



Foghorn



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CPS-ECP 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.

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Another boating season has rolled around, YES!

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

Our Educational Officer, Adriana McCrea, along with Assistant Educational Officers Norman Raine and Joshua Bearden, have been very busy over the winter months working with our instructors to provide boating courses. We continue to maintain good numbers in the courses we offered this year, with currently 175 registrations, which has won us an award. The Halifax Squadron is the proud recipient of this year's A.H. Mitten Award for the Atlantic district of CPS-ECP. A big thank you also goes to our excellent Instructors who make it possible and put many hours into teaching the courses we offer to boaters in the Halifax area.

Need help in finding out the details of the courses we provide? Check out:

www.cps Halifax.ca and www.boatingcourses.ca

Also look for our pamphlets placed at local yacht clubs in the Halifax/Bedford area.

This year's 54th Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Graduation will be held on Saturday, May 28th; see the formal Invite in this edition of the Foghorn. We are hoping for a good turnout and what a great way for members, both old and new, to meet, get together and share experiences.

For the third year, we will be participating in the CPS-ECP flare disposal program, along with partners CIL Orion and Transport Canada. Saturday, June 4th, is Flare Disposal Day across various cities in Canada, sponsored by participating Squadrons in the areas. Halifax and Alderney Squadrons will be jointly holding Flare Disposal Day at North Sails Yacht Shop in Halifax, 9 am - 4 pm. This is a great way to get rid of expired flares; drop in and see us on Saturday, the 4th of June.



I look forward to seeing you at our AGM and Graduation on May 28th.

Have a wonderful safe summer on the water.

Catherine Lunn
Commander

Boating Instructor - Paul Light

Paul Light began boating very early in life, having grown up on the shores of Lake Simcoe and Georgian Bay in Ontario. After having qualified as an advanced canoeist, he purchased his first boat, a 12' canoe, at the age of 15 years. After helping his father build the family 16' run-about during his late teens, Paul left home to pursue a career in the Army.



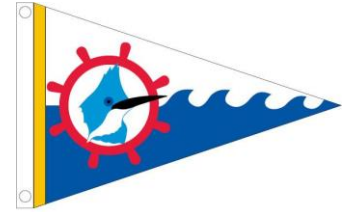
After many years of being a landlubber, Paul, and his new bride Patricia, resumed boating by, at first, embarking on canoe trips in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. They eventually went on to complete the

CPS Boating Course in 2000, CPS Piloting and Advanced Piloting, and CYA Basic Powerboat Ashore and Afloat Knowledge Courses in 2001, CPS VHF Radio in 2002, and CPS Fundamentals of Weather in 2003.

In his second career as a Hydrographer with the Canadian Hydrographic Service, Paul has completed the Small Vessel Operators Proficiency, Small Non-Pleasure Vessel Basic Safety, VHF Restricted Operator (Marine Commercial) and Basic Marine First Aid training.

During his career in the Army, Paul qualified as an Air Defence Artillery Instructor-In-Gunnery, Classroom Instructor and Classroom Instructor Supervisor, amongst other instructional qualifications.

Paul, with his Admiral and First Mate Patricia, has put all that training to good use over the last 15 years. Their first adventure was the charter of a 37' trawler yacht out of Nanaimo, BC, where Captain Lew Forth put them through the CYA training. In 2002, they crewed aboard a friend's Hunter 336 for its delivery from Gore Bay, on Manitoulin Island, to Kingston, Ontario, via Lakes Huron, St. Clair, Erie and Ontario. Paul and Patricia had to be content crewing aboard various friends' boats until the purchase of their 36' Monk trawler yacht "Andante" in 2010. After a few summers on Georgian Bay getting to know "Andante" they delivered her to Nova Scotia in 2013. Since then, Paul and Patricia, with their faithful boat cat Cleo, have explored the Eastern and South Shores of Nova Scotia, while learning the virtues of having a good chart plotter and Radar.



