



Spring

2015

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Fall Conference

US Coast Guard Commander Jonathan D. Theel, presented a power point presentation on Long Island Sound Sector Search and Rescue. He stressed the importance when calling in a May Day to have: a call back number as well as a secondary number, a location, the total number of persons on board, the nature of the distress (situation), a description of the vessel and to make sure all persons put on life jackets. This information determines how USCG quantifies the level of DISTRESS.

In 2014 there were 515 S & R cases; 130 lives were saved; 529 lives assisted; \$1.92 million in property was saved. Response was less than 30 minutes 95.51%. He gave many examples of calls that came in and how some of them were tracked down and rescued. With a capsized the most important factor is to STAY WITH THE BOAT.



From the Helm: D/C George M. Gilbert, AP

Lately it seems that every time I sit down to write a Commander's Message it is snowing outside. Hopefully by the time you read this message it will be 30 degrees warmer and no snow. Right now it is 11 degrees with light flurries on top of the 3" of snow just received.

The District 1 Spring Conference is rapidly approaching. Cdr Bruce Ross and his Milford members have been putting in countless hours in order to make this a great event. Please set aside 21 March and plan on attending. It will be held at the Milford Yacht Club. Let's show them our appreciation by having good attendance. Read this issue "Sounds of 1" cover to cover and Sail Angle notices for the details. D1 will be honored with having V/C Gary Cheney SN as the Chief's representative. Gary Cheney is traveling from the outer banks of North Carolina to visit District 1.

The two years that I have been honored to be your District Commander have come and gone like a lightning bolt. I have worked with many great leaders on the squadron level and District level. The United States Power Squadron and the New Haven Power Squadron both turned 100 in 2014. We had an exciting year with the finest celebration that I can remember as long as I have been a member of District 1 thanks to New Haven squadron Commander Donna Ferrucci and all her squadron members who pitched in to make this celebration a huge success.

D/Lt Ken Bell is offering to put on an Operation Training class. The District 1 Bridge is a strong believer in this training program. Please consider taking this class the next time it is offered. In the mean time there are benefits in reading the USPS Operations Manual and Job Descriptions to better define what our job responsibilities are. This is particularly important for those who are taking new squadron or district positions.

The bad news is that soon it is time to bid farewell as your District Commander. The good news is that D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea is going to be sworn in and will be the new and very capable District Commander for the 2015- 2017 period at the Spring Conference Change of Watch. Art is a talented and dedicated leader, has served with our Bridge for the last six years, and is ready to accept the challenge of District Commander. I sincerely mean it when I say that I could not have worked with a better group of exceptional leaders than I have done since I have been on the D1 Bridge. They made my job easy and I appreciate everything they do for District 1. Spokes on a wheel keep the wheel turning, and D1 has solid spokes!

I thank you all for your continued dedication to boating safety, your volunteerism, your support of District 1 and for the benefits you provide in our communities. I wish a healthy and fun year to all in our District 1 family.

Executive Officer-D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP

I want to welcome back everyone from the holiday season. Six members of District 1 have just returned from the Annual Meeting in Jacksonville, FL. This year on February 2nd, the USPS began its second 100 years. The upcoming National meetings are: Governing Board will meet 23-30 August in San Diego and the next Annual Meeting will be in Orlando from 14-21 February, 2016.

National has updated its web site. Non-members can see upcoming courses and information on benefits and membership while members have exclusive access to the remainder of the web pages. Please go into the site and get familiar with it.

I want to thank the Hartford Squadron and everyone that helped with the Hartford Boat Show. Pat Pabouet was able to get the Boating Simulator for the show and it was a big success. The members staffing the show gave out lots of our combined D1-D2 schedule so we are hoping for additions to all of our courses.

I hope you all will come to the spring conference in Milford.

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Members attending the annual meeting. Cdr George Gilbert, P/C Stan Klein, D/Lt/C Art Andrea, P/D/Lt/C M. Ellen Barbour, P/D/C Pat Pabouet. Not Shown: P/D/C Elaine Williams

Call and Agenda for 2015 Spring Conference

DATE: Saturday, 21 March, 2015
HOST: Milford Power Squadron
TIME: 0900
PLACE: Milford Yacht Club, Milford, CT
 131 Trumbull Avenue, Milford, CT 06460
 (see directions on page 6)
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 George M. Gilbert, 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 Herb Greenbacker, SN
 Introductions of Guests and Head Table D/C George M. Gilbert, AP
 Welcome to Conference Cdr Bruce Ross, P, Milford Power Squadron
 Conference Roll Call: D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP
 0915 **Message** from the Chief Commander V/C Gary Cheney, SN
 0945 **Mates Program**, The Connecticut Audubon Society Coastal Center at Milford Point (see Page 4)
 1015 **Program** Maintaining Long Island Sound State Representative Terry Backer,
 Keeper of the Sound
- 1130 **Attitude Adjustment**
- 1200 **Luncheon**--See page 4 for menu and reservations.
 * Awards presentation by D/C George M. Gilbert, AP and V/C Gary Cheney, SN
 * Raffle--Nautical Plus--Donations to the raffle are welcome
- 1400 **Departmental Workshops** (for Officers indicated, and others interested)
 Commander’s Breakout/Summer Activities D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP
 D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P
 D/1st/Lt Charles F. Greenbacker, JN
 Education Officer Workshop D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN
 VSE Workshop P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P
- 1500 **Reconvene the Conference** – Business Meeting
Action on the minutes of the 8 November, 2014 Fall Conference
Reports of the District Officers
 District Commander D/C George M. Gilbert, AP
 Executive Officer D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP
 Educational Officer D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN
 Administrative Officer D/Lt/C Charles L. Marino, P
 Secretary D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP
 Treasurer D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN
- Reports of the General and Standing Committees:**
 Audit P/C Christine Casarella, AP
 Nominating P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN
 Rules P/C John R. Robinson, AP
 Planning P/C Eugene J. Sullivan, JN
 Law D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN

Unfinished Business

New Business

Nominating Committee Report	P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN
Election of Officers and Committee Members	V/C Gary Cheney, SN
Change of Watch	V/C Gary Cheney, SN
Confirm the date and location for the 2015 Fall Conference, Host: New Britain	
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:
George M. Gilbert, AP

District Spring Conference Luncheon

The buffet menu will be chicken, pasta, veggie, salad, rolls and butter, dessert, all for \$27.00 per person. A cash bar will be open for the "Attitude Adjustment" and lunch.

