



Spring

2016

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**District Holiday Party**

The District Holiday Party turned out to be one of our best yet. Organized by P/D/C Elaine Williams, AP and Cdr Joyce Bonney, S, the party was held at Campagna’s Restaurant in Portland. We were able to order off of the regular menu and the meals were quite outstanding. Elaine and Joyce organized a “tea cup” raffle with a lot of nice prizes donated by several members. The “Ugly Christmas Sweater” contest was won by Elaine Williams (4<sup>th</sup> from left) and Barbara Pajak (right)



## **From the Helm: D/C Arthur Andrea, AP**

I would like to say a big **Thank You** to the D1 Bridge and everyone who has worked tirelessly on District 1 Committees in the past year. You have given me a lot of support and I look forward to another year as your Commander.

This year's Spring Conference will be held at the Branford Yacht Club. The New Haven Power Squadron will be the host squadron. They have been working hard and long making the final preparations for our Conference. Let's show them our appreciation by having a good attendance. Please see all the details on pages 3 and 4 and be sure to send in your reservation for the lunch.

District 1 is honored to have Past National Chief Commander Doreen Hinksman, AP, of the Canadian Power Squadron as our Chief Commander's representative. P/D/C George Gilbert and I have invited Tom Cenigilio, U.S.C.G. Auxiliary, to be our speaker at the Spring Conference as well.

This year's National Conference will be held at the Rosen Center in Orlando, FL, from February 14th to the 21st. I will have a report on what's coming up for this year at the Spring Conference.

I hope to see a great turnout from all of our Squadrons at the Spring Conference.

## **Executive Officer-D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P**

A Vessel Safety Check can take place anywhere from your driveway or dockside in the spring or summer. It only takes 15 to 30 minutes and it's the one thing in boating that's free. Getting the VSC gives you peace of mind that your vessel is in good "safety" condition or lets you know what needs to be addressed. A vessel passing the VSC is awarded a decal that informs the Coast Guard, Police, and DEEP that your vessel complies with all state and federal boating laws. Even if you fail, there is no fine and you can bring your boat up to spec and get it re-tested. The sticker is for the calendar year, so you need the inspection every year.

So what goes in to a VSC? The Vessel Safety Examiner is looking for proper Life Jackets, Registration and Numbering, Navigation Lights, Ventilation, Fire Extinguishers, Distress Signals (flares, horn, etc.). P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P reports that District 1 Safety Officers performed about 250 VSCs in 2015. Thank you all for your very important service to the boating public. If you are interested in becoming an examiner, please plan to come to our VSE class at the conference (see page 5).

P/C Roger Breunig AP reported that Co-op Charting for the year 2015 was light with Hartford Squadron being the only participant. Hartford ranked 31<sup>st</sup> which made D-1 the 12<sup>th</sup> ranked District. I hope that in 2016 we can have greater participation with this program. It's really a lot of fun and more Squadrons should try it.

I recently read this is the perfect time of the year to put together a first aid kit. So what's in a kit? Aspirin, ibuprofen, assorted bandages 2 and 4 inch, compression bandage, alcohol wipes, iodine, ammonia inhalant, a antihistamine, ointment for various burns or stings, Purell hand sanitizer, a pair of scissors, tweezers, examination gloves and the list can go on but this gives you an idea to getting started. Store the items in zip lock bags to keep the items out of the elements and if something goes overboard chances are it might float.

**P/C/C Doreen Hinksman, AP** of the Canadian Power Squadron (CPS) will be our Chief Commander's Representative at the conference. Doreen is also in the Tar River (North Carolina) Squadron and is on the USPS Planning Committee. She brings 45 years of experience in the Power Squadron and is a past squadron and district commander. Always interested in education for young people, Doreen chaired the first Youth Education Committee in CPS and has worked with a local technical college to promote "Women in Trades".

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D/C Art Andrea and P/D/C Pat Pabouet review the operation of the Boating Simulator at the Hartford Boat Show.

## Call and Agenda for 2016 Spring Conference

**DATE:** Saturday, 19 March, 2016  
**HOST:** New Haven Power Squadron  
**TIME:** 0900  
**PLACE:** Branford Yacht Club, Branford, CT  
 39 Goodsell Point Rd, Branford, CT 06405  
 Phone: (203) 488-9798, See Directions page 4  
**DRESS:** Uniform F or other appropriate attire



