



Fall

2016

Schedule of Upcoming District Activities

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Our District Summer Activities

**District June Rendezvous,
Brewer Essex Island Marina**

The District returned to the Brewer Essex Island Marina for the 2nd year for its annual June Rendezvous and Council meeting. Members and guests enjoyed activities including a large turnout for the flare demo and an excellent picnic.



Members learned how to light and handle hand flares and how to shoot aerial flares.



D/C Art Andrea, AP and P/D/C Pat Pabouet, P handled the cooking.

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From the Helm-D/C Arthur Andrea, AP

I would like to welcome everyone back from their summer activities and hope everyone enjoyed their time on or near the water. I want to thank everyone who came out for our District-1 summer activities. I enjoyed seeing and talking with many of you at the events. Now that old man winter is approaching, it's a sad time of year when we have to put away the boats.

Several of us attended the USPS Governing Board which was held in Pittsburgh Pa. National is bringing out a new Branding Standard Manual and a new ad campaign. They are also working on many changes to our education offerings.

I hope many of you will join me in attending and participating in our Fall Conference coming up on November 12th at the Groton Motor Inn. Stf/C Carl Filios, SN from District 2 will present the Chief Commanders Message and update us on National's new initiatives including the changes to our education. Our Squadron officers including SEOs should try and attend the conference just for this presentation. Please see the details for the conference in this issue starting on the next page.

By working together as a District we can help all of our Squadrons increase their membership and provide service to their members.

Education Officer-D/Lt/C Timothy F. Tyler, JN

I'd like to take this opportunity as your Education Officer to ask you to consider taking an advanced course this Fall and perhaps another next Spring. If you're like me, you are loath to put up your boat for winter and start counting the days until you can launch her again in spring. But perhaps New England is giving us a gift. We get to stop and give some thought to our boating experiences of the past summer; all those times when our courses taken so long ago may have failed us. It's not the fault of the material, or of our teachers. Instead it's time. The time we may have not taken to study the material thoroughly in the first place, or more likely, just the passage of time. Without repetition, knowledge is lost. Things we once knew are hazy. Should the scope for the current conditions be 3 to 1 or 5 to 1? In my present situation, am I the burdened vessel or the stand on? While not knowing the answer to the first situation may not be that critical, not knowing the second could cost your life and that of your crew.

Something became abundantly clear this summer after almost being broadsided by a vessel on my port bow, bearing down on me at about 25 knots, that neither gave way nor even slowed down; people operating boats in our waters do not follow the rules they should when operating a vessel. This was not the only case, it happened time after time, day after day all summer long. This was just the time the total disregard for the rules was so flagrant. Is it they don't know or is it they just don't care? Does that driver that keeps cutting me off after making his right turn on red without even looking or slowing down not know the law says "right turn on red AFTER STOPPING", or does he not care? In both situations, we'll never do anything about the person that doesn't care. We can only hope the law catches up with him before he kills someone. But if it's just a case of having forgotten, that can be addressed by taking advantage of New England's gift. Part of that gift is the time to renew and enhance our knowledge. If you think you know all there is to know about boating, you don't. You never will. None of us will. Our time on earth is spent constantly learning and relearning.

So I ask all of you to take a new course, or perhaps retake a course if it's been several years and you're rusty. Seamanship is a good one. I'm a scuba diver and we have something called a refresher course. It is a course you take to review basic scuba skills that people forget if they don't dive frequently; skills that your life depends upon. The suggestion is that you take the course if you haven't been diving in two years. No requirement, just a very strong suggestion. I think boaters should consider a similar review. There's nothing to be ashamed of in retaking a course as an evaluation of your skills. I think it's smart. If you don't want to do it formally, at least pull out your old course materials and go over them again. You may be surprised to find out how much you no longer know.

Editor's note: This issue of the Sounds of 1 reflects the new publication standards of the USPS. We have added the USPS logo at the bottom of each page in the footer and replaced the original USPS logo on the masthead with the new logo.



