



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 7:00 P.M. at the Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd, Waterford, CT. All area philatelists are invited. Annual dues are \$10.00. The club's email is tbbee@aol.com. The club's address is PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333 and on the web at <http://www.ThamesStampClub.org>.

Oct Recap

9 Oct – Open meeting at the Groton Public Library with eleven members attending (8 room and 3 zoom). We went over our final preparations for Thamespex. Charles is accepting lots for the Thamespex silent auction. Members can submit up to five lots. We will accept lots at the show. Brian discussed the problems with the cancel and a minor error he found in the cachet wording. All have been fixed, and stamped covers are ready for the show. We did an APS email blast advertising the show to APS members in a 50-mile radius. We agreed to have some Gilbert material for sale at the MAPS/USCS table. Refreshments by Dee concluded the evening.

23 Oct – Meeting was called to order at the Groton Public Library with eleven members attending and none on Zoom. Thamespex'24 is now in the history books and all indications are it was a good show. Dealers were happy with the steady crowd during the day and our cover sales were good. The auction did well, donated food and coffee and donuts did so-so. The Metropolitan Air Post Society and Universal Ship Cancellation Society held meetings during the show. This year the Children's Table was the big winner with over \$100 in sales, followed by the auction which netted \$35. We will go through the mailing list to weed out no-shows as mailing costs are rising. A short auction and refreshments by Dee completed the evening.

November Meetings

13 Nov – In person meeting at Groton Public Library + Zoom for those who cannot make it. Continue Thamespex Hot wash-up. Sue F. has refreshments.

27 Nov – No meeting due to the proximity of Thanksgiving Holiday

November Stamp Shows

24 Nov 4th Sunday Show @ The Annex Y.M.A. in East Haven

Here and There

If you have not gotten a copy of this year's Thamespex cover honoring the USS Virginia, SSN 774, you can still get one from Obie for \$3/cover, self-addressed stamped envelope please. It is that time of year again and we are collecting your 2025 dues. 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,

Tony

Tony Bruno

Thamespex'24



John, Dave and Ken Sanford (MAPS) enjoying a moment



Ray Peterson and Ken Best (NH) deep in Philatelic discussion



Checking out the Children's Table



Mike Clark (Norwalk) checking out auction lots



Obie and Brian working the club table



Brian's USS Virginia display