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## Special points of interest:

- 2012– 2013 Bridge
- Graduates
- Chief Cruise
- RVCC Checks (Boating Safety Inspections)
- Merit Marks



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## SUMMER MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

The long awaited boating season is finally here! The lakes are at good navigational levels and there has already been an abundance of calm sunny warm days with a promise of many more to come.

With our final formal Spring duties completed at the June 3 2012 Change of Watch/Graduation Ceremonies and the June 7 2012 Bridge meeting, the squadron officers look forward to enjoying some time out on the water. Speaking of the Change of Watch, I would like to thank George Graham for his dedication and perseverance in teaching the Boating Course for the past 17 years. George recently stepped down from the Training Officer position, but will remain on the bridge. His Training Officer duties will be assumed by Doug Hay, with Assistant Training Officer Christine Brown and Boating Basics Officer Ron Shortt all combining their skills to guide the implementation of CPS Boating Courses in our area.



We have a few social events planned for this summer. In addition to the Chief Commanda dinner cruise planned for later in August, we also will be assembling "the fleet" for two other cruises...one will be up the South River which flows into the south shore of Lake Nipissing, and the other will be on the north shore of Lake Nipissing to the new Sturgeon Falls marina near the end of the Sturgeon river. If you are interested in taking part in either of these cruises... contact a bridge officer or leave an email message on our website ([www.nbpss.on.ca](http://www.nbpss.on.ca)) and we will contact you regarding dates and times.

Finally, I hope to see you and many CPS flags out on the water this summer. Have a safe and happy summer of boating.

David Blahey  
Commander North Bay Power and Sail Squadron



## \*\* BOATING SAFETY INSPECTIONS \*\*

The North Bay Power and Sail Squadron is actively participating in CPS's venture with Transport Canada whereby we offer a courtesy boat inspections to point out any shortcomings that may get you a fine if stopped on the water by an enforcement officer.

On Saturday June 9th NBPSS members gathered at the Waterfront Marina to offer free boat checks for anyone interested. If you missed that event you can contact any inspector or contact us (contact info on back page) and we'd be happy to check your boat. These inspections are free and stats collected are used strictly for safety statistics and not enforcement.



**HAVE A SAFE SEASON !! ... GET YOUR FREE COURTESY CHECK**

## 2012 GRADUATION AND CHANGE OF WATCH CEREMONY

On Sunday June 3, 2012 at Terrace Suites in Callander we held our annual Graduation & Change of Watch Ceremonies and dinner. Attendance was great, dinner scrumptious and achievements were recognized!



Graduates of the Boating Course 2011-2012 included (from left to right): Shayna Hall, Jerry Giesler, Zack Hall, Suzanne Lafontaine, Roy McMartin and missing from photo Linda & Vicky Giesler. (Instructors: George Graham & Doug Hay)

Not in attendance was our graduate of the Seamanship (Piloting) 2011-2012– Ron Shortt With 3 more candidates expected to complete (Instructors: Doug & Sandra Hay)

This years recipient of the Windsor Trophy.....  
Congrats Shayna!



**Congratulations to all our graduates!**

### 2012—2013 Bridge

(left to right) David Blahey, Michael Eady, Doug Hay, Kim Eady, George Graham, Sandra Hay, Shayna Hall, Ivan Gough, Suzanne Lafontaine, Terry Lang, Christine Brown, Dave Byrnes (absent: Rev. Grant Churcher, Anne Taylor, Paul Lalonde, Ron Shortt)



## EVENTS CALENDER



### FREE BOAT CHECKS - As requested

See front page article for details

### CHIEF COMMANDA DINNER CRUISE - Thursday August 16, 2012

See full page info packet in this newsletter for details

### SUMMER CRUISES - TBA

See Summer Message from the Commander for details for Sturgeon Falls and South River cruises.

### FALL BOATING COURSES - TBA

Please take the time to spread the word to your friends and remind them of the upcoming fall boating course. You can get 13 weeks of excellent training, your PCOC, meet some new friends and become a member of Canada's premiere boating organization for one real low price.

Also... for yourself., why not take an advanced or elective course. It's been a long time since you took your boating course hasn't it. Time for a little re-fresher??? Our course calendar has not been struck for the fall / winter yet but we are willing to put on whatever

courses that maybe requested. Please speak with our training officer or any bridge member to express interest. Remember that the more courses you have, the better your insurance rates can be.

