HAPPY NEW YEAR



The Hamilton Power and Sail Squadron Bridge wishes all Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

The Toronto International Boat Show January 20 – 29, 2023

Enercare Centre, Exhibition Place

100 Princes' Blvd.
Toronto Ontario M6K 3C3

www.torontoboatshow.com

Need a new flag for the 2023 boating season?

Contact Marney Warby @ 905-389-5719



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HAMILTON POWER & SAIL SQUADRON AGAIN OFFERS

BOATING 3 COURSE

INTRODUCTION TO NAVIGATION

The **third course** in our series explores navigation, charting cruises, learn how to plot and label on paper charts. Environmental responsibilities, electrical hazards, and much more.

5 weeks one evening per week

Starts Thursday, March 2, 2023 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Macassa Bay Yacht Club 80 Harbour Front Drive, Hamilton

Tuition Fee \$130.00

If you have not taken Boating 2 you MUST contact Ron before registering

Register online @ boatingcourses.ca

(Search, Courses and Seminars, Quick View Available Courses)
REGISTER BEFORE CUT OFF DATE FEBRUARY 16, 2023

Need help? Contact: Ron 905-389-5719

ronwarby46@gmail.com

WARITIME RADIO COURSE VHF MARINE RADIO

Restricted Operator's Certificate (Marine)

A legal requirement of Industry Canada

ALL BOATERS SHOULD KNOW HOW TO PROPERLY USE A VHF RADIO

Thursday, April 13, 2023

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Three Consecutive Thursday Nights

Registration cutoff date March 28, 2023 (books must be ordered)

Macassa Bay Yacht Club 80 Harbour Front Drive, Hamilton

Cost: \$125.00
Includes Instruction, Text, Exam, and ROC Card

Book Online

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The first 4 months of the year are the busiest time for renewals.

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.
- 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.

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

- Go to 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 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
- PavPal
- E-transfer sent to <u>payments-paiements@cps-ecp.ca</u>
 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

Notice on Family Memberships

It has been identified by our National CPS Office that issues have arisen when renewing Family Memberships. The online Renewal system is expecting the renewal to be paid by the family member currently identified as the *Family Head* (future change to be called Family Administrator). If a family member other than the Family Head pays the renewal, the Moneris Credit/Debit system will put the payment On Hold as the information for Moneris is different than expected by the system.

If you are designated as the *Family Head*, there is no issue. If you do not know if you are designated as the Family Head or wish to change that designation to another member of the Family Group, please contact Glen Carruthers at 905-929-8127 or send an email to <u>g.carruthers@rogers.com</u>. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused.

Membership Renewals

Please note, to avoid CPS Benefits being suspended by the system if memberships move past the expiry date, please pay BEFORE the expiry date is reached. This is now an automatic function of the new National CPS IT system and not managed by your local squadron. As your renewal date approaches, the new IT system should automatically send out email renewal notices at 45/30/15 days before the expiry of the membership and on the day of expiry. If you do not have an email address your renewal notices will be sent out via Canada Post. If you have issues renewing please contact your Membership Officer, Glen Carruthers at 905-929-8127 or email at g.carruthers@rogers.com

Did you know, that people with a PCOC course from any organization can now join CPS as a member?

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