



### Special points of interest:

- NBPSS Christmas AGM—Thursday May 4.
- There are 10,000 metric tons of plastic enter Great Lakes every year
- NBPSS Spring/Summer course offerings
- We still offer PCOC when we get enough students. Call 705-980-0455
- Be Safe!!

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## Graduation Dinner and Change of Watch—May 13, 2017

Join us for our spot light event of the year, our Grad dinner and change of watch ceremony. The venue this year is at Average Joe's restaurant, 3501 Trout Lake Road, North Bay. Cocktails at 5:00pm followed by dinner at 6:00pm.



Please RSVP to Christine Brown ([chris@tlccnet.com](mailto:chris@tlccnet.com)) or phone (705) 497-3705 so we can give the restaurant an accurate count for seating.

We may be light on graduates this year, but an evening of comradery and a wonderful meal is always a great kick off to the boating season. We will be swearing in our new commander and bridge at the end of the evening as well as presenting our annual awards.

Hope to see you there.

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## Notice: Squadron AGM Thursday May 4, 2017



Please see the enclosed Notice of AGM and Nominating Committee report. We invite you to join us on Thursday Night, May 4th at 7:00 PM for North Bay Squadron's 57th AGM, completing our 56 years as a squadron at the Yacht Club in Callander. Snacks provided, cash bar.

All officers are reminded to type your reports and bring 3 copies to submit to the Secretary on the night of the meeting. They can be forwarded electronically ahead of time if you prefer. Dress is CPS Casual.

# Commanders Message



Anne Taylor AP  
Commander, NBPSS

Spring Message from the Commander

My term as your Commander is almost over. Working with the executive has been very interesting and has broadened my knowledge of the squadron.

This year, our winter has had many ups and downs in the temperature as well as the amount of snow. Hopefully the spring will be much better as we prepare to launch our boats for another great summer on the water. Get prepared by starting now to check your equipment and to make the needed repairs or replacements.

We are hoping to run VHF marine radio courses as well as PCOC courses every month. Please spread the word to ensure everyone is boating safely. Always check the squadron's website to see what courses are available. If you are interested in a particular course that is not listed, let us know.

The election for executive officers for next season will take place at our Annual General Meeting. Please let us know if you are interested on being on the executive. We are always looking for new executive members.

Safe Boating!

Anne Taylor AP  
Commander  
North Bay Power and Sail Squadron

## Spring Courses

Get ready to hit the water this Spring. Make sure that your family or friends have their PCOC card or their Radio Licence. We will be offering both the VHF Radio Licence course and the Pleasure Craft Operators Card (PCOC) course once a month starting in April based on interest. Have them register now by visiting the North Bay Power and Sail Squadron website, [www.nbpss.on.ca](http://www.nbpss.on.ca) or by calling 705-980-0455. *Volunteers Teaching Safe Boating.*



We are also starting the Marine Engine Maintenance course on Wednesday, April 12. It will be from 7pm to 9pm each Wednesday until completed. If you are interested, please call Rick at 705-472-7872.



## 10,000 metric tons of plastic enter Great Lakes every year

( from Sail-Worldcruising...Reprinted without Permission)

A new study by Rochester Institute of Technology that inventories and tracks high concentrations of plastic in the Great Lakes could help inform cleanup efforts and target pollution prevention. Researchers found that nearly 10,000 metric tons—or 22 million pounds—of plastic debris enter the Great Lakes every year from the United States and Canada. Matthew Hoffman, assistant professor in RIT's School of Mathematical Sciences, is the lead author of *Inventory and transport of plastic debris in the Laurentian Great Lakes,* which will run in an upcoming issue of Marine Pollution Bulletin

<http://www.sail-worldcruising.com/n/10,000-metric-tons-of-plastic-enter-Great-Lakes-every-year/150843?source=email>

Original full article here: [www.sail-worldcruising.com/150843](http://www.sail-worldcruising.com/150843)

# Notice of AGM

## North Bay Power and Sail Squadron

57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

### NOTICE OF MEETING:

To all North Bay Power and Sail Squadron Members:

<b>Date</b>	Thursday, May 4, 2017, 1900 Hrs
<b>Place</b>	North Bay Yacht Club, Callander, ON.
<b>Chairman</b>	Cdr. Anne Taylor
<b>Secretary</b>	Secy. Kym Eedy
<b>Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roll Call</li> <li>Minutes of last meeting</li> <li>Business arising out of the last minutes</li> <li>Correspondence</li> <li>Executive Officers' Reports</li> <li>Old Business</li> <li>Report of the Nominating Committee</li> <li>Elections</li> <li>New Business</li> <li>Termination</li> </ul>

The Change of Watch Ceremony and Student Graduation Dinner will be on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at Average Joe's.

