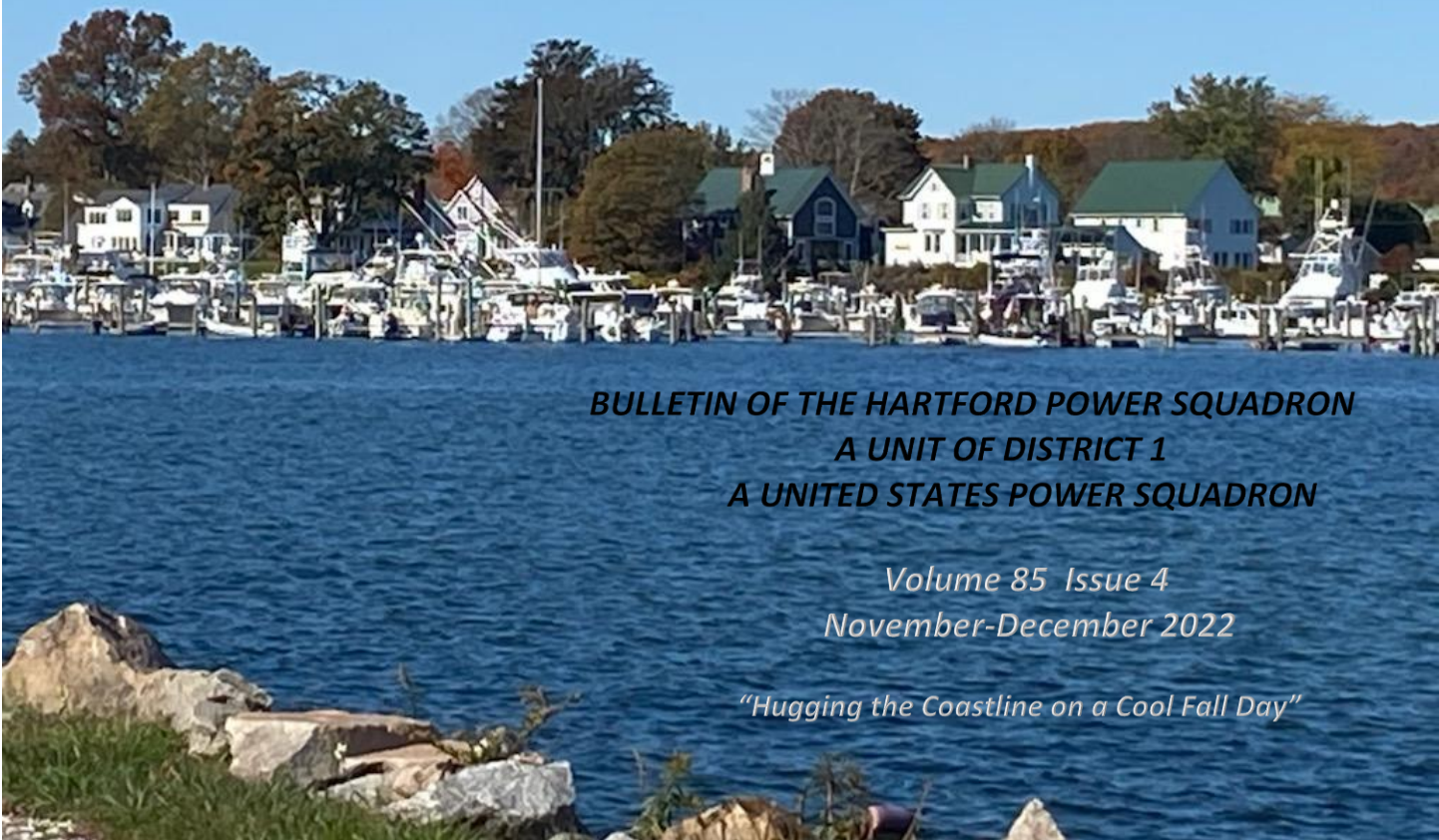




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*“Hugging the Coastline on a Cool Fall Day”*

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24 January	January Members Meeting, TBD	
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# At the Helm

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Ahoy All !

It's that time of year again, the Holidays are upon us. It's time to put together that shopping list.

This year you can focus on other than boating related gifts because we have our Boat Show/Swap Meet coming up once again on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Westbrook Outlets. You can find whatever you need at great prices & sell some of that excess gear you no longer use.

