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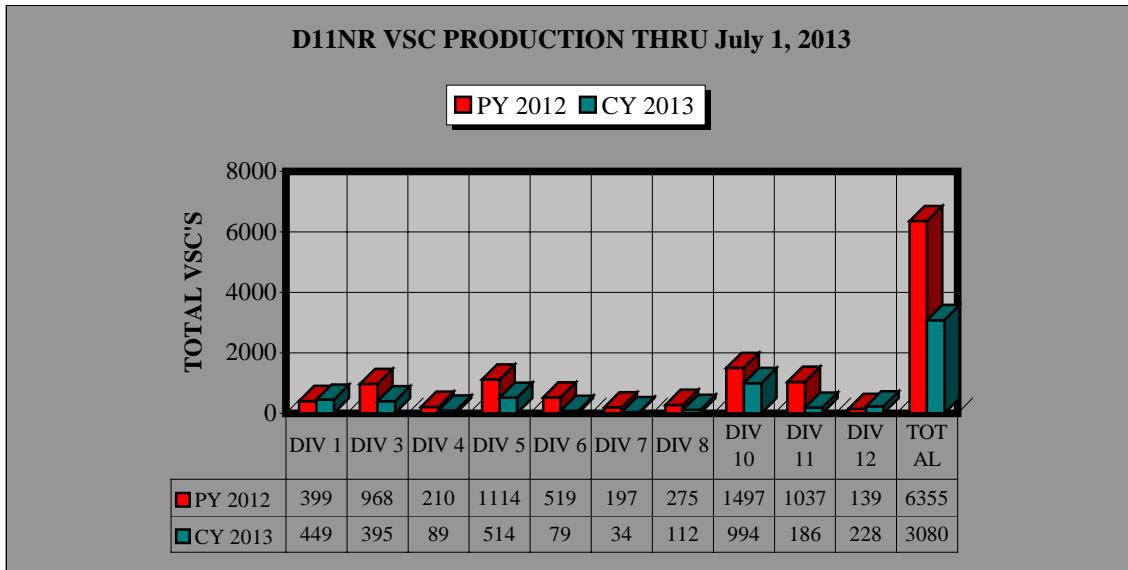


