

Fall

2025

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District June Rendezvous at Cedar Island Marina, Clinton, CT

District members visited the Cedar Island Marina on 21 June 2025 for its June Council meeting.

We had a good turnout on Saturday with 32 members and guests from 10 of our 11 squadrons enjoying the June Council Meeting, the “Blessing of the Fleet and Remembrance Ceremony” by P/D/C Bud Greenbacker, SN and a menu that included corn on the cob as well as burgers and hot dogs.

D/C Charles Marino, P thanked the Marina for the venue and the D1 Bridge for their efforts as well as Law Officer Ted Wurz for his cooking.

In ‘New Business’:

- Susan Mucciacciaro of the Waterbury Squadron (Host) reported that they recommended the East Street Eatery in Wolcott for the fall conference. The Council voted to accept that recommendation.
- D/Lt/C Art Andrea reported that members of the DEEP Boating Division would be available to update us on the new procedures for setting up ABC classes and reporting on the students that passed.
- D/Lt/C Bill Waseleski reported on the status of the ‘USCG Paver’ placement and asked if more Squadrons would participate if we could lower the price. There was general agreement, and he will work on a lower price.

The full minutes are available at: <https://www.usps.org/d1/bridge.htm>

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June Rendezvous attendees enjoying the drawing of the ‘Tea Cup’ Auction.
Photo by Cliff McKibbin

‘From the Helm’: D/C Charles L. Marino, P

Welcome District Bridge, Squadron Commanders, Officers, Squadron members and guests to the District 1 Fall Conference and The East Street Eatery.

Thank you to our Host, The Waterbury Sail and Power Squadron, and Administration Officer Sue Mucciacciaro, P. for their wonderful planning for today’s Conference. I know Sue planned a great lunch for all to enjoy.

Thank you to District Executive Officer William Waseleski, AP for securing Cedar Island Marina for the 2025 Summer Rendezvous. Our attendance was on the low side, but everyone seemed to have a good time.

Although we had a few eventful storms this summer, things dried up quickly. However, Mother Nature got the last word on the Fishing Derby and Picnic at the Lewis cottage. Even with the storms, I see our members still enjoy being on the water. See the pages below for some of the stories of our members’ summer activities.

I’ll be the first to say seat belts are a pain, but I wear one and I’m sure you do as well. Do me a favor, do your family a favor and your squadron a favor, when you drive to the marina or wherever you launch from put on your life vest and make sure your friends, pets and crew do the same. It takes only seconds, and it can make the difference between a fun day on the water or a day you wished you’d stayed home.

I hope you all enjoy today’s conference and please come back next month Saturday December 6th to the East Street Eatery for the District Holiday Party.

Rebekah Coffey named the new Executive Director of the CMTA

The Connecticut Marine Trades Association announced the appointment of Rebekah Coffey as the new Executive Director of the Connecticut Marine Trades Association effective August 4,2025.

Rebekah Coffey is a marine industry professional with five years of experience at MarineMax Westbrook CT and MarineMax Rhode Island, where she held roles as Sales & Marketing Coordinator and Operations & Service Coordinator. She brings a wealth of experience & a strong vision for the future.

She is an active member of the Newport Maritime Alliance, helping to organize events that support the regional boating community.

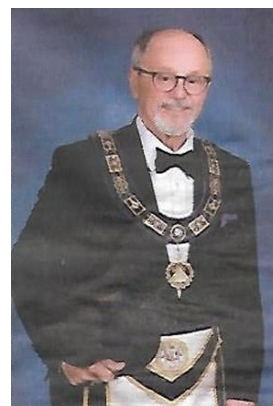
The CMTA is an important source of information and support for our Squadrons. They have supported our Hartford Squadron with a complimentary boat-show booth and provided speakers for our member meetings & district conferences.

To contact the CMTA: contact@ctmarinetrades.ccsend.com.

P/C Rinaldo F. Magliano, Jr. of the Norwich Squadron has been elected

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Connecticut Freemasons.

Before beginning his Masonic career, Frank was an avid boater that included a 30’ sailboat and power boats up to 28’. Frank joined the Norwich Power Squadron in 1984, served in a number of positions until he was elected Commander for the 1987-1988 fiscal year. He later served as Chair of Boating from 1989-1991. He helped organize many of the Norwich cruises to Coecles Harbor, West Beach, and Napatree Point. Our District Historian, P/D/Lt/C Linda Lewis, said she enjoyed reading the back issues of the ‘Compass Rose’ to gather some of the history. She said in the 1980s the District Conferences were offering Lobster and Prime Rib for \$13/pp. Wish that were still true!



