

# The Yardarm



Bay of Quinte Squadron, Quinte District

~ Celebrating **60** years ~ 1954-2014

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#### Dinner/Dance/Silent Auction

Come out and celebrate the milestone of 60 years of the Bay of Quinte Squadron. Don't forget, if you know someone who may have been a member and who might like to attend, please pass on the information to them. Full details on page 10.

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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE -DONNY MARACLE CN

Finally...I see signs that Spring may be coming! The Vernal Equinox has passed, the Sun is now in the Northern Hemisphere and the days are getting longer.

Telegraph Narrows under the bridge at Highway 49 is open (albeit only a little bit), Blue Jays, Downy Woodpeckers and Robins can be seen, CPS classes are winding down and your Bridge is preparing for Graduation and the Annual General Meeting...and people are actually talking about getting their boats ready!

Now would be the perfect time to review what you did and didn't do during Winterizing the boat and prepare a list of things to do to prepare for the coming season...things like checking all through-hull petcocks and plumbing, engine, drives(s) and props, lines and rodes, operating all switches a few times, checking all bulbs (especially navigation lights), washing and waxing the hull and all exterior surfaces and most importantly inspecting all safety gear condition!

The list can go on and on, depending on the boat and your intended use of it. A good place to start is to consult the Service Manual(s) of all systems and equipment aboard. This is time well spent now so we may enjoy long, happy and safe hours aboard during the season.

We would like to thank the hearty souls who diligently trekked to Loyalist College to spend time with the Instructors and Proctors during the Courses. It is because of the membership in CPS that this Squadron has existed for the past 60 years.

Speaking of 60 years, we hope that you can join us on Saturday, April 26 for the celebratory Dinner and Dance of this milestone at the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club. Enjoy this edition of the Yardarm, have fun preparing the boat...and don't forget (like me, on

I look forward to seeing you at the Dinner and Dance, Graduation/AGM and on the water.

Donny Maracle CN
Squadron Commander

occasion) to put the stern plug in!

## The CPS FOUNDATION

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District Commander - Dale Holland

The following article was submitted by Dale in lieu of a report.





The CPS Foundation came into being in 1975, and since its inception has played a very important part in helping CPS-ECP attain its goals. Over the years, the Squadrons and Districts have shown their support for the Foundation by donating funds to its programs, and along with the individual members who contribute, have helped the reserve fund grow to close to \$900,000. This past year, the Foundation was able to donate back to CPS-ECP \$42,000, and still keep the fund growing. A complete list of the various projects the Foundation have helped fund, can be found on our Website. Though most funding has been for help in the Training area, Membership requirements have been met, and recently in commemoration of our 75th Anniversary, the small flags that were distributed came with Foundation

Many changes have taken place over the years, in the way CPS-ECP presents its courses, and serves its members and the public. Keeping up with technology and developing and providing high quality materials has proven to be very costly and time consuming. Our great volunteer group continues to meet the challenges but the financial demands are sometimes beyond what is available, and the Foundation has enabled some important projects to move forward, which otherwise would not have been possible.

The Squadron support has been really appreciated, and their contributions to the Honor Roll have been notable. Our new category, the Gold Honor Roll; is a onetime \$10.00 per member donation. Several Squadrons and one District have shown their support. The Memorial Log has also been the recipient of funds donated in memory of members who have passed away, and we would like to see donations to recognize happy events as well. A few of these have been received and we hope to see a growth in this area.

The advent of new technologies available to the boating public does not mean that good quality education is not needed. In fact more effort is required to get our message of safe and enjoyable boating to people who may not realize this. CPS-ECP can rely on the Foundation to work together to make our waterways the safe and happy place to enjoy boating, as we have over the past 75 years. We do need the membership, Squadrons' and Districts' continued help in this endeavour, to help our Fund grow, so that the interest earned can be given back in even greater amounts.

John Hinksman Chair CPS Foundation 1320 Lakeshore Rd. West, Oakville, ON L6L 1G2 905 465 1262 jhinksman@aol.com

Safe Boating Week Key Messages

Wear Your Lifejacket

Don't Drink and Boat

Take a Boating Skills
Course

Beware of Cold Water Risks

Be Prepared







#### May 17-23, 2014

Celebrate 'Safety on the Water' during Safe Boating Awareness Week. Watch for displays, newspaper articles, radio spots, and more in your community as CPS gears up to ensure recreational boaters are equipped with the information they need to enjoy their boating pursuits. In keeping with its educational goals, CPS strives to ensure that all Canadians who head out on the water do so well informed to have a safe day.