## Vessel Safety Check Report July 2013

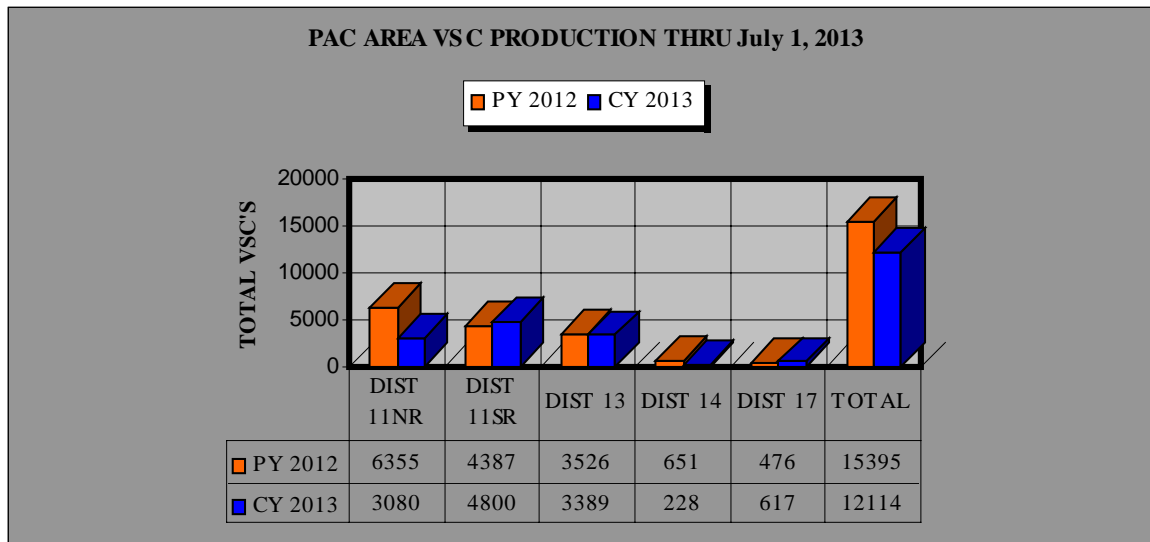


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### D11NR Statistics\*



### PAC AREA Statistics\*



Stats from AUXINFO\* indicate that we are 24.5% of our goal and 48% of 2012 production. Additional stats from AUXINFO\* indicate that 79% or 2,454 have passed the VSC, 40% or 1,227 are First Time VSC's, and 40% or 1,243 are High Risk VSC's. In addition, 12% or 372 are paddlecraft VSC's. The data source is AUXINFO\*.

\*Statistics as shown in AUXINFO thru July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following examiners who have recently achieved the **20** or more VSC plateau during 2013:

<b>Richard I. Niemi</b>	<b>01-07</b>	<b>Curtis S. Han</b>	<b>05-02</b>
<b>Ronald A. Kram</b>	<b>05-05</b>	<b>William E. Sharp Jr.</b>	<b>10-02</b>
<b>Joseph W. Harris</b>	<b>11-01</b>		

This brings our total to **34** examiners reaching this plateau!! This is approximately **10%** the total District vessel examiner base. 2012 had **58** examiners or **18%** at this time. Please check the D11NR Vessel Examiner recognition site:

<http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html> for your name! It is also accessible from the D11NR Vessel Examiner site: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/ve.html>.

### Welcome Aboard and Welcome Back!

**Fredric R. Black**                      **03-10**

#### **\*Re-Certified**

With the addition of new examiner(s) for 2013, our examiner base is now **303** active examiners! This represents about **19%** of our total District membership. This information is supplied by the Director's office, as examiners are qualified.

### VSC Calendar

PCA Training Fair-September 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

### Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following member(s) who have recently achieved the coveted **Recreational Boating Safety Device (RBS)**. These members are part of elite group-58 members or approximately **5%** of our D11NR membership who have dedicated 2-years to achieve this recognition! Check to see if your name is listed on the member recognition page: <http://rbsafety.d11nuscgaux.info/ve/recognition.html>

**No new members to report.**

 -VSC Questions: **Back by popular demand!** These are actual test questions from the 2007 VE Exam Version "F" Answers can be found in another location in the newsletter

1. You are on vacation in another state that's part of a different district. Should you bring your VSC materials with you?
  - a. Yes, a qualified Vessel Examiner may conduct a VSC in any state or territory of the United States. But, you better check up on the local regulations and coordinate with the local Auxiliary or Power Squadron.
  - b. No, don't bother. You won't get credit for any VSC done outside your district anyway.
  - c. No, don't bother. The decals are numbered and allocated for only your specific district. So, even if a boat passed the VSC, you couldn't issue a decal anyway.

- d. Yes, but you can only examine vessels that are registered in your home district. Therefore, make sure you look for those with registration letters representing your state.
2. Because of unusual circumstances, you were unable to conduct five VSCs last year. What happens now?
- a. You have to do ten this year to keep your qualifications and to make up for last year.
  - b. You have to do at least two VSCs under supervision of a certified VE to regain your qualifications and then five for this year.
  - c. You have to meet the full initial qualification criteria to regain your qualifications.
  - d. You can't regain your qualifications. Once you miss a year you're too rusty to be an effective VE.

 **National and District News**

 **National News**

Nothing new to Report

 **District News**

Nothing new to Report

Question 1-"a" See page 5 of the VSC Manual

Question 2-"b" See page 6 of the VSC Manual

**Let's work together for our safety and the safety of others by setting an example and wear our lifejacket while performing VSC's especially when working around docks and when climbing aboard large vessels!**

