

# CROSSCHOP

Official Newsletter of the NORTH BAY POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON

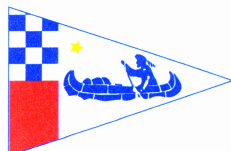
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## COVID-19

Please note that any of our activities may be postponed due to the COVID-19 situation, in accordance to the directives of the government, public health and CPS. If a cancellation does occur, we will inform any who have registered, post it to our website [nbps.on.ca](http://nbps.on.ca) and on local media. Please keep yourself and family safe and healthy.

## Celebrate 60 Years of NBPSS



From **Friday, May 29 to Sunday, May 31** our Squadron will be celebrating 60 years in North Bay along with members from across the Voyageur District. Come out to celebrate and meet members from Bracebridge, Huntsville, Parry Sound, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie and Tri-Town.

A reception will be held on Friday night, Saturday will have tours of the Museum, Farmers Market and Gateway Brewery as well as a Chief Commanda Cruise. Saturday evening we will be celebrating 60 years with our Change of Watch dinner. Sunday is our Voyageur District's AGM at the Yacht Club in Callander.

All members will receive a registration package in early April. Save the date! Look forward to seeing all of you there.

## Bridge Members Needed

Are you looking to inspire other boaters to adopt safe boating practices? Are you interested in promoting more environmentally responsible boating? Join the Bridge of the North Bay Power and Sail Squadron this spring. For the ongoing vitality of the group, we need new Bridge members.

Please consider helping to fill positions on the Bridge to continue our efforts to educate fellow boaters in North Bay and area. If you want to attend a meeting or have questions, please contact any Bridge member.

North Bay Power and Sail Squadron is  
a division of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron



## APR 2

Meeting at NBYC at 19:30 h.  
Come out and find out what is happening!

## APR 16-MAY 21

Boat & Engine Maintenance course every Thursday, from 7-9 p.m.

## APR 18

Operations Training for any member interested in learning more about the Canadian Power & Sail Squadron. Details on right.

## APR 25

Maritime Radio Certification from 09:00-17:00 at 250 Clark St, Powassan. **Deadline to register is April 9.**

## MAY 2

Another Personal Craft Operation Card course and exam is scheduled for those who need their PCOC. Course will run from 9-5. Bring your lunch. Register early to save your spot!

## MAY 7

Join us for the Squadron's Annual General Meeting and Elections. 19:00 h at the North Bay Yacht Club in Callander.

## MAY 29-31

Celebrate 60 years of the North Bay Power & Sail Squadron. Meet other members and enjoy tours and a Cruise. Join other members from the Voyageur District and find out what is happening with the Canadian Power Squadron. More details will be sent to you in April.

## Photos Wanted

Do you have photos from Squadron events? We will be putting together a montage for the 60 Year Celebration on May 30 to showcase all the fun things we do here in the North Bay and area. Please ensure any people in the images gave their permission to share. Email your best pics to Terry at [nautical4life@gmail.com](mailto:nautical4life@gmail.com).

## Operations Training



Saturday, April 18

09:00 - 15:00 h

Lunch is provided

Do you wonder what the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron is all about? Do you want to do more to help your local Squadron, but don't know enough about them?

This Operations Training session will explain everything you need to know about the CPS and is open to all members of CPS.

This course will teach you about:

- the organization and its history
- the functions of the local, district and national organization,
- the importance of meetings and reports,
- what makes a successful squadron,
- where to find resources to support your organization.

You can help your squadron grow by getting more involved.

Register for this session **by April 8, 2020** by calling **705-980-0455** or emailing [ChristineBrown@tlcnet.com](mailto:ChristineBrown@tlcnet.com).

