

CERT Auxiliary Working Group Meeting October 12, 2019

Item	Lead	Action	Notes
Welcome	Ken		<p>Present: Ken Braly, Aptos Knoll; Auxiliary Webmaster / Board Member. Meeting Facilitator Dawn Mackey, Team Bonny Doon, Auxiliary Registrar; Board Member, Liaison Equine Evac LizAnne Jensen, Team Bonny Doon; Auxiliary Board Member Bill Monroe, Team Leader Boulder Creek Catherine L. Green, Team Leader Santa Cruz, CERT Basic Instructor Coordinator Inani Eggleston, Team Leader Live Oak Ed Spurr, Team Leader Capitola Joyce Smith, Team Santa Cruz Roberta Roberts, Team Scotts Valley/Branciforte David Dean, Team Live Oak John Hanley, Team Aptos/La Selva; Liaison Medical Reserve Corps, Health Care Coalition</p> <p>Absent: Liz Taylor-Selling, Team Leader Felton; Auxiliary Board Member Dan Selling, Assistant Emergency Coordinator, SLV Amateur Radio Emergency Service Mary Edmund, Seacliff ; Executive Director / Auxiliary Treasurer, Greig Rose, Seacliff, David Sonnenberg, Team Live Oak Doreen O'Donovan, Team Leader Aptos/La Selva Branch Jamshid Kiani, American Red Cross Bob Fike, Emergency Coordinator ARES, San Lorenzo Valley Kathi Fike, Team Felton Hank Moeller, Team Leader Bonny Doon Ed Olson, Team Bonny Doon Paul Horvat, Emergency Services Manager, City of Santa Cruz George Wright, Aptos Knoll Sharon Spence, Team Leader, Watsonville Jim Nelsen, Team Scotts Valley/Branciforte Diane Hayden, Seacliff Lisa Ehret, Emergency Services Manager, UCSC Ken Jensen, Team Bonny Doon Rosemary Anderson, Emergency Services Manager, Santa Cruz County</p>

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Training	Ken	Info	<p>The Basic Training: Live Oak Course finishes this week on Oct 26th with 25-28 graduates. Felton class will finish Nov 9th with 23-25 graduates.</p> <p>Family Preparedness Classes: Classes may be requested by groups and individuals through emailing certauxiliary@gmail.com Class is one evening for 1½ hours.</p> <p>Continuing Education classes The Gilroy CERT Team will present a debrief on their involvement in the Gilroy Garlic Festivals post incident scenario. This will happen at Central Fire’s Community Room at 930 17th Ave, Santa Cruz from 7-9PM on November 12th. Sign-up on the website ”SantaCruzCountyCERT.org”.</p>
Combined ICS courses		Info	<p>An opportunity to attend classroom sessions on all of CERTs required courses at one time is being offered for free by the County. Four total NISM/SEMS combined ICS (100, 200, 700) trainings will be offered on Monday, October 28th and Wednesday, October 30th at 7:30-12:30 or 12:30-5:50 each day at the Sheriff’s Community room at 5200 Soquel Ave. Thirty-five participants may be enrolled in each of the 5 hour sessions. You need only attend one session. Enrollment is on a first come first served basis. Sign up by emailing: “rosemaryanderson@santacruzcounty.us”.</p>
Stop the Bleed Class	All	Info	<p>Stop the Bleed classes are also available to Teams. Minimum of 10 people required. Suggest Teams collaborate. ACTION: <i>To request a class contact certauxiliary@gmail.com with possible dates for instruction.</i></p>
Traffic Management		All	<p>Six CERTs will be attending the Traffic Management Course sponsored by the County Department of Public Works on October 30th. Future courses will be offered. The six hour course consists of lecture, hands-on training, and a test. Those who attend will receive certification. ACTION: Team Leaders please to query their members and keep a list of those interested for possible attendance in future classes.</p>
CERT Train the Trainer			<p>A Train the Trainer CERT Instructor Course is tentatively scheduled for January 24-26th. When the location is finalized, applications will be available on the website.</p>

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Statewide Medical and Health Exercise (SWMHE)	All	Update	<p>There will be a State-wide medical and health exercise November 13th and 14th. Preparation meeting Wednesday October 23rd, 8am-11:30am at the Seacliff Inn, Aptos ACTION: Representing the CERT Auxiliary are Liz Taylor-Selling, Dawn Mackey, Roberta Roberts and Joyce Smith. John Handley, CERT liaison to the Medical Reserve Corps and the Health Care Coalition will assist with the exercise.</p>
Terminology Discussion			<p>Confusion exists regarding the use of the term “CERT Team” for call outs for exercises or events. Suggest using specific terminology such as “This exercise will need two squads of five, with one squad assigned to a mountain community site and the other to central or south county. This clarifies what is necessary.</p>
Curriculum Update		No change	<p>FEMA Updates for the CERT Basic Training will be available at the end of this year. When the new materials are released the information may be downloaded and taught using the new materials with the old manuals until the new manuals are printed and available. The new curriculum keeps most of the existing materials but will have updates based on new standards and best practices.</p>
Red Cross MOU		Update	<p>A MOU was drafted with American Red Cross for CERTs eligibility for Red Cross Training without becoming a Red Cross member. <i>Class availability is now offered to all CERT s and will be announced in the next newsletter.</i> ACTION: <i>If interested send email to: dianaahayden@gmail.com. She will provide a student ID to access the Red Cross Programs.</i> Possible classes for CERTs are: <i>Basic Shelter Worker</i>, and online classes: <i>Disaster Cycle Services: An Overview, Shelter Fundamentals Basic Food Safety; Psychological First Aid: Helping Others in Times of Stress; Everyone Is Welcome; Feeding Activity Introduction: Concept of Operations Basics.</i></p>