Our District Holiday Party is coming up quickly, get your reservation in! It's on Dec 4th at Campagna's Restaurant in Portland, featuring some Amazing Magic & Comedy with Jim Sisti, an excellent dinner, and Yankee Swap Grab Bag.

District1 is participating in the 2023 Hartford Boat Show this year (Jan. 19th-22<sup>nd</sup>). We are looking for volunteers to cover the booth. If you are interested in signing up for a 3-4-hour time slot, or have any questions regarding the show, please call Cmdr. RuthAnne Collins @ 860-444-9027 or email her at [rdctruffles@gmail.com](mailto:rdctruffles@gmail.com)

I'm sad to report that our October member meeting had to be cancelled due to a scheduling error. We will be inviting Rob Goldstein back to do his presentation on sailing his Hunter 45' sailboat from the west coast of Florida to Westbrook, Connecticut at a future meeting. In the meantime, we are planning a night of fun with a Trivia Contest at a local Brewery for our January 24, 2023 member meeting. This will also be a New Member meeting. Bring a guest/ potential new member along & the first beer is on us ! Mark your Calendar, details will be sent out soon.

We are searching for ideas for new, interesting, & fun programs for our member meetings in 2023. If you have any ideas or suggestions please contact me or our Admin Officer, Jim Salvatore, at [jimsal1@comcast.net](mailto:jimsal1@comcast.net).

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the District Holiday Party & wish you all a safe, healthy, & happy Holiday Season.

May you have fair winds and following seas!

Cdr Bill Waseleski, AP

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Congratulations to Jessica and Nathan Parlapiano and new members Laura and David Dzurec for passing the ABC course on 22 October. Look for our next ABC classes in the January Bilge Pump.

Below is the list of courses that are very practical to take on your own and the 'Net' cost to you, a saving of 20% over the normal price. Most are available in 'e-book' form if you prefer those at the same price.

If you are interested, please email [Cliff15.McKibbin@comcast.net](mailto:Cliff15.McKibbin@comcast.net) and he will get you started.

Course	Net Cost	Electives	Net Cost
Boat Handling (Formerly Seamanship)	43	Cruise Planning	43
Marine Navigation (Piloting)	43	Engine Maintenance	43
Weekend Navigator	15	Marine Electrical Systems	43
Plotting tools	15	Marine Communication Systems	43
Advanced Marine Navigation (AP)	43	Electronic Navigation Systems	43
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**Would you like to teach** one of our courses? We need instructors for Boat Handling, Marine Navigation, and others. If you have taken a course and would like to teach it, please contact Pat Pabouet at [Argus06108@aol.com](mailto:Argus06108@aol.com).

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## Merit Marks

Every year merit marks are given by National to individuals who have contributed extraordinary time to the squadron, usually by holding an elective office, serving on a committee or teaching courses. Only one merit mark can be given to a person per year.

Members achieving:

Paula Berlandy, Peter Berlandy, Thomas Berlandy, Susan Chenard, Robert Goldstein, Elaine Cleary, Kenneth Letendre, Cliff McKibbin, Pat Pabouet, David Pero, Frank Pascucci, Mike Rinaldi, Jim Salvatore, Tim Tyler, David Waseleski, Jeanne Waseleski, William Waseleski, Ken Weeks, and Theodore J. Wurz

## **DISTRICT HOLIDAY PARTY**



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***The District is hosting a Holiday Party on Sunday, 4 December, at Capagna's Restaurant, 151 Marlborough St. Portland, CT 06480***