The Red Cross of Quinte & the Bay of Quinte Squadron are helping boaters prepare for on the water or onboard emergencies with Basic Marine First Aid Courses (as per Transport Canada requirements). See page 11 for more info.

Contact Tina Pennacchio at:

public-relations@bayofquinte.org or Tina.Pennacchio@redcross.ca 613-966-0730 ext 113

# ~ SOCIAL REPORT ~ 60th Anniversary Events - 1954-2014 ~



Social Report - Sandy Gill, Social/Membership Officer

#### NEW 60TH ANNIVERSARY SQUADRON

**PENNANTS** ~ New 60th Anniversary Squadron Burgees are now available for sale. Each was hand made by Rosemary Quibell and her sewing crew. They are \$25.00 each and can be ordered by contacting Sandy at (613-966-5524 or social@bayofquinte.org



**CPS Flags** are also available for sale: \$16 (sm); \$20(lrge)

#### **SQUADRON DIRECTORY**

In conjunction with the squadron's 60th Anniversary, we published an updated Squadron Directory. Most of you will have had yours hand delivered by now. Out of town members will be receiving theirs in the mail shortly. We hope you will find it useful for keeping in touch with other members. Many thanks go out to Dennis Gill who spent many, many hours compiling the information and setting up the ads and history. Also thank you to Don Quibell for arranging all of the advertising and hand delivery of the directories and to Rosemary Quibell for addressing envelopes and mailing the balance.

#### **POSTAGE RATES**

As we all know, the postage rates are set to increase substantially on the 1st of April. We are therefore asking all those who now get the Yardarm and notices by mail to advise us of your email address so that we can reduce our mailing costs. By switching to email, you will also receive the most up-to-date information and are not limited to the production schedule of the Yardarm. Of course, if you do not have email, we will continue to mail your Yardarm. It is also important to keep me updated with any changes to your email address and mailing addresses.

#### LASAGNA DINNER

Once again, the Lasagna Dinner was a huge success. I would like to thank all those who attended and hope you enjoyed the evening. I would like to thank my loyal crew, Dennis Gill, Layne and Julie Butler, Sue Jordan, Bob, Joanne and Courtney Skelsey, John and Joan Boor and Joan's granddaughter Kyla. I couldn't do it without them.

A Chef, A Commander...



...and a well-fed crew



# **Speakers Night**



In mid February, Jennifer Lyons from Prince Edward County Museums gave an excellent presentation on the shipwrecks around the Quinte waters. It was very well attended and quite informative. A special thank you to Jennifer and all who attended.

## Bay of Quinte Squadron Bridge ~ 2013 - 2014

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VHF MARITIME RADIO COURSE ROC(M) / DSC- April 28th & 30th, Mon. & Wed. Loyalist College, Time 1900 to 2130 (7pm to 9:30pm)



The Maritime Radio course teaches emergency radio procedures and everyday operating techniques. Learn all about the uses of marine radios, choice of frequencies, operation, phonetic alphabet, procedural words and phrases, as well as Digital Selective Calling and the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System, (DSC/GMDSS). All mariners, including recreational boaters, will want to take advantage of the many features and capabilities of this innovative form of "automatic" radio. Secure your lifeline. Be sure that you and your family take the Maritime Radio course. This complete package with CD, and the new Digital Selective Calling, will prepare you for the Restricted Operator Certificate (Maritime) with DSC Endorsement exam. To operate a maritime radio, you need the certificate. It's the law! MEMBERS \$60.00 / NON-MEMBERS \$65.00

\*There is a penalty of up to \$5000.00 for operating a marine radio without a ROC. To register go to www.bayofquinte.org or call Don at: 613-966-9051

#### ~ TRAINING REPORT ~



Classes are moving on with **Boating Essentials** having written on March 11th.

Three students have written and passed so far, and one wrote prior to the exam date also passed. There was another writing on March 25th and another student yet to sit for the exam at a later date. David Burtt AP taught the **Boating Essentials** course so thank you David. **Seamanship** students will be ready to write by mid-April and we wish the three dedicated participants good luck.

Thanks to Instructors Bob Skelsey SN,

Jim McKenna AP, and Proctor Kathy Graham AP.

David's anchor demo

The **Boat and Engine Maintenance** course will soon be completed and students should be ready to write their exams in a few weeks. Good luck to all students and thanks to Cdr. Donny Maracle CN and Nathan Bresett for their efforts in that popular course.

