

New Commanding Officer USCG's Cutter Narwhal



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The Corona del Mar based Coast Guard Cutter Narwhal (WPB 87335) received a new commanding officer during a change-of-command ceremony Thursday June 15. The Narwhal is sponsored by the Newport Beach Navy League Council.

Lt. Dustin Miller, the commanding officer of the Narwhal for the past two-plus years, relinquished command to LTJG Annabella Farrabaugh during a time-honored military tradition that formally transfers and ensures continuity of command.

Miller moves to Washington, DC as a Congressional Fellow for the USCG.

Farrabaugh, a 2021 graduate of the USCG Academy, reports to the Narwhal from her previous tour serving as Deck Watch Officer for the Cutter Mohawk in Key West, FL.

Captain Ryan Manning, Sector Coordinator of USCG Los Angeles-

Long Beach presided over the ceremony marked by military pomp and circumstance, and exhorted both Farrabaugh and Miller to continue exemplifying the Coast Guard's motto of *Semper Paratus/Always Ready*.

Narwhal is an 87-foot Marine Protector Class coastal patrol cutter and has been Homeported in Corona del Mar since 2001. Narwhal has participated in a wide-range of at-sea missions, received numerous commendations, and while ashore, its crew has been closely involved in supporting a host of Orange County community projects.