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A UNIT OF CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS

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IMPORTANT DATES

Bridge Meetings are held the third Monday of each non-boating month. All members are welcome - contact a Bridge member for location.

- April 24 Graduation and Members Party — 1900 Granite Brewery — Eglinton/Mnt. Pleasant
- May 3 York West District — Annual General Meeting — 1830 Holiday Inn Select , Brampton
- May 7 Marine Radio Classes — Forest Hill Collegiate — 1900 FULL see website for next dates
- May 24 Toronto Squadron — Annual General Meeting — 1900 Toronto Sailing and Canoe Club

FOR ALL IMPORTANT EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES REFER TO THE WEBSITE www.torontopowersquadron.org

Commander's Report

This is my first newsletter report, albeit overdue, as the Commander of the Toronto Squadron. What stood out for me most notably of CPS and this squadron in particular, is the renewing member's devotion to the organization. You are a proud group who thrive on the commitment and pure enjoyment of responsible boating. Being part of this tradition enhances the boating experience for you, your family and friends . We have been receiving emails and phone calls from members requesting additional regalia to stay connected. I even sent a Canadian flag along with replacement pennants to one of our members boating in Florida.

At a time when member retention and participation is lighter than we would like, the needs are no greater now for you to stay involved. So at the outset of my term I borrowed the phrase "*moving forward*" in emphasising our approach to strengthening the membership as well as encouraging you to become more active. Keep in mind that any amount of time spent for the squadron is a good way to earn merit mark toward becoming a lifetime member.

Although the Bridge remains light in numbers we have been fortunate that the response from our core instructors and contributors remains strong. The tireless efforts of Tony Cook as STO saw us through a year of increased Boating Grads and new course offerings. Special mention must go out to Humphrey Carter who acted as Boating Chair and once again orchestrated a successful term. Excellence within the organization has also been felt by our past instructors and Bridge members who taught and volunteered their time. Thank you all for your efforts.

As summer approaches and launch is at hand, I look forward to boating . We are again planning some social functions. An evening with new grads and instructors April 24th (see important dates) as well as a June rendezvous which will be announced in the weeks to come. This year the plan is to join in on a Toronto Harbour cruise. Please watch for announcements on the web-site I wish every member of Toronto squadron a safe boating season. See you on the water.

Cdr Randall Boccia P



TORONTO POWER & SAIL SQUADRON



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Toronto Power & Sail Squadron will be held at the Toronto Sailing and Canoe Club, 1391 Lakeshore Blvd. W on Thursday May 24, 2007 at 1900.

This meeting is for the purpose of:

- 1) Receiving, and if thought fit, approving the reports of the Officers of the Squadron.
- 2) Receiving, and if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron.
- 3) Electing such Officers referred to in Article 9.1 of the Squadron Regulations, as in the opinion of the Squadron Executive Committee are necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Squadron during the ensuing year.

A copy of the report of the Nominating Committee follows this Notice as "Schedule A" and forms a part thereof.

- 4) Appointing such Officers as in the opinion of the Squadron Executive Committee are necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Squadron during the ensuing year.
- 5) Appointing an Auditor for the Squadron year 2006 - 2007.
- 6) Considering such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.
- 7) Presenting merit marks and other awards

DATED At Toronto this 15th day of April 2007. By order of the Executive Committee.

Randall Boccia, Commander

Robert Robertson, Treasurer

Report of the Nominating Committee

SCHEDULE 'A'

April 4, 2007

To: Commander Susan Cameron

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE - 2007

In accordance with Article 9, Section 9.1 of the *Toronto Power and Sail Squadron Regulations*, the Nominating Committee recommends the following people for election to the offices indicated for the year 2005-2006. All nominees have signified their willingness to accept the position, if elected.

Commander	Cdr Randall Boccia
Executive Officer	
Public Relations Officer	Lt Barry McQuillan
Training Officer	R/C Tony Cook
Treasurer	Lt Bob Robertson
Secretary	
Communications Officer	
Training Administration Officer	
Assistant Training Officer	
Social /Administration Officer	
Auditors	P/C Tanya Abolins, APS
	Lt Craig Haley
Commander's Aide	
Past Commander	P/Cdr Sue Cameron

Toronto Power & Sail Squadron Regulations, Article 12, Section 12.1:

"No member 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 the Squadron, who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to such nomination.

