

Fall

2021

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District June Rendezvous, 'Safe Harbor' Essex Island Marina



Cdr Paul Bialecki, P led the Council in the "Blessing of the Fleet".
File Photo by Cdr Bill Bonney, AP

The District returned to the "Safe Harbor" Essex Island Marina on 25-27 June for its annual June Rendezvous and Council meeting.

Members and guests enjoyed activities including the "Blessing of the Fleet" by our Chaplain, Cdr Paul Bialecki, P, a lunch "snack" hosted by the New

Britain Squadron, our June Council meeting, and the annual picnic hosted by the Middletown Squadron.



Middletown Squadron members D/Lt/C George Gilbert, JN, Cdr Bob Borden, P and P/C Randy Guilmette, P get ready to cook for the picnic.
Photo by Cdr Bill Bonney, AP



From the Helm: D/C Arthur Andrea, AP

It was good seeing everyone at the Spring Council Meeting in June after our long period of not meeting in person. I hope you all enjoyed your summer boating season. Now that our boats are being put away, Squadrons will be getting back to having meetings and classes. Your District is kicking off the fall with our first Fall Conference since 2019 which will feature a return to the Pattaconk YC in Chester.

We have a very good program and several 'Break Out' Sessions planned. Please see page 3-4 for full details and sign up for the luncheon which will be put on by P/D/C Bud Greenbacker and some of the Pattaconk members.

Some of you may want to wear a mask to the conference and that will be no problem at all. We look forward to seeing you at the Conference. Please sign up as soon as you can.

Hartford Boat Show Booth

District/1 is hoping to participate in the **2022 Hartford Boat Show**. It will be held at the Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, CT Thursday, January 20th through Sunday, January 23rd.

We don't have enough detail at this time to firm up our plans, but if you are interested in signing up for a 3-4 hour time slot, or have any questions regarding the show, please call Cdr Art Andrea at 203-641-0954 or email trescooch@yahoo.com. We are planning to firm up our plans at the Fall Conference and will then contact all those expressing interest.

Hartford Boat Show at Mohegan Sun 2022



Proposed District 1 Bylaw Modifications

In the 2020 Audit, the Audit Committee recommended that the approval of the annual budget be moved from the Fall Conference to the Spring Conference. The purpose of this was so that the District Treasurer could more accurately estimate the majority of the next fiscal year's costs.

This proposal was made to the Spring Conference and was approved. Following that vote, the Rules Committee Chair, Betsy Tyrrell, contacted the National Rules Committee to get their approval. They did approve it but also suggested a few modifications to bring our Bylaws up-to-date with the National 'model' bylaws. The new proposed bylaws with modifications in red can be viewed at: http://www.uspsdistrict1.org/minutes/2021_D-1_Proposed_Bylaws.pdf

These changes were approved at the 2021 June Council Meeting and will be presented and brought for a final vote at the Fall Conference. Following approval, they will be submitted to National and made permanent.

P/D/Lt/C Leslie (Les) W. Williams, Jr., JN

We are sorry to report that Les Williams passed away on 18 October leaving his wife P/D/C Elaine L. Williams, AP, 4 Children, 6 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

Les entered the State police in 1962, retiring in 1989 with the rank of Captain. He then was Director of the Law Enforcement Council of southeastern CT, a consortium of 23 police departments. For 41 years He was an adjunct faculty lecturer at Three Rivers Community college in Norwich in the Criminal Justice program.

Les served his Saybrook Squadron and our District for over 43 years and earned 29 merit marks. He became a 'Life' member in 2017. Les was Education Officer of the Saybrook Squadron and was our District Education officer from 2005 to 2008. Many of us remember his animated ABC Instructor recertification classes. Following that, Les served on the District Planning Committee from 2008 to 2015. Les also served our National Organization as a Staff Commander on its Instructor Development (ID) Committee from 2005 to 2012.

Les and Elaine sailed on their sail boats, 22' and 36' always named "Hello Again", and then decided they were old enough to purchase a 40' power boat "Lady Elaine".