### Schedule:

- 0800 Registration. Ships Store, Coffee, Raffle Tickets, Insignia Swap. Bring your “no longer needed” insignia, flags, uniforms, etc. and give them to the “swap”. Need something! It’s free.
- 0900 **Call to Order:** D/C Arthur Andrea, AP  
 Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance D/Lt Ken Bell, Sr., AP  
 Invocation D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P, Chaplain  
 Remembrance Ceremony D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P, Chaplain  
 Introduction of Past District Commanders in attendance P/D/C George M. Gilbert, AP  
 Introductions of Guests and Head Table D/C Arthur Andrea, AP  
 Welcome to Conference Cdr James M. Yeske, Jr, P  
 New Haven Power Squadron
- Conference Roll Call: D/Lt/C Kim T. Boswell, S
- 0915 **Message** from the Chief Commander P/C/C Doreen S. Hinksman, AP  
 (Canadian Power Squadron)
- 1015 **Program** Tom Ceniglio, Flotilla Commander, Ct River Gateway Flotilla, Coast Guard Auxilliary
- 1015 **VSE Course** Part 1 (see page 5) P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P
- 1130 **Attitude Adjustment**
- 1200 **Luncheon**--See page 4 for menu and reservations.  
 \* Awards presentation by D/C Arthur Andrea, AP and P/C/C Doreen S. Hinksman, AP  
 \* Raffle-Nautical Plus-Donations to the raffle are welcome
- 1400 **Departmental Workshops** (*for Officers indicated, and others interested*)  
 Commander’s Breakout/Summer Activities D/C Arthur Andrea, AP  
 D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P  
 D/Lt/C Charles F. Greenbacker, JN  
 VSE Course Part 2 P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P  
 DB2000 Workshop P/D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN  
 Mates Program Project Table Branford Blackstone Library (see Page 4)
- 1500 **Reconvene the Conference** – Business Meeting  
**Action on the minutes of the 8 November, 2015 Fall Conference**  
**Reports of the District Officers**  
 District Commander D/C Arthur Andrea, AP  
 Executive Officer D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P  
 Educational Officer D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN  
 Administrative Officer D/Lt/C Charles F. Greenbacker, JN  
 Secretary D/Lt/C Kim T. Boswell, S  
 Treasurer D/Lt/C Richard C. Carlson, SN
- Reports of the General and Standing Committees:**  
 Audit P/D/C Elaine L. Williams, AP  
 Nominating P/D/C Herb “Bud” Greenbacker, SN

Rules P/D/C Patrick Pabouet, P  
Planning P/D/C Sandra W. Pierog, SN  
Law D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **New Business**

Nominating Committee Report P/D/C Herb "Bud" Greenbacker, SN  
Election of Officers and Committee Members P/C/C Doreen S. Hinksman, AP  
Change of Watch P/C/C Doreen S. Hinksman, AP  
Confirm the date and location for the 2016 Fall Conference, Host: New London  
Consideration of any other business that should come before this meeting

1630 **Benediction** Chaplain D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P

#### **Adjournment**

By Order of the District Commander:  
Arthur Andrea, AP

## **District Spring Conference Luncheon**

The buffet menu will be chicken piccata, Sausage and Peppers, Meat balls and pasta, salad, rolls and butter, dessert, all for \$25.00 per person. A cash bar will be open for the "Attitude Adjustment" and lunch. Send your check for \$25.00 per person made out to "USPS D-1" by March 11th to: Peter Jenkin, 32 Fieldstone Court, North Haven, CT 06473-2892. \$27.00 will be charged for late comers and for walk-ins. Please try not to be a walk-in as this is extremely difficult on the banquet manager and staff.

## **Pre-Conference Dinner**

Brazi's Italian Restaurant, 201 Food Terminal Plaza (Long Wharf), New Haven, CT 06511 (203) 498-2488  
Friday, 18 March 1800. Reservations must be received by Friday, March 11th: Charles Greenbacker at 860-742-1714 or [ncfdchief1@aol.com](mailto:ncfdchief1@aol.com)

**Hotel:** Quality Inn East Haven, 30 Frontage Rd, East Haven, CT 06512, 203-469-5321

Cost: \$90 plus tax 2 double beds and includes breakfast; **must mention United States Power Squadron to get this rate.**

Cut-off date is March 4th.

## **Post-Conference Dinner**

Tommy Sullivan's Café, 240 N Main St, Branford, CT 06405 (203) 488-8454  
Saturday, 19 March, 1700. Reservations must be received by Friday, March 11th: Charles Greenbacker at 860-742-1714 or [ncfdchief1@aol.com](mailto:ncfdchief1@aol.com). All members are welcome at the pre-and post-conference dinners and this is a great opportunity to meet fellow squadron members, as well as your Chief Commander's representative. Please come and join us for these dinners.

## **Mates Program**

The Blackstone Library in Branford has a very interesting "project table" for all ages. They do a different project every month and while we do not have details at this time, projects might include working with the new 3D printer to create objects, working with circuitry to create sensors and LED lighting, or creating wearable electronics.

## **Directions to the Branford Yacht Club.**

From I-95N, take exit 53 and turn right onto US 1. Turn left onto CT 142, left onto Maple St., right onto Linsley St., bear left onto Stannard Ave and continue straight onto Goodsell Point Rd.

From I-95S, take exit 54 and turn left onto Cedar St. Turn right on US 1 and continue to a left onto CT 142 and follow above.