All such nominations.

(A) 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 election shall take place.

(B) 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."

Respectfully submitted,

SQUADRON NOMINATING COMMITTEE, TORONTO POWER & SAIL SQUADRON

Cdr. Randall Boccia

P/C Sue Cameron

P/C David Agnew

Conference 2006

The annual National Conference of CPS is always bustling with things to do and this year's conference, held in Vancouver, was no exception. The usual necessary meetings took place: AGM, Training, Commanders, and Governing Board to name a few. The Training Department is working on bringing the types of courses on stream that interest our members and the general public – including lots more on electronics.

Our National Executive was elected at the AGM; and, Governing Board carried out administrative business as necessary. The Commanders' meeting was well attended and gave some insight on how to help run an effective Squadron and training year. Check the CPS website in the near future for minutes if you wish to learn the details.

The conference is not just a series of meetings....oh, no! There's lots of fun as well. We boaters do like to have a good party!

Tours, arranged by the Conference Committee, were the first thing on the agenda. What an impressive sight to see downtown Vancouver, Vancouver North and Stanley Park from the tour boat while cruising Burrard Inlet. Even though it was the usual

grey day, it was spectacular!

The theme for the Friday evening dinner/dance was Margaritaville and most guests wore as outrageously as possible costumes suited to the theme – many with parrots on their hats and flip-flops on their feet. Before the official music started, groups of CPS members got to the stage to sing their rendition of Jimmy Buffet's famous song.

Let's just say that CPS members should stick to teaching boating! Saturday's formal dinner/dance was very well attended. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and danced away the evening.

Next year's National Conference will be held in Ottawa so keep your eyes open for the registration form in an upcoming issue of the Port Hole (or CPS website) and plan to attend. Join the many Toronto Squadron members who will be attending and make many new friends from across Canada. If nature's colours will still be up, the trip to and from the conference will be an extra bonus.

Tanya Abolins

Congratulations

Toronto Squadron's Past Commander, Tanya Abolins, was presented with a Chief Commander's Citation by Chief Commander Serge St-Martin at the recent National Conference.

A citation is an award given by the Squadron, District or National Commander to a member that deserves special recognition. Tanya's award was given ***"in recognition of her distinguished service and unselfish commitment of time to Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons, in particular for recording the minutes of the Training Department meetings. Tanya started as a Recording Secretary in 1988 under National Training Officer Peter Schrodtt and has been writing accurate and detailed minutes for many years. Her long-time unobtrusive work deserves recognition."***

Tanya enrolled in the Boating class with Toronto Squadron in the fall of 1978 and has been an active member of CPS ever since working with our Squadron, York West District and with National. Though no longer a boat owner (a short hiatus she reports), Tanya continues to volunteer with CPS because, according to her, "I want to give back to CPS what it has given to me and now it has become a life long learning experience. I also enjoy the camaraderie."

We congratulate Tanya on receiving this well earned award.

On The Water Training

CPS strives to work with other organizations or groups to promote safe boating through education. This past June, CPS signed a Memorandum Of Agreement (MOA) with Canadian Yachting Association (CYA). This is exciting news. One thing many members of CPS have been asking for is on the water experience but our organization is not geared to do this. With this new MOA, we will hopefully be able to have certified CYA members give the practical experience our members want. In return, we will be able to offer in-class instruction to CYA members. This is a win-win situation and makes the future much brighter and safer for all boaters.

**CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS
YORK WEST DISTRICT**

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To: The Members, York West District

In accordance with Section 11.1.1 of the York West District Regulations, Notice is hereby given that the **Annual General Meeting** of York West District of Canadian Power and Sail Squadron will be held at the Holiday Inn Select, Hwy. 7 & Dixie Rd., Brampton, on Thursday May 3rd, 2007, at 1900, for the purposes of:

- a) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Reports of Officers and Committees of the District;
- b) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the District for the twelve month period ending March 31, 2007, and the Report of the District Auditor thereon;
- c) electing the Officers referred to in Section 9.1 of the York West District Regulations;
- d) appointing the District Auditor;
- e) considering such further and other business as may properly come before the Meeting.

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

Attendance of Members in good standing of Canadian Power and Sail Squadron in general, and of York West District in particular, is requested and encouraged.

