

CPS is a volunteer organization dedicated to enhancing boating enjoyment and safety through training. The Foghorn is the newsletter of the Halifax Squadron, a unit of Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons.

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Commander's Corner



Commander's Corner April, 2012

Halifax Squadron 50th Anniversary

This year's AGM & Graduation is a very special one being the 50th Anniversary of the Halifax Squadron. The Squadron was formed on April 17, 1962. Can you image the number of people we have put through the safe boating courses offered by CPS? Every year there is offered courses and we have people who are attending the classes and obtaining knowledge to go out on the water and enjoy boating. In this Foghorn there is an invitation to this year's AGM and Graduation followed by a sit down dinner to celebrate our 50th year and also to celebrate the Atlantic District which was formed 50 years ago as well. We are hoping for a good turn out for the evening and what a great way for "old" members to come and join us for a great evening of fellowship. For the dinner just register on website or get in touch with us. Remember we have to have numbers by April 20th so register early.

Our Squadron Training Officer, Adriana McCrea, has been busy over the winter months working with our instructors providing courses for students. We gave Boating, Seamanship, Advanced Piloting, Fundamentals of Weather, Boat & Engine Maintenance, Sail, Navigator, Electronic Navigation Package and numerous ROC(M) radio courses. Our numbers were not as large as last year but had full classes.

We give a big thank you to Adriana McCrea along with her assistant, Norman Raine, for having done a great job. We could not achieve this without the instructors and proctors who continue to provide courses for the boaters in the Halifax area. We appreciate the work they have done over the year.

The squadron has had a monthly social evening this year with some learning tips along with social time for those who attended. Why not try to come to one of our evenings to meet your fellow members and boaters?

The Bridge members have been busy over the past year and a very big thank you goes to each and every one of them for their work for CPS and the Halifax Squadron.

I look forward to seeing you at our AGM & Graduation followed by the dinner on April 28th.

Have a wonderful safe boating summer.

Sarah-Jane Raine S Commander In April, 2012 we will celebrate a half century of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons in Atlantic Canada. It is our privilege to honour the countless thousands of hours of volunteer work by hundreds of members promoting one of the best all-round recreational pastimes anyone could wish for. On behalf of the Halifax Power and Sail Squadron, we're inviting you to join us at our 50th Annual General Meeting, Graduation Ceremony and Gala Dinner.

Date: Location:	April 28, 2012 Chocolate Lake Best Western Hotel (902-477-5611 or 800 780-7234) 20 St. Margaret's Bay Road, Halifax

Schedule:	Saturday, April 28	 <u>1630 to 1730 - Graduation Ceremony</u>
		- <u>1800 to 1900 - Cash bar</u>
		- <u>1900 to 1000 - Dinner and Guest Speaker</u>

Details:

Special Guests: CPS Chief Commander Richard Bee and his wife, Barbara Dodds

Special Presentation: "Caribbean Adventure" with Alan Uren

Dress: business casual (no jeans)

Dinner: \$35/person

This is a sit down meal. For diet restrictions please contact Kellie Skelhorn SocialOfficer@cpshalifax.com or Sarah-Jane Raine CPS_Commander@cpshalifax.com

Registration: http://www.cps-ecp.ca/public.asp?WCE=C=56|K=237606|CAL=225480 or call 1-888 277-2381



From the Social Scene

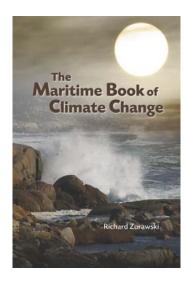
We have been thrilled with the turnout and support of our members as we launched our social activities this year!

In January, we hosted "**Knots, Bends, and Hitches**" with facilitator Mannie Laufer demonstrating knots, how they work, along with a handful of useful knots to know. Mannie was joined by a group of volunteers who helped with the demonstration during the evening. A heartfelt thank you to Mannie and his team (Luke, Angus, Chris, and Adriana), and to those that attended the seminar.