## DISTRICT 1 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### Report of the District 1 Nominating Committee For the 2016-2017 one-year term

Commander	Arthur Andrea, AP	New Haven
Exec. Officer	Charles L. Marino, P	Waterbury
Educ. Officer	Timothy T. Tyler, JN	Hartford
Admin. Officer	Charles F. Greenbacker, JN	Norwich
Secretary	Kim T. Boswell, S	New London
Treasurer	Richard C. Carlson, SN	Hartford
Asst. Ed. Officer	Open	
Asst. Secretary	Christopher Jordan, AP	New London
Asst. Treasurer	Peter Jenkin, SN	New Haven
Asst. Admin.	Open	

#### Rules Committee

2014-2017	Linda J. Miller, S	Waterbury
2015-2018	James E. Coley, JN	Saybrook
2016-2019	Betsy Tyrrell, S	Meriden

#### Audit Committee

2014-2017	Douglas S. Burdett, SN	Waterbury
2015-2018	Michele Moroni, S	Middletown
2016-2019	Clifford W. McKibbin, SN	Hartford

#### Planning Committee

2014-2017	Ralph L. Borriello, AP	Meriden
2014-2017	Kenneth L Bell, Jr, AP	Meriden
2015-2018	Christine L. Gwizd, AP	Hartford
2015-2018	Stanley L. Klein, SN	Middletown
2016-2019	Joe Fernandes, P	Meriden
2016-2019	Ken Bell, Sr., AP	Meriden

#### Nominating Committee

2014-2017	Patrick Pabouet, P	Hartford
2015-2018	George M. Gilbert, AP	Middletown
2016-2019	Open	

#### The Nominating Committee

P/D/C Herb 'Bud' Greenbacker, SN, Chairman  
P/D/C Patrick Pabouet, P  
P/D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

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<http://www.usps.org/localusps/d1/>

## Summer Is Almost Here

*These summer activities will be described in more detail in the Summer Sounds of 1, but in the meantime please put them on your calendar*

**30 Apr-1 May** Marine Swap Meet and Cookout  
See page 6 for full details

**17-19 June D-1 June Rendezvous, Essex Island Marina.** Boating members will arrive Friday evening. Non-boating members will begin arriving at 10:00 on Saturday and enjoy a flare demonstration, fire extinguisher demonstration, a USCG boat, and other activities. A light lunch will be served and the council held at 13:00 followed by the blessing of the fleet, the Commanders cocktail party and a picnic.

**18 June D-1 Council** convenes at 13:00.

**9 July D-1 Sail Race,** Branford Yacht Club, Branford, CT. This is an official function of the ECSA, Eastern CT Sailing Association. You can sail in this race at a reduced rate even if you are not a member.

**15-17 July D-1 Mini Cruise,** Mattituck, LI  
Strongs Water Club & Marina

**29 July D-1 Fishing Derby,** Friday, 0800 - 1400  
with the Awards Picnic at 1600 at the Lewis Cottage, 25 Nichols Lane, Waterford, CT. Rain date is Friday, August 26. Picnic - \$5 and bring a side dish or dessert. RSVP no later than July 27 to Gene and Linda Lewis 860-442-4740. All are welcome even if you are not fishing.

**12-14 August D-1 Mini Cruise,** Mystic Seaport

Dock Fees will include admission to the seaport for all aboard. Special group activities are being planned such as entry to all exhibits, the preservation shipyard, the watercraft hall and the planetarium show. There will be a group cookout on Saturday night.

**17 September D-1 Poker Run,** Location to be determined

## Want to be a Vessel Safety Examiner

It's a lot of fun and very rewarding to check boats to make sure they are safe. Boaters appreciate our free checks to get their Coast Guard sticker.

District VSC Chair P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P will be giving the VSE course at the conference with a test to follow in the next week or two. Current VSEs are welcome to sit in to learn the latest rules for the Vessel Safety Check. Please contact Pat at [Argus06108@aol.com](mailto:Argus06108@aol.com) to express your interest.



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**District 1 is cordially invited to join the Hartford Power Squadron for its  
 Third Annual Marine Swap Meet and Cookout  
 Come and Find Your Treasure!**

This meet already attracts a lot of District members and boaters prepping their boats for the spring launch. Sign up for a space and free yourself of no longer needed treasures. Searching for treasure? Stop by and find what you've been looking for at a great bargain. Got just the right amount of stuff? Stop by and grab a bite to eat on the shores of the beautiful Connecticut River.

**Date:** April 30, 2016 – May 1, 2016 (Rain date May 14, 2016 – May 15, 2016)  
**Time:** 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Set-up starts at 9 a.m.)  
**Space Rental:** If reserved no later than April 23, 2016, prices are \$15 for a 10' x 12' space and \$25 for a 10' x 30' space. After that, prices are \$20 for a 10' x 12' space and \$30 for a 10' x 30' space. Although walk-ins will be welcome on a space available basis, space will be limited. To ensure a reserved space, please contact Tim Tyler by phone at (860) 561-0669, or by email at [swapmeet@timtyler.us](mailto:swapmeet@timtyler.us).  
**Location:** Portland Riverside Marina, 37 Riverview Street, Portland, CT 06480. Event will be held in the campground at the north end of the marina.

As in prior years, cookout style food will be available for purchase. There will also be a 50/50 raffle.