

Fall Courses Starting Soon

The Fall training season is upon us with a few courses filling up as we speak. The standard Boating Course is once again being offered with a number of people interested in becoming CPS members through taking this introductory course. The Marine Maintenance Course gets underway on Thursday October 16 at 7pm at Chippewa High School. There is still room for more students so please stop in

that night to register. Plans to start a Piloting and an Advanced Piloting course are in the works. Details of these and other courses can be found online at the squadron web site at <http://www.nbps.on.ca> or the National web site at <http://www.cps-ecp.ca> and elsewhere in this newsletter. As always, if a course interests you, contact the Squadron and we'll be glad to look into putting it on.

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Commander's Message

Doug Hay AP

Well summer has come to an end. I hope all of you were able to enjoy your vessel in spite of the less than great weather. Sandra and I did have a good summer of boating, including almost three weeks spent on the North Channel. The training season will soon be underway with Boating and Marine Maintenance planned. Our willing and able instructors are still looking for a few equally interested students for Seamanship Sail. Hopefully we will continue to see interest in other advanced and elective courses as this is where you really benefit by being a CPS member. There has also been a ground swell of interest in some of the electronic navigation courses. Please contact our training officer or one of the Bridge members and voice your interest. Over the summer the Squadron was quiet. The Bar-Be-Que did not go due to a lack of interest and the Chief Commanda dinner cruise was attended by only a few members. The North Bay Marina saw many new boaters this year. With the price for used boats at a low, many families were taking to the water in their own vessels for the very first time. Unfortunately many of those had poor vessel handling skills and there was an obvious lack of knowledge of the safety regulations. Fortunately there were no major accidents or fatalities. Many boaters continue to consume alcohol while boating, and were operating their vessels while impaired. As responsible Power Squadron members, step up and set some of these people straight. It's the law and it could be you that they injure. Promote the Squadron and the safe boating courses that we offer. It will only help improve everyone's enjoyment on the water next year. And of course, as a power boater, I just can't pass up the opportunity to tease those of you who are blo-boaters. I saw a lot of you on the water this summer with sails down and engines running. Hmmm, ... power boater wanna-bes? When I see you in person you can comment back with a smart remark as is only fair. As always, my thanks go out to all of the many volunteers, without whom, the Squadron would not function or exist. We welcome anyone with even a few hours to join in the activities and give something back to your Squadron. I look forward to your continued support of the Squadron for the coming year. Just a reminder for the coming season, check your safety gear and purchase any replacements as required. Inspect your vessel now, make repairs, and plan the upgrades. Get your vessel in Bristol condition for next summer so you can enjoy a safe boating season and promote safe boating. Toss a wave to your fellow boaters as the winter approaches. I'll be watching to salute you.

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Fall Courses

Caven Ford P

The Fall course season is upon us and the following courses are starting soon and accepting students:

Boating Course

The Boating Course provides in depth boat operation and safety training. As well, you will experience the challenge of plotting and navigation. The prerequisite course for becoming a Power Squadron Member. Tell your family and friends.

- Starting Oct 20 at 1900 at Chippewa High School. Cost \$200.00 for first student, \$100.00 for each additional family member who will share course materials.

Marine Maintenance

From spark plugs to bottom paint, the Marine Maintenance course covers all the basics for DIY boaters.

- Starting October 16 at 1900 at Chippewa High School. Cost \$60.00 for first CPS member. \$30.00 for each additional family member. Non CPS Members \$75.00

Please contact George Graham to register for any of these courses at 752-3201.

