

News Brief July 22, 2014

June 9, 2014 Meeting Report

Our June meeting was at the facilities of the Portland FD Marine Division
Our host was Lt. Robert tinder, who is a shift officer and heads up training for the Marine division.

He provided an excellent overview of the operations, including firefighting capabilities as well as EMS operations, and training on their 3 vessel fleet. They cover the Portland areas of Casco bay and respond mutual aid around the bay and beyond when called.

The vessels and some added info are shown below (photos courtesy of Dave Babcock, SM268):



The new boat. Parking is tight here



Head on shot



Looking down into the cockpit



Part of the cabin
Matches Portland Rescues



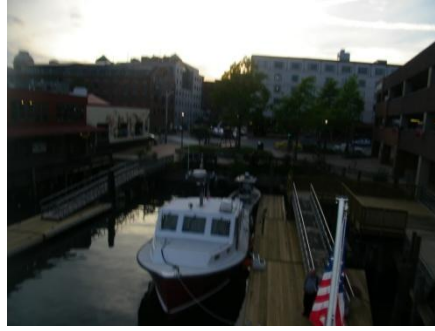
Ric & Carleton vying for control
An array of modern electronics



Powered by two 600 HP CATS
Good workspace around them



Plenty of Fire Power



Next in the fleet



Gathered in the Cockpit



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Smokey and our Host on deck

A great time was had by all. Thanks to our host !!

Meeting highlights:

We expect to be voted into the IFBA in the fall

20 Year members for this year are: SM135, SM359, & SM581

SM115 was voted into Honorary Member Status.

Be thinking about nominations in September. Who do you want to run YOUR SMFNA ?

SM101 was voted into Honorary Member status. His certificate was presented personally day later.

RIP Brian, you were a valued member of SMFNA !

The September will be in Alfred, on Monday, September 8, 2014 at 19:00

It will include:

A tour and talk on operations at Alfred

A presentation by 653 on operation of our radio systems

We all left feeling it was a great night and grateful to Lt. Tinder and the Portland FD Marine division.