

Lets Go Cruising!

Lets support the Bridge and plan on attending some of the social get togethers that have been planned for this summer. Mark your calendar, and pray for decent boating weather.

The first cruise is to **Keystone Lodge** in French River for dinner on **Saturday July 15th**. This dinner is in conjunction with a Yacht Club cruise / race to Keystone. Cocktails are in Lodge at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30. You can

order off their menu, or have one of the specials that will be announced closer to the date. Contact Terry at 497-3705 by July 10, 2000 for further info. and to reserve your spot at the dinner table.

Keystone dock fee is waived for anyone having dinner there. The overnight dock fee is \$10 if you don't patronize the dining room. *

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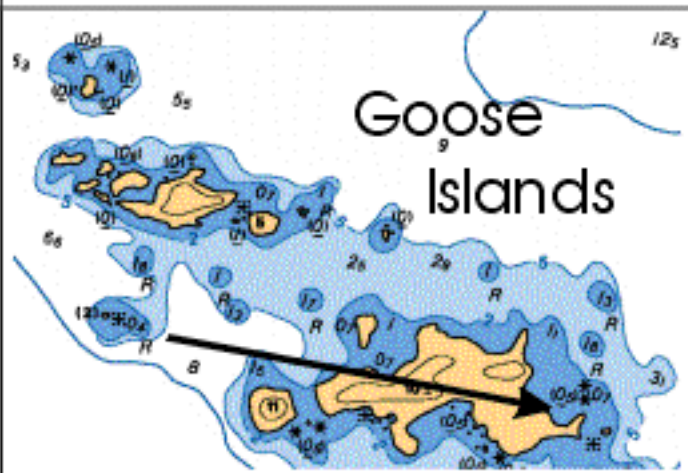
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Summer Cruise & FREE BBQ

You are invited to a "End Of Summer" Cruise/BBQ at the Goose Islands on Saturday August 19, 2000 from 15:00 until whenever we are done. If you come we will even feed you. That's right dinner is FREE for all CPS members and their families. Of course since we are providing the food, we will need to know who's coming as to purchase the correct amounts. Please bring your own liquid refreshments.

Everyone is welcome, but we are only providing dinner to CPS members and families....anyone else who wishes to join us are welcome to bring whatever they want to BBQ and they can certainly use our grills.

We were out to the Islands the other night and checked out the spot. There is a nice beach, good swimming, good anchorage, a nice sheltered bay. There will be some activities for the children. Should be a great day.



The exact locations is N46°15'09.1" W079°42'29.8". Punch that into your GPS and come on out. We will be there and on VHF Channel 68. Hail if you need assistance navigating in. If you need to moor out a bit, someone would be happy to run out and get you.

Please contact Caven Ford (752-4807) or Terry Lang (497-3705) for more information or to let us know that you are coming. *

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Come Sail the Chief

By Mike Eedy

You are invited to join us on the Chief Commanda II on Friday August 25, 2000 for the Chief's weekly French River Historical Cruise narrated by our very own Port Captain, John Size.

The chief sails at 10:30AM from North Bay Government Dock and returns at 03:30PM. The cost is \$23.50 per person, but for CPS members and their immediate family the squadron will subsidize \$5.00 off the ticket, making it only \$18.50 per person. Further group discounts are available if we get enough people.

For more information and for registration, please contact Mike Eedy (494-9219) by August 18, 2000.

Hope to see you there. 🍁



Annual General Meeting Update

By Carol Gibson

The N.B.P.S.S. 39th Annual General Meeting was held Wednesday May 03, 2000. The Bridge for 2000 - 2001 can be found on page 4 of this newsletter.

Following the meeting, Caven Ford demonstrated the use of navigation software using electronic charts of Lake Nipissing, coupled with GPS positioning information on a computer. Because the ice was just off the lake, he had plotted a course with his vehicle down Lakeshore Dr Hwy 11 S to Callander, and across Callander Bay. The accuracy was uncanny. This was an extremely interesting presentation and shows the potential of navigation software coupled with GPS. 🍁



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District Conference Update

The District AGM was held in Bracebridge on May 13, 2000. It was a joint AGM between Voyageur and Georgian-Trent Districts. Dave Burns, George Graham and Caven Ford attended the meeting only, on behalf of our Squadron. The roll was called and the minutes from the last AGM were accepted. The District Bridge officers gave their reports and the Treasurer reported on the state of the District Bridge's financial health. The Squadron Commanders gave their reports and the new bridge was presented, it consists in part of the following officers:

D/O	Gilbert Desjardins
E/O	Warren Ginson
D/T/O	Jerome Pilon
D/A/O	Marianne King-Wilson
D/Sec.	David Byrnes
D/Tres.	Horst Mattern
D/P/R/O	Frank Greathead
D/Mem.	Robert Smith

A presentation was made regarding the CPS Foundation. Squadrons can make donations to this foundation and they invest the money and use the interest to fund various CPS related projects. The new distance education site on the Internet was funded almost entirely from Foundation funds. Each squadron was urged to become members of an honor roll whereby they donate \$1.00 per registered member. Since 1983, the Foundation has returned over \$100,000.00 to CPS! 🍁

Next Bridge Meeting:
Wed. August 16, 2000 @ 17:30
At the Yacht Club in Callander



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Commanders Message:

By Caven Ford

Another fine boating season is upon us. It seems to be shaping up to be a great year to be on the water. It will be a busy summer for sure. I am looking forward to my term as Commander and hope that I can serve the Squadron well. We have a busy line-up for you this summer and I hope you will keep the various activities your Squadron has planned in mind and make the effort to attend.