CALL AND AGENDA FOR 2016 FALL CONFERENCE

DATE: Saturday, 12 November 2016
HOST: New London Power Squadron
TIME: 0900
PLACE: Groton Inn & Suites, 99 Gold Star Highway, Groton, CT
 (see directions on page 4),
DRESS: Uniform F or other appropriate attire



Schedule:

- 0830 Registration, Coffee, Raffle Tickets
 Insignia/uniform swap-bring your spare insignia/uniform for others to use.
 Teaching Aids Setup-1 exhibit per Squadron
- 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
 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 P/D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN,
 New London Squadron
 Conference Roll Call: P/D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP
- 0930 **Message** from the Chief Commander Stf/C Carl E. Filios, SN (District 2)
 National Education Officer Representative
- 1015 **Program** The Water World of Venice-see page 4 P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, SN
- 1130 **Attitude Adjustment** — Judging of the Teaching Aid displays/Insignia Swap.
- 1200 **Luncheon**--See page 4 for menu and reservations.
 * Awards presentation by D/C Arthur Andrea, AP
 * Raffle
- 1400 **Departmental Workshops** (*for Officers indicated, and others interested*)
 Commander's Meeting D/C Arthur Andrea, AP
 Education Officer's Meeting D/Lt/C Timothy F. Tyler, JN
 Stf/C Carl E. Filios, SN
- 1500 **Reconvene the Conference** – Business Meeting
Action on the minutes of the 19 March 2016 Spring 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 Timothy F. Tyler, JN
 Administrative Officer D/Lt/C Charles F. Greenbacker, JN
 Secretary (Acting) P/D/Lt/C Linda L. Lewis, AP
 Treasurer D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN
- Reports of the General and Standing Committees:**
 Audit P/D/Lt/C Douglas S. Burdett, SN
 Nominating P/D/C Patrick Pabouet, P
 Rules P/C Linda J. Miller, S
 Planning P/D/C Ralph L. Borriello, AP
 Law P/D/Lt/C Anthony Salzarulo, JN



Unfinished Business

New Business

Approval of the 2017-2018 D-1 Budget D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN
Confirm the date and location for the 2017 Spring Conference, Host: Norwich
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:
D/C Arthur Andrea, AP

Directions to the Groton Inn & Suites, 99 Gold Star Highway, Groton, CT 06340 860-445-9784

1. Travelling north on I-95, take the left exit 86 onto CT -184E
2. Take the 2nd exit into the Groton Inn and Suites. This exit comes up very fast on the right.

District Fall Luncheon

We will have an outstanding buffet lunch which will include: tossed salad, warm rolls, apple stuffed chicken, pork chops, garlic mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables, pasta primavera, hot apple crisp for dessert, coffee (decaf and regular) and hot tea. For breakfast: Assorted Danish, Regular and decaf coffee, and tea. The cost is \$30 per person/\$32 at the door. There will be a cash bar. Please make your reservations by 5 November, 2016. Send your check, for \$30.00 per person made out to USPS D-1 to: Tony Salzarulo, 32 Parkside Dr., Colchester, CT 06415.

Pre-Conference Dinner

11 November at 1800, Olio's Restaurant, 33 Kings Highway, Groton, (860) 445-6546, <http://olioct.com/olio/oliodinner.shtml>
Reservations must be made to D/Lt/C Charles Greenbacker, JN at ncfdchief1@aol.com or 860-742-1714 by 5 November.

Post-Conference Dinner

12 November at 1700, On The Water Front Restaurant, 250 Pequot Ave., New London, (860) 444-2800, <http://onthewaterfrontnl.com/>
Reservations must be made to D/Lt/C Charles Greenbacker, JN at ncfdchief1@aol.com or 860-742-1714 by 5 November.

Please come and join us for these dinners. They are not for District Officers only. All members are welcome and they are a great way to meet people from other squadrons.

Hotel Reservations

Groton Inn & Suites, 99 Gold Star Highway, Groton, CT 06340 860-445-9784
Cost: \$104.80 plus tax, includes breakfast, mention United States Power Squadron. Cut-off date is November 1st.