The **Boat & RV Show** was probably the biggest show yet but was less rewarding for us. We helped a lot of people who had lost PCOC cards and in some cases these lost cards were from another course provider. The people requesting the three day course were too few to have a class, however all were contacted and provided with alternatives. Thanks to the members who stopped by to say hello.

This winter has been a long one and may not be over yet for those down east. Keep your hopes up as soon it will be lift in. Let's hope the water is much softer then it is now. Practice safe boating and fly the flag proudly for our **Squadron's 60th Anniversary** this summer.

Please note I'm coordinating a **Sailpast** in September and could use some help organizing this event. We'd like to have at least 60 boats

and we have invited Bay of Quinte Yacht Club members to join in, as well as RCAF and Prince Edward Yacht Clubs. Get your pennants from Sandy while they last. Have a safe and enjoyable summer

and hope to see you on the water or at Tip of the Bay Marina. P/Cdr. Don Quibell AP,

**Acting Training Officer** 



# Bay of Quinte Squadron, a little history celebrating 60 years.

The National Organization Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons was formed in 1938 and celebrated 75 years of existence in 2013. Bay of Quinte Squadron is celebrating 60 years of teaching "Safe Boating Through Education" in 2014. Our Squadron received it's Charter on March 30th, 1954. P/Cdr. Ian Morch was the first Commander of the Squadron which presently has close to 400 members, making it the largest in Quinte District.

Through the years, Bay of Quinte Squadron has served Quinte and surrounding areas. It was not uncommon from the early 1980's up to 2001 to offer two Boating classes per year with an average number of students per class being 40 plus. In the past 60 years, hundreds of people have had some type of boating safety courses with our Squadron. The introduction of the Pleasure Craft Operator Card in 1999 seriously affected the original Boating Course. Some safety and serious minded boaters still have opted to take time to learn more than is provided by obtaining the PCOC. The training program is offered in September and January. We offer various courses to suit the needs of the local boaters. The Basic Boating and the follow up Boating Essentials are always offered in each semester. Persons holding a Pleasure Craft Operator's Card from any other source other than CPS may enroll in the follow up course Boating Essentials. Boating Essentials contains a multitude of information to keep you and your family safe while enjoying boating.



## PREPARE TO LAUNCH ~ SPRING CHECKLIST

#### General

- Clean hull, deck & topsides using a mild detergent
- Clear & secure drains & scuppers
- Put on a good coat of wax
- Clean & polish metal with a good metal polish
- Clean & oil teak
- Clean windows hatches
- Clean canvas, bimini & dodger
- Clean interior including bilges
- Check spare parts & tools & replace as necessary
- Make sure registration is current & onboard
- Make sure your have your PCOC
- Check & replace wiper blades if necessary
- Inspect dock & anchor lines for chafing
- Update or replace old charts, waterway guides
- Review your boat insurance policy & update

# Required & Recommended Equipment – Inspect & Replace if Necessary

- Sound signaling device
- Distress signals, flares & expiry dates
- PFDs, Life Rings, Throwing lines
- Recharge Fire extinguishers if necessary
- Compass & adjustment
- Batteries (smoke & CO detectors, flasjlights)
- Navigation lights
- Charts
- Radar reflector
- First Aid supplies
- Bailer & hand Pump

#### Hull

- Repair any hull abrasions, scratches, gouges, etc.
- Check & replace zincs
- Check & refinish any blisters
- Check rub rails, swim platform, ladders
- Check swim platform and/or ladder
- Inspect & test trim tabs
- Check shaft, cutlass bearing, strut &prop
- Check rudder & fittings
- Touch up or replace antifouling paint

#### **Deck, Fittings, Safety Equipment**

- Check stanchion, pulpits & lifelines for integrity
- Check ground tackle, lines, fenders, etc.
- Check chainplates & cleats
- Check hull/deck joint
- Check deck, windows, & lights for leaks
- Inspect & lubricate anchor windlass
- Clean & grease winches
- Check & lubricate blocks, pad eyes, etc.
- Check dinghy, & life raft

#### **Below Decks**

- Check, test & lubricate seacocks
- Check condition of hoses & clamps
- Ensure waterline hoses double clamped

- Check bilge pumps for auto & manual operation
- Check for oil in bilges
- Check limber holes & ensure no debris

#### **Electrical System and Components**

- Check battery water level
- Check/recharge batteries
- Check terminals for corrosion, clean & lubricate
- Check bonding system
- Inspect all wiring for wear & chafe
- Test all gauges for operability
- Check shore power & charger
- Check for spare fuses
- Check all lighting fixtures (including nav. lights)
- Ensure spare bulbs
- Check all electronics for proper operation
- Inspect antennas

