



Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron Rideau Ripples April/May 2011



Commander's Comments

Two years ago I was given the honour of becoming the Commander of the Ottawa Squadron. As Commander, I had the pleasure of writing a short report to the Squadron for publication in the Ripples. This will be my final report as Commander, as my term ends at the Annual General Meeting which will be held on April 14th, 2011 at Robbie's Restaurant on St. Laurent Blvd. Guy Ladouceur, our hard-working Executive Officer, will become Commander and I will join the ranks of the "Past Commanders".

Volunteer organizations such as the Ottawa Squadron owe their success to the men and women who volunteer their time to promote the Squadron activities by teaching, arranging talks and information sessions, meetings or serving on the Bridge. In my time as Commander, I have been fortunate to work with a dedicated group of Bridge members, teachers and volunteers without whose efforts my time in office would have been far less fulfilling. To each of these men and women, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

Those of you who know me well realize that my computer skills are at a grade 1 level. My executive officer skills are, thankfully, at a Ph.D. level. Without Guy's assistance, my time as Commander would have been far more stressful to say the least. I am in his debt for all of the work that he has done over the past two years.

Guy Ladouceur will be a wonderful Commander. He will bring to the task a level of enthusiasm and dedication matched only by his talents. However, like all Commanders, he needs help. Guy and the Squadron need more members to be more active in Squadron affairs. We are finding increased difficulty in filling Bridge positions and finding teachers and course proctors. The time commitment can be as low

as two to three hours a month, but it is time well spent in fostering boating safety. Please volunteer.

Over the years, the Squadron has tried advertising its courses in many ways, including newspapers, radios, circulars at boat shows and the like. The most effective advertising is word of mouth. Obtaining a boating licence is graduation from kindergarten – the beginning of the learning process, not the end as many think. We need you, the members of the Squadron, to advertise the courses and to take the courses. Students in the classes enable us to better foster boating related matters and provide us with new members who will keep the organization vibrant and viable as the years go on.

The Annual Dinner held March 5th, 2011 was a great success with a fascinating talk by Ken W. Watson, author of *Tales of the Rideau* and *the Rideau Route – Exploring the Pre-Canal Waterway*. Approximately 70 members of the Squadron attended.

Our next Bridge Meeting will be held on April 5th at Robbie's Restaurant. As you will see from the notices in this edition of the Ripples, the Annual General Meeting of the Squadron is April 14th, again at Robbie's Restaurant. We would love to see members of the Squadron attend either one or both of the April Bridge Meeting of the Annual General Meeting.

All the best in the upcoming boating season.

Bryan A. Carroll, Commander – O.P.S.S.

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Rideau Ripples Editor

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The 2010 – 2011 Bridge

<u>Squadron Commander</u>	Cdr Bryan Carroll
<u>Executive Officer</u>	Guy Ladoucer
<u>Treasurer</u>	Jim MacLeod, SN
<u>Training Officer</u>	Robin Craig, CN
<u>Assistant Training Officer (Adv/Elective)</u>	Position Open
<u>Assistant Training Officer (BoatPro)</u>	Rolly Nantel
<u>Assistant Training Officer (Supply)</u>	Monique Vallieres, S
<u>Archivist</u>	Position Open
<u>Membership Officer</u>	Terry Hamilton, AP
<u>Environmental Affairs Officer</u>	Nick Baets, CN
<u>Regalia Officer</u>	William Moyle, AP
<u>Secretary</u>	Paulette Vineham
<u>Communications Officer</u>	Frank Keating, APS
<u>Social Activities Officer</u>	Position Open
<u>Mailing Officer</u>	Marjorie Ladouceur
<u>MAREP & Safety Officer</u>	Bill Kerr, S
<u>Rideau Ripples Editor</u>	Steve Lortie
<u>Public Relations / Marketing Officer</u>	Don Partridge, P
<u>Webmaster</u>	Philip Harris, N
<u>Past Commander</u>	P/C Gordon Abry, AP
<u>Squadron Examiner</u>	Jim MacLeod, SN
<u>Squadron Financial Review Rep</u>	Don Tanner, N

Please consider volunteering for one of the open positions.

Squadron Events Calendar

Thursday, 14 Apr 2011 – Squadron AGM. At Robbie's Italian Restaurant, 1531 St. Laurent Blvd. Informal dinner at 1800 hours, meeting starts at 1900 hours. All welcome to attend.

Tuesday, 3 May 2011 - Bridge meeting. At Robbie's Italian Restaurant, 1531 St. Laurent Blvd. Informal dinner at 1800 hours, meeting starts at 1900 hours. All welcome to attend.

