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## Membership Renewals

**April is a very busy month for renewals  
Please do not let your membership expire**

- The Member or Family Group **has 30 days after the expiry date to renew their membership.**
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- **On day 31**, the Member or Family Group become Non-Members and have no access to the Benefits of CPS-ECP Membership.
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- *Please NOTE: after 30 days 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).*

**A note from your Squadron membership Officer:**

**From a recent Incident on Member renewal.**

If you need to change your email address, please contact the National Office at 1-888-277-2628 ext. 0159 or [membership@cps-ecp.ca](mailto:membership@cps-ecp.ca) or contact Hamilton Membership Officer to have him help you change the email address.

Failing to change your email address could result in you not receiving notices from the system to renew your account. Also, because the system cannot identify you, the result is having to open up another second profile and you could lose your course qualification details.

If you have issues or questions, please contact your local Hamilton Membership Officer, Glen Carruthers at 905-929-8127 or [g.carruthers@rogers.com](mailto:g.carruthers@rogers.com)

## **CPS-ECP WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS**

Have you been a member of Hamilton Power and Sail Squadron for a long time? Well, I'm quite certain that many of us cannot recall exactly what our welcome letter said. Did you know that Headquarters sends to each new boating student who becomes a member of Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons the following? It is a very impressive folder!

Some of our recent Boating 2 graduates applied for CPS-ECP membership and I was so impressed with the welcome package they received, a special thanks to Tamara Ciralo who shared her welcome kit. We all should be proud of what CPS-ECP offers to our newest members.

The CPS-ECP Welcome Kit contains the following:

- Welcome letter from Chief Commander
- CPS-ECP Membership Certificate with the name of the member
- Congratulation letter with B2 course sticker from Chief Commander
- CPS-ECP flag
- The Boating Passport, a booklet to place your completed course stickers, plastic sleeves to place your PCOC card, CPS-ECP membership card, ROC(M) card and CPS-ECP course information
- CPS-ECP "Welcome Bienvenue"
- CPS-ECP Pamphlets: Boat Notes, Marine Boat Course, Safe Refueling card, Boating Courses
- CPS-ECP Sponsor Information: Cowan Insurance, Coleman, C-TOW, National Car Rental, Weems & Plath, RVCC, Alex Milne, Choice Privileges (hotels), ICOM, Port Hole

P/R/C Marney Warby, Assistant Membership Officer

## Do You receive Canadian Yachting?

Canadian Yachting is part of your membership in CPS-ECP. If you are not receiving Canadian Yachting go to [cps-ecp.ca](http://cps-ecp.ca) and Login. Under your name on the top right side click My Profile. Scroll down to Publications and check the box for Canadian Yachting. Then Update.

Earth's Magnetic North Pole Follows 'Unusual' Path, Races Towards Siberia  
<https://www.newsweek.com/earth-magnetic-north-pole-follows-unusual-path-races-towards-siberia-1789823>

## Need a new flag for the 2023 boating season?

Contact Marney Warby @ 905-389-5719



## Annual General Meeting

Around the end of April each year, Hamilton Power and Sail Squadron has an Annual General Meeting in accordance with CPS-ECP By-Laws. Each year people are elected to the bridge of the squadron and assistants are appointed. Like every organization, the squadron is always in need of volunteers to sit on the bridge or just help out at classes. If you would like to help, please contact Commander Murray Thompson at [mrthompson15@gmail.com](mailto:mrthompson15@gmail.com).

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