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It was quite a birthday party. Gathering in Ottawa, many long time and new CPS-ECP Members came not only to celebrate our 80th anniversary, but also to renew friendships and valuable contacts in our boating community. I myself look forward to these conferences as each one has a special theme and each year I am amazed at the costumes that appear at the Friday night themed dinner. This year was no exception as this year's theme was "Captains and Mates – Boating Life" a look into boating fashion during the 1950's to 80's. Needless to say some articles of clothing always seem to be present, whether it be the worn out shoes, t-shirts or well-worn shorts. However the classic peaked captain's hat always seems to be present, but not always worn by the captain of course!

With Ottawa as the site of the Conference, there were lots of other things to see and do too, such as a visit to the Royal Canadian Mint, or one of the many museums that dot the city. There was always something of interest to look into as well, as Ottawa is a walking-friendly city. In previous visits to our capital I have always enjoyed a stroll along the Rideau Canal or explored the Byward Market which is just east of the Parliament Buildings, and where you can sample almost any food your heart desires. This year the weather was most reasonable and the maple trees were certainly showing off their fall colours as well. It was a most pleasant experience for both the eyes and ears.

In this issue of The Port Hole we try to capture the spirit of the Conference and CPS-ECP through the many pictures and awards listings that take place each year as a great deal of work goes into putting on a conference, and though the pictures only capture some of the fun, there is so much more that goes on. What is often not seen are the many hours of meetings that take place between the various com-

mittees and departments of CPS-ECP and the conference attendees. I actively participate in as many as I can as this certainly provides me with a wonderful overview of what is happening inside CPS-ECP as Canada is a very large country with many different boating venues, and each one of them often requires special attention. This is where I often see the strength of our CPS-ECP Membership, as each concern is addressed by a competent team of volunteers, headed of course by a very competent and vigilant Executive and Board of Directors.

In light of this being the December Edition I have also included a page of Recent Reads: Old & New, as the three books I have reviewed are all by Canadian authors and each one of them would make a very fine gift for a young or old sailor you might know!

Now I have a request for all of you who own a Canadian built boat. Next year I am planning on running a series of articles on Canadian boat builders, both past and present. To illustrate these articles I would ask that you send me your Canadian built boat's picture along with a few comments concerning her age, the builder and of course her home port. The pictures can be in colour or black and white, but please do send them! My contact information can be found on the masthead page of this issue.

Do you have a story to tell? Has your Squadron done something of interest?

If so, do send me your stories and information and look for them in a future edition of The Port Hole. The next deadline for submissions is January 20, 2019.

CORRECTION:

The article "Man Overboard" in the October issue was attributed to Gary Berkeley and it should have been Jack Adams of the Sunshine Coast Squadron.

Golden Gate: In the Beginning

By: R. John Garside AP

One of the wonderful things about being involved with CPS-ECP is all the interesting pieces of archival material that seem to come my way. Recently while leafing through some old Squadron files I came across these amazing photos of our Headquarters building on Golden Gate Court. Looking through them I found pictures of the survey being done for the building along with the sod turning and even a picture of the completed structure just after it was handed over to CPS-ECP from the builders. So have a look and think that all of this took place nearly sixty years ago!



And the Ladies Wore...

By: R. John Garside AP



While looking through the archives of my old Squadron I came across what is known as the "CPS Ladies' Formal Sash". The one that is being featured here is the version worn by two female Squadron Commanders in the 1970's and 80's. Uniforms were very much in evidence in those days and each formal event had its own dress code, one for the men and one for the ladies. Here are some classic photos featuring two Don Valley Squadron Commanders who got to model the sash.