File photo from the Connecticut Grand Lodge Publication.

CALL AND AGENDA FOR 2025 FALL CONFERENCE

DATE: Saturday, 8 November 2025
HOST: Waterbury Power Squadron
TIME: 0900
PLACE: East Street Eatery, 141 East St, Wolcott, CT
(see directions 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.
- 0900 **Call to Order:**
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Introduction of Past District Commanders in attendance
Introductions of Guests and Head Table
Welcome to the Conference
Conference Roll Call:
- 0915 **Message** from the Chief Commander
- 0930 **Action on the minutes** of the 15 March 2025 Spring Conference

D/C Charles L. Marino, P

P/D/C George M. Gilbert, JN

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Cdr Allan VanKirk, P, Waterbury Squadron

P/D/Lt/C Clifford W. McKibbin, SN

Reports of the District Officers

District Commander
Executive Officer
Educational Officer
Administrative Officer
Secretary
Treasurer

D/C Charles L. Marino, P

D/Lt/C William J. Waseleski, AP

D/Lt/C Arthur Andrea, AP

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D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN

Reports of the General and Standing Committees:

Audit
Rules
Planning
Nominating
Law

P/D/C George M. Gilbert, JN

Betsy Tyrrell, S

Cdr Eugene H. Lewis, Jr. N

P/D/C Patrick Pabouet, P

P/C Theodore J. Wurz, P

Unfinished Business

New Business

Confirm the date and the location for the 2026 Spring Conference, Host: Springfield
Consideration of any other business that should come before this meeting.

- 1015 **Program: DEEP Presentation** Mia Dupuis and Wendy Flynn
- 1115 **Attitude Adjustment** — Insignia Swap.
- 1200 **Luncheon**--See page 4 for menu and reservations.
* Awards presentation by D/C Charles L. Marino, P
* Raffle

- 1315 **Benediction** P/D/C George M. Gilbert, JN

Adjournment

By Order of the District Commander:
D/C Charles L. Marino, P

D1 Fall Conference Luncheon

The buffet luncheon includes garden salad, pasta* w/marinara sauce, sausage & peppers, oven roasted chicken, roast pork loin w/gravy, oven roasted potato, vegetable, bread & butter, dessert, coffee/tea/soda.

* Gluten-free pasta substitution available, no charge

Please send your check for \$30 per person, made out to “USPS D-1” by **1 November** to: Peter Jenkin, 26 Essex Glen Dr, Essex, CT 06426. Or take this link to pay with your credit card:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/usps-district-1-fall-conference>

Please make your reservations, as walk-ins may not be served a meal.

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

Directions to East Street Eatery, 141 East St, Wolcott, CT

*From Waterbury: I84E to exit 26, Turn left onto CT 70, right on Byham Rd, right on CT 844, left on East St (CT 322)

*From Hartford or CT 9: I84W to exit 28, left on CT 322, right on East St (still CT 322)

*From New Haven/Meriden: I691 to exit 7, right on CT 10, left on CT 322, right on East St (still CT 322)

Fall Conference Program features DEEP Boating Staff

DEEP Boating Staff, Mia Dupuis and Wendy Flynn will provide an overview of Connecticut’s 2024 boating incident statistics and the trends shaping safety on state waters, an update on the AIS Stamp and the linked BUI/DUI penalties laws, and an overview of the CT approved safe boating course requirements and navigating the newer roster system.

Hartford Boat Show Booth

The Hartford Squadron has again signed up to sponsor a booth at the **2026 Hartford Boat Show**. It will be held at the Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, CT Thursday, January 29th through Sunday, February 1st, 2026.

Booth participants get in free. If you are interested in signing up for a 3-4 hour time slot, or have any questions regarding the show, please contact Hartford Commander Bill Waseleski at commander@hartfordpowersquadron.com.



2025 Summer Activities (Continued)

28 June Hartford Squadron CoOp Charting

The Hartford Squadron made its annual CoOp Charting trip. On the Connecticut River they found 83 ATONs with no discrepancies, 13 out of position, and 14 with missing numbers, needing paint, and some obscured by foliage. It looked like Hamburg Cove was in a major re-work of its ATONs and they found 5 buoys out of position, 5 day beacons converted to buoys, and 5 new buoys. The USCG does not maintain the Hamburg Cove ATONs but we reported our findings to them as they are included on the USCG Light List.

