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The Cdr's View

Chris Jordan, AP



Happy New Year !!

We made it through the busy holiday season, and find ourselves parked in January with short cold days and long warm dreams of summer. This is a particularly tough time of year for boaters. What do we do until spring arrives? We could sit at home with the remote and watch all kinds of fishing shows and the occasional boating show, but that will only get us so far. We really need something more. We need to get out of the house.

In fact, the next three months can be very active if you are looking for something to do. Especially, since Boat Show Season has arrived. The Hartford Boat Show, the Providence Boat Show, and the New York Boat Show are just around the corner. The Hartford Power Squadron is even chartering a bus to go to the New York Boat Show. In March, for the first time, the Saltwater Sportsman Seminar Series will be at the Mohegan Sun, followed by the Canyon Series Seminar. Even if you don't dream of fishing as much as I do, these are great reasons to get out of the house.

If you are looking to challenge yourself a little more, why not take a class? This is the perfect time of year to take a class. The Norwich Power Squadron is holding their Weather class at the Waterford Police Department on Friday nights from 6:00 to 8:30. How about coming to a membership meeting? It's a great time to socialize with everyone and meet new people. Our next meeting will be at the Planetarium at Mystic Seaport on January 25, 6pm. It promises to be a great show.

If you are really ambitious, how about taking a boat ride. YES, a boat ride. Project O at Avery point offers sightseeing trips to see the seals that winter over in Fisher's Island Sound. If you are REALLY feeling adventurous, how about a cod fishing trip on one of the HEATED party boats of the Francis Fleet out of Point Judith.

There is plenty enough to do so that the next 90 days will just fly by and the time to work on our boats will be here before you know it.

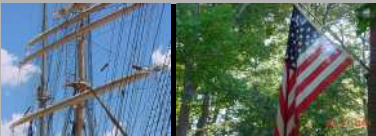
I wish you all the very best in the coming year.

Chris Jordan

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CALENDAR

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NLPS Events

11 January — Executive Board Meeting; home of P/C Henry Curtis

23 January— Sail Trim and Rig Tuning Seminar, Waterford Police Department

25 January— General Membership Meeting, Mystic Seaport Planetarium, 6pm (see page 6)

22 March— Annual Membership Meeting—(vote for new commander) - save the date

25 April— Change of Watch—save the date!

Other Events

8 January — Weather Course starts—offered by Old Saybrook PS at Waterford PD (see page 3)

March — D/1 Spring Conference, Groton Motor Inn.

Don't Miss It!!!!.....



Sail Trim and Rig Tuning Seminar

2 hour seminar

Saturday, January 23

10am

Waterford Police Department

January Birthdays



Name	Day	Town	Member Since
Pamela Birdseye	29	Groton	2008
Lou Dobo	11	Waterford	1998
Rosemarie Marone	15	N. Franklin	1998
Alice Payette	21	Preston	1988
Philip Shaughnessy, P	17	Groton	2008



SEO News

Lea Jewett, SEO



SEO Report January 2010

- ◆ Navigation class resumes 6 January.
- ◆ A 2 hour Sail Trim Seminar is scheduled for 23 January , 10am until noon Waterford Police Department (sign up today at ht_juet@sbcglobal.net or call me at 860.443-6499.
- ◆ America's Boating Course 3rd Edition is scheduled to start 23 February at Waterford High School.
- ◆ We are partnering with Old Saybrook to offer the Weather Course....Walter D. Harris of Old Saybrook will teach the course. Register directly with Old Saybrook Squadron member RuthAnne Collins.

When: Fridays starting January 8, 2010

How Long: 12 Weeks

Time: 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Where: Waterford Police Department

Public Safety Complex

41 Avery Lane, Waterford, CT

RSVP a must. Call RuthAnne Collins to reserve a seat just for you.