We have three exciting activities planned for the summer and I hope to see you at as many as you can make. Unfortunately I will be out of town for the rendezvous at Keystone, but I will be on the Chief for the cruise and at the Goose Islands flipping burgers and dogs, so I hope to see as many members there as possible.

Hey, if you are unsure of getting to the island but are interested in going, why not let one of the bridge members know and we'll see if we can find anyone with a boat you can follow or why not swing a ride with someone you know who is going. However you get there, it promises to be a fun day for all. Have a safe summer and happy boating! 🌟

Boat Exam Challenge

By Carol Gibson

Given that the new boating regulations are in effect this summer, it was felt that we should have a high profile and offer the exam for people to challenge. We advertised "Pay if You Pass" and allowed folks to write the exam for free, and when they passed, the application cost was \$20. This turned out to be quite popular and during April May and June we were at 17 locations for people to challenge the exam. We had 450 pass (and 50 fail).

We also offer 6 hr. courses to groups and organizations who ask. This is putting a lot of stress on George and Caven who have been doing all the teaching up to now. We sincerely hope that some of our members will get involved, either in teaching, or by being at a booth while folks write the exam. We won't be doing much more in July and August, but sure need help for next Spring (and perhaps this Fall). To volunteer please call George at 752 3201 or Carol at 752 2223. (P.S. No one is asked to be at a booth by themselves, and it is a good opportunity to visit with other members).

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The Pleasure Craft Operators Card & the Age/Horsepower Restrictions

- > Firstly, the PCOC and the Age/Horsepower Restrictions are two separate acts of legislation. They are not tied to each other.
- > Eventually anyone operating a 'power driven vessel' will require a PCOC. This includes electric motors.

PCOC Rules:

- > As of September 15, 1999, all operators of pleasure craft fitted with a motor and used for recreational purposes, born after April 1, 1983, required a PCOC.
- > As of September 15, 2002, all operators of pleasure craft under 4 m in length, including personal watercraft, fitted with a motor and used for recreational purposes will require a PCOC.
- > As of September 15, 2009, all operators of pleasure craft fitted with a motor and used for recreational purposes will require a PCOC.

Age/Horsepower Restrictions, as of April 1, 1999:

- > Under 12 years of age, and not directly supervised, can operate a vessel with no more than 10 hp.
- > Between 12 years of age and under 16 years of age and not directly supervised, can operate a vessel with no more than 40 hp.
- > No person under 16 years of age may operate a Personal Water Craft.
- > There are no power restrictions for anyone 16 years of age and over.

Note that directly supervised means accompanied and directly supervised by a person 16 years of age or older.

This means that even with a PCOC anyone under 16 cannot operate a PWC. If this son/daughter/other youngster is operating the boat and age/hp. restrictions apply you better be beside the youngster.

Even with a valid PCOC the age/horsepower restrictions STILL APPLY. It is essential that everyone understand that the PCOC and Age/Horsepower Restrictions are two separate issues and the two matters are NOT tied together. 🌟

Graduation Dinner/Change of Watch Ceremony

By Carol Gibson

This year the Bridge decided to have a different venue for the Graduation, Change of Watch Ceremonies. The event was held in the upstairs room at the North Bay Yacht Club. It was a beautiful setting, as the sail boats had just been launched the previous day, and the storm clouds that had been hanging around all afternoon, cleared away just before dinner. The dinner was catered by Jen's Kitchen, and was delicious. Thanks to Bill Simkins for bartending.

TROPHY WINNERS

Windsor Trophy was presented by Doris Windsor in memory of her husband and daughter to best student in Boating Class. Criteria for judging is: class attendance, class participation, overall mark. This years winner was Ken Cork. The class valedictorian was Nancy Graham-Cork. Nancy brought a boutonniere, and a delicious looking desert for her Teacher.

George Graham was the winner of Shwartz trophy for the best mark in Advanced Piloting.

The Hickson Trophy was presented by John Size to a very surprised Terry Lang. The awarding of this trophy is decided by past recipients, and is given to the person who is judged to have given "above and beyond" for the Squadron.

Congratulations to all trophy winners and welcome all new graduates.

Boating Graduates 1999 - 2000

Kenneth Cork
Nancy Graham-Cork
William Krebs
Sherry Laporte
Larry Larmand
John Keeping
Kevin Morphet
Kelly Uren

AP GRADUATES

George Graham
Terry Lang
Brenda Walsh

MERIT MARKS - 1999

Bill Bates	1	George Graham	6
Remi Bellehumeur	1	Dave Byrnes	7
Grant Churcher	2	Armand Despres	8
Caven Ford	2	Heinz Schlueting	9
Bill Simkins	2	Maria Ermel	14
Michael Eedy	3	Carol Gibson	17
Terry Lang	3	Don Whyte	17
Ann Oswald	4	Ivan Gough	20
		John Size	38



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