Send your check for \$27.00 per person made out to "USPS D-1" by March 15th to:
Al Mongillo Jr, 4 Spindle Rd, Seymour, CT 06483

\$29.00 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. We must give a final count 3 days before the event.

Pre-Conference Dinner

Gusto Trattoria Italian Restaurant, 255 Boston Post Rd, Milford, CT 06460, 203-876-7464
Reservations must be received by Monday, March 16th to Joyce C. Bonney at 860-794-8055 or jcbonney@sbcglobal.net

Hotel: Hampton Inn Milford, 129 Plains Rd, Milford, CT 06460 203-874-4400

Price **includes full breakfast:** \$71.10 & Tax for full size bed, \$80.10 & Tax for double size queen or a king size bed
Reserve your room and be sure to mention that you are with the United States Power Squadron and that you also have AARP or AAA card.

Post-Conference Dinner

Joey C's Roadhouse BBQ and Tex-Mex, 439 Boston Post Rd, Milford, CT 06460 203-301-3299
Reservations must be made by Monday, March 16th to Joyce C. Bonney at 860-794-8055 or jcbonney@sbcglobal.net

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 Milford Squadron has made arrangements to visit The Connecticut Audubon Society Coastal Center at Milford Point. It's located right at the mouth of the Housatonic River and provides a beautiful view of our inland coastal marsh area. There is a suggested \$5 donation to tour the center.

Members will meet at the front door of the Milford Yacht Club at 9:45 am. Please let us know if you want to attend as we will be carpooling and need volunteers to drive. Contact Hank Chmielewski at 203-414-0423 Henry.j.chmielewski@snet.net

DISTRICT 1 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Report of the District 1 Nominating Committee For the 2015-2016 one-year term

Commander	Arthur Andrea, AP	New Haven
Exec. Officer	Charles L. Marino, P	Waterbury
Educ. Officer	Anthony Salzarulo, JN	New London
Admin. Officer	Charles F. Greenbacker, JN	Norwich
Secretary	Kim T. Boswell, S	New London
Treasurer	Richard C. Carlson, SN	Hartford
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Asst. Secretary	Open	
Asst. Treasurer	Peter Jenkin, SN	New Haven
Asst. Admin.	Truxton E. Brodhead, P	New London

Rules Committee

2013-2016	Patrick Pabouet, P	Hartford
2014-2017	Linda J. Miller, S	Waterbury
2015-2018	James E. Coley, JN	Saybrook

Audit Committee

2013-2016	Elaine L. Williams, AP	Saybrook
2014-2017	Douglas S. Burdett, SN	Waterbury
2015-2018	Michele Moroni	Middletown

Planning Committee

2013-2016	Sandra W. Pierog, SN	Manchester
2013-2016	M. Ellen Barbour, SN	New London
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

Nominating Committee

2013-2016	Herb 'Bud' Greenbacker, SN	Meriden
2014-2017	Patrick Pabouet, P	Hartford
2015-2018	George M. Gilbert, AP	Middletown

The Nominating Committee

P/D/Lt/C George D. Gwizd, JN, Chairman
P/D/C Herb 'Bud' Greenbacker, SN
P/D/C Patrick Pabouet, P

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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 and make reservations as detailed below.

26 June **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, July 10. Re: Picnic - \$5 and bring a side dish or dessert. RSVP no later than June 23 to Gene and Linda Lewis 860-442-4740. All are welcome even if you are not fishing.

26-28 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. Details for dockage and prices for the meal will be in the summer *Sounds of 1*.

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

11 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.

8-9 August **D-1 Mini Cruise**, Cedar Island Marina

19 September **D-1 Poker Run**, Hamburg Cove Yacht Club



P/D/C Pat Pabouet shows D/C George Gilbert the operation of the USPS Boating Simulator at the Hartford Boat Show in February. Over 100 visitors tried the simulator and it was quite popular. We also handed out 300 flyers listing the spring courses available from District 1 and 2.



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Directions to the Milford Yacht Club

131 Trumbull Avenue, Milford, CT 06460 203-783-0075

From the Merritt Parkway from both directions

Take Exit 54. Take connector to Route 1 South. Turn RIGHT. Turn LEFT at next light onto High Street (at 7-11 Store). Continue on High Street thru 2 stop signs. Turn RIGHT at the next stop sign (Cody-White Funeral Home). Travel to the end of the Green, turn LEFT, continue to stop sign. Turn LEFT on South Broadway. Take the next RIGHT onto Lafayette Street (Gulf Gas Station on corner).

Lafayette becomes Rogers Avenue. Pass Port Milford & U.S. Fisheries on the left. Milford Yacht Club entrance is the LEFT.

From I-95

Exit 36 Plains Road, turn LEFT off exit. Follow signs for "Milford Hospital Emergency Room." This takes you across Route 1. Continue straight over the railroad bridge to a light across from Carvel. Turn LEFT toward the Hospital. Take the 3rd RIGHT onto Lafayette Street (Gulf Gas Station on corner). Continue with **Lafayette** above.