

## District Commander's Report to the Niagara District

Sept 21, 2011

Welcome to the September 2011 Council meeting. This month marks the start of another training year.

I attended Brant Squadron Commander Don Elliott's funeral in August but was unable to travel to Picton to pay my respects in person at our National Secretary, Elaine Jeffries funeral. I will miss them both.

I attended Brant's June Bridge meeting and their Summer Solstice Graduation, a July Graduation at Fort Erie, an August Bridge meeting for Guelph and a September meeting for Brant where I pledged in their new Commander Dan Symes, who has stepped in as their new Commander.

All Commanders and District Officers received email from me regarding the 2015 National Conference.

I was asked to poll the group and get input about hosting the Conference somewhere in Niagara District.

Your response was positive and I let the Conference Chair know that Niagara would host it.

One of my next tasks will be getting a Committee together to determine the venue.

I have already received emails from people willing to sit on the Committee. Please let me know if any of you or a member of your Bridge is interested in joining a Committee. There is no Chair yet, so please let me know if you are interested in that position.

E votes over the summer included one for Niagara participate in the Great Lakes District Hospitality Suite at the upcoming Halifax Conference, and another one to hold the 2011 Officer Training Seminar in November of this year. Both passed with a majority.

The October Council meeting will not take place next month because it conflicts with the National Conference dates.

I emailed all Council members about 2 items that will be up for discussion at the October Governing Board meeting

One was the Terms of Reference for an audit committee that reports directly to the Governing Board

The other was about the CPS position on wearing PFD's and life jackets.

I have yet to receive any information on other motions to be presented to Governing Board, but will forward any items as soon as I receive them.

All Commanders received email from Shawn Bilerman asking for issues to discuss at the upcoming Commanders meeting in Halifax. Please send your input to him at [shawnbil@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:shawnbil@nbnet.nb.ca)

I need input from you as well, about topics that can be discussed at the District Commanders meeting in Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

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