

Port Dalhousie Squadron
September 20, 2011

Commander's Report

Two Bridge members, Phil Trachman and Joe Bognar had a very busy summer with RVCC. The total number of inspections for the year are not yet in but both visited very many boats. I was on hand when they inspected boats for the Niagara-On-the-Lake Sailing Club and witnessed their informative yet courteous manner that was readily accepted by the club members. They are excellent ambassadors for CPS.

Training Officer Dan Oswald and Secretary/Supply Officer Susan Payette also were busy in the summer ordering teaching materials and arranging a new location for our classes with the District School Board of Niagara. Our classes will now be held at DSBN's Lifetime Learning Centre at the corner of Lakeport Road and Lake Street. (Do those names have any significance?) Secretary Susan is finding her task somewhat easier with the new laptop purchased by the Bridge.

Upcoming courses were advertised at all the local marinas and yacht clubs and resulted in many phone calls, emails and online registrations. The first Boating class with 12 participants started on Tuesday September 19. Seamanship will start soon, probably next week. Junior and Senior Navigator will proceed with two students working closely with instructors Leonard Stern and Louis Culomovic.

All in all the Squadron is off to a good start for the 2011 - 2012 teaching season.

Respectively submitted

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