### GEORGIAN BAY REGATTA - last week of July

For further information 519-357-1140

**HAVE AN EVENT YOU WANT TO ADD TO THE "EVENTS CALENDER"? SEND ME AN EMAIL!** slafontaine3@cogeco.ca



## CHIEF COMMANDA DINNER CRUISE

(With apologies to Zac Brown)

*“There's a place, where the boat leaves from  
It takes away all your big problems  
You got worries, you can drop them in the blue ocean  
But you gotta get away to where the boat leaves from ”*

**Where does the boat leave from?:** Kings Landing/Government Dock

**When does the boat leave?:** Thursday 16 August 6:30PM or 1830L – please be there by 6:00PM/1800L

### **Dinner Menu Selections**

A fresh seven leaf spring mix salad with choice of wild raspberry vinaigrette, or traditional balsamic dressing. Assorted breads with Brie cheese and turned butter spread or roasted garlic hummus.

1. Chicken a la Carbonara - A breaded six ounce boneless skinless chicken breast, stuffed with a creamy four cheese bacon and mushroom filling, finished with our fire roasted tomato and red pepper veloute. This entrée is served with cut herbed roasted red potato, and bacon wrapped asparagus. Or seasonal fresh vegetables.....\$70.00 per person
2. The Chop - Slow grilled maple glazed 10 ounce centre cut bone on pork chop. Finished with a smoked apple salsa, and maple au jus . This entrée is served with cut herbed roasted red potato, and bacon wrapped asparagus. Or seasonal fresh vegetable.....\$70.00 per person
3. North Bay's Finest - Lake Nipissings own renowned Pickerel, pan seared with herbed and cornmeal crust with a cherry tomato and cilantro relish. This entrée is served with cut herbed roasted red potato, and bacon wrapped asparagus. Or seasonal fresh vegetables.....\$72.00 per person
4. Rib Eye Steak - 10 ounces of Canadian Triple A, aged rib eye steak, grilled to your liking , finished with a red wine and rosemary peppercorn sauce , and Montreal smoked butter rosette. This entrée is served with cut herbed roasted red potato, and bacon wrapped asparagus. Or seasonal fresh vegetables.....\$72.00 per person

After Dinner Delight - A chocolate lovers dream . A decadent triple layered Belgium chocolate mousse cake, with fresh raspberry coulis and mint garnish.

All appetizers, entrees and desserts are already gluten free but can be modified upon request

**Reservations to Michael Eedy – 705-494-9219 or [mike\\_eedy@yahoo.ca](mailto:mike_eedy@yahoo.ca) by Tuesday 14 August  
I'm not saying you need to hurry, but there are already 3 dates in August where the dinner cruise is sold out!!**

And as Paul Harvey would say “*Now for the rest of the story*” or in this case the rest of the song..

Zac Brown Band - Where the Boat Leaves From – <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kL6Hz4ly6WI&feature=related>

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## MERIT MARKS

Merit Marks awarded at the *Graduation & Change of Watch* ceremonies on Sunday June 3, 2012. Numbers indicate the total Merit Marks they have earned:

Christine Brown	2
Kym Eedy	3
David Blahey	4
Sandra Hay	9
Rick Taylor	10
Doug Hay	11
Anne Taylor	12
Grant Churcher	14
Caven Ford	14
Michael Eedy	15
Terry Lang	15
Elizabeth Appleton	18
George Graham	18
Dave Byrnes	19
Maria Ermel	26*
Carol Gibson	28*
Don Whyte	29*
Ivan Gough	32*

### \* Life Member

The "reward" for performing a minimum of 20 hours of service to the Squadron in any manner is in the form of a Merit Mark. If someone achieves 20 Merit Marks, they become a Life Member. . Also at our graduation each year, your squadron hands out Letters of Appreciation to those members who reach a milestone of membership. Every 5 years of membership is the increment we use for these letters and they are a thank-you for your continued membership. If you missed the graduation and you are on this list, you should have received your letter with Crosschop. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.



## 2012-2013 NBPSS BRIDGE

### COMMANDER

David Blahey AP

### EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Vacant

### TRAINING OFFICER

Doug Hay AP

### SECRETARY / SUPPLY OFFICER

Kym Eedy P

### TREASURER / YACHT CLUB LIAISON

Michael Eedy P

### MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

Rev. Grant Churcher S

### PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Anne Taylor AP

### COMMUNICATION

Terry Lang AP

### MAREP

George Graham AP

### SQUADRON HISTORIAN

Ivan Gough AP

### ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Shayna Hall

### ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER /

### PAST COMMANDER

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Christine Brown

### ASSISTANT HISTORIAN

Paul Lalonde

### BOAT PRO

Ron Shortt

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**Please take a moment, logon to [www.cps-ecp.ca](http://www.cps-ecp.ca) and plenty of information will be at your fingertips.**

**Using your CPS membership identification number create/login as a member and get even more benefits. For those members who haven't logged on recently please do so and update your profile. If you have any questions please contact the NBPSS at the information listed at the top of this page.**