HALIFAX POWER and SAIL SQUADRON
Cordially Invites You to Our
ANNUAL AGM AND GRADUATION
Saturday, May 28, 2016
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Armdale Yacht Club, 75 Burgee Run, Halifax

RSVP your attendance by **May 23, 2016**
to catherine.lunn@novascotia.ca

2:00 – 3:30 pm will be a meet & greet
- finger food and cash bar

3:30 – 5:00 pm will be the AGM &
Graduation of this year's successful students



Education in action, April 2016, a small sample

Education and courses: the year in review

With summer approaching, the Education programme for 2015-16 has wound down. Our squadron saw over 170 students enrolled in courses ranging from introductory and advanced navigation to the ever popular Sailing, Electronic Navigation and Boat and Engine maintenance courses. The total enrolment for the year remains fluid as we will do our best to accommodate people needing their VHF radio exam (ROC-M) over the summer by offering the self-study option. Over 60 people have certified this year, either through taking a 2-day course, or by challenging the exam.

New this year was the Marine Electrical Systems course, which had a full complement of 10 students, half of whom wrote and passed the exam. In fact, nationally, CPS-ECP is noticing that many boaters want the education but not necessarily an exam at the end of a course. This is being addressed and the National Educational Team is looking into a change in policy whereby people can get credited for merely learning from and participating in their course. While this gets hammered out and finalized, changes in assessing a student's performance is already in place for several courses: an open-book exam is now the norm in both Seamanship and Advanced Piloting; and the new Weather course eschews an exam altogether by requiring only 2 exercises to be completed at home...

Not counting those who took government certification courses (VHF and PCOC), the squadron will have, potentially, over 70 graduates this year, from the 11 courses offered this year. The final tally awaits the completion of a few courses in the next week or so.

Whether you completed a course or not, I hope you will come to the AGM and Graduation on May 28th. This is our opportunity to congratulate the new grads, honour the work of our great volunteer instructors, and thank you all for your involvement in our Squadron...

Adriana McCrea, AP
Squadron Educational Officer



“Boating 3: Introduction to Navigation”: Valerie Wentzell, Bernard Power, David Vogt, Joshua Bearden, Bettyann Power.
Missing is: Instructor, Dennis Mansour (who took the shot).



“Electronic Navigation”: Wayne Anstey, Nigel Kemp, Ray Mattholie, Steven Slauenwhite, Ron Ivany, Brett Sheffer, Jason Harahan, Debbie MacDonald Gray, Richard Bottomley, Bill MacDonald. Instructor Paul Light is seated on the right. Absent: Brian Fry, Colin Bell, Kim Bottomley, Carman Brown, Patricia Pryor, Chris Harvey-Clark.

REPORT OF THE HALIFAX POWER AND SAIL
SQUADRON NOMINATING COMMITTEE
May 2, 2016

TO: THE MEMBERS, HALIFAX POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of Halifax Power and Sail Squadron ("Squadron") will be held at Halifax, NS on May 28, 2016 at 15:30 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, 2016
- c) electing the officers of the 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. 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 2nd day of May, 2016

Harry Henteleff, Secretary
Halifax Power and Sail Squadron

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as Squadron officers for 2016-17 :

Commander	Catherine Lunn
Executive Officer	Sarah-Jane Raine
Secretary	vacant
Financial Officer	Alfred MacPherson
Educational Officer	Adriana McCrea
Asst. Educational Officer	Norman Raine
Asst. Educational Officer	Joshua Bearden
PR Officer	Howard Donohoe
Membership Officer	Sarah-Jane Raine
Newsletter Editor	Janice Cook
Supply Officer	Rozanne Raine
Communications Officer	Dave Hackett
Social Officer	Howard Donohoe

2. The Squadron Nominating Committee also advises that:

(a) The following member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of her position as Immediate Past Commander and does not require election or appointment:

Sarah-Jane Raine;

(b) Pursuant to Squadron Regulation 9.14.1 the following members will serve on the Squadron Nominating Committee for 2016-17 by virtue of their position and do not require election or appointment:

P/Cdr Sarah-Jane Raine, Chairman
Cdr Catherine Lunn

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah-Jane Raine, Catherine Lunn
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