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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CANADIAN COAST GUARD AUX. (M) INC.



A FAMILY EFFORT

On the evening of October 25, 1999, the Rescue Coordination Centre in Halifax received a call from the CGA member Moyle Tumblin in West Berlin, Nova Scotia that two young men were reported overdue in a 16ft power boat. The men had departed the LaHave Islands on Nova Scotia's south shore for a short fishing trip just before lunch that day in very high winds and rough seas and had not

been seen since. When the men did not return by dark, one of the fathers contacted Mr. Tumblin in West Dublin and the search began.

Both Moyle Tumblin and his son Randall Tumblin are Coast Guard Auxiliary members and immediately offered up their boats, the *Rose Krista* and the *Foggy Foam*, to assist in the search for the missing men. Moyle Tumblin carried the father of one of the missing men with him on the *Rose Krista* as a lookout.

From the outset of the incident Moyle Tumblin's wife, Rosalita, proved a valuable source of information and a great help in the investigative part of the incident. Mrs. Tumblin was able to contact local people who could provide details of the boat, information regarding the family of the missing men and local weather condition for the entire day. Rosalita also maintained radio contact with her husband and son while they were searching and provided accurate and timely situation reports the entire evening.

During the night four CGA members assisted in the search, the CCGC

Sambro, three CG ships and DND Hercules, Labrador and Aurora aircraft. At 6am the following morning the Labrador Helicopter located the capsized boat with the two men underneath. Neither man survived the night in the 7°C water.

Although the case ended in tragedy, the actions of the entire Tumblin family were extraordinary and worthy of an honourable mention. In particular Rosalita Tumblin, who is not a trained Auxiliary member and who provided so much assistance in this incident. It was truly a family effort and shining example of the professionalism and dedication of our Coast Guard Auxiliary members and their families.

Peter Stow
Marine Controller



DID YOU REPORT YOUR INSURANCE CLAIM?

If you are on a SAR case and you believe you may have a valid insurance claim for loss or property damage, please remember that you must notify the RCC controller when requesting a SAR case number and also, contact Gary Masson, Regional Business Manager, who in turn will provide the Insurance Company with the required information for processing of your claim or depending upon the amount of loss, will process the claim from the CCGA office.

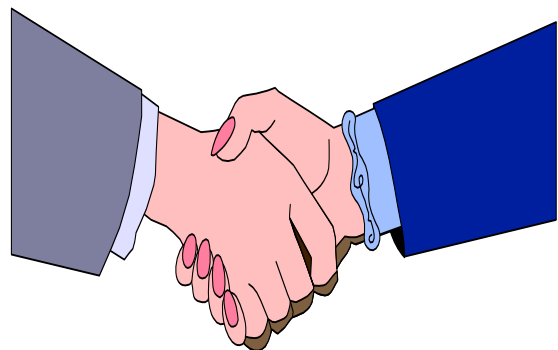
VISIT OUR NEW CCGA MERCHANDISE WEB SITE ONLINE TODAY !!!!



On the World Wide Web you can view and order your own CCGA merchandise. This web site is operated by Festival Promotions and is now in full operation. The Web site address is:

<http://www.festival.net/ccga/>
All profits that is received by the CCGA for the sale of these products will help with the high cost of training, new equipment, etc. for the Auxiliary.

I.M.P. SUPPORTS AUXILIARY



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I. M. P. Marine Division recognize and support our efforts in promoting the new 1999 Safe Boating Regulations and safety and prevention on the sea. To further enhance their support, I. M. P. are offering all CCGA membership a 15% discount off retail prices at all branches locations in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Quebec. This offer is valid until March 31, 2000. Take advantage of this generous offer now. Coast Guard Auxiliary thanks you I. M. P.

IT'S A JOY TO BE A VOLUNTEER !!!

I've been blessed with gifts and talents to be used some special way, To lend a hand or help someone who's struggling day by day. All it costs is my commitment and A little extra caring, While making a priority of reaching out and sharing. And it's a privilege working for the causes I hold dear. just doing what I can to help, each time I volunteer.

Anonymous

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW
YEAR TO ALL MEMBERS FROM THE



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STAFF, EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTORS
OF THE COAST GUARD AUXILIARY



HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS OR MADE CHANGES TO YOUR VESSEL?

