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Commander's Corner

Were did the summer go? Had a wet and cold June and July but summer did come in August and the start of September sure looks promising. For the last couple of years we have had a better late summer and the fall just great. Hope everyone got lots of time on the water and enjoyed.

PCOC deadline ...

BY SEPT. '09 ALL BOAT OPERATORS MUST HAVE THEIR CARD

By September 15, 2009 all operators of a motorized pleasurecraft will have to show proof of operator competency.

Born after March 31, 1983? You need your card right now!

Don't have yours yet or wish to upgrade? Get the card that is recognized internationally. CPS boating courses are approved not only by Transport Canada but the U.S. National Association of State Boating Law Administrators as well.

Upon successful completion, you will also receive a complimentary one-year membership to CPS with access to our member benefits.

Don't get caught without one. Get your Card from CPS today.

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The Training Department have been busy over the summer getting the instructors together for the various courses. We have a dedicated team of instructors led by a very capable training group. The training group welcomed another member, Adriana McCrea, who has joined the team to help with the paper work and coordination of the courses. Please check the website, www.cps Halifax.com to check out what is being offered for courses and see if you are interest in taking one or let your friends know what we are offering to see if they would like to share in your experience in taking CPS courses.

As always we do send out information via email so make sure we have your current email address on file so that you receive our notices.

The Squadron will have representation at the National AGM the first of October in Sherbrooke, QC.

Are you and your family members ready?

The PCOC (Pleasure Craft Operators Card) is the boating operator competency certificate that all Canadian operators of a motorized pleasure craft will need.

All operators of motorized vessels and all operators need a PCOC; the deadline is **September 15, 2009**.

The CPS PCOC is valid in Canada and the US.

After successfully writing the test, you will receive a one year [complimentary CPS Associate Membership](#).

At this time I want to thank the Bridge Members for all their work that they put into Halifax Squadron. Without this dedicated group we would not be able to provide the quality of service to the public in our mandate in Volunteers Teaching Safe Boating.

I am sure our next season will be as successful.
Sarah-Jane Raine, Commander

The best way to master a knot is to use it.....Brion Toss

Take a **Boating** Course - Register Now

Safe Boating Is Everyone's Concern

Learn confident, enjoyable boating through education. Enrol in a CPS Boating Course.



CPS Halifax Squadron

For further information and registration, please go to our website:

www.cpshalifax.com

or contact: 1-888-277-2381

| Course | Start Date | Duration | Instructor | Fee |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Boating | Wed, Oct 14 th , 2009 | 15 weeks | Tim Tregunno | \$205 or \$200 Early Bird discount |
| Advanced Piloting | Tues, Oct 13 th , 2009 | 15 weeks | Howard Donohoe | \$155 member \$180 non-member |
| Seamanship (formerly Piloting) | Tues, Oct 13 th , 2009 | 15 weeks | Mannie Laufer | \$155 member \$180 non-member |
| Seamanship Sail | Wed, Oct 14 th , 2009 | 15 weeks | Luke Porter | \$130 member \$155 non-member |

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| Electronic Navigation* package | Thurs, Feb 18 th , 2010 | 13 weeks* | Dave Hackett | \$220 member \$250 non-member |

***Register for all three electronic navigation courses: GPS, Charting, and RADAR and receive a special package price; or alternatively the courses may be taken individually:**

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| Navigating with GPS* | Thurs, Feb 18 th , 2010 | 4 weeks* | Dave Hackett | \$80 member \$90 non-member |
| Electronic Charting* | Thurs, Mar 18 th , 2010 | 4 weeks* | Dave Hackett | \$80 member \$90 non-member |
| RADAR for Pleasure Craft* | Thurs, Apr 15 th , 2010 | 5 weeks* | Dave Hackett | \$80 member \$90 non-member |

| Course | Start Date | Duration | Instructor | Fee |
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| Fundamentals of Weather | Thurs, Feb 18 th , 2010 | 14 weeks | Rod Shaw | \$105 member \$130 non-member |
| Extended Cruising | Tues, Feb 16 th , 2010 | 15 weeks | Coordinator – Norman Raine | \$130 member \$155 non-member |
| Jr Navigator | Tues, Feb 16 th , 2010 | 15 weeks | Mannie Laufer | \$130 member \$155 non-member |
| Boat & Engine Maintenance | Mon, Feb 15 th , 2010 | 15 weeks | Norman Raine | \$130 member \$155 non-member |
| Boating | Wed, Feb 24 th , 2010 | 15 weeks | Angus McPherson | \$205, Includes 1 yr membership |

Location: All courses will be held at Captain William Spry Community Center, Halifax, Nova Scotia

