

SCOUTMASTER

The Newsletter of the

PORT COLBORNE POWER & SAIL SQUADRON

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"Safe Boating is Everyone's Concern"

Message from the Commander

Your Squadron is planning its fall courses in Boating, Boat Pro (PCOC) and VHF (ROC / M / DSC). As you are all aware, all operators of a motorized watercraft require a Pleasure Craft Operator Card by September 15, 2009. There is no longer a grandfather clause, in order to get your PCOC, you must write the test.

We have found that the best way to promote CPS is by word of mouth, so if you know of anyone who is interested in taking any of our courses in safe boating, please have them contact us at:

Harvey Zaturski @ 905-735-1516

Marc Seguin @ 905-386-0663

Jeff Glanfield @ 905-892-1381

Respectfully,
Harvey Zaturski
Commander of the Port Colborne Power and Sail Squadron

Message from the Training Officer

Boating can be fun and safe for the whole family. With basic knowledge and care a boater can avoid trouble instead of trying to get out of it. Boaters must keep up to date on changes in boating regulations that may affect:

- the equipment they require
- where and how they can operate their boat
- boating safety in general

Prudent boaters will continue their boating knowledge by taking additional courses in boating safety and navigation. This is why OUR Squadron is promoting the courses mentioned by the Commander.

We are holding a registration night on September 3, 2009 for all courses at the Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints on South Pelham St. in Pelham; starting at 7PM (19:00) to 9PM (21:00).

Boat Pro Course (PCOC) \$ 65.00

This course will be done in 3 consecutive evenings starting at 7 PM to 10PM with the exam on the third night.
Dates of the courses are: September 8-9&10, 2009
May 4-5&6, 2010

Boating Course (includes PCOC) \$ 175.00

This is a 12 week course (1 night per week, 7 PM to 10 PM) that touches on all aspects of inland navigation such as: boat types, hull types, safety regulations, collision regulations, magnetic compass, chart reading, plotting and labeling and more.
Dates of the courses are: October 1, 2009 to December 17, 2009
February 4, 2010 to April 22, 2010

Maritime Radio or VHF/DSC/GMDSS \$ 65.00

The Maritime Radio Course provides you with training on emergency radio procedures along with everyday operating techniques. You are required by law to have a Restricted Operator Card /M if you have a radio in your boat; a station license is no longer required in Canada but is in the US.
The course will run for 3 nights from & 7 PM to 9 PM with the exam on the 3rd. night
Dates for this course are: October 20-21 & 23, 2009
November 17-18 & 20, 2009
April 27-28 & 30, 2010

Please pass the word on to your boating friends so that we may continue to educate and know we have done our share in promoting safe boating.

Respectfully,
PC Marc Seguin
Training Officer for Port Colborne Squadron

Harvey Zaturski being sworn in as Commander
for one more year at the 2009 AGM

Jeff Glanfield taking the oath as he returns to the
squadron after many years away.



Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons

Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons (CPC-ECP) is a nationwide organization of recreational boating enthusiasts. CPS is a charitable organization with over 36,000 active members. Our instructors help recreational boaters improve their boating safety knowledge as well as their vessel handling and navigation skills. Successfully complete the Boating Course or Boat Pro exam and receive a one year complimentary membership to CPS with access to member benefits.