If you have recently had an address change or up-dated the equipment on your vessel or purchased a new vessel, we would appreciate it greatly if you would take a few moments to complete a "Change of Information Form", which can be found at the back of this newsletter, and send it along to the Secretary/Bookkeeper, whose name and address is also in the back section of this newsletter. It is very important that we receive this up-dated forms, as it is paramount that we maintain an accurate mailing and data records.

EM 2000 ON WATER EXERCISE

On September 21, 2000 there will be a joint search and rescue on-water exercise in Sydney, N. S. This plan will include air, marine and ground SAR recovery. The goal of this exercise is to rescue a large number of survivors from varied locations, deliver them to a safe haven and account for all survivors, to implement casualty reception points, and a survivor management plan. Four volunteer

CCGA vessels are required for this exercise. We will keep the members involved in this exercise up-dated as we receive information.

**CANADIAN COAST GUARD
AUXILIARY (M) INC.
NOTICE OF MOTION**

The Board of Directors of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (M) Inc. have proposed the following changes to the By-laws. Motion to be voted on at the next Annual General Meeting to be held in Yarmouth, N. S. March 31st, 2000. The proposed changes are as follows:

Explanation and/or reason for change:
By-law 3

The number of Directors that handle the affairs of the Association should be changed to 12, as we only have 15 Directors in the region. In case a zone resigns from the CCGA in the future, we can eliminate this possible problem by changing the number of Directors responsible for the affairs of the CCGA.

PROPOSED VERSION:

3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors of not less than 12 nor more than 20 Directors, each of whom at the time of his election, and throughout his term of office, shall be a member of the Association. Each Director so elected shall serve a term of two years, and shall be eligible for re-election.

Explanation and/or reason for change:
By-law 17

The 1st Vice-President is responsible for membership of the CCGA, therefore, it should be clarified that the 1st Vice-President informs applicants of their membership acceptance and not the Secretary.

PROPOSED VERSION:

17. MEMBERSHIP

Each member shall promptly be informed by the 1st Vice-President of his/her admission as a member of the Coast Guard Aux. Maritimes Inc.

Explanation and/or reason for proposed change:
By-law 19

The word Secretary should be changed to read 1st Vice-President as the 1st Vice-President is in charge of and responsible for membership and not the Secretary.

PROPOSED VERSION:

19. DISENROLLMENT AND APPEAL

The 1st Vice-President shall promptly inform a member of his disenrollment, stating the reasons for actions taken by the Officers of the Association, and of his right to appeal.

SPECIAL THANKS TO RESCUE CHALLENGE 99 SUPPORTERS

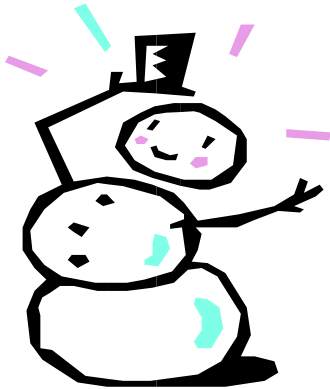
A very special thank you to all Companies and organizations who supported our Rescue Challenge 99 Competitions that was held this year in Dartmouth, N. S. The following is a list of names of Companies and individuals who helped make our Competitions a huge success:

Webber's Store
 Family Fries
 Sobey's
 Lockhart's Beaver Lumber
 Nova Scotia Liquor Comm
 Forest Hill Drug Mart
 Home Hardware
 Jeddore Variety
 Vernon D'Eon Lobster
 Plugs
 Pictou Fishing Supplies
 Backman Vidcom
 Action Cap
 IMP Group Ltd
 Nordsea LTD
 White Water Marine
 Binnacle
 Mappins Jewellers
 MMOS
 Langilles Boating Center
 Langilles Boating Center
 Bank of Montreal
 Schooner Cove Marine
 Cross Marine Electronics
 ABCO Industries
 Sea Land Industries
 South Shore Marine
 Lunenburg Foundry
 Yacht shop & Marina
 Front Harbour Marine

