



# DRY ROT

## A Note from your Hamilton Squadron Membership Officer: Membership Renewal

- The Member or Family Group can renew their membership *in advance* of their expiry date.
- The Member or Family Group **has 30 days after the expiry date to renew their membership.**
- **On day 31**, the Member or the Family Group become Non-Members and have no access to the Benefits of CPS-ECP Membership.
- *Please NOTE: you will not be able at this time to renew through the normal process via the Web, it will be necessary to call your Squadron Membership Officer to arrange with CPS National Office to have someone assist you in recovering your Membership. Your volunteer Membership Officer this year is Glen Carruthers and can be contacted by phone: 905-929-8127 or email: [g.carruthers@rogers.com](mailto:g.carruthers@rogers.com).*
- *If you do not use the internet or do not have an email address contact your Squadron Membership Officer (above)*

If it is more than 30 days after their expiry date, a former member must reapply for membership using the same process as a new member.

We look forward to seeing you again!

Steps to reapply: *Note: this process from the National Web Site on the internet does not always work.*

- Go to [cps-ecp.ca](http://cps-ecp.ca)
- Each member must Login.
- Under Membership click Re Apply.
- Complete Membership application process.
- Complete payment process.
- Each member will receive a new expiry date.
- Historical profile data for a member will be carried forward to new membership.
- Family Groups can be reformed in one year at the next renewal date.
- *Members can request assistance from a Membership Services Associate at National Office*
- *at [membership@cps-ecp.ca](mailto:membership@cps-ecp.ca) or 1-888-277-2628 extension 0159.*

### **Dues Payment:**

*CPS National has engaged a 3rd party software company to manage Credit/Debit Card payments. If there are issues with the transaction, the member will get a notification via email as to the issue. To resolve the issue with a payment, please contact your Squadron membership Officer (contact details above) to arrange with National Membership to resolve the issue.*

## Methods of Membership Payment

- Credit Card
- PayPal
- E-transfer sent to [payments-paiements@cps-ecp.ca](mailto:payments-paiements@cps-ecp.ca)  
Use Membership ID# as the password.
- Online Banking
- Call-in to CPS-ECP Office, ask for Membership  
1-888-CPS-BOAT (277-2628) Extension 0159
- Cheques mailed to CPS-ECP National Office  
Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons  
26 Golden Gate Court, Toronto, M1P 3A5

The first part of the calendar year is very busy for membership renewals. Hamilton Squadron would like to thank all for supporting an organization that teaches boaters the fundamentals of being safe on the water.

## CPS-ECP Member Benefits with Canadian Yachting Magazine



English speaking Members have the benefit of receiving 6 issues annually of Canadian Yachting magazine at no additional cost! Savings of: \$31.95 + Tax. In Canadian Yachting Magazine, members receive their copy of the member magazine, the Port Hole. Canadian Yachting magazine produces the informative CPS-ECP Onboard electronic newsletter that members receive twice per month FREE of charge.

If you are not receiving your copies of Canadian Yachting Magazine, go to [cps-ecp.ca](http://cps-ecp.ca) and Login with your email address and password. Under your name in the top right corner, click My Profile. Scroll down to Communication and Magazine Preference. Highlight the bullet for Canadian Yachting and then Update. Don't forget to Logout under your name.

## Recreation Vessel Courtesy Check

At times it's a challenge to convince boat owners to do a safety check for their vessel. CPS-ECP has a programme for volunteers to go through a check list for the owner's vessel size to make sure they have all the necessary equipment on board. Tom is in need of some bodies to achieve this task. If you would like to help, contact Tom Dunmore at [thdlaw@gmail.com](mailto:thdlaw@gmail.com).

## Dry Rot News Letter

There have only been a few publications of Dry Rot in the past year. The squadron really needs someone to fill this position. If you would like to volunteer make contact at 905-389-5719 or [hpsdryrot@gmail.com](mailto:hpsdryrot@gmail.com).

## A Squadron First

As you know, your squadron has been offering the Restricted Operators Certificate for VHF marine radios as a self study course since November of 2020. In April of 2022 we had a lady, who lives on her boat, register from Switzerland. She informed us that Canada was the only country she could find that offered the radio course online. Later that month she passed the exam, 95%, and CPS then sent her card to her in Switzerland. A first for our squadron!

## Education Courses

Once again fall has rolled around and the training department considers what and when we will offer boating courses. Our squadron only has 3 instructors so we are restricted in the number of courses we can offer and what courses we can offer. I suspect it will be the normal offerings, Boating 2 in January of 2023, Boating 3 in March 2023, and VHF Radio in April of 2023. CPS offers a number of other courses and seminars. If you are interested in instructing a course or seminar let me know at 905-389-5719 [ronwarby46@gmail.com](mailto:ronwarby46@gmail.com)

## REGALIA SALES

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Contact Marney Warby @ 905-389-5719