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National Awards and Presentations



Chief Commander's Presentations

A Chief Commander's Citation is given for extreme, distinguished and noteworthy contributions to CPS-ECP by a Member. A Chief Commander's Award was presented to: Nancy Richards, S (pictured above left) and Chief Commander's Citations to (most pictured above right):

Peter Bolton, SN
Don Griffin, AP

Terry Hamilton, JN
Alice Hinton
Jean-Robert Lavergne, PA

Adriana McCrea, AP
Robert Pepin, PA



Electronic Course Instructor Awards Sponsored by ICOM Canada

This award is presented to the top volunteer electronic course instructor in two areas across Canada:

Ontario – Hans Etzel, P (above left) - Barrie Power and Sail Squadron.

Western Provinces – Harald Hanssen, JN - White Rock Power and Sail Squadron.

Atlantic and Quebec – Paul Light, AP - Halifax Power and Sail Squadron.

Officer of the Year Awards Sponsored by Fortress Anchor/Natural Marine

Two awards, Ontario and the Western Provinces:

Ontario – Bill Jerry, Port Dover (above right) Power and Sail Squadron.

Western Provinces – Kathleen Vanderwood, P and Paul Vanderwood, P - Fraser Power and Sail Squadron.

G. William Bowman Instructor of the Year Awards

Sponsored by Weems & Plath, named after G. William Bowman who initiated the first Power Squadron Safe Boating classes in Canada in 1938:

Ontario – Hector Martinez, Port Credit Power and Sail Squadron.

Western Provinces – Jack Tang, Fraser Power and Sail Squadron, BC.

Atlantic and Quebec – Angus Macpherson, AP - Halifax Power and Sail Squadron

Ref Reid Award

This competition is at the Squadron level and goes to the Boat and Engine Maintenance instructor having the most successful class in 2017-2018. This award was donated by family members in honour of the late Ref Reid, a long-time, distinguished member of CPS-ECP and was presented to D. Glen Hodgkinson, P, Vancouver Power and Sail Squadron.

Beldon W. Fox Award

This competition is at the Squadron level for the most improved results and performance in Elective Courses during 2017-2018 in relation to the total membership. The trophy is maintained at the National Office, and a small keeper trophy was presented to l'Escadrille nautique des Ecluses, Cartier District.

S. Gordon McCandlish Award

This competition is at the District level for the most improved results and performance in Advanced Courses during 2018-2019 in relation to the total membership. The trophy is maintained at the National Office, and a small keeper trophy was presented to Cartier District.

Natural Marine Training Award

This trophy is donated by Alex Milne Associates Ltd., a supplier of environmentally-friendly marine products and a firm supporter of the objectives of CPS-ECP. The competition is at the Squadron level. It is presented to the Squadron Training Officer and his/her instructors and proctors who help to achieve the highest percentage of successful students in the Boating Essentials examination in 2017-2018. The trophy is maintained at the National Office, and a keeper trophy was presented to North Shore Power and Sail Squadron.

Mary Pritchard Outreach Education Award

The Mary Pritchard Award recognizes a CPS-ECP member who has created course content suitable for web-based delivery, or promoted marketing of distance education courses or developed innovative new techniques or development of outstanding graphics appropriate for web-based courses. The award was presented to Thomas Beaver, S by P/C/C Doreen Hinksman, AP (third picture above).



MORE PHOTOS AT:
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National Environment Award

This Award recognizes outstanding achievement and efforts by members of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons to conserve or enhance the environment or marine habitat. This was awarded to Jennifer Pate of Goderich Power and Sail Squadron in Western Ontario (above right).

Jennifer is very active in raising awareness for the future health of the waterways that are our playground. She is a keen advocate of clean oceans and waterways and is a co-founder of an initiative to raise awareness and inspire real change for the future health of Global Waterways.

Recreational Vessel Courtesy Check Awards

These awards go to the top District, top Squadron and top three individuals who have made significant contributions to both CPS-ECP and to Transport Canada. These members have voluntarily checked more than 364 vessels whose owners agreed to a safety check, at boat ramps, yacht clubs, marinas and other on-the-water venues across Canada.

• Top Squadron award:

First Place: Windsor Power and Sail Squadron: 102 vessels.
 Second Place: Vancouver Power and Sail Squadron: 92 vessels
 Third Place: Trois-Rivières Power and Sail Squadron: 64 vessels.

