

2017 AC AIR SHOW AAR

4 AUXILIARISTS STAFFED THE BOOTH FROM 0900 TO 1600 TERI PIERCE, GLORIA GRUMBEIN, CHARLIE WILKINS, ALL FLOTILLA 81 AND PAUL CASALESE, FLOTILLA 16-08. ALL WERE ON TIME AND IN THE PROPER UNIFORM.

RECRUITERS FROM RECRUITING STATION NORTHFIELD PROVIDED THE AUXILIARY WITH THEIR OWN POP UP TENT , TABLE COVER AND 4 CHAIRS. AS USUAL, THEIR SUPPORT WAS EXCELLENT.

MATERIALS WERE PLENTIFUL. BETWEEN CHARLIE WILKINS, TERI PIERCE AND PAUL CASALESE, WE HAD 3 FULL FILEBOXES OF MATERIALS TO HAND OUT.

WEATHER WAS VERY MUGGY. RECRUITERS WERE SORRY THEY OPTED TO WEAR THEIR GOLF SHIRT UNIFORMS. SAID TROPS WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT A FIFTH AUXILIARIST, RON ZUGGI WAS SCHEDULED TO BE WITH US, BUT HE HAD HEALTH ISSUES AND NOTIFIED ME MONDAY NIGHT HE WOULD NOT BE ATTENDING. WHEN AUXILIARIST BOB BABESKI HAD TO GO OUT OF STATE ON A FAMILY MATTER, RON STEPPED IN AND HANDLED ALL OF THE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE RECRUITERS AND STATION ATLANTIC CITY. HE ARRANGED FOR US TO PARK AT THE STATION AND FOR THE SHUTTLE. HE ARRANGED FOR LUNCH FOR THE AUXILIARISTS AND THE RECRUITERS. HE KEPT EVERYONE IN THE LOOP WITH UPDATES. BECAUSE OF THIS, I HAD LITTLE TO DO TO PUT THIS EVENT TOGETHER. RON GETS ALL THE CREDIT FOR THIS ONE.

CHARLIE WILKINS TOOK PICTURES AND SOME OF THEM WERE USED IN A POST ON THE D5NR FACE BOOK PAGE.

THIS WAS OUR 3<sup>RD</sup> YEAR AT THIS EVENT AND PUTS US BEFORE ALMOST HALF A MILLION PEOPLE AT ONE EVENT. WE FIELDDED MANY QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC ABOUT BOATING SAFETY AND THE USCG AUXILIARY.

RESPECTFULLY,

PAUL CASALESE

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Auxiliarist Paul Casalese (FL 16-5) Shows a Member of the Public What Activities the Auxiliary performs.



Auxiliarists Gloria Grumbein and Terri Pierce (Both of Flotilla 8-1) man the Public Affairs Booth on the Boardwalk at the Air Show.



The Auxiliary Public Affairs Booth



The Coast Guard Recruiting Booth

All Photographs by Auxiliarist Charles Wilkins.