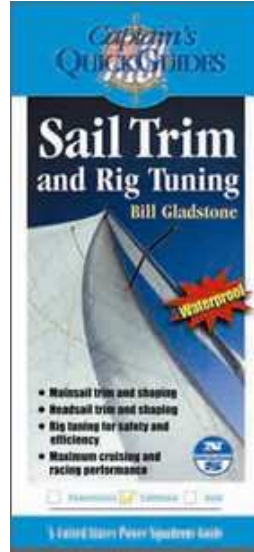
(h) 860-444-9027 or (c) 860-334-5971

◆ We invite all our District #1 members to join us. Just Call RuthAnne Collins, SEO.



SAIL TRIM SEMINAR DESCRIPTION

January 23, 2010 from 10am until noon at the Waterford Police Department. Chris Wick and Mark Chanski will teach the seminar. Both instructors have years of sailing and racing experience in a variety of sailboats
Weatherproof Guide Included



This seminar shows in clear and simple terms how to use and adjust sails for optimum performance under a wide range of conditions. The seminar comes with a waterproof USPS *Captain's Quick Guide* written by North Sails and *Student Notes*.

WEATHER 2008 COURSE DESCRIPTION

The safety and comfort of those who venture out-on-the water have always been weather dependent. In this course students will become keener observers of the weather, but weather observations only have meaning in the context of the basic principles of meteorology - the science of the atmosphere.

The course focuses on how weather systems form, behave, move, and interact with one another and reflects the availability of all sorts of weather reports and forecasts on the Internet. Wx2008 is a general weather course benefiting those sitting in their living rooms, as much as those standing behind the helm. Each student receives:

- a Weather Manual - *USPS Weather* - an explanatory text with full color photographs and drawings covering weather in the United States and its coastal and inland waters;
 - a set of three Daily Weather Maps - learning aids with a complete explanation of map symbols designed to develop weather map reading and analysis skills; and
- NOAA's Sky Watcher Chart* - a reference to assist in identifying cloud types - helpful indicators of approaching weather.



NLPS PARTICIPATES IN:

December 13, 2009

**EAST LYME
LIGHT PARADE**

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General Membership Meeting

Where? Mystic Seaport Planetarium, Mystic Seaport

When? Monday, January 25
1800 (6pm)

How Much? \$12 includes Planetarium Show (Basic Celestial Navigation) and Heavy Hors d'oeuvres and Desserts!
Very brief business meeting

Directions:

1. Take Exit 90 off I-95.
 2. From right lane, turn right onto Route 27 South.
 3. Proceed approximately one mile.
- Parking for Mystic Seaport is on the left.

Enter at the north entrance

Everyone Welcome!

Call Trux Brodhead for Reservations (860) 739 -2029

Pay that night.



Saturday, JANUARY 23 at 10am
Waterford Police Department
2 hr Sail Trim Seminar (see page 3)

Monday, JANUARY 25 at 6pm
Membership Meeting at Mystic Seaport
Planetarium.....Don't miss it....you know
you've wanted to go!!!!!! (see page 6)

The Pledge of the United States Power Squadrons:

Render assistance whenever possible; and

I do solemnly pledge to:

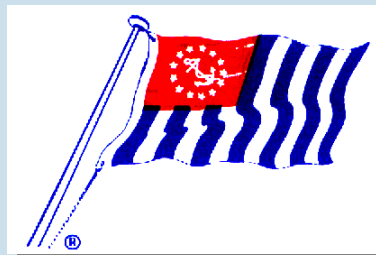
Conduct myself in a manner that will add prestige, honor,

Abide by the bylaws of the United States Power Squadrons;

and respect to the United States Power Squadrons.

Promote high standards of navigation and seamanship;

Maintain my boat and operate it legally;



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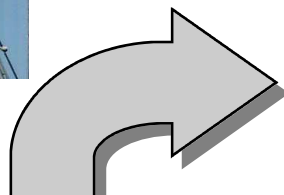
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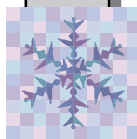
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