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Dates for Your Calendar

Annual General Meeting!

Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 1900 hours. The Zoom Link is below.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89745125520?pwd=RktjcGRkRkJOStTMWQyc21HTDdUUT09>

Two documents accompany this newsletter; Nominating Committee Report and Notice of Annual General Meeting. See you there!

If we don't see you, have a wonderful, safe boating season.

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Commander's Deck



The Squadron financial position is solid, partly due to reduced expenses due to Covid-19. We will still hold our Squadron AGM online this year. We anticipate going back to face-to-face gatherings later in the year.

Online courses, particularly the VHF Radio course, continue to be well attended. Two of these were held exclusively for members of the Mimico Cruising Club. Details of our training program will be found in the Squadron Education Officer's report.

Over the summer, I assisted with RVCC inspections at the Mimico Cruising Club and the Lakeshore Yacht Club. I also represented the Squadron at several online meetings of the York West District.

I attended the online National Conference. Please note that this year's National Conference will be held here in Toronto. Please consider offering your assistance to the organizers and plan on attending in person.

When shopping for boat-related products and services, please consider our retail partners, Klaus Marine, Fogh Marine and Marine Sewing.

Respectfully Submitted:

Ronald McCutcheon
Commander,
Etobicoke Power and Sail Squadron

Education Deck

Eight candidates for the Maritime Radio course were examined and successful.

Patrick Lavelle, Ron McCutcheon and Keith Nettleton are involved with the Port Credit Squadron Boating 2/3 course, as instructors and tutors.

Report respectfully submitted:
Patrick T. Lavelle
Training Officer

Webmaster Deck

The Etobicoke Squadron continues to expand our presence on the Internet and through social media. Recently we have been connecting online with local clubs to stay up-to-date with what's happening and getting the message out about our courses and activities.

Please stay in touch on Facebook at:
<https://www.facebook.com/EtobicokeSquadron>

Watch for our courses being offered here:
<https://www.cps-ecp.ca/contact/squadron-locations/etobicoke/>

Respectively submitted:
Andrew Pitt,
Webmaster

Membership Deck

Financial Deck

Currently, the year-end financial statements are being prepared for our upcoming AGM on May 12th, 2022, but the completion of this task awaits the March 31st 2022 financial reports which are not yet available from headquarters. The preliminary results, however, are very encouraging and show the Squadron's financial position much improved over the past year.

For the 11 months ending February 28, 2022, total revenues increased almost 40% from a year ago to slightly above \$11,000.00. Expenses meanwhile were up marginally to \$3,900.00, generating a surplus of some \$7,100.00 for the period. The Maritime Radio course was the primary growth contributor, accounting for 56% of total revenues while operating expenses were kept in check by the Covid 19 lock down restrictions which made virtual meetings and events standard procedure.

As of March 31st, 2022, the squadron's net asset position was \$22,750.00. To help improve our cash management we now accept direct e-transfer deposits into our bank account. To date this change has proven to be quite popular for the payment of course fees by members/students. The email address for e-transfer deposits to the squadron is etobicokesquadronfinance@gmail.com



Respectfully submitted

The annual membership renewal date for most members of our squadron is April 30, 2022 which is quickly approaching.

At the beginning of the month CPS headquarters sent a renewal reminder to all current members via the email address on their file. At a recent meeting the Chair of the National Membership Committee advised District and Squadron Membership Officers in attendance (virtually) that for those members who do not have an email address on file a letter would be sent via Canada Post.

As previously advised, an increase in membership fees was proposed and approved last year. Effective with this renewal the membership fees are as follows:

Regular Members

- \$60.00 Yearly Membership renewal, Single or Family Head
- \$30.00 Yearly Membership renewal for each additional Family Member

While Regular Life & Lady Associate members do not pay a fee, they have been asked to complete the annual membership renewal process to help maintain the accuracy of the CPS database.

If one has not already done so and help is needed in order to renew, there are 2 videos explaining the online renewal process - "How to Renew Your Membership" and "How to Renew Family Membership". Any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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