***Featuring "Jim Sisti, Amazing Magic and Comedy"***

***Party: Starts at 1:00pm 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.***

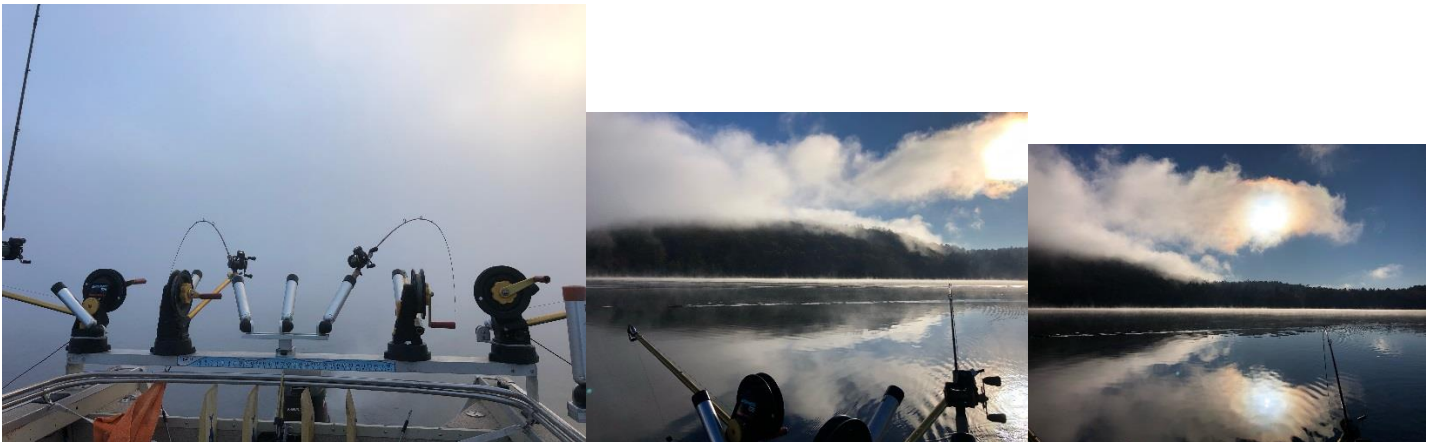
***Yankee-Swap: Bring a wrapped gift in the \$10 range. You'll get to take a gift- but- others may steal it away!***

***Finally, we'll have a 50/50 raffle.***

***We will be collecting un-wrapped gifts for Toys for Tots.***

***Don't miss out on this party! The cost is only \$28.00 per person. Book it early!***

***Please send your check for \$28.00 per person made out to "USPS D-1" to: Peter Jenkin, 32 Fieldstone Court, North Haven, CT 06473-2892 by 26 November, 2022.***



Ashley Waseleski (photographer) is on East Twin Lake (aka Washining Lake) in Salisbury, CT. From foggy 7:45am to 9am last of the fog burning off. A perfect day to fish with her uncle.





## Use Amazon Smile on your Mobile Device to Benefit the Hartford Power Squadron!!

*Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app, at no extra cost to you?*

In the year ending 31 October, we have received only \$32.52 from Amazon Smile. This is a small fraction of what we could earn if each member and family member joined Amazon Smile. You can do it from the App or from your PC. Please join our 'Smile' account so your purchases make a difference. Now is a great time to do it, before your Holiday purchases!

### New in the Amazon app

Your app purchases can generate donations for us, at no extra cost to you!



### 'Smile' on the App

These instructions work fine in the Android Play Store environment. The Apple environment should be very similar.

Make sure you have the latest 'Amazon Shopping' App on your phone. It has a 'swoosh' on the icon. The older app was called just 'Amazon' and had a shopping cart on the icon. You should 'disable' or 'unload' the old app and find the new one on the store and install it. Once in the app, sign in with your Amazon email and password. You have to be signed in to use Smile so they know who you are so they can save your charity.

1. Touch the main menu with the '=' in the bottom right corner.
2. Under 'Programs and Features' touch 'see all'.
3. Scroll down and touch 'AmazonSmile'
4. If you are already set up, you will see 'Hartford Power Squadron, Avon, CT'.
5. If you want to change your charity to 'Hartford':
  - a. touch 'Change Charity'.
  - b. Search for 'Hartford Power Squadron'. You will receive a short list and you can choose 'Hartford Power Squadron'.
8. If it has not been set up, follow the instructions to activate 'Smile' and then choose the charity as above.

### 'Smile' on your PC

To use 'Smile' on your PC, you can browse to: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/06-6055634>

If it is your first time in, the web system may ask you to confirm and set up your 'Smile' account.

Once you set it up, you might want to set up a browser 'favorite' to make sure you are always in 'Smile' when you purchase stuff on Amazon. If you go in on an older Amazon link, you will not be in 'Smile'.



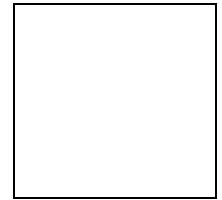


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## JANUARY MEMBERS MEETING

ARE YOU WAITING FOR A GREAT PROGRAM TO START OFF THE NEW YEAR?  
JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF TRIVIA WITH A GREAT HOST- STEVE PETTY!

**24 January 2023**  
**Place & Cost TBD**  
**See the January Bilge Pump for full details**  
**Reservations:**



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