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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

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***Bluenose  
Power & Sail  
Squadron***

December 11, 2020

The Bluenose Squadron serves all of western Nova Scotia from a line roughly St. Margaret's Bay to Windsor and westward. However, students can take a course with any squadron and then join Bluenose Squadron when desired.



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All courses are done online until further notice.

**Gift idea!**

One of our courses (e.g. the PCOC or Maritime Radio) would make a **great gift** for a family member or friend! To keep your gift secret until Christmas **DO NOT** register for it yourself; contact Education Officer, Bob Rutherford to set it up: [bobpatch69@gmail.com](mailto:bobpatch69@gmail.com) or cell: 902-440-0312



Going to [www.boatingcourses.ca](http://www.boatingcourses.ca) will take you automatically to the CPS-ECP Course Calendar.

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The following courses are currently running or in planning by your Squadron (all courses are online until further notice) for

early 2021. In some cases we are combining and coordinating with other squadrons to offer various courses.

**Pleasure Craft Operating Certificate (PCOC):**

Anytime - you can do it online at [www.cps-ecp.ca/](http://www.cps-ecp.ca/). Fee is just under \$50. Sorry, no classroom courses until further notice.

**Maritime Radio (Restricted Operator's Certificate):**

Self-study courses are available in two formats on a continuous basis (when convenient for you). Currently, two courses are underway and another will start on the 19th of January 2021.

**Boating 2 & 3 Combined (Beyond the PCOC & Introduction to Marine Navigation):**

Started on the 21st of October and the course is full. There is additional interest so that another may be set up to run in the New Year.

**Boating 4 (Near Shore Marine Navigation Level 1):**

Planned to start in February 2021.

**Boating 7 (Offshore Marine Navigation Level 2)\*\*:**

Planned for start on the 16th of February. There is still space available for this course.

**\*\*At the end of this Boating 7 course we will have completed the first cycle of our ambitious program to complete the full spectrum of navigation courses and we will then have a crew of navigators ready to cruise the oceans of the world.**

Meanwhile, if there is something you would like to pursue, whether it be one of our core courses, Boating 1 to 7, or one of our many elective courses or seminars, please get in touch with Bob Rutherford, our Squadron Education Officer. at [bobpatch69@gmail.com](mailto:bobpatch69@gmail.com) or 902-440-0312.

We have solutions; let us know your needs. Bob Rutherford

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**Happy Holidays !**

# - Happy Holidays -

Whether you are at home or away this winter we wish you peace and good cheer!



If there is anyone you know who might benefit from our excellent training please refer them to our Education Officer, Bob Rutherford: [bobpatch69@gmail.com](mailto:bobpatch69@gmail.com). You can also go to the CPS-ECP Course Calendar to select a Bluenose course or one that is more convenient for your needs.

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Membership Renewals

As of this time we still have some 10 of our members who have not renewed with our Squadron. If you are still having problems of any kind in renewing please contact our membership officer, Jim McMillan, at your earliest convenience. Jim is a very pleasant and competent fellow who is eager to help in any way that he can. Please contact Jim at mobile telephone (902) 599-2807 or at email:

[jamesivormcmillan@gmail.com](mailto:jamesivormcmillan@gmail.com)

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## Bridge Watch

A Policy Manual: Do we have one?

You probably did not know that Bluenose Squadron does, indeed, have its own Policy Manual. In fact each squadron is supposed to maintain such a manual in order to address policies specific to their operations. Ours was just reviewed by your Bridge Officers. If you have ever wondered what policies guide us you might give this a read. The manual offers guidance to our Executive (Bridge) for such things as setting course prices, class sizes, expenses for our volunteers, elected and appointed officers and social activities among many other items. However, it is not a large document. Here is a link to our newly updated Bluenose Policy Manual:

## [Bluenose Squadron Policies](#)





## [Boat Show?](#)

What about the Halifax Boat Show? Well, they have rescheduled it for March 25-28th. You can check this link for early details:

[Halifax Boat Show 2021](#)

Happy New Year to All Bluenose Families !

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