• Top Individual award:

First place: Jerry Powers, Vancouver Power and Sail Squadron: 40 vessels.
 Shared Second place: Tracie Berekoff, Windsor Power and Sail Squadron: 33 vessels and John Hinksman, Oakville Power and Sail Squadron: 33 vessels.

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Life Member Awards

Members who contribute 20 or more hours of work annually for CPS-ECP receive a Merit Mark for that year. All Past Chief Commanders and any CPS-ECP Member who has received his or her 20th Merit Mark becomes a "Life Member".

Life Memberships were presented at Squadron and District AGMs.

Merit Mark Roll of Honour

At the start of this our 80th year, we can be proud to say we have currently one distinguished volunteer who has received her 50th Merit Mark or above: Doreen Hinksman, AP

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at 50 years and two other members (above left). Thirty-one of our volunteers have their 40th Merit Mark or higher. One hundred and nine of our volunteers have their 30th or higher Merit Mark and two hundred and thirty five volunteers are celebrating their 21 or higher years of contribution.

Anniversary Plaques

80th year

Windsor Power and Sail Squadron, Western Ontario District

70th Year

Toronto Power and Sail Squadron, York West District

60th Year

Bracebridge, Voyageur District

Burnaby, Pacific Mainland District

Kawartha Lakes, Quinte District

Port Alberni, Vancouver Island South District

Port Colborne, Niagara District

Victoria, Vancouver Island South District

50th Year

Brentwood Bay, Vancouver Island South District

Manicouagan, Est. St-Laurent District

25th Year

Orangeville, York West District

20th Year

Le Marinier, Cartier District

Power and Sail Squadron, Pacific Mainland District is our Volunteer of the Year.

A long-time member of Coquitlam Squadron, Lynda is described as “incredibly hardworking” and “outstanding” in all her activities as Commander of Coquitlam Squadron and as Public Relations Officer for PMD.

Her work includes organizing CPS-ECP’s participation in the Vancouver International Boat Show for her district.

She organized the Pacific Mainland District’s participation with USPS District 16 and Bellingham, Washington State to hold a Sea Skills event at the Blaine Harbor Marina and hosted the CPS-ECP booth.

Lynda was the chair for the PMD District 2018 AGM and Change of Watch, of organizational meetings, co-ordinating volunteers and acted as the Master of Ceremony for the Event. CPS-ECP thanks Lynda for her continuous energy and time that she dedicates to the organization.



Howard G. Peck Volunteer of the Year Award Sponsored by Cowan Insurance Group

Lynda Bennett-Retei, of Coquitlam Power and Sail Squadron, Pacific Mainland District (right).

We are all volunteers in CPS-ECP but some of our volunteers go far beyond what is taken for normal. These people often become an integral part of the Squadron or District and contribute a great deal to the well-being of CPS-ECP. Lynda Bennett-Retei, of Coquitlam



Left to right: Axel Obenauf, David Root, Marjorie Ladouceur, Liudmila Nikolaeva (Administrative Assistant at the National Office), Bruce Harris, Guy Ladouceur, Linda Obenauf [this picture does not represent the entire Conference Committee]

Thank you to the Ottawa Conference Committee for their hard work and dedication!

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Please consider recognizing a fellow CPS-ECP member(s) for her/his contributions by nominating her/him for one or more of the CPS-ECP National Volunteer Awards. Many of our volunteers deserve that consideration.

Find nomination forms on the CPS-ECP website, click on the following Members Moorings, Volunteer Awards section. Provide the facts supporting your proposal. Be complete but be concise.

Nominations must be submitted to CPS-ECP National Office by regular mail, fax or email no later than end of day **May 31, 2019.**

Email: hqg@cps-ecp.ca | Fax: 416-293-2445

Mail: National Volunteers Awards, 26 Golden Gate Court, Toronto, On, M1P 3A5

Joseph Gatfield Leadership Award

At the 2015 National Conference this award was first given out to P/C/C Joe Gatfield who had worked very hard in directing the change of course that CPS-ECP had undertaken in streamlining its new governance structure. This was an immense task and Joe certainly did a wonderful job then and remains a huge asset to CPS-ECP today.

