



Mid Summer Report

TRIBUTE TO LIFE MEMBER PETER BOOTHROYD

Twenty years is, indeed, a long time to belong to any organization, yet alone, volunteer to serve as an active member offering time and dedication to CPS.

Peter you may recognize as having been at our classes working behind the scenes as helping to set up the table seating for our instructors, printing and mailing to successful students a recognition of having passed one of the courses Hamilton has provided. But most of all, he was the keeper of the membership records. This task included helping people register for renewals, assisting new members to complete the required data for HQ's records, and overall assisting the squadron in various events over the past 20 years.

In the past, the squadron has hosted many social activities, namely Haul Out Parties, Pizza Nights, Graduation and Annual General Meetings. Peter was always present and willing to help in any way he could. Always reliable!

Most recently, although you may not have realized, (1) he developed a database of names who receive Dry Rot via email (2) those that choose not to receive (3) plus members who receive mail only copies. Not an easy task but it certainly is well used as our main means of communication with members.

So, over the past years when email was initiated to be the main source of keeping members informed of news, Peter was our "go to guy" who sent out any information the squadron deemed important for everyone to be made aware of.

Peter, an avid sailor, is enjoying his boat and has plans for an extended cruise to the 1,000 islands this summer. We wish you calm seas, safe waters, and steady winds for a wonderful vacation.

Thanks, Peter, on behalf of all Hamilton Power and Sail Squadron members for your more than 20 hours of your precious time (per year) for the past 20 years! We know the hours have been enormous!

Hang your CPS Life Member plaque in your home office or prominent place in your home which was sent by the Chief Commander. You are one of the many few in today's society that has been dedicated to a cause you truly believe in!

Best of luck in the future and we know you will be always around to participate in events once we are all back to normal.

Sincerely,

Marney Warby, AP

Hamilton Power and Sail Squadron, like other organizations, is going through a transition period following two years of lockdowns. From a lack of new instructors, to a lack of new bridge members, like all organizations, we are struggling for volunteers.

Commander Murray Thompson

One of the duties of the Commander is to submit Merit Marks for 2022. If you are wondering what a Merit Mark is, it is presented to any member that volunteers 20+ hours in a calendar year. Only one Merit Mark is issued by the Chief Commander per year. After 20 Merit Marks the member becomes a "Life Member", no dues.

Secretary Marney Warby

In the first six months of the year the secretary conducts the Annual General Meeting. Notices are sent to each member with bridge reports and financial statements from the treasurer and auditor. All bridge members' names are submitted to the appropriate departments. All this has been completed for 2022 - 2023.

Regalia Marney Warby

Leading up to the 2022 boating season, a few members have ordered new CPS-ECP flags. If you are in need of a new flag, call Marney at 905-389-5719.

Treasurer Mark Welch

Mark reports that the squadron is healthy financially. All appropriate documents were submitted for the AGM in May and as of June the books are up to date. All statements were scrutinized by Auditor Pat Faux and authenticated as correct with respect to the squadron's financial status.

RVCC Tom Dunmore

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 at thdlaw@gmail.com.

Dry Rot Ron Warby

Over the last two years, there have only been a few publications of Dry Rot. As stated previously, this was supposed to be a temporary fill-in. That was 2017. The squadron really needs someone to fill this position. If you would like to volunteer contact Ron at hpsdryrot@gmail.com.

Website Rick Crook

Rick does a great job of keeping the website up to date. You can check it out at www.cps-ecp.ca/hamilton.

Membership Glen Carruthers

There has been a change. The squadron would like to thank Peter Boothroyd for his dedication to this position for the last number of years. We now thank Glen for stepping up to fill this vacant position. Membership at times is a complicated position; I am sure Glen will bring his computer talent to this job. If you need help with any membership questions, contact Glen at g.carruthers@rogers.com.

Assistant Membership Marney Warby

A new position created mostly to assist Glen in getting started as the Membership Officer. It allows another person access to documents at Headquarters that normally only the Membership Officer has access to. It will allow Marney to check into questions about membership and make an assessment. This position was also a great help in updating this email list so I could send you this Dry Rot.

Education Ron Warby

After two years we have finally completed the Boating 3 course that started in March 2020 just before the first lockdown. Thanks to instructor Gary Young, proctors Vaughan Osborne and Marney Warby. In June we held a classroom ROC(M) radio course at Macassa Bay Yacht Club. Fourteen students participated. Gary Young was the instructor. Vaughan Osborne, Marney Warby, Murray Thompson, Roger Pimm and Mark Welch with his 2 grandsons all helped to make the course a success.

With dedicated examiners, Pat Faux and Vaughan Osborne, the squadron is still offering the ROC(M) self-study VHF radio course. You can register online at www.cps-ecp.ca and look under Courses and Seminars.

The new IT system at Headquarters is still challenging but I think it's getting better. Between checking class enrolments, registering students, inputting exam results and following up on requests, it's as they say, keeping me off the street.

This Mid Summer report is submitted by Ron Warby, AP