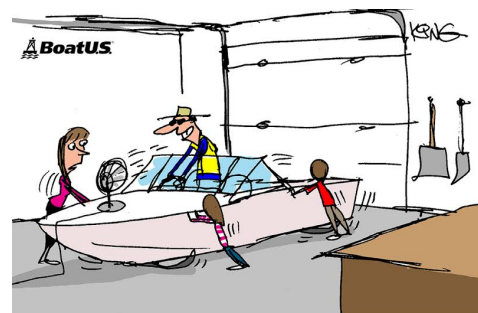
## AGM & Elections

Thursday, May 7

19:00 h

North Bay Yacht Club, 305 Greenwood Rd, Callander

Find out all that the North Bay Power and Sail Squadron have accomplished this year. We will also elect our Bridge for the upcoming year. Join us for snacks and meet fellow boaters.



"Keep rocking, kids. We want dad to feel like he's out boating. We only have to do this until the boating season starts again."

## The Environment

As we approach the boating season, review products that you use on board and make environmentally friendly choices. This includes proper disposal of anti-freeze used for winterizing, used oil, etc.

## COVID-19

For accurate, current information on this virus, go to [Health Canada's website, canada.ca/en.html](https://www.healthcanada.ca/en.html) or [Ontario's website at ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus](https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus).

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If you have any stories, photos, or other ideas, please contact the editor, Jill Faulkner at 705-493-7131 or [nautical4life@gmail.com](mailto:nautical4life@gmail.com).

We are online at [nbpss.on.ca](https://nbpss.on.ca) or on Facebook.

## Boat & Engine Maintenance

Thursdays from April 16 to May 21

19:00 - 21:00 h.

This course covers all the basics for "do it yourself" boaters. It will equip you with the knowledge required to prevent onboard problems, carry out specialized tasks and tackle both short-term troubleshooting as well as long-term boat care. It features practical information and handy tips for both new and existing boat owners. Course will be take place at the Taylor's house in North Bay.

Call **705-980-0455** to register. Cost is \$90 for CPS members and \$100 for non-members.

## Marine Radio (VHF) Certification



Saturday, April 25

09:00 - 15:00 h.

250 Clark St, Powassan

We will be holding the Maritime Radio Course and Certification on Saturday, April 25 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m at 250 Clark St, Powassan. Cost for the course is \$100 for NBPSS members and \$125 for non-members.

Pass this on to anyone you know who may be interested. If you operate a maritime radio, you **must** have a Restricted Operator Certificate - Maritime (ROC-M) with DSC Endorsement. It's the law.

Please register at least 2 weeks ahead in order to get your course materials to review and learn the phonetic alphabet prior to the seminar.

**Deadline to register is April 9.** Call **705-980-0455** and leave your contact information.

## Volunteers for Booths

Help promote boating safety with the Power & Sail Squadron this summer. We are looking volunteers for booths during the day at the Boat Races July 18-19 at the North Bay Marina and the Sirens in the Park in Callander on Aug. 22. Resources for the booth will be provided by NBPSS.

Please call **705-980-0455** or email [annemutaylor@gmail.com](mailto:annemutaylor@gmail.com) to schedule your time to help out.

## 2018-19 NPSS Bridge

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## Boating Basics & PCOC



Saturday, May 2

09:00 - 15:00 h.

250 Clark St, Powassan

All operators of motorized pleasure craft are required to show proof of operator competency.

With Boating Basics, you will learn all you need to know for the Transport Canada test. Cost is \$50.

As an extra benefit, if you pass the test offered by Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons, your Card is recognized by BOTH Transport Canada and The National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (USA).

Anyone interested can call **705-980-0455** and leave your contact info.

## Funny Coronavirus Preparation

Neil Diamond: *Hands ...*

CDC: Yes, wash them for at least 20 seconds

Neil Diamond: *Touching hands ...*

CDC: No, please don't touch hands

Neil Diamond: *Reaching out ...*

CDC: Avoid that too

Neil Diamond: *Touching me ...*

CDC: Oh no, no, no

Neil Diamond: **TOUCHING YOU!**

CDC: We're doomed

(CDC is acronym for U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)



Congratulations to three of our Bridge members receiving Volunteer Awards from the Province of Ontario.