

# ANCHOR WATCH®

**Stamford Sail and Power Squadron -- Stamford, CT-- August 2011**

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## SSPS on Parade

Below we see our Squadron in marching order in Stamford's Memorial Day Parade. Our thanks to those who marched, and those who rode in boats showing PDF use. Sorry this is a bit late; it took a while to secure the pictures. --Ed. (Photos Al Hebert.)



## Ship's Store Online

The good folks at Commodore Uniform & Nautical Supplies have set up an online store where you can order shirts, hats, jackets and sweatshirts with our Squadron's logon. Take a look:

<http://www.commodoreuniforms.com/stores/stamfordps/index.html>

## Norwalk Boat Show

We will be representing USPS (and ourselves) at this ever-popular event on Friday, September 23. If you are available and would like to be our public face, please contact George Hallenbeck at 203 348 7121.

## Save the Dates in August 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Rendezvous and Cruise Picnic and Small Boat Day

Summer may be slipping by, but we are still planning some events before the snow flies!

August 13-14 is our 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer Rendezvous and Cruise. The idea is to get some boats out and go somewhere! Watch Sail Angle for updates, or contact our commander, Gino Bottino, with questions or suggestions: 203-357-8964 / [gbottino@aol.com](mailto:gbottino@aol.com).

August 27 will be our picnic and small boat day. Like last year, there will be a \$10 pp charge (payable at the door) for lunch with beer, wine and soda. We don't have all the details a press time, so watch Sail Angle, or use the contact info above for questions.

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## Stamford Sail and Power Squadron & Halloween Yacht Club Day Race

**Saturday, August 20**  
**(Rain Date, Sunday August 21)**

**Interested? See the Registration form:**

<http://www.usps.org/localusps/stamford/Race.html>

## District 2 Fall Conference October 28-29, 2011

This event, hosted by the Lake Candlewood power squadron, will be held at the Ethan Allen Inn, in Danbury Connecticut. Meal reservations are required by October 15. Room reservations are required by September 15. For more information, see the registration form:

[http://www.darcy-systems.com/district/2011\\_10\\_28-30\\_Fall\\_Conference\\_PLAIN\\_for\\_Editors.pdf](http://www.darcy-systems.com/district/2011_10_28-30_Fall_Conference_PLAIN_for_Editors.pdf)

## Your article could go here...

We are on the lookout for boating related news, stories and how-to information. Do you know a good destination, local or distant? Have you found a neat solution for a problem on your boat? Discovered a safety issue others should know about? Have any other bit of boating information of interest to our members? Write it up, and you could be an Anchor Watch correspondent! Please send your submissions to our editor, Bob Nelson, at [rdnelson@interserv.com](mailto:rdnelson@interserv.com).

## Sobering Statistics

Reported at the District 2 Summer Council:  
75% of boating deaths were adult drownings.  
50% of adult drownings were alcohol related.



## Education

To sign up or get more information on any of our classes, contact George Hallenbeck at [gwlk@aol.com](mailto:gwlk@aol.com) or 203 348 7121. Descriptions of courses can be found at <http://www.usps.org/national/eddept>.

### America's Boating Course (Basic Boating)

Our next class will be held at Rippowam at 7:30. The first meeting, Sept. 14, will be the sign up session. The class proper will begin the following week.

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We are pleased to announce that all who submitted sights and completed the exam passed. Our congratulations to:

Peter Adler  
Richard Franck  
Michael Hutchings  
Peter Kelly  
David Gary Martin  
Tom Meyer  
John Pedersen

### Inland Certification

This is a new program where an applicant is awarded the certification upon demonstrating a number of boat handling skills. This is still in the set-up and planning stage; if you are interested in the certification, or would like to help with the program, please contact George Hallenbeck.

### Teachers needed for the Children's safe Boating Program

We need help. George and Anne are overwhelmed with requests for the program at different schools. We need teachers. To be a teacher you need to follow the course material, have studied it beforehand, and go with Anne or George at least 2 times for mentoring. Please consider helping with this important function for the kids.

If you can spare a few hours to make the next generation of boaters safer, please contact Anne Peskin at 203 322 6641.

-Cdr. Gino Bottino

## Distribution Policy

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### Co-op Charting to be Rescheduled

Our turn out for this was somewhat disappointing, so we are going to try this important function again in September. Watch for our next issue, or Sail Angle for details.

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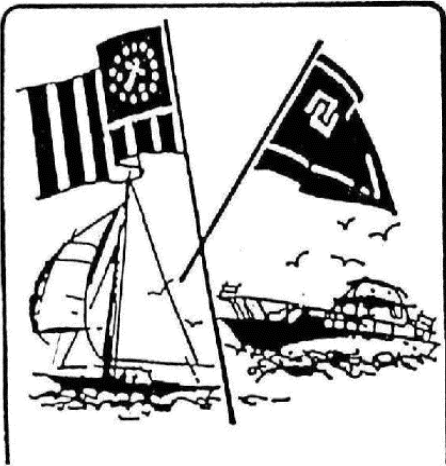
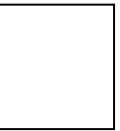
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## Calendar of Coming Events

August	13-14	Second SSPS Summer Rendezvous & Cruise
August	20	SSPS/Halloween Yacht Club Race
August	27	Waterfront Picnic and Small Boat day.
September	11	Stamford Denmark Friendship Race
September	14	America's Boating Course (Registration day.)