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Swim Talk NEWSLETTER



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The Right Cause At The Right Time

by Jim Funk

60-year-old Jim Funk, a resident of Newtown, is preparing to participate in his first Swim Across the Sound Marathon on Saturday, August 2. As a cancer survivor, Jim has endured some important challenges in life – and shares his journey through diagnosis and treatment to supporting others.

“Two years ago, I was diagnosed with a slow-growing cancer at Hartford HealthCare and was treated at St. Vincent’s Medical Center. Biopsy results confirmed that a “wait-and-see” approach would be my best option. I was watched closely by my doctor and my care team. It soon became apparent that my cancer was growing much faster than anticipated and needed to be dealt with.



The team at St. Vincent's carefully reviewed my treatment options with me and gave me time with my family to choose a path. With much guidance and thought, I opted for surgery to remove my cancer last October. My surgery and recovery went very well, and I am extremely grateful for the persistence of my doctor and the care I have received.

I have been competitively swimming for more than

four decades. St. Vincent's Swim Across the Sound was a perfect fit. It allowed me to raise money in support of cancer patients who need the same quality of care in life that I received."

To support Jim Funk and the HHC Tide Hustlers Team, please visit:



<https://charity.pledgeit.org/SwimAcrossTheSound/@Jimfunk>



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Swim Across the Sound August 2, 2025

We are still in need of power boats and sailboats 20' and up for the Swim. Please consider volunteering as a boat captain to help us keep the swimmers safe as they make the trek across the Long Island Sound.

[Click Here
to register your boat](#)

HOW ELSE CAN I PARTICIPATE?

There are several ways you can help Swim Across the Sound raise money to support cancer patients in our community. Here are just a few:

- Donate toward a swimmer or make a general donation by visiting: <https://charity.pledgeit.org/SwimAcrossTheSound>
- Participate virtually in an activity of your choice. Register and set your own fundraising goals at: <https://charity.pledgeit.org/VirtualChallenge25>

For more information about how you can help, please call 203-576-5451

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We look forward to seeing you August 2nd!

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