



# Social



**Vessel Safety Check** – Almost without exception, Power Squadron events are open to the public. No activity typifies this outreach more than the Vessel Safety Check events. These free annual inspections are sought out by thousands of boaters all across America every year. There is no charge for the inspection and no penalty for not passing. If found safe, your boat will be awarded a one year sticker. While not official with state or federal agencies, these stickers have been known to ward off a routine boarding by Coast Guard and State inspectors.



Advanced Piloting Practical Cruise

Social events fall into three categories: 1) Regular meetings where business is kept to a minimum so a program can be presented, 2) Squadron events, 3) District events.

**Regular** meetings are about two hours long on a Wednesday night and always include a guest speaker. Subjects range from battery expert to tug captain to a member’s vacation photos. Coffee and snacks always please.



Pasta Dinner



Block Island Rendezvous

**Squadron** events include picnics, cruising rendezvous, dinner parties.

**District** events include a spring weekend rendezvous, summer mini-rendezvous, and holiday parties, as well as several official meetings.



Essex Barbeque



*“Boating is Fun, we’ll show you how.”*