeastern Pistol Championships were underway.

Up from RECEN, Cape May, had come the Coast Guard Reserve's finest talent. Four officers and three enlisted men, all with proven ability had combined their talents to champion for the Coast Guard Reserve. These men were all on ACDUTRA and had been for more than two weeks, polishing up for this match and the ultimate goal of the National Championships at Camp Perry, Ohio. Each of these men had at least a classification of marksman in the National Rifle Association. Several were seasoned champions with distinguished pistol and rifle records.

The Attleboro, Mass., match, sponsored by the Angle Tree Stone Rod and Gun Club had 326 entries, 162 of which were service masters. The competition was extremely high with 36 shooters rated at 2600 entered. Of the top 36 marksmen, 26 fired 2600 or more during the match.

The top team competitors were the Marine Corps, the 1st Army, and the 2nd Army teams.

The Coast Guard Reserve Team was composed of the following men: PARRILLO, Robert, BM3; LYNCH, Jerry J., PS3; CDR Richard B. MEMAHILL; LCDR Wallace G. ANGEL; LCDR Edward J. WALSH; LT Richard ADDIS; and MC FADDEN, Francis X, PSC. They represented the Ninth, Seventh, Fifth, Third, and Twelfth Districts. Although the team did not win team awards, it was consistently high in the scoring. The most noteworthy individual performance was made by PARILLO who set a new National Reserve .45 cal. Timed Fire record with a score of 200-15X. He also fired 2601, his second score of 2600. This excellent firing was done after two years away from competition. This ability is an indication of the exceptional talent of the Reserve Team.

As abruptly as the shooting began, it also ended. The "heat" was off; the marks were made. The time had come for coffee and scuttlebutt while the judges tallied the final scorings.

Victories were celebrated; defeats consoled. For a while it was over--the Attleboro competition was history. All thought was centered on another time, another place. There would be more practice, more discipline, harder training for the National Championships at Camp Perry, Ohio. (Watch for the results of the Camp Perry match in the Coast Guard RESERVIST).

It's fine to talk straight from the shoulder but it's better to talk from higher up.

ROA HIGHLIGHTS AT MIAMI BEACH

The Reserve Officers Association's 37th annual convention was held 12 to 15 June at Miami Beach, Fla. There to enjoy Miami's balmy weather and the convention's activities were many prominent Regular and Reserve military officers and distinguished guests having an interest in the Reserve forces.

Keynote speakers were the Hon. Eugene M. Zuckert, Secretary of the Air Force, and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower, the Hon. Norman S. Paul.

Speaking about the Reserve forces, Secretary Zuckert said, "Nowhere is the importance of man in his national defense role more evident than among Reservists. Here you can readily see him as a local citizen, a part of a family unit, a producer of goods and services, as well as an on-call defender of freedom."

The Coast Guard Reserve was well represented at the function by officers from 31 states. In the national elections, the Coast Guard also made a good showing by electing three officers to national positions. A SPAR, LCDR Nida GLICK was elected Historian, with CDR James LOWELL getting a seat on the Executive Committee for Navy, and ENS William NORTON filling the part of Junior Vice President for Navy.

RADM Louis M. THAYER, Coast Guard Flag Officer for Reserve, briefed the delegates on the readiness posture of the Reserve. He also commented on new Reserve programs and current planning for the maintenance and growth of a strong Reserve force.

Next year the convention will join the annual Rose Festival in Portland, Oregon. West Coast get set!

People who get down to brass tacks usually rise rapidly.

NOTICE

EACH DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF RESERVE (dcr) IS NOW CHIEF, RESERVE DIVISION (r). USE THIS NEW STAFF SYMBOL. *

(*Note: for the new District organization see COMDT NOTICE 5430, dated 25 July 1963.)



"TRANS-PAC YACHT RACE" - A boatswain's view of one of the competitors in the recent Los Angeles to Honolulu race. Reservists aboard the CGC DEXTER saw all the action.

Com CGD14 Challenges Complacency

Shortly after the Cuban crisis began last year, RADM C. C. KNAPP, USCG, Commander, 14th Coast Guard District made the following poignant remarks on the "American attitude:"

"Are Americans too complacent? There seems to be a rather discouraging trend today against rendering proper respect in honor of those things which most of us hold dear.

"Not too long ago it was proper for a young man to show respect for his parents, but today many believe it is "childish, and too sentimental." When I was a boy there was nothing wrong in going to church, but today many young men refuse to attend because others will consider them "too religious." I enjoy reading a good book, but it is disheartening today to see many young people sneering at education and boycotting the libraries because some will think they are "eggheads, and too studious."