Program-The Water World of Venice

The program will feature a talk and slides on Venice, Italy by P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, SN. He will briefly review the history of Venice including the era in which it was the primary sea-faring power of the Mediterranean Sea and controlled trade with the far east. He will then describe modern day Venice including getting there, its transportation infrastructure, and sights and activities. Finally, he will touch on the future questions related to rising water.



Our District Summer Activities (Continued)

District Mini Cruise, Mattituck, LI

District members arrived at Strong's Water Club and Marina, Mattituck, LI on 8 July and enjoyed the weekend. Strong's amenities included "Sounds of Summer" live music on Saturday night and the Mattituck Chamber of Commerce sponsored an *Old Fashioned Street Fair*.
 Photo provided by P/D/C Elaine L. Williams, AP



District Sail Race, Branford, YC

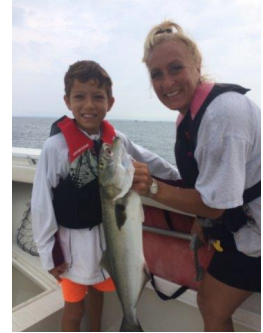
Two boats from District 1 participated in the "Branford Invitational" which is part of the ECSA (Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association) held at the Branford YC on 9 July. D/C Art Andrea, AP received the trophy for "Best finish of a Branford YC member in the "Cruising Class" (non Spinnaker). Lt/C Peter DePascale, AP won first place for the District.
 Photo by Kelley Fryer of Branford, CT



District Fishing Derby

The District was invited to the Norwich Power Squadron's 18th Annual Fishing Tournament & Awards Picnic on August 26, 2016. There were three boats participating from Norwich and 28 attending the awards picnic at the Lewis cottage in Waterford. Commander Collins welcomed everyone including Commander Bialecki from New Britain Squadron with 5 members and Commander Bonney of Manchester Squadron with Bill and a guest. Trophies were presented for the largest fish caught in each category to the following:

Striped Bass	29"	Cameron Crosby	aboard Sharon C	
Porgie	14.5"	Ray Dudek	aboard Knotty Pleasure	Alex with his
Sea Bass	19"	Gene Lewis	aboard Deblin	26" Bluefish
Fluke	18.5"	Jack Guarnaccia	aboard Deblin	and Deb Lewis
Bluefish	26"	Alex Namba (8 yrs old)	aboard Deblin	
Junior Division				
Porgie	12"	Austin Gstattenbauer (6 yrs old)	aboard Knotty Pleasure	



Our thanks to Jerry Pineault, chairman of the tournament, for coordinating the results and securing the trophies. Thanks, also to Deb Lewis for manning the grill at the picnic and to everyone who brought sides and desserts and helped to do the clean up.

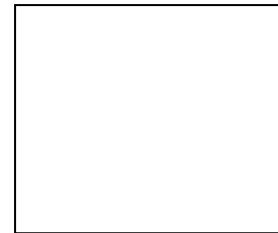
District Mini Cruise, Mystic Seaport

District members converged on Mystic Seaport on 12 August to enjoy a weekend of Seaport activities. Members could enter all of the Seaport exhibits including the whaling ship, Charles W. Morgan, as part of their docking fee.



Some of the District 1 "Fleet" lined up at Mystic Seaport. Photo composite by D/Lt/C Tim Tyler, JN





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District Holiday Party

The District is hosting a holiday party on 10 December at Campagna’s Restaurant in Portland. Come and join us for a great “kick-off” to the Holiday season. We ordered off the menu last year and everyone was very pleased with their meals.

CAMPAGNA’S RESTAURANT
151 MARLBOROUGH STREET,
PORTLAND, CT

Cocktails –1800, 1900 Order off the menu
Raffle prizes. Please bring a toy for “TOYS FOR TOTS”

Contact Cdr Joyce Bonney, S at
jcbonney@sbcglobal.net for your reservation.