#### **General Engines and Fuel Systems**

- Inspect fuel lines, fill & vent hoses, for softness, brittleness or cracking
- Check joints for leaks & ensure all lines are well supported with non-combustible clips or straps with smooth edges
- Inspect fuel tanks, pumps & filters for leaks.
   Clamps should be snug & rust free. Clean fuel filters
- Inspect cooling hoses & fittings for stiffness, rot, leaks or cracks. Ensure snug, double-clamped
- Every few years, remove & inspect exhaust manifold for corrosion
- Clean & tighten electrical connections, especially both ends of battery cables. Wire-brush battery terminals, fill cells with distilled water
- Inspect bilge blower hose for leaks

#### Inboard Engine(s)

- Change oil & filters have spare onboard
- Check & change fuel filters have spares onboard
- Check and change engine zincs
- Check cooling system, change coolant as necessary - have extra onboard
- Record engine maintenance log, especially date & hours of last oil changes
- Check belts for tension
- Check transmission fluid
- Check & clean backfire flame arrestor
- Check impeller
- Check & clean water strainer, check bilge blower
- Check bilge blower

## **Outboard Engine(s)**

- Replace spark plugs, check wires for wear
- Check prop for nicks & bends
- Change/fill gear lube
- Inspect fuel lines, primer bulb, tank for leaks

## ~ SPRING CHECKLIST...cont'd

#### **Outboard Engine(s)**

- Replace spark plugs, check wires for wear
- Check prop for nicks & bends
- Change/fill gear lube
- Inspect fuel lines, primer bulb, tank for leaks
- Lubricate & spray moveable parts
- Inspect rubber outdrive bellows (esp. in folds) for cracked, dried, deteriorated spots & replace
- Check power steering & power trim oil levels.
   Replace worn-out zincs
- Inspect outer jacket of control cables. Cracks or swelling indicate corrosion so replace cable

#### **Mast and Rigging**

- Check mast and spreaders for corrosion or damage
- Inspect spreader boots & shrouds
- Inspect rivets & screw connections for corrosion
- Check reefing points & reefing gear
- Clean sail track
- Check rigging, turnbuckles, pins for wear/corrosion
- Inspect stays for fraying & "fish hooks"
- Check forestay & backstay connections
- Check masthead fitting & pulleys
- Check & lubricate roller furling
- Check halyards; consider replacing or swapping end for end
- Tape turnbuckles, cotter pins, & spreaders
- Re-caulk through-deck chainplates as necessary

#### Galley

- Fill propane tank, check electric & manual valves & storage box vent
- Check, clean & freshen fridge, operate on AC & DC

- Clean stove, all burners & oven working
- Check microwave, if fitted

#### **Head System**

- Checked for smooth operation lubricate & clean, have treatments/chemicals on hand
- Y-valve operation checked, valve labeled & secured

#### **Water System**

- Flush water tank, Check water system for leaks
- Check hot water tank on both AC & engines
- Check for tank cap keys on board
- Check & clean shower sump pump screens

#### Sails

- Check general condition; Look for wear & chafing
- Check battens & batten pockets
- Check all sail attachments
- Inspect bolt rope
- Inspect stitching

#### **Trailer**

- Check for current registration
- Check rollers & pads
- Check & lubricate wheel bearings
- Clean & lubricate winch
- Lubricate tongue jack & wheel
- Test lights & electrical connections
- Check tire (&spare) pressure & condition
- Check brakes (if equipped)
- Check safety chains
- Check tongue lock
- Inspect frame for rust & sand/paint as required

# To: The Members, Bay Of Quinte Canadian Power & Sail Squadron NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting the Bay of Quinte CPS Squadron will be held at the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club, on Thursday May 15, 2014 at 1900 (7:00pm), for the purpose of:

- (a) Receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Reports of the Officers of the Squadron
- (b) Receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron for the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2014, and the Report of the Squadron Auditor thereon
- (c) Electing the Officers of the Squadron
- (d) Appointing the Squadron Auditor
- (e) Considering such further and other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

The Report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is attached to, and forms part of, this Notice. Under Squadron Regulations 12.1 any further nominations must be made by way of a petition, in writing, signed by not less than 5 Members of this Squadron who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

DATED this 25th Day of March, 2014.