Services
 Peter Stoffer MP
 Atlantic Lottery Corp.
 Currie's Insurance Service
 Margaret Hanlan
 Birchill Homes
 Fairley & Stevens
 Rant Promotions
 Lobster Shack Restaurant
 Royal Bank
 Sherbrooke Garage
 The Bay
 Best Western
 Canadian Tire
 Shoppers Drug Mart
 Saan
 Ketlic Moters
 Guardian Pharmacy
 Rainbow Net & Rigging
 Hayden Agencies
 Dartmouth Dodge
 Toys R Us
 Dave Doolittles tap room
 NS Liquor Commission
 Pilots Pub
 Sandtap Bar & Grill
 Toddy's Restaurant
 Forbes Chev Olds
 Mic Mac safety
 Princess Auto Ltd
 Dartmouth Surplus Ltd
 Liscombe Lodge
 Main Street Automotive
 Maritime Beer Company
 Dorthy's Crafts
 Rainbow Net & Rigging
 Atlantic Aero Marine
 Siteman's Petro Canada
 Classic Seafoods
 Classic Seafoods
 Hostess Foods Ltd
 Ocean Vision systems
 Philip Publicove
 E.S.F.P.A.
 Atlantic Electronics Ltd.
 Ralph LeBlanc
 Mabel DeYoung
 Sherbrooke Village Inn

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Wilson Gas Bar
Home Hardware
Irving Oil
Moose Head



SANTA COMES TO KENNEBECASIS VALLEY

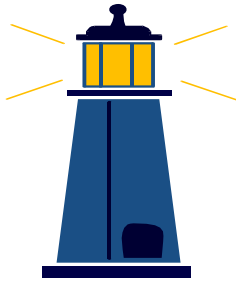
T'was the month before Christmas
and all through the valley,
The folks were all coming to see
Santa's rally.
The Parade was lined up in the
school Parking yard,
As the weather built up and the
rain poured real hard.
It was Quispam's first ever Santa
parade,
And the weather caused planners
to be quite afraid.
But then in a moment by the touch
of the Grace,
The downpour subsided and they
started the pace.
There were fifty some entries
leaving the school,
With a two mile jaunt in an
evening quite cool.
There were fire trucks and horses,
bands, kids up on floats,

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Whistles and sirens and horns like
a boat.
Several thousand kind folks from

aged one to "not telling",
Lined up by the road sides waving and
yelling.
But then up the road there arose such
a clatter,
It turned all their heads to see t'was
the matter. What have we here" I
heard in dismay,
But a CCGA boat with members array
A big rescue truck it's lights all a
flashing,
Towing the loan boat a scene that
was dashing.
The boat was all lit with lights on it's
side,
And a Santa astern, along for the ride.
There was Sheri and Frank Kelly
And Vernon Graves out behind,
Russell Rooney and Herb Hegler
up front walking the line.
Gary Masson drove the truck and
Ali Hegler the boat,
Russ Hegler her husband hung on
to the float.
I heard him exclaim as he greeted
the fans,
"Our home is in Texas our heart is
this land."
Merry Christmas was passed from
the crowd unto us,
We returned all the greetings with
pleasure and trust.
Then it was over and we slipped
away in the night,
You could hear "Merry Christmas"
It was a delight!
Herb Hegler, Director Zone 16

Thanks to Susan Pellerin and Gary Masson on decorating of the CCGA boat and vessel.



DID YOU USE YOUR NIF EQUIPMENT ON A SAR CASE?

If you have used any New SAR Initiative (NIF) equipment on a SAR case, we would like to know about it. Could you send me a note giving details, as we would like to justify receiving this equipment from Ottawa.

Also, justification of the use of this equipment will enable us to submit future NIF equipment proposals to National CCG as all equipment is subject to government audit and review.

Some of the questions that we would like to have answered are as follows:

1. Was the equipment used to save a life and how?
2. Did the equipment help to resolve an incident more quickly?
3. How did the equipment benefit the member?

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4. As a result of having the equipment on board is your unit more efficient or effective?

Thank You Members

Gary Masson, Business Manager

SAFE BOATING/OPERATOR COMPETENCY COURSE UP-DATE

We have now received the Student Manuals for the Operator Competency Course, however, we did not as yet receive the training material needed for the course. Due to delays in receiving materials, etc. the course is not scheduled to begin until April 2000. Some highlights of this course and the phase period is as follows:
 September 1999 – Persons under 16 years old require Proof of Competency to operate recreational power vessels.
 2002 – All operators of recreational power vessels less than 4 meters need Proof of Competency.
 2009 – All operators of recreational power vessels need Proof of Competency.

If you have taken a safe boating course before April 1, 1999 and have a certificate or card than you do not need to take the course or test. Our RBM 1 meets this standard, so all members who have their RBM 1 do not have to take the course. This course will be offered to our members first, then the general public.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members who submitted articles for our newsletter. Please let me know if you have any suggestions or ideas on how to improve the newsletter. You can write to:

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year