Les Williams teaching the ABC Recert Class at the 2010 Fall Conference.
File Photo by Cdr Bill Bonney, AP



CALL AND AGENDA FOR 2021 FALL CONFERENCE

DATE: Saturday, 20 November 2021
HOST: Meriden Power Squadron
TIME: 0900
PLACE: Pattaconk YC, Chester, CT
 (see directions on page 4)
 Note that we are returning to the NEW Pattaconk YC after a few years absence due to their devastating fire in March of 2014. Come and see the beautiful new building.
DRESS: Uniform F or other appropriate attire



Schedule:

0800	Registration, Coffee, Raffle Tickets Insignia/uniform swap-bring your spare insignia/uniform for others to use.	
0900	Call to Order: Presentation of Colors/Pledge of Allegiance Invocation: Introduction of Past District Commanders in attendance Introductions of Guests and Head Table Welcome to the Conference Conference Roll Call:	D/C Arthur Andrea, AP D/Lt Ken Bell, Sr., AP D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P, Chaplain P/D/C Charles F. Greenbacker, JN D/C Arthur Andrea, AP Cdr Herb "Bud" Greenbacker, Meriden Squadron D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP
0915	Program -The New National Information Center	P/D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN
1030	Award Presentations Raffle	D/C Arthur Andrea, AP
1130	Attitude Adjustment — Insignia Swap.	
1200	Luncheon --See page 4 for menu and reservations.	
1330	Departmental Workshops (<i>for Officers indicated, and others interested</i>) Commander's Meeting Education/Vessel Safety Check Combo Meeting Treasurer's Meeting	D/C Arthur Andrea, AP D/Lt/C George M. Gilbert, JN D/Lt/C Pat Pabouet, P D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN
1430	Reconvene the Conference – Business Meeting Action on the minutes of the 20 March 2021 Spring Conference Reports of the District Officers District Commander Executive Officer Educational Officer Administrative Officer Secretary Treasurer Reports of the General and Standing Committees: Audit Rules Planning Nominating Law	D/C Arthur Andrea, AP D/Lt/C Patrick Pabouet, P D/Lt/C George M. Gilbert, JN D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN P/D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN Betsy Tyrrell, S P/C Ken Bell Sr., AP P/D/C Charles Greenbacker, JN P/D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

Unfinished Business



New Business

Confirm the date and location for the 2022 Spring Conference, Host: Middletown
Consideration of any other business that should come before this meeting.

1530 **Benediction**

Chaplain D/Lt Paul Bialecki, P

Adjournment

By Order of the District Commander:
D/C Arthur Andrea, AP

Directions to the Pattaconk Yacht Club:

1. Take Rt. 9 to exit 6.
2. Take a left (from South bound) or right (North bound) onto Rt. 148 toward the Hadelyme ferry.
3. Drive through Chester and the light at Rt. 154.
4. Take the 1st right onto Dock Road.
5. Park across from the main building.

District Fall Conference Luncheon

The menu will be a buffet of: Tossed Salad, Lasagna, bread, coffee, tea and dessert. ‘Donation’ bar will be open for “Attitude Adjustment” and lunch. Send your check for \$20/ person, made out to “USPS D-1” by November 13th to: Peter Jenkin, 32 Fieldstone Court, North Haven, CT 06473-2892. Please make your reservations as walk-ins may not be served a meal.

There will be no Mates Program or Ship Store at the D1 Fall Conference.

Pre-Conference Dinner: November 19th at 6:00 pm.

Haddam Pizza, Route 154, Haddam. Reservations must be made by November 13th. Contact: D/Lt/C Charles Marino at bluenoseii@sbcglobal.net All members are welcome to the pre-conference dinner. This is a great way to socialize with fellow District members. Come and join us!

Raffle - Bridge Members and each Squadron is asked to bring a raffle item. Thank you.

Fall Conference Program

Do you use DB 2000 to get your Squadron/District job done? If so, you will want to come to the Fall Conference to hear about its replacement, ‘The Information Center’ or ‘IC’. Yes, DB 2000 is going away; sometime after January 1, 2022!

P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin will introduce the new system, its advantages, and the practical aspects of updating a member’s email, pulling off an email or mailing list, updating your OD-2, getting a list of all of your ‘P’ members so you can promo the ‘AP’ course to them, finding a phone number for a member, etc.