So each year the National Executive Committee sets out to present this award to an individual who demonstrates outstanding leadership and continues to make long-lasting contributions to CPS-ECP. This year's recipient is Carolyn Reid (above left), our recently retired National Educational Officer, from North Shore Power and Sail Squadron of the Pacific Mainland District.

Carolyn has been in the forefront of the educational department for many years and has directed CPS-ECP into an era that until recently was unknown to the organization, but is the way the world educates today. She's held many leadership roles within CPS-ECP at the Squadron, District and National levels. Carolyn has been a Member for the past 30 years and also has 30 Merit Marks, is a Past National Educational Officer and recently retired as an Assistant National Educational Officer. It was in joyful applause that Carolyn accepted the award.

Congratulations Carolyn!

Two New Awards: The Chief Commander's Squadron and District of the Year Awards

Squadron of the Year: Peterborough Power and Sail Squadron received by the Squadron Commander, Nick Cliteur (above right).

District of the Year: St. Lawrence District.

FUNTIMES AT THE 2018 AGM

MUSIC, COSTUMES AND LAUGHS!



Sunsail introduces “Let’s take the helm together” Program for CPS-ECP members

By: Greg Marlo



New Partnership with Sunsail

Boating associations like Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons are the lifeblood of our sport and Sunsail has established a partnership with CPS-ECP that will now give its members 15% off their next vacation. CPS-ECP Members can’t slow down the pace of life, but they can now travel offshore to a place where it feels like they have all the time in the world. It’s a good reason to put reality on hold in exchange for tight lines and loose latitudes.

Sunsail’s history traces back to the original flotilla, set up by Eric Richardson with a fleet of Snapdragon 25s in the early 1970s. Over the years, they have honed their approach, embracing new sailing destinations around the world and working directly with award winning boat builders to craft memorable vacations that fit your members’ sailing style. Sunsail is constantly updating their fleet of over 500 state-of the art monohulls and catamarans across our worldwide destinations, with over 65 new yachts added this year.

A members’ perfect sailing vacation is a warm-water adventure, harnessing a fresh breeze aboard a superbly equipped yacht. That’s why Sunsail operates from 25 destinations across the Caribbean, Mediterranean, Americas, Indian Ocean, South Pacific, Southeast Asia, and the UK. Their base staff are industry experts who are knowledgeable in their local sailing area.

Based in Toronto, Greg Marlo is the Sunsail representative for Canada. Dedicated to servicing the Canadian market, Greg is available to offer product and destination information. His extensive knowledge and experience in the yacht charter industry to help plan individual or group travel experiences will be a significant benefit for members.

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Sunsail has dedicated staff that will help create tailored sailing trips for groups of up to 300 people. Tell us your goals and we’ll build a customized flotilla or bareboat sailing adventure unlike any your group has experienced before. We can also assist with air travel, receptions, banquet facilities, personalized itineraries and team building activities.

The local Sunsail representative can provide group presentations with a question / answer session for your members. Sunsail wants to be your preferred partner in supporting the sport and growth of sailing in your community. The Sunsail team is keen to help support the CPS-ECP membership drive and educational programs. Look for presentations, articles in Newsletters, and social media posts.

Entry forms will be e-mailed to members! Check your inbox!

In cooperation with Sunsail, renewing CPS-ECP members will have a chance to win a \$7,500 USD Sunsail Charter Gift Certificate that can be used toward an amazing vacation in the British Virgin Islands, Croatia, Greece or Thailand.

To arrange a Sunsail yacht vacation presentation, contact: Greg Marlo 647-382-4734 or email: greg.marlo@sunsail.com

To talk to a vacation planning specialist call Paula: 1-800-327-2276 and use Promo Code CNBDM and your membership number when booking.