Terri Maracle, Squadron Secretary

# REPORT OF SQUADRON NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### To: The Members of the Bay of Quinte Canadian Power & Sail Squadron March 25, 2014

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers for 2014/2015

Commander (Cdr) Donny Maracle CN, Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, ON

Executive Officer (Lt/C) Kathy Graham AP, Stirling, ON

Administrative Officer (Lt/C) Dave Burtt AP, Plainfield, ON

Acting Training Officer (Lt/C) Don Quibell AP, Belleville, ON

Secretary (1st/Lt) **Terri Maracle**, Tyendinaga Mohawk Territory, ON

Treasurer (1st/Lt) Jill Dennis Raycroft, Corbyville ON

Public Relations Officer Tina Pennachio, Belleville ON

MAREP (Hydrographic) Officer (1st/Lt) John Bowlby, Carrying Place, ON

Membership Officer (1st/Lt) Sandy Gill, Belleville, On

Past Commander (P/Cdr) Bob Skelsey SN, Corbyville ON

2. The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers, with the rank of First Lieutenant, who, if elected, will have the duties indicated next to their names assigned to them by the squadron Executive Committee pursuant to Squadron Regulation 6.2.1 (d):

Assistant Training Officer Jim McKenna AP, Foxboro ON
Assistant Training Officer John Bowlby, Carrying Place, ON
Editor & Publications Officer Susan Rollinson, Belleville ON
Squadron Historian Bob Skelsey SN, Corbyville ON
Yardarm Mailing Dave & Mary Newland, Belleville ON
Communications Bernie Wilcox

Social & Regalia Sandy Gill, Belleville, ON

- 3.The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following Member for appointment by the Members as Auditor of the Squadron:

  Marg Sykes, Belleville ON
- 4. For appointment in accordance with Section 9.15 to the Nominating committee, by virtue of their service:

Chair Bob Skelsey SN

Member Donny Maracle CN

Member Dave Burtt AP

"No member shall be eligible for election at any Annual General Meeting of the Squadron unless nominated by the Squadron Nominating Committee or by a petition in writing signed by no less than five members, who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to such nomination. All such nominations 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 will be made."

Respectfully Submitted,

P/Cdr Bob Skelsey SN Cdr Donny Maracle CN P/Cdr David Burtt AP

#### **OUR THOUGHTS**

Special thoughts go out to our members, and their families, who may be experiencing poor health due to surgery, cancer treatments, and other disabilities or illnesses. With respect, no names are mentioned and we hope that the coming year will bring great improvement in your health. Our thoughts also go out to those who have lost loved ones and are healing.



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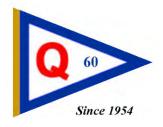
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# CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE BAY OF QUINTE SQUADRON'S

60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY DINNER AND DANCE

AT THE BAY OF QUINTE YACHT CLUB, VICTORIA PARK, BELLEVILLE

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014

COCKTAILS – 1800 (6 pm) DINNER – 1900 (7 pm) DANCE – 2100 (9 pm)

SILENT AUCTION (throughout the evening)

MENU
Salad
Roast Beef
Mashed Potatoes
Vegetables
Dessert

TICKETS \$30.00 EACH

FOR TICKETS AND FURTHER INFORMATION CALL SANDY GILL 613-966-5524 or email - densangill@yahoo.ca

LAST DATE FOR TICKETS – APRIL 18, 2014

All Members and Guests welcome





# **SAFE BOATING WEEK** MAY 17-23, 2014

The Red Cross of Quinte and the Bay of Quinte Squadron are helping boaters prepare for on the water or onboard emergencies with Basic Marine First Aid Courses (as per Transport Canada requirements).

It is especially important to have "all hands on deck" when there is a first aid situation on a boat because EMS or Coast Guard response times on water may not be as quick as on land.

# **Basic Marine First Aid Training**

**DATE:** May 21 - 22, 2014

**TIME:** 9-5 pm

**LOCATION:** Bay of Quinte Yacht Club (BQYC)

COST: \$140 for members CONTACT: Tina Pennacchio

public-relations@bayofquinte.org or

Tina.Pennacchio@redcross.ca

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Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons 1-888-CPS-BOAT www.boatingcourses.ca



# **RECREATION VESSEL COURTESY CHECK**

Prepare for your boating season by getting a FREE Courtesy Check from Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons (CPS) and get your safety inspection sticker.

CPS, working in partnership with Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety, will help ensure that you and your family have an enjoyable and safe summer on the water.

Get a Courtesy Check from a CPS Boating Safety Specialist at your marina or launch ramp and verify that you have all the required safety equipment on board.

For more information go to www.cpsboat.ca

In the Bay of Quinte Region, please contact Safe Boating Specialist, Kathy Graham, AP for your FREE Courtesy Check at:

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