District Commander's Message

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by all who attended. The weekend was highlighted with a superb dinner cruise onboard the Wenonah II. Bracebridge also gets congratulatory notes for developing a 'Safe Refueling' sign that we unveiled at the last governing board meeting and the CPS Foundation will be putting up some funding to help produce these signs and help squadrons get them put up at local marinas. The National AGM and Conference is coming up fast. It will be held in Windsor, Ontario this year from October 22 thru October 26th. This year is the 70th anniversary of CPS and consequently the theme will be the Dirty Thirties (the Era when CPS was founded). I'm looking forward to attending this conference and I understand that a few Squadron Commanders from our District will be attending as well. Some of the other things happening are things like Online PCOC testing. CPS is engaging in On-line testing for PCOC. With the deadline less than a year away we are going to be extremely busy helping everyone get their cards. To do the exam online, students will require an existing CPS member to proctor their exam. That includes everyone that is reading this newsletter; Also, anyone taking a boating course will get an automatic membership in CPS for one year; Similarly, persons passing the Boat Pro course get a one year Associate membership in CPS; Map Art has the exclusive rights to sell our boat pro book commercially. You will see it on shelves where Map-Art products are sold; And Finally, I'll report that CPS has made a sizable investment in a new On-Line data management system known as WBAS (Web Based Admin System). Although this system hasn't come cheaply, nor without a lot of headaches, the general intent is good and will have a great pay off in the long term and much more seamless administration of our membership info, and all other info that is required to run an organization of this size. I hope everyone had a great boating season,

District Commander's Message

Terry Lang AP

Greetings from Voyageur District. I haven't a lot of experience as a District Commander yet, but I do welcome the opportunity to share with the members of North Bay some of the happenings around the district and from Governing Board. The first item that I'm going to discuss isn't a happy subject, but it is the biggest issue hitting our district at the moment. It's the future of our sister Squadron: Manitoulin Power and Sail Squadron.

Manitoulin is a Squadron that spawned out of the Sudbury Squadron receiving its charter in 1996. Manitoulin is by far the youngest squadron in our District beating Tri-Town Power and Sail (the next youngest) by 22 years. It is with sadness that I announce that Manitoulin is in danger of having to surrender its warrant. The district is making one last attempt to help them form a bridge, but if unsuccessful, they will be forced to surrender. I'm trying to remain optimistic that there will be an 11th hour save here, but I'm not going to hold my breath. On a happier note, Bracebridge Squadron is to be congratulated first off for hosting our district AGM and Conference this past May and doing a bang up job of it. Also for celebrating their 50th anniversary at that conference. Chief Commander Harry Cole was in attendance and grand time was had

Next Bridge Meeting
Thur. Nov 6, 2008 @ 1930
North Bay Yacht Club, Callander
All Members and
Spouses welcome.

Our Web Address
[Http://www.nbpss.on.ca](http://www.nbpss.on.ca)



2008 Paid Membership North Bay Power and Sail Squadron

Membership Roster on September 30, 2008

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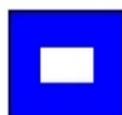
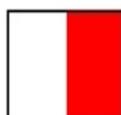
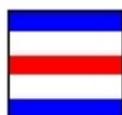
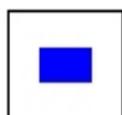
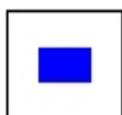
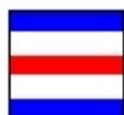
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Celestial Navigation

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There has been renewed interest in putting on a Celestial Navigation Course after Christmas. The practice of celestial navigation involves careful observation of the sun and moon as well as planets and stars. Combining these observations with centuries-old principles, allows a navigator to determine the vessel's position. A course is being planned tentatively for January or February 2009. Completion of the Advanced Piloting course is the prerequisite for taking this course. If you are interested, please contact our Training Officer, George Graham at 752-3201.

Nautical Humor

A gynecologist was getting sick of his job and decided that he needed a career change. He'd always enjoyed tinkering with engines so thought he'd become a marine diesel mechanic. So he went along to marine mechanics school and the final test was to strip the diesel engine completely and reassemble it - obviously back into perfect working order. So our gynecologist friend did the test and anxiously awaited the result. The day he received the results he got quite a surprise, he got 150%! He quickly phoned the instructor and queried the mark. The instructor said, "No, that's right. First I gave you 50% for stripping down the engine-a very thorough job.

Next I gave you 50% for reassembling it - a fantastic job really. Then I gave you a 50% bonus for doing it all through the exhaust port."

Crosschop Format

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