Saturday, 7 May 2011 – Rideau District AGM. CJ's Banquet Hall, Brockville Ontario. Visit the website (squadron events) for more details.

Tuesday, 7 June 2011 - Bridge meeting. At Robbie's Italian Restaurant, 1531 St. Laurent Blvd. Informal dinner at 1800 hours, meeting starts at 1900 hours. All welcome to attend.

Thursday, 16 Jun 2011 – Squadron Annual Picnic
More info to come.

[Please watch the website for upcoming social events.](#)

Social Activities Officer

social@cps-ottawa.com

UPCOMING COURSES

Registration:

- via a link on the CPS national website
- on the OPSS website under course dates and information
- St. Pats HS on January 5, at 1900hrs.

VHF: 1/ Mondays 21 Mar, 28 Mar and 04 Apr 2011
2/ Wednesdays 18 May, 25 May and 01 Jun 2011
3/ (French)mercredi, 20 avril, 27 avril au 04 mai 2011

Global Weather: Wednesdays, 23 March to 11 May 2011

Navigating with GPS: Wednesdays, 04 May to 18 May 2011



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2010 – 2011 BOATPRO COURSE DATES AND INFORMATION

Branch	Day Of Week	First Class	Second Class	Last Class
Nepean Centrepointe	Tuesday	12-Apr-11	19-Apr-11	26-Apr-11
North Gloucester	Wednesday	13-Apr-11	20-Apr-11	27-Apr-11
North Gloucester	Tuesday	10-May-11	17-May-11	24-May-11
Manotick	Wednesday	11-May-11	18-May-11	25-May-11
Nepean Centrepointe	Thursday	12-May-11	19-May-11	26-May-11

Courses given at the Ottawa Public Library Branches start at 18:30 and run to 20:30. Arrive at 18:00 on the first night to complete the registration process. Fees include course materials, (PCOC) examination, and the Pleasure Craft Operators Certificate.

For ON LINE Registration, visit the website <http://www.cps-ottawa.com/courses.html>

Course Price: \$60.00 for adults and \$50.00 for students. Payment may be made in Cash, Cheque, Visa or MasterCard. Please make cheques payable to "**Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron**". / PCOC Exam Challengers \$30.00

This Canadian Coast Guard accredited course is designed for you and your family to obtain a Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC), the proof of competency required under government regulation. It is also recognized by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (USA). This operator card is valid for life.

Boat Pro is a highly acclaimed safety related course held in three sessions, over consecutive weeks. Boat Pro is suitable for fishermen, cottagers, and Personal Watercraft boaters. This course provides an excellent introduction to water safety for all members of the family. We encourage youth from age twelve and over to participate and obtain their PCOC. Everyone who operates a pleasure craft fitted with a motor and used for recreational purposes must have a PCOC after September 15, 2009.

Ottawa Public Libraries website: bibliottawalibrary.ca/en/main/library/location

North Gloucester - (East end)	2036 Ogilvie Rd.	Ottawa ON K1J 7N8	613-748-4208
Centrepointe - (West end)	101 Centrepointe	Ottawa ON K2G 5K7	613-580-2710
Manotick - (River Rd Sth)	5499 South River Rd.	Ottawa ON K4M 1J3	613-692-3854
Greenboro - (South East)	363 Lorry Greenberg Dr.	Ottawa ON K1T 3P8	613-580-2957

Rolly Nantel, Assistant Training Officer – Boat Pro

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Notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron

The Annual General Meeting of the Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron will be held at Robbie's Italian Restaurant, 1531 St-Laurent Blvd, Ottawa, Ontario on Thursday, April 14th, 2011 at 1900 for the purpose of:

- Receiving and if thought fit, approving the reports of the Officers of the Squadron.
- Receiving and if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron for the previous fiscal year.
- Electing the officers of the Squadron for the coming year.
- Appointing the Squadron Financial Review representative.
- Considering other business as appropriate.

The report of the Squadron Nominating Committee is provided below as part of this notice. Any additional nominations must be made by way of petition; in writing, signed by not less than five members of the Squadron, who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than two days prior to the date of this meeting.