"As a result, most of us cannot help but wonder if we are cultivating a generation of fence straddlers, afraid of launching out on anything new and great because they fear someone will consider them "too something or other." This great and wonderful nation of ours was founded upon the lives of men and women who refused to believe that showing respect for their parents was "too sentimental;" going to church "too religious;" and trying to improve their minds "too studious."

"During the past few years I have noticed a disturbing trend in the way some of our people conduct themselves during the playing of the National Anthem. Some stand with their hands in their pockets in slouched inattention while others continue talking disrespectfully and a few exhibit downright disgust that they have to "waste" their time listening to a song which proclaims the greatness of our country.

"I am appalled at this attitude.

"It may be that some of them do not know how to act or what to do. But that is no excuse. I wish it would be possible to take each of these young men, and send him on a whirlwind tour of the world. Let them gaze upon the hunger and starvation in Red China; force them to watch a family, literally torn apart by Berlin's wall; let them feel the oppression of dictatorship; the sorrow of watching loved ones die from malnutrition; let them watch a father stand in torture as his daughter dies in his arms because medical aid is too far away and too expensive; let them feel the gnawing pains of hunger.

"Then I would like to bring them back and confront them with their highpowered new cars, their beautiful homes, their healthy families, and their prosperous communities. Make them realize, perhaps for the first time, that they do not feel oppression here, . . . here each man may stand and say honestly and sincerely, 'This I believe.' Make them look upon a father, as he watches his daughter savor a chemically treated cube of sugar which will probably mean she will never have to suffer the pains of polio. Make them look at the happiness radiating from her eyes, and remember the face of the father whose daughter lay dying in his arms. Yes, I would like to let them know, FIRST HAND, what it means to be an American . . .

"Those of us in the service . . . should have little trouble showing respect for our country . . . you wear the uniform which represents the United States of America, and it should be easy for you to display it with honor and integrity.

"I am proud that I am an American. This is my country. I share the feelings of triumph which inspired Francis Scott Key to pen the words of our National Anthem after watching the British bombard Fort McHenry. He must have been discouraged as he stood on the deck of a British ship the next morning, waiting for the dawn. But I can only imagine how he must have felt when the first rays of light flashed across the sky and revealed our flag flying over the battle scarred fort. I do not know how he could hope to describe his feelings, but I will always be glad that he did. The world is so much richer for his efforts . . .

"I suppose there are some today who could say, 'he is too patriotic and too sentimental.' But thank God that in our country's history there are a few who were not afraid of that kind of criticism. And I hope, with all my heart, that the future will bring forth others who will share his pride.

"Our country needs them."

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address, and for this reason the district commander (r) of your district must be kept informed of your current home address. Failure to keep the office records current can lead to a delay in your receiving drill pay checks.

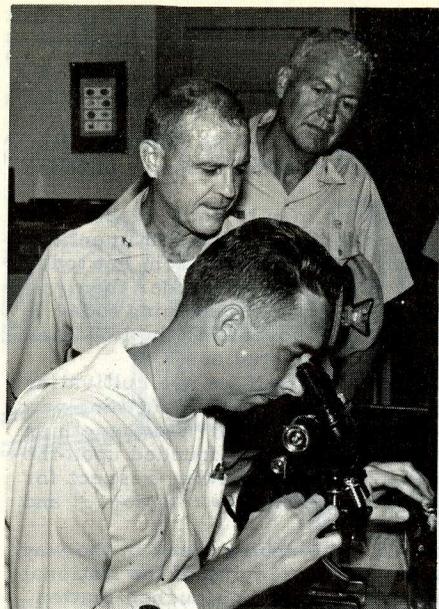
If you feel that there is a discrepancy in the amount of this check, here is how you can proceed in reporting this to the district: (1) report the suspected discrepancy to your unit commanding officer at the drill following receipt of the check, (2) the commanding officer may then submit a single consolidated report to the district commander (r). The district commander (r) will check your complaint and take appropriate action to rectify any actual discrepancies. You should bear in mind that minor adjustments for previous overpayments will reduce the amount of a drill pay check. Underpayments amounting to more than \$15 will be paid by a special check, and smaller amounts will be credited to your next regular drill pay check.

In the event a person claims non-receipt of a pay check and records at the district office indicate that a check was mailed, the unit commanding officer will be informed of the amount of the check and the address to which it was sent. If the check cannot be located by inquiry at the local post office, and if the Reservist is certain that the check was not cashed by his wife (Yes, Virginia, this can happen!), then he should explain these circumstances and request a "stop-payment order" in a second letter. This letter should go to the district authorized certifying officer via the district commander (r). When the letter is forwarded to the Commandant, and it is verified that the check has not been cashed, a new check will be issued.

