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Commander Matich, fellow Bridge Members,

I am pleased to join the Tri-Squadron team this past January and grateful that the timing has coincided with the update to the National CPS-ECP online platform.

Our goals for the Tri-Squadron micro-sites are to:

- Edit each of the three sites (Burnaby, Coquitlam, Royal City) for clarity and uniform appearance;
- Add relevant details to the History section of each;
- Update Course Information pages with links to programs offered and;
- Revise the previously used non-CPS/ECP hosted sites (ie burnabysquadron.com) to redirect to the new micro-sites.

So far I have been able to complete the first task. The remaining goals will be addressed when possible. There are some challenges to these plans, mainly:

- Ownership and credentials for the non-CPS/ECP sites needs to be located so that they may be edited. Since these sites are privately hosted they are not accessible through the CPS-ECP.ca login;
- The format of the course offerings on CPS-ECP.ca does not provide a straightforward way to link to each squadron's courses offered, and only links to the main national catalog of courses is possible. Users then have to manually filter the courses to find those offered by their local squadron. I am currently working on a solution to this which will take users directly to the courses offered by our squadron so that they may enroll directly.
- Lastly, because we are still transitioning to the Tri-Squadron model each member squadron still has their own page. This means that every change to the sites needs to be made three times (once per squadron).

Going forward we should address the Tri-Squadron format with National as it pertains to the website and IT systems. There was an attempt made by Cedric Robertson and myself early this year to have a new site created as "Tri-Squadrons" which would combine the existing three sites, however National was not able to support at the time. Resolving this would reduce strain on the process and eliminate much confusion for our members and potential students.

Respectfully,

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