Report of the Nominating Committee of the Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron

Dated: March 15, 2011

In accordance with Article 9.14 of the Squadron Regulations of the Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron, the Nominating Committee, which is comprised of Past Commander Gordon Abry (AP) (Chair), Past Commander Cathie Johnstone and Commander Bryan Carroll, proposes and seconds the nomination of the following members for the office as indicated hereunder for consideration, and if thought fit, for election at the Annual General Meeting of the Ottawa Power and Sail Squadron to be held on Thursday, April 14th, 2011:

Commander	Guy Ladouceur	Past Commander	Bryan Carroll
Executive Officer	TBD	Training Officer	Robin Craig (CN)
Treasurer	William Moyle (AP)	Asst Trg (Adv/Elec)	Court Harkness
Secretary	Paulette Vineham	Asst Trg (Boat PRO)	TBD
Membership	Terry Hamilton (AP)	Asst Trg (Supply)	Monique Vallieres (S)
Ripples Editor	TBD	Webmaster	Philip Harris (N)
Regalia Officer	Joy Moyle	Social Activities	TBD
Public Relations	Donald Partridge (P)	Mailing	Marjorie Ladouceur
Marep & Safety Officer	TBD	Communications	Frank Keating (AP)
Environmental Officer	Nick Baets (CN)		

The Squadron Nominating Committee for 2011 – 2012 will consist of P/Cdr Bryan Carroll (Chair), P/C Gordon Abry (AP) and Cdr Guy Ladouceur.

Upon election, the Squadron Commander appoints P/C Don Tanner (CN) as the Squadron Financial Review representative for the year 2011 - 2012.

Respectfully Submitted

Original Signed by
Gordon Abry

Gordon Abry (AP), P/C
Committee Chair

Original Signed by
Cathie Johnstone

Cathie Johnstone, P/C

Original Signed by
Bryan Carroll

Bryan Carroll, Cdr



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To: The Members of Rideau District.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dress Code: CPS casual

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of Rideau District will be held at the CJ's Banquet Hall, Brockville Ontario on Saturday May 7, at 10:00am, for the purpose of:

- a) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Reports of the Officers of the District;
- b) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the District for the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2011, and the Report of the District Internal Audit Review Committee thereon;
- c) electing the Officers of the District;
- d) appointing the Internal District Audit Review Committee;
- e) considering such other business as may come properly 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 fewer than 5 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 fewer than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

DATED this 23th day of February 2011
Val Hume (Signed)
Rideau District

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

- 1) The District Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as District Officers for 2010/11.

District Commander	Cathie Johnstone	(Ottawa)
District Executive Officer	André Dubois	(Kingston)
District Training Officer	Ralph Ogilvie	(Brockville)
District Administrative Officer	Frank Keating	(Ottawa)
District Secretary	Valerie Hume	(Britannia)
District Treasurer	Don Tanner	(Ottawa)
District Public Relations/Marketing Officer	Gord Abry	(Ottawa)
District Membership Officer	Gord Abry	(Ottawa)
District MAREP Officer	Art Clare	(Britannia)
District Web Based Administrator	Guy Ladouceur	(Ottawa)
District Communications Officer	Linda Hamilton	(Ottawa)
District Roster Editor	Janice Bunge	(Oiseau Rock)
District Environmental Officer	Hans von Rosen	(Rideau Lakes)

- 2) The District Nominating Committee also nominates the following member for appointment by the Members as Member of the District Internal Audit Review Committee P/D/C Marilyn Gowan (Cornwall).

- 3) The District Nominating Committee also advises that:
 - a) the following Member will serve on the District Executive Committee by virtue of her position as immediate Past Commander, and does not require election or appointment: Linda Hamilton
 - b) pursuant to District Regulation 9.15.1, the following Members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2011/2012 by virtue of their position, and do not require election or appointment:
P/D/C Chair –Linda Hamilton, P/D/C Barry Brown, D/C Cathie Johnstone

Respectfully submitted,
P/D/C Linda Hamilton
Chair



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CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS

RIDEAU DISTRICT
40TH ANNUAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, May 7, 2011

PLACE: C J's Banquet Hall, 803 Chelsea, Brockville. The Chelsea Room.
(On Hwy 29, Turn Left - 0.75 Km North of Hwy 401, Exit 696)

PROGRAM: Saturday: Rideau District Annual General Meeting, The Chelsea Room.

TIME: 0930 – 1000 Registration & coffee social
1000 – 1130 Annual General Meeting & Change of Watch
1200 – 1330 Lunch in the Chelsea Room.
1330 - TBD

COSTS: Lunch: \$ 10.00 per person

DRESS: CPS casual

Come and meet our CPS National Secretary, Elaine Jeffery

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MEAL RESERVATION FORM

Mail this completed form with remittance by April 25, 2011 To:

Frank Keating, Dist. Admin
504-641 Bathgate Dr, Ottawa, ON
K1K 3Y3
Tel: 613-746-0026
Admin@rd-cps.ca

I enclose my cheque payable to Rideau District in the amount of \$ _____ to reserve ____AGM Lunch(es)

Name: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Province or State _____ Postal or Zip Code: _____ Squadron _____

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