"Sailing: A Sailor's Dictionary" by Beard and McKie

During February, we were extremely lucky to have Richard Zurawski come to speak to us on the **Changing Climate and the Maritimes**. Richard's website is <u>www.richardzurawski.ca</u> – take a look at his impressive biography and his many works, including books that he has published including, "The Maritime Book of Climate Change". Thank you Richard!







Richard Zurawski

During March, we hosted "**Fun with VHF**" with Dan White as our facilitator. It was a great refresh on VHF etiquette and DSC (digital selective calling). We started with a video titled "Good for Life", reviewed the dos and don'ts on the radio, watched a DSC simulator exercise and ended off with a spelling bee!

Take the next course to learn more about the secrecy of communications, the top three priority calls, the priority of communications, and simplex and duplex, to name a few. Thank you Dan for an excellent presentation!



Dan White



2012 MERIT MARKS

Any member who volunteers a minimum of 20 hours a year to CPS receives a Merit Mark. Upon receiving 20 merit marks the member then becomes a Life Member of CPS and no longer is required to pay the yearly dues.

Name Merit Number

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TO: THE MEMBERS, HALIFAX SQUADRON

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of Halifax Squadron will be held at Halifax, NS on April 28, 2012 at 16:30 hours for the purpose of:

- a) receiving and approving the reports of the officers of the Squadron
- b) receiving and approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron for the twelve month period ending March 31, 2012
- c) electing the officers of the Halifax Squadron
- d) considering other business as may properly come before the meeting

The Report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is attached to, and forms part of, this Notice. Under Squadron Regulation 12.1, any further nominations must be made by way of a petition, in writing, signed by not less than 5 members of this squadron who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this meeting.

Dated this 5th day April, 2012

Harry Henteleff

Halifax Squadron Secretary

REPORT OF SQUADRON NOMINATING COMMITTEE

April 5, 2012

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as squadron officers for 2012-2013.

Commander	Sarah-Jane Raine
Executive Officer	Kellie Skelhorn
Secretary	Harry Henteleff
Treasurer	Dan White
Training Officer	Adriana McCrea
Asst. Training Officer	Norman Raine
PR Officer	vacant
Membership Officer	Catherine Lunn
Newsletter Editor	Janice Cook
Supply Officer	Rozanne Raine
Communications Offic	er Dave Hackett
Social Officer	Alan Uren

- 2. The Squadron Nominating Committee also advises that:
 - a) the following member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of his position as immediate Past Commander, and does not require election or appointment:

Dan White

 b) pursuant to Squadron Regulation 9.14.1, the following members will serve on the Squadron Nominating Committee for 2013-2014 by virtue of their position, and do not require election or appointment:

P/Cdr Dan White, Chairman Cdr Sarah-Jane Raine

EO – Kellie Skelhorn

Respectfully submitted,

Dan White, Sarah-Jane Raine, Kellie Skelhorn 2012-2013 Nominating Committee

2013 Conference Booklet

The 2013 Conference in Toronto will mark the 75th Anniversary of CPS. One way in which the committee is planning to mark the occasion is by developing a booklet containing CPS stories that have been "special" over the past 75 years. They would be tales from the very beginning, from 1938 through to the present day. Stories of all kinds; from a squadron rendezvous, AGM, trips around the world or from closer to home port, from courses and graduations. All submissions should be sent to either Joan Hicks <u>AP</u>, Chair of the Historical Committee at <u>canest@oxford.net</u> or Annie Cook, N - Chair, 2013 Conference Committee <u>annie@searoom.com</u>.

Position	Email Address	Officer's Name	
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Secretary	CPS_Secretary@cpshalifax.com	Harry Henteleff	
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Youth Officer	Youth_T0@cpshalifax.com	Vacant	
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Supply Officer	SupplyOfficer@cpshalifax.com	Rozanne Raine	
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