This year’s team was (front row) Paula Berlandy, Carrie Letendre, Nancy Berlandy, Lt/C Tom Berlandy, Dan Berlandy; (Back row) P/C Ted Wurz, P/Lt/C Jim Salvatore, Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, Peter Berlandy, Ken Letendre, Cdr Bill Waseleski, Dave Waseleski. Photo by Sarah Berlandy.



<- Paul and Karen Rosa on their RV trip to Nova Scotia found this photo op.
Photo by Karen Rosa

->Don’t jump into this water in the Everglades.
Photo by James Quigley on his school trip in June.

Both from the Waterbury Sail and Power Squadron





<-New Britain Squadron members (l-r) Cdr Paul Bialecki, Lt/C Charlotte Gregory, Lt/C Linda DeConti, and guest Carollyn Roy enjoying lobster and steak at the Middlesex YC Clambake on 6 September. Middlesex YC invited our District members to their annual Clambake this year. Photo by Lt/C Ed Englehardt



->The New Britain Executive Committee met with a little problem at its recent meeting in Aruba. Linda DeConti (right) broke her leg escaping from being hit by bicycles. Meanwhile, Charlotte Gregory (left) had shoulder surgery and Ed Englehardt (center) had skin surgery. Photo by Cdr Paul Bialecki, P



<-Rob Goldstein of the Hartford Squadron showing off his black fin tuna as he and his wife Paula were in the Exuma Islands, southeast of Nassau, in March during their winter sail through the Caribbean.



->Swimming with the sea life. No sharks, Rob?

Photos by Paula Goldstein.



<-July 16, 2025 on Buckle Island in the Buckle Harbor anchorage. Two Nordic Tug 37's travelling together and anchored. Viewed from Buckle Island. "Pearl" (white) is owned by D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin and P/C Nancy Miller of the New Haven Squadron. "Poseidon" (dark green) is owned by cruising partners David and Cynthia Bahl. Photo by P/C Nancy A. Miller, SN.



->Nancy and Peter standing in front of the green door in the middle of the island. No one knows the story behind the door. Photo taken by Cynthia Bahl. For more information on the Cruising Club of America's Maine Cruising Guide, which was extremely useful. <https://guides.cruisingclub.org/harbor/buckle-harbor/>



<-The Morgan Point Lighthouse on the West tip of the Mystic River was built in 1831.

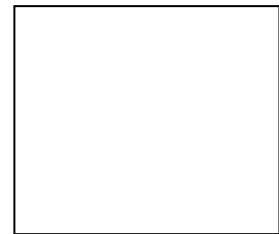
->The Farallone (originally Q-9), spotted in Mystic, was built in 1918 for the U.S. Army's Quartermaster Corps by Luder's Marine Construction of Stamford. She is the 2nd oldest Luder's built boat still in existence. Photos by Jeanne Waseleski of the Hartford Squadron.



<-Audrey and Ron Zienka of the Hartford Squadron in front of their boat ("Knot on Call", a DeFever 44' Trawler) in the Bustards Islands, Canada. They are on the 'Great Loop'. Photo by a passerby.

->Watching another boat on the Big Chute Marine Railway (Lock 44, Trent-Severn Waterway, Ontario, Canada). The 'Big Chute' is used here instead of a traditional lock.





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Secretary	Open	
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Peter Jenkin, SN	203-606-5028

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District Holiday Party Featuring Steve Petty for music and trivia and the ‘famous’ Yankee Swap!

District 1 is hosting a holiday party on Saturday, 6 December, 5-9pm, at the East Street Eatery, Wolcott, CT

The party will start at 5:00 PM with a cash bar and a cheese & cracker platter. We will have a fantastic buffet spread with chicken Francaise, eggplant parmesan, sliced roast beef au jus. Includes pasta* w/marinara sauce, bread & butter, dessert, coffee/tea/soda.

* Gluten-free pasta substitution available, no charge

For music we have Steve Petty playing Christmas tunes and more during the meal and then for fun he will entertain us with a trivia contest and we’ll have our Yankee-Swap which always adds a lot of intrigue. Bring a wrapped gift, \$10 value, for the Yankee Swap. Be the next member to bring the “Hot Item”—it’s cutthroat!

We will be collecting unwrapped gifts for “Toys for Tots”. Don’t miss out on this party. The cost is \$30.00 per person. Please send your check for \$30.00 per person made out to “USPS D-1” to: Peter Jenkin, 26 Essex Glen Dr, Essex, CT 06426 by 29 November or pay by credit card at <https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/usps-district-1-holiday-party>



Yankee Swap items.
Photo by P/D/Lt/C Cliff McKibbin, SN