DATED this 29th day of March, 2007

P/Cdr Marilyn Ellison AP
District Secretary

Note: Refreshment will be served from 1830
Dress Code: Uniform or Blazer

CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS YORK WEST DISTRICT

To: The Members, York West District

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

March 22, 2007

1. The York West District Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as District Officers for 2007/2008

District Commander (D/C)	D/C Pauline Wettlaufer <u>AP</u>	Port Credit Squadron
District Executive Officer	P/Cdr David Agnew	Toronto Squadron
District Training Officer	Scott Gibson <u>AP</u>	Newmarket Squadron
District Administrative Officer	Cdr Darlene Albers <u>AP</u>	Newmarket Squadron
District Secretary	P/Cdr Marilyn Ellison <u>AP</u>	Newmarket Squadron
District Treasurer	P/Cdr John Ellison <u>AP</u>	Newmarket Squadron
District MAREP Officer	P/Cdr John Hinksman <u>SN</u>	Oakville Squadron
District Membership Officer	P/Cdr James Swan	Brampton Squadron
District Public Relations Officer)	TBD	

2. The District Nominating Committee advises that, if elected, the Nominee for Commander intends to appoint the following Members, pursuant to District Regulation 9.3:

Assistant District Training Officer	Beverley Rezebergs P	Humber Valley Squadron
Assistant District Training Officer	Brad Dempsey P	Newmarket Squadron
District Environment Officer	TBD	
District Flag Officer	P/D/C Herb Rufft SN	Newmarket Squadron
District Communications Officer	TBD	
District Boat Show Chairperson	P/D/C Herb Rufft SN	Newmarket Squadron

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

District Auditor P/Cdr Kirk Benson AP Port Credit Squadron

4. The District Nominating Committee also advises that:

a) the following Member will serve on the District Executive Committee and the District Council by virtue of his position as Immediate Past District Commander, and does not require election or appointment:

Immediate Past District Commander P/D/C Herman Todd SN Centennial Park Squadron

b) pursuant to District Regulation 9.15.1, the following Members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for the year 2007/2008 by virtue of their positions, and do not require election or appointment:

P/D/C Herman Todd SN	Centennial Park Squadron (Chairman)
P/D/C Annie Cook N	Toronto Squadron
D/C Pauline Wettlaufer <u>AP</u>	Port Credit Squadron

Respectfully submitted,

P/D/C Herman Todd SN,
Chairman

P/D/C Annie Cook N

D/C Pauline Wettlaufer AP

Dave Clarke's Calypso Pork with Lime Sauce

1- 2 lbs. pork loin
 1 C firmly packed brown sugar
 2 Tbs. dark rum (Meyers is best)
 2 garlic cloves, minced
 2 tsp grated ginger
 1 bay leaf, crumbled
 1 tsp salt (kosher salt is best)
 1/2 tsp ground pepper
 1/2 tsp ground clove
 1/2 C chicken stock
 1/4 C light rum (Mount Gay Rum is best)
 1 Tbs. flour (approx)
 1/4 C fresh squeezed limejuice

Preheat oven to 375. Place pork in large roasting pan. Roast until thermometer in center displays 160 (about 1.5 hrs) Increase heat to 450.

Mix sugar and next 7 ingredients in medium bowl until paste forms. Cut strings off pork. Spread spice paste over pork. Continue roasting 8 minutes.

Transfer pork to platter. Set roasting pan over medium heat. Add chicken stock and 1/4 C light rum and bring to a boil, scraping up browned bits.

Sprinkle flour over sauce, whisk to blend. Add limejuice, whisk & boil. Slice and serve.

This is wonderful with roasted potatoes or any other side dish which will be complemented by the rich sauce made!

We had a great dinner aboard! Suggestions for anybody trying this (or other oven roasting) is to bring with you an oven thermometer so you can regulate the temperature of the oven. Most ovens on boats don't have proper oven settings, rather a 1-6 setting. I also brought with me a roasting thermometer which read the internal temp of the roast.

This and many *Onboard Cuisine* recipes can be viewed at searoom.com

Bridge 2006–2007

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Past Commander: P/Cdr Sue Cameron
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Our Mission

To increase awareness and knowledge of safe boating, by educating and training members and the general public, by fostering fellowship among members, and establishing partnerships and alliances with organizations and agencies interested in boating.