Remember, all Squadron Executive Officers, you have by virtue of your pledge, an obligation to attend this meeting. Total commitment and participation are the keys to the successful operation of the North Bay Power and Sail Squadron.

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Kym Eedy, Secretary



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**57<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
Nominating Committee Report**

February 7, 2017

The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers for 2016 / 2017:

- Squadron Commander:** Christine Brown
- Executive Officer:** vacant
- Education Officer:** vacant
- Treasurer:** Michael Eedy P
- Secretary:** Kym Eedy P

The following members are also willing to serve on the Squadron Bridge. Their specific areas of responsibility are listed below.

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Membership</b>     | <b>Public Relations</b> | <b>Supply</b> |
| Rev. Grant Churcher S | Anne Taylor <u>AP</u>   | Kym Eedy P    |

**Administration**  
vacant



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Additionally, your Nominating Committee recommends the appointment or re-appointment of:

**Audit Review**  
Sandra Hay AP

**MAREP**  
George Graham AP

**Environmental**  
Doug Hay AP

**Yacht Club Liaison**  
Mike Eedy P

**E-Communications**  
Terry Lang AP

**Newsletter**  
vacant

**Officer at Large**  
Rachel Henry

**Historian**  
Ivan Gough AP

Respectfully Submitted,

Cdr Anne Taylor AP  
Chairman

Doug Hay AP

**NOTE:**

Due to an extra-ordinary situation where the immediate P/Cdr and the immediate PP/Cdr are unable to fulfil the responsibilities of the nominating committee per Squadron policies, the duties have been assumed by the next previous P/Cdr available and the current Cdr.

Any member at large is fully entitled to submit nominations for the above offices providing he/she follows the requirements laid down in Squadron Regulations, Article 12, which is quoted here for your information.

**"Article 12 – Eligibility"**

12.1 No member of this Squadron shall be eligible for election as provided in Section 11.6.1 of these Regulations at any Annual General Meeting unless nominated by the Squadron Nominating Committee or by a petition in writing signed by not less than five Members of this Squadron who (the petitioners) shall confirm the consent of their nominee to such nomination. All such nominations:

- "By the Squadron Nominating Committee, shall be filed with the Squadron Secretary at least four weeks prior to the date of the meeting at which such election shall take place, and it shall be mailed not less than 14 days before the meeting or,
- by petition, shall be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than two days prior to the date of the meeting at which such election shall take place."



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## 2016/17 NBPSS Executive

### 26 March

Voyageur District teleconference meeting

### 12 April

Engine Maintenance Course starting

### 4 May

NBPSS AGM at Yacht Club starting at 7:00pm

### 7 May

Voyageur District AGM and change of watch Sudbury (venue tba) starting at 10:00am

### 13 may

NBPSS Grad dinner and change of watch at Average Joes. Cocktails at 5:00pm, Dinner at 6:00pm

### 1 June

NBPSS Monthly Bridge Meeting at Yacht Club starting at 7:30pm

- COMMANDER  
Anne Taylor
- EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
Christine Brown
- EDUCATION OFFICER  
Doug Hay AP
- SECRETARY  
Kym Eedy P
- SUPPLY OFFICER  
Kym Eedy P
- TREASURER / YACHT CLUB LIAISON  
Michael Eedy P
- MEMBERSHIP OFFICER  
Rev. Grant Churcher S
- PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER  
Anne Taylor AP
- ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION  
Terry Lang AP
- MAREP/ENVIRONMENTAL  
George Graham AP
- SQUADRON HISTORIAN  
Ivan Gough
- ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
Lori-Ann Bush
- PAST COMMANDER  
David Blahney
- AUDIT REVIEW  
Sandra Hay
- NEWSLETTER  
Terry Lang
- ASSISTANT TRAINING OFFICER  
Andrew Bush



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