



# Thames Stamp Club Newsletter

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The Thames Stamp Club meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, Sept. through June, at 7:30 P.M. at the Clark Lane Middle School, Waterford, CT. All area philatelists are invited. Annual dues are \$10.00. The club's email is [tbbee@aol.com](mailto:tbbee@aol.com). The club's address is PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333 and on the web at <http://www.ThamesStampClub.org>.

## June Recap

**Jun 14** – Zoom meeting was called to order at 1940 with six members attending. We are discussing meeting options with the new Waterford Parks and Rec Coordinator. We are also investigating the location for Thamespex, either Clark Lane School or the Waterford Community Center. Clark Lane School has requested we remove our storage trunk from the library. Charles and Obie will remove the trunk next week. The meeting was adjourned at 2023. A discussion on various philatelic items concluded the evening.

**Jun 28** – First in-person meeting was held at the Waterford Public Library with ten members attending, including one on zoom. The Waterford Parks & Rec Coordinator has ruled out the Clark Lane School for Thamespex and regular Club meetings. Discussions continue on establishing the price for the Community Center. Obie is working with the director and will sign the deal as soon as it's decided. Brian proposed the USS Parche, SSN 683, as the Thamespex'23 Theme. Parche was the last of the 637 class SSNs and the most decorated fast attack submarine in history. Proposed cover is included below. Discussions on various philatelic topics concluded the evening.

## Jul/Aug Meetings

**Jul 12** – Zoom meeting. 7:30 PM All are invited

**Jul 26** – In person meeting @ Waterford Public Library 7:00 PM All are invited.

**Aug 9** - In person meeting @ Waterford Public Library 7:00 PM All are invited.

**Aug 23** - In person meeting @ Waterford Public Library 7:00 PM All are invited.

## Jul/Aug Stamp Shows

**23 Jul 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Show** @ The Annex Y.M.A. in East Haven

**15 -16 July NE Postal History Show** @ Polish Com Cen, 225 Washington Ave Ext, Albany

**27 Aug 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Show** @ The Annex Y.M.A. in East Haven

## Here and There

It is time to renew your membership in the Club. Dues are \$10/yr. Please mail \$10 to TSC, PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333. I am circulating the stamp-circuit boxes; if you want to check out the box in your home for a few days, let me know. Everyone please stay healthy and safe. The following link will take you to the APS Newsletter: <https://stamps.org/news/c/news/p/1>

Philatelically yours,

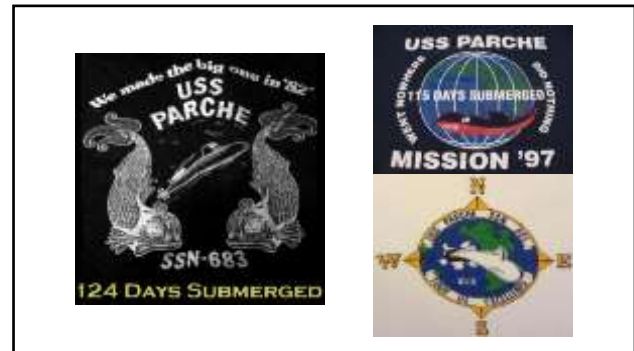
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Tony Bruno

## Proposed Thamespex'23 cover



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