The IC has several advantages over DB 2000. Among them are: ability to work on any computer without downloading the software (including Apple computers); directly work with your Squadron’s roster without downloading it every time; ability of Squadron officers to use it without a password; your updates are immediate—no need to ‘upload’ them.

If you are a Squadron Officer that relies on DB 2000 to get Rosters, Email Lists, Labels, or handle the updating of the National records, you will need to start working with the IC. Don’t miss this presentation.



2021 Summer Activities

The District was still not up to 'full speed' on its summer activities. A number of group activities were planned by the Meriden and Waterbury Squadrons but weather and Covid-19 conspired to reduce the participation and some activities were cancelled.

5 June Hartford Squadron CoOp Charting

The Hartford Squadron made its annual CoOp Charting trip on the Connecticut River. They found 72 ATONs with no discrepancies, 2 were off-station, 2 were missing, 12 had missing numbers or needed paint badly. The discrepancies were all reported to the USCG. The two boats met at Haddam Meadows State Park before returning to the East Hartford ramp and the Saybrook 'under bridge' ramp respectively. This year's team was Lt. Ted Wurz (seated), P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P/D/Lt/C Tim Tyler, Lt/C Tom Berlandy, Ken Letendre, P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, Cdr Bill Waseleski.

Photo by Paula Berlandy



10 July District Sail Race, Branford, YC

Two boats from District 1 participated in the "Branford Invitational" which is part of the ECSA (Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association) race series, held at the Branford YC on 10 July. P/D/Lt/C Peter DePascale, AP in "Irish Mist" won first place for the District with D/C Art Andrea, AP in "TreScooch" serving as a race warden, both of the New Haven Squadron.

"Irish Mist" and "TreScooch"
2018 file Photos by Kelley Fryer of Branford, CT



9-11 July Rendezvous at Cedar Island Marina

Meriden Admin Officer Peter Novicelli reported that two boats attended: Gaelic & Garlic – Meriden - Peter & Gail Novicelli and Nancy Ann – Meriden - Jim & Nancy Long.

They had a great day on Saturday next to the pool but had to cut the trip short as foul weather started to come in.

Dinner with Meriden Cdr Bud Greenbacker and Betsy Tyrrell
Photo by Jim Long



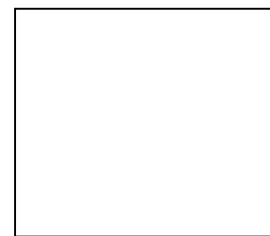
27-29 July Midweek Rendezvous-Coeles Harbor Marina

Meriden Admin Officer Peter Novicelli reported that three Boats attended: Gaelic & Garlic – Meriden - Peter & Gail Novicelli, Nancy Ann – Meriden - Jim & Nancy Long, Lucky – New Haven – John & Sally Noonan.

On Tuesday they enjoyed the Island and marina pool and on Wednesday took the ferry over to Greenport. They enjoyed shopping and then attended an art show at the Greenport Harbor Brewing Company (Beer tasting and art, who knew?)

Dinner on the Dock
Photo by Jim Long





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District Holiday Party ----Featuring “Echoes of Sinatra”

The District is hosting a holiday party on Sunday, 5 December, at Campagna’s Restaurant, 151 Marlborough Street. Portland, CT 06480.

The party will start at 1:00 PM with a cash bar and a cheese and cracker platter. The appetizers will be their wonderful stuffed potato skins. The meal will begin with bread and tossed salad. The Main Course will be penne ala vodka, meat balls, string beans, and chicken piccata. We will finish with coffee and your choice of several desserts.

For fun we have planned a Yankee-Swap. Bring a **wrapped** gift in the \$10 range for the Yankee-Swap. We’ll tell you all the rules when we start. Steve Kazlauskas, ‘Echoes of Sinatra’, will entertain us with a tribute to this legendary performer with stories and songs that bring back the golden era! We will also be collecting **unwrapped** gifts for Toys for Tots.

Don’t miss out on this party. The cost is only \$25.00 per person. Book it early!

Please send your check for \$25.00 per person made out to “USPS D-1” to: Peter Jenkin, 32 Fieldstone Court, North Haven, CT 06473-2892 by 28 November, 2021.



We had a big turnout in 2019 but were unable to hold it last year. File photo by P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, SN

