

CERT Auxiliary Working Group

Summary

Saturday, April 12, 2024

In attendance: Lynn Gainey, John Collins, David Dean, John Hanley, Ken Braly, Doreen O'Donovan, Joyce Smith, Chris Jong, Liz Taylor Selling, Dan Selling, and Mary Edmund

- Welcome & Announcements:
 - Ham Radio Class — *Thursdays 7-9, 4/17-5/22*
 - ARES Summer Field Day *June 28* — unable to plan CERT participation exercise due to conflict with Active Shooter planned activation
 - National CERT Conference *Aug 6-9* in Indianapolis, IN

- New Issues:
 - Google Work Space
 - adopting new platform for Auxiliary documents; there may be a folder for the website
 - Files may be available to the public and others stay within the organization
 - discussion on privacy concerns with issues resolved
 - Team Leaders have option for team-specific emails and associated files
 - Auxiliary Staff Vacancies
 - Looking for interested individuals to join CERT Auxiliary staff
 - Need to replace Bill Monroe and Dawn Mackey who worked in operations and planning
 - Staff works as team with cross training in all areas
 - Those interested contact Certauxiliary@gmail.com for more information
 - Advanced Hands-on Training
 - John Collins investigating possible series of Sat or Sun morning trainings at Live Oak involving hands-on training — most likely in summer — acknowledged some people may be on vacation

- Reports/Ongoing Discussion
 - Shelter Training

- in discussion with OR3, Red Cross, County Public Health, and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) concerning tabletop exercise using CERTs and MRC for support with emergency sheltering. No Update
 - Trainings
 - Spanish Basic Training in Pajaro with 24 graduates
 - Basic Training
 - Santa Cruz started *April 2*
 - Loma Prieta starts *May 8*
 - Advanced Training Module 2 — *April 17, 7pm* in Live Oak
 - Team Leader Meeting in place of WG Meeting next month, May 10 at EOC and on zoom 9-11am —Dan Selling volunteered to set up tech
 - Active Shooter Activation *Monday-Friday, June 23-27*
- Team Leader Reports
 - *Doreen O'Donovan, Central County* —no meeting last month
 - *David Dean, Live Oak/Soquel* — No one showed at March meeting — will repeat Power Presentation concerning all types of batteries — car, lithium, solar, (send info to Doreen Donovan for inclusion of Central County CERTs in training) — meetings are now in-person and on zoom (hybrid) may change to quarterly schedule
 - *Chris Jong, City of Santa Cruz* —Catherine L. Green, Team Leader met with CERT Fire Manager, Meridith Albert —planning a Team social meeting in a few weeks and reviewing CERT new phone applications
 - *Liz Taylor-Selling, Felton Area* —Practiced opening the Mountain Community Resource Center for a command center —next time will open building as a CERT location —more MURS training including supporting non-CERT radio training — work at the parade in May
- Staff Roundtable
 - *John Hanley, Safety Officer* —attending SC County Healthcare Coalition Meetings —receives updates on local health issues —reminded us to get measles vaccine, if needed

Team Leader Meeting will replace Working Group Meeting on May 10

Next Working Group Meeting Saturday, June 14, 2025, 10am