Our Featured Instructor



Dan White learned to sail on the Back Bay of Biloxi, Mississippi 40 years ago at the age of 13. In 1985, he began what he thought would be a solo circumnavigation but ended up settling in Nova Scotia after a scheduled stop here in the summer of 1986. He began teaching for CPS in 1988 and became Squadron Training Officer shortly thereafter. He later became Squadron Commander and has held both posts several times! He is currently Halifax Squadron's Treasurer and usually teaches the Marine Radio Seminar, though he occasionally enjoys teaching the Boating and Piloting courses. He is the proud owner of a 1977 Cape Dory 28, which he bought in 1995 and sailed solo from Seneca Lake, NY to Halifax. This trip took him down the historic and beautiful Erie Canal, Hudson River, through New York City, up Long Island Sound, and across the Gulf of Maine. He now keeps his boat at Gold River Marina and enjoys sailing on Mahone Bay, but is delighted to perform the odd boat delivery when he can.

His other passions include firefighting, investing, and motorcycling. This summer, he bought a 27-year-old motorcycle on E-bay. Although the bike was located in New Mexico and hadn't been used for about nine years, he flew down, hopped on the bike, and drove all the way back to Nova Scotia, covering 5400 kilometres in six days.

**2009 Graduates of Seamanship (formerly Piloting)
with Instructor Mannie Laufer and Commander Sarah-Jane**



**2009 Graduates of Fundamentals of Weather
with Instructor Rod Shaw and Commander Sarah-Jane**



Gourmet Galley



Baked Dijon Salmon

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| ¼ cup melted butter | 4 tsp chopped parsley |
| 3 Tbls Dijon mustard | 4 Salmon fillets |
| 1 ½ Tbls honey | salt and pepper |
| ¼ cup dry bread crumbs | lemon for garnish |
| ¼ cup finely chopped pecans | |

Combine butter, mustard and honey in small bowl. Mix crumbs, pecans and parsley in another bowl. Brush salmon with honey mixture and sprinkle the tops of fillets with bread crumb mixture. Bake in preheated 400 F oven for 12 to 15 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Garnish with lemon wedge.

Do you have a recipe to share? Email NewsEditor@cpshalifax.com.

Do We Have Your Correct Email Address?

In the past, we have delivered a number of email notifications on upcoming training courses. Surprisingly, quite a few emails are returned with an error message "incorrect email address" or "address unknown".

The majority of our communication to members on upcoming training courses and social events is through email notifications along with notifications provided on our website.

Stay current to receive timely information on upcoming training courses, social events, and the Foghorn.

To help control printing, handling and mailing costs, we encourage all members to ensure we have a correct, up to date, email address.

Please go online and verify we have your email address and that it is correct. Alternatively, you may contact our Membership Officer at cps_membership@cpshalifax.com and ask to verify your coordinates.

The winner of our Courtesy Boat Inspections:
Barb & Mike Turney, SV Nelleke

WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR OLD SAILS?

What do we do with our old sails? Usually they end up in the basement or storage area taking up space until we throw them out in the garbage and end up as solid waste in the landfill.

Have you heard of the "Windbag Company of Nova Scotia" in Lunenburg? If not, it is worth a visit to see the wonderful bags of all descriptions that they are making from recycled old sails. Their articles are hand cut and crafted on site creating one-of-a-kind bags made from sails from some of the loveliest boats that have traveled the waters around Nova Scotia and beyond. The bags are trimmed with sunbrella, leathers or vinyl off-cuts, as well as re-claimed painted canvasses from fine art students. Straps are often constructed from re-claimed seatbelts. Each bag includes a tag telling the new owner about the boat the sails once guided. No two bags are ever the same and some of the bags made are market bags, laundry totes, yoga mat holders, airplane carry-ons and messenger bags complete with pockets for laptop computers and cell phones.

So if you have any old sails you would like to donate and get out of your basement you can contact Pauline Dickison, Windbag Company of Nova Scotia, 182 Montague St., Lunenburg, NS 902-640-3555 and she would be glad to get them.

If you are in Lunenburg drop into her shop which is located in a heritage building approximately 160 years old and was used at one time for a sail loft.

The single commandment of anchoring is "Thou shalt create scope." – Reese Palley



Halifax Squadron Bridge 2009-2010

From left to right: Dave Hackett, Rozanne Raine, Carl Kumpic, Kellie Skelhorn, Adriana McCrea, Alex Siminoc, Norman Raine, Dan White, Sarah-Jane Raine

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In Loving Memory
Susan Blagdon

Susan passed away peacefully at home on July 6, 2009. Susie was an active member of CPS. She completed her boating course, piloting and advanced piloting as well as being co-editor of the Foghorn. Susie enjoyed many hobbies which included boating, crafts, darts, fishing and touching the lives of many. Her contribution to CPS, kindness, dedication, and her sense of humor will be missed by all.