The sooner an inquiry is made, the more prompt correction will be. Any such inquiries received by the district office on or after 15 February

concerning the previous year require that a photostat of the pay record be obtained from the Commandant (F) as all Reserve pay records for a calendar year are forwarded by the following 15th February.

Remember, keep your district commander (r) up to date on your address, check with your wife before claiming for a "lost" check, make your claim accurate and complete. (Adapted from 3rd CGD, NEWS-LETTER).



"ADMIRAL INSPECTS MEDICS" - RADM Louis M. THAYER, USCG, observes laboratory training of Hospital Corpsmen being conducted at the Reserve Training Detachment, NAS Jacksonville, Fla. At the microscope is Edwin D. LOWRY, HM-2 USCGR, who is completing his two weeks' ACDUTRA at the detachment. CDR William MAIN, USCGR, Commanding Officer of the Training Detachment looks on.

ARMY COMES TO CG'S AID

Medics, Gunners Get Special Help; Other Rates Included

Throughout its long history, the Coast Guard has an outstanding record of aiding others in need. Recently, the tables were turned as the Continental Army Command (CONARC) came to the aid of the Coast Guard Reserve. CONARC has brought to the Reserve the use of its vast libraries and stockpiles of excellent training aids. Particularly effective for Reserve unit training are the aids developed for GM and HM training.

Initial liaison with the CONARC libraries has been made in some cases by the District training officer and in other cases by officers from Headquarters. Various direct correspondence, catalogs, and order forms have been received at some Reserve units from the CONARC centers as a result of these initial visits. In addition, the district training officer will visit each ORTU and CONARC library in his district to maintain close liaison and good public relations.

The CONARC training aids offer the ORTU training officer an excellent source for additional materials to improve the unit training effort. This opportunity should be used to its full extent. District training officers may be consulted for complete details for procurement and use of these aids.

New Rates Open For Active Duty

The Commandant (PE) recently announced that the rates listed below have openings which can be filled by enlistment and recall of Reserves to active duty:

Up to and including first class petty officers (E-6):

Quartermaster
Sonarman
Electronics Technician
Electrician's Mate

Up to and including second class petty officers (E-5):

Radioman

Up to and including third class petty officers (E-4):

Aviation Electronic Technician
Aviation Machinist Mate
Aviation Electrician's Mate
Aviation Structural Mechanic

Reservists on inactive duty are encouraged to consider the career or extended active duty possibilities in the above rates. A Request for Extended Active Duty (Form CG-3472) may be completed and forwarded to the Commandant (PE-5) via the chain of command by Reservists interested in these rates.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY U.S. COAST GUARD

On 4 August, the Coast Guard completed its 173rd year of service, highlighted by congratulatory messages from the President, top Treasury Department officials, and the Commandant.

President Kennedy wrote that "... In carrying out its mission of promoting safety at sea, and as an armed force with a long record of courage and valor, the Coast Guard is a source of pride to all Americans..."

In his message, Secretary Dillon expressed confidence "... That the Coast Guard will maintain its splendid record through the years ahead with the same dedication to its vital missions that has characterized its past history."

The Commandant congratulated and encouraged the Service by saying, "As we begin our 174th year of service, I should like to congratulate all members of the Coast Guard... for their continued devotion to the high ideal of service which is so much a part of our tradition. The past years have been fruitful ones, filled with steadily growing responsibility in our special fields of national security and maritime safety. In all respects, the Coast Guard has carried out its duties with honor

OLD BUSINESS, NEW NUMBERS

Commandant Sets New Directives System

The Coast Guard Directives System is a modern plan for disseminating information and directives from the Commandant. All directives in this new system will be issued as Instructions or Notices in accordance with the policies established in Commandant Instruction 5215.1.

As in the old directives systems, the written communications in the new system prescribe or establish policy, organization, methods, or procedures. They may require action or may simply contain information essential to the effective administration or operation of Regular and Reserve activities.

Units are invited to submit recommendations for improving the system to the Commandant (CAM) via the chain of command.

In this system subject numbers are assigned to Instructions issued by the Commandant based on the classification shown in CI 5215.1. The system officially went into effect on 1 July. On 1 January 1964, the Table of Subject Classification Numbers outlined in CI 5215.1 will be adopted as a guide for filing correspondence.

The commanding officers of Reserve units should have effected the change-over to this new system on 1 July 1963.

It doesn't pay to say too much

When you're mad enough to choke,
'Cause the word that cuts the deepest
Is the word that's never spoke.

Just let the other fellow wrangle

Till the storm has blown away--
Then he'll do a heap o' thinkin'

'Bout the things you didn't say!

and distinction. This proud record of achievement would not have been possible without the loyal and dedicated support of all its members. You have all earned a 'well done.' I am certain that you will meet the responsibilities of the future with the same zeal and dedication you have so often demonstrated in the past."

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