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Estén Listos	All		Patty Small, Coordinator for Estén Listos, is planning a Summit (meeting) to organize the training to contact high risk and the special needs populations with information about Disaster Preparedness. Community Based Organizations (CBOs) who work with these populations will deliver the training. The grant will run from Dec 31, 2019 until Dec 31, 2020. CERT is needed to review suggested training materials and help with the training of the CBOs. ACTION: Bill Monroe and Roberta Roberts will attend the meeting. For more information contact Patty Small at patty@scvolunteercenter.org
Team Leaders	All	No change	<i>There are Teams that still need to forward verified contact information.</i> This was stressed again at the WG meeting. Corrected Team member information help determine accurate listing for Auxiliary and EOC databases. ACTION: Team Leaders, who have not done so send updated Team rosters to Dawn Mackey at email dawnmackey411@gmail.com so information in database may be verified and an active CERT member list further developed.
Newsletter		New	If you have information to share with other Team Leaders or requests for help with special projects please forward to: certainauxiliary@gmail.com for inclusion in the newsletter published on a quarterly basis. Next issue for inclusion of Team Leader information is expected to be released in November. Cutoff for input is October 25th.
Communication Committee			Jim Nelsen, John Detke, Dawn Mackey, Roberta Roberts, David Dean, Bob Fike The committee assessed needs of CERT and forwarded a recommendation (attached) regarding MURS radios to the Working Group for consideration. This include a specific model and price options. Plan was approved.
Equipment Committee			Bill Monroe and Liz-Taylor Selling Minor repair needed on Bullex machine at Felton. This unit is used by Felton Fire to train other groups and may need occasional monitoring. Some equipment is missing and may have been accidentally moved to La Selva station.
Promotions			Sharon Spence. Not present.

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In Kind Donations			No one. No report.
PG&E Power Shut-offs			There was discussion on power outages, with emphasis that many in the community are not routinely prepared—given the volume of people getting water, flashlights, batteries, food, generators. Boulder Creek activated a team to assist the fire department by monitoring a facility which had a generator for the community to charge phones, laptops, etc.
<i>Important Dates</i>	All	New	<p><i>October 25th, Deadline for Auxiliary newsletter articles.</i> Forward information to: certauxiliary@gmail.com</p> <p><i>October 28th and October 30th (7:30-12:30PM or 12:30-5:50PM each day)</i> Four NIMS/SEMS (IS 100, 200, 700) combined trainings will be offered at the Sheriff’s Community room at 5200 Soquel Ave. You need only attend one session, but must sign-up in advance to attend. Contact: rosemaryanderson@santacruzcounty.us</p> <p><i>November 1st, December 6th (2-4:30PM)</i> Incident Command System (ICS – IS 100) Classroom Training, 1080 Emeline Ave, Santa Cruz. Only need to attend one session but must sign-up. Contact: courtney.kilgore@santacruzcounty.us <i>Space is limited.</i></p> <p><i>November 12 (7-9PM)</i> The Gilroy CERT Team will present a debrief on their involvement in the Gilroy Garlic Festivals post incident scenario. Sign-up on website: “SantaCruzCountyCERT.org”</p>

Next Meeting Saturday, November 2, 2019, 9-11am

(Meeting changed from the usual date because of conflict with the Felton Basic Class)

Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

5200 Soquel Ave, Santa Cruz

(Arrive by the Chanticleer Rd driveway entrance and enter by the side door facing Chanticleer Road)

Please be on time!

Report from Cert Communications Team – Meeting 10/8/19
 (Dawn, Roberta, Jim N, John D, Bob F, David D. and Kathi Fike)

Purpose:

The intent of the committee is to promote, train and support all Santa Cruz County CERT members in the use of radio communication to improve capabilities and response in a disaster.

To this end we

- 1) Recommend that each CERT member purchase for their own use a MURS Btec V1 radio. Teams may wish to join in a joint purchase for a better price. The committee agrees that it is important for the member to own their own radio so that they can learn the operation and the maintenance and have it available and usable when needed. Every CERT member having the same radio, will allow better training on specifics and will allow a CERT member to use any other radio with ease and confidence.
- 2) Each team should incorporate radio use in every meeting to maintain skills and maintenance of the radios.. Just like the PPE, every CERT should always have their radio available and functional.
- 3) The Communication Committee will be developing training curriculum and exercises for the teams and will be available for initially presenting the training. This curriculum will be developed both around the existing FEMA/CERT Communications module and best practice radio training from experience.

Curriculum will include but not be limited to :

- How to turn on the radio and select channels , volume etc,
- How to hold and speak into the radio
- Radio protocol - what to say and how
- Disaster communications organization
- Operating in a disaster...

Next Meeting: we will discuss possible curriculum including the existing FEMA Cert Communications Module.

