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# Spring Message from the Commander



Today as I look out my window it seems as though Winter is doing it's best at hanging on for the benefit of the skiers, snowmobilers, ice fishermen and other outdoor winter enthusiast. Surely big changes will be happening soon as the opening of the boating season for the North Bay marina is less than 6 weeks away, May 4<sup>th</sup>. I remember this date as it is also the date that my beautiful daughter, Kimberly, has chosen for her wedding day. You will of course understand if my boat is not launched until the following weekend this year.

Other important dates on the horizon are, May 2<sup>nd</sup> ...This is your squadron's Annual General Meeting (AGM) ...which begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Yacht Club in Callander. All squadron members, and guests, are invited to attend to hear the annual officers' reports and to help with the election of the new bridge officers.

Following this comes the May 11<sup>th</sup> Graduation Dinner and Ceremonies which will be held at the Terrace Suites overlooking Callander Bay. Come out and join us for some social fun, a good meal, and to celebrate the swearing in of the new Bridge as well as to recognize the accomplishments of our newest graduates and squadron members.

While I have your attention I would like to ask you to go to the CPS website <u>www.cps-ecp.ca</u> and log in to update your member profile. Many members have never visited this valuable site and for many more it has been a long time since their last visit. As you are doing this you are also able to express any interest you may have in taking part in bridge of squadron activities.

Finally, my last comments concern the upcoming summer water levels on Lake Nipissing. By now you have probably heard about the Okikendawt Hydro Electric project occurring on the French River system. Hydro has been negotiating with the MNR and PWGS (federal government) to have the lake level lowered to 195.75 m effective July 15 for the balance of the season. The purpose is to construct an upstream coffer dam in front of the new Okikendawt dam. This should raise some deep concerns for all users, commercial and recreational, as 195.75m is the minimum rule curve for the summer season. I am sure we will hear more about this project as the target date approaches. For more information go to www.okikendawthydro.com

Remember this is the CPS 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and again I invite you join us in some of our social events as we celebrate 75 years of teaching safe boating.

Yours truly, David Blahey Commander North Bay Power and Sail Squadron

## A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINE AND TERRY LANG ON THEIR RECENT NUPTUALS!



THE MEMBERS OF THE NBPSS WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ONLY THE BEST ON YOUR NEW ADVENTURE..... THE REST OF YOUR LIVES!

HEALTH...LOVE...HAPPINESS... AND BOATING!

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	Student Graduation Dinner L Change of Watch Ceremony				
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Come out support our new graduates, have a fantastic dinner and meet the new Bridge!				
****	Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Terrace Suites 6:00p Cocktails, 7:00pm Dinner \$35.00/person				
****	For tickets contact: Shayna Hall 705-471-8024 or shaynahall@yahoo.com				
	North Bay Power and Sail Squadron 53nd Annual General Meeting				
To all North E	Bay Power and Sail Squadron Members:				
Date Place	Thursday May 2, 2013, 1900 Hrs North Bay Yacht Club, Callander, ON.				
Chairman Secretary	Cdr. Dave Blahey Secy. Kym Eedy				
Agenda	Roll Call Minutes of last meeting Business arising out of the last minutes. Correspondence Bridge Officers' Reports Old Business Report of the Nominating Committee Elections New Business Termination				
The Change of Watch Ceremony and Student Graduation Dinner will be on Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Terrace Suites.					
Remember, all Squadron Bridge 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.					
Kym Eedy, S	ecretary				

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	NORTH BAY POWER and SAIL SQUADRON 53 <sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting Nominating Committee Report Mar 7, 2013					
	The Squadron Nominati 2013 / 2014:	ing Committee nominates the Squadron Commander: Executive Officer: Training Officer: Treasurer: Secretary:	following Members for election David Blahey AP Ron Shortt P Doug Hay AP Michael Eedy P Shayna Hall	as Squadron Officers for		
	The following members are listed below.	are also willing to serve on th	e Squadron Bridge. Their spec	cific areas of responsibility		
	Membership Environment	Public Relations	Supply	MAREP/		
	Rev. Grant Churcher S	Anne Taylor <u>AP</u>	Kym Eedy P	George Graham		
	Boat Pro Christine Brown	Assistant Training Christine Brown	Administration vacant			
	Additionally, your Nomir Audit Review Sandra Hay AP	nating Committee recommend Historian Graham Casselmar	ds the appointment or re-appoin Yacht Club Liaiso Mike Eedy P			
	E-Communications Terry Lang <u>AP</u>					
	Respectfully Submitted,					
	PP/Cdr Doug Hay AP Chairman	Cdr David Blahey	AP			
	original signed	original signed				
	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 nomi- nated 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 con- firm 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."					
MAY 18 - 24 NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK A GREAT WAY TO BRING BOATING SAFETY TO THE PUBLICMAKE THE WATERWAYS SAFER FOR EVERYONE AND HELP DECREASE FATALITIES						
	* Wear your life jacket * Don't drink and drive * Take a boating course * Be prepared *Beware of cold water risks					

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER Vacant

TRAINING OFFICER Doug Hay <u>AP</u>

SECRETARY / SUPPLY OFFI-CER Kym Eedy <u>P</u>

TREASURER / YACHT CLUB LIAISON Michael Eedy <u>P</u>

MEMBERSHIP OFFICER Rev. Grant Churcher S

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFI-CER Anne Taylor AP

> COMMUNICATION Terry Lang <u>AP</u>

> MAREP George Graham <u>AP</u>

SQUADRON HISTORIAN Ivan Gough <u>AP</u>

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER Shayna Hall

ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER / PAST COMMANDER vacant

> AUDIT REVIEW Sandra Hay

**NEWSLETTER** Suzanne Lafontaine

ASSISTANT TRAINING OFFI-CER Christine Brown

> ASSISTANT HISTORIAN Paul Lalonde

> > BOAT PRO Ron Shortt

# **EVENTS CALENDAR**

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SEND YOUR EVENT DETAILS TO: slafontaine3@cogeco.ca

May 2 - NBPSS Annual General Meeting Callandar Yacht Club - 7:00pm

May 4 - Lake Nipissing North Bay Marina launch

May 11 - Boating Students Graduation Ceremony and Dinner - Terrace Suites Callander - 6:00pm May 18 - 24 - National Safe Boating Week

Apr 21 - CPS District Mtg. - Margaret Lougheed Centre Sudbury - 10:30am

May 24-26 - CPS District AGM (Sudbury 50 Anniversary) - details to follow

July 15 - Lake Nipissing lake level to 195.75