



# 49 NEWS



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE TILLSONBURG POWER & SAIL SQUADRON

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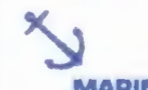


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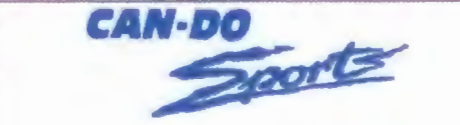


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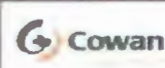
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## The World's First Seafarers continued

This part of the story will deal with the more recent history of seafaring. We now skip tens of millennia and end up around 1000 to 1200 B.C. This is called "Voyaging into remote Oceania in more recent time". We are now engaged in Remote Oceania. This is situated to the east and south of near Oceania, which was mentioned and pointed out in the former article contained in the last Newsletter as you may recall. These island and atolls consist of Melanesia (south east of the Solomons) namely Micronesia and Polynesia. These islands were somewhat smaller than the ones in Near Oceania. Naturally there were a lot less food resources and needed more advanced watercraft, than they were using for the discovery of the Near Oceania Islands. By this time these migrating people were a lot more advanced into the Neolithic (advanced stone age.) They also were more in the know of how to grow food, in other words farming in their new found world. It is also assumed that they brought their own livestock, necessary to establish a food economy so to say, as there were no inhabitation of any animals besides birds, fish and sea mammals as perhaps seals and dolphins.

Ultimately these early explorers arrived at the South American Continent and then returned to their previously settled home islands in Remote Oceania.

On the South American Continent they came upon the "kumara" what we call sweet potato and all kinds of gourd species.

Radiocarbon dating for these items, that were carried back to the Cook Islands show that the Polonesians reached South America and returned by 1000 A.D.

In the next article we will deal with the question "Why Explore?"

This article researched and submitted by

Ted VanStevendaal

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### Facts About The Great Lakes

**1.5 Meters:** How deep the water would be if Lake Huron was drained and flooded across the entire North American Continent.

**45 Million:** the number of Canadians and Americans who call the great Lakes basin home (15 million and 30 million respectively). The population along the shores is expected to double by 2025 putting additional pressure on the finite resource.

**244,000 Square Kilometers:** The total surface area of the Great Lakes. That's roughly the same size as the United Kingdom. The length of the Great Lakes shoreline is equal to almost 44 percent of the circumference of the Earth, or halfway around the world.

Reprinted from Lake Huron e-news.

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**Trapped Fetch:** caused by a storm traveling at the same speed as the waves. The wave builds inside the storm. They call these 100 year storms because normally they don't come very often. We had one in 1991, 93 and 95. Hurricane Louis in 1995 had winds inside the storm at 200 miles per hour. The Q.E 11 met a wave that had been trapped in the storm after the storm changed directions. The Captain saw these waves coming and had time to steer into the waves. They were 30 ft waves traveling with a 90 ft. wave. The wave broke over the wheelhouse that is 95' above the water line. They had minimal damage with the bow facing into the waves. Most passengers did not even know this happened as it was in the night.

Boarding the bus for the home trip to Woodstock from the Toronto International Boat Show



After a hard day trying to decided which new boat to buy, at the Toronto Show.

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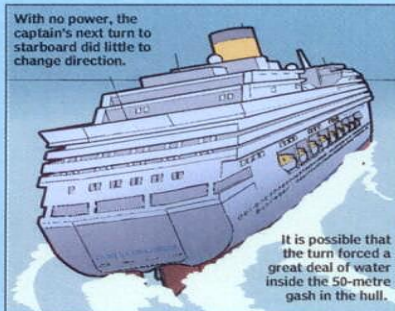
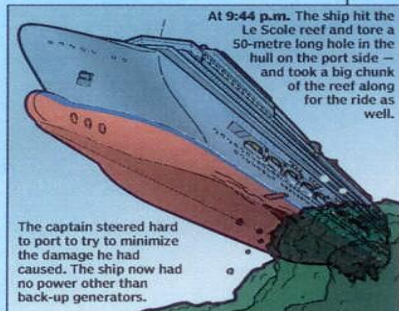
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# WHAT REALLY HAPPENED

*Costa Concordia Captain Francesco Schettino gave the order to abandon his cruise liner one hour and 14 minutes after first hitting rocks. During that time, the captain fought a losing battle to bring the stricken \$590-million vessel safely into port.*



*"I was navigating by sight because I knew the depths well and I had done this manoeuvre three or four times... but this time I ordered the turn too late and I ended up in water that was too shallow. I don't know why it happened... I was a victim of my instincts."*

CAPTAIN OF THE COSTA CONCORDIA  
FRANCESCO SCHETTINO

*"The huge question in my mind is why this half-wit of a captain permitted a deviation of the course so close to a reef... You can scour the world and you won't be able to find another captain that says, 'Hey, you know, it's a great idea to go a little closer to that reef...'"*

MARITIME ACADEMY GRADUATE HENRY S. WOODS III, OWNER OF TRIDENT MARINE SAFETY

**Time: 9:55, Speed: 2 kts**

As the ship slowed down it became harder to steer, so although the turn had prevented it from crashing into Isola de Giglio, it was heading out to sea.

**Time: 9:48  
Speed: 5 kts**

The Concordia turned right, back out toward open water. In order to slow it down normally, the ship would reverse engines, but with no power at this point, the captain applied the hard right rudder.

**Time: 9:44, Speed: 16 kts**

The Costa Concordia increased speed as it approached Le Scolia point. It was travelling at 16 knots when it was about 300 metres from the reef. The impact spot is in about eight metres of water, and is just 10 metres away from a large rock outcrop jutting out of the sea, some 30 metres from the shore of Isola de Giglio.

**Time 9:45, Speed: 8 kts**

The Concordia turned hard left to lessen the damage being done to the port side. This is likely when the ship lost power and switched to backup.

**Time: 10:50, Speed: 0.5 kt**

The back of the Concordia finally struck the reef at Gabbianara point, swinging the front of the ship to the right and pinning it against the rocks.

At 10:58 p.m. The captain of the Concordia finally orders "abandon ship."

At 11:37 p.m. Dozens of ships converged on the stricken vessel.

At 12:05 a.m. The rescue was in full swing.

Tyrrhenian Sea

At 10:26 p.m. Responding to a Coast Guard official, Capt. Francesco Schettino admitted that the ship had been damaged but said all they needed was a tugboat.

**Time: 10:25, Speed: 0.7 kt**

The Concordia, probably pushed by the current and the docking thrusters, moved toward land. The ship was moving almost sideways at this point.

*"The problem now is that he has no power, he's losing propulsion, the propellers aren't turning and the ship isn't being propelled forward by anything but its own momentum."*

*"Whenever you turn a ship hard over it's moving sideways, and when you're moving a large ship like that sideways through the water it's going to slow it down considerably."*

CAPTAIN JOHN KONRAD, GCAPTAIN.COM



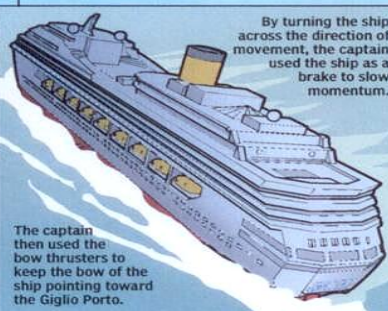
*"I suspect that it was uncontrolled free flooding that just got too much weight on the starboard side. You have fuel and water tanks deep in the ship, and if those were damaged enough to allow too much weight and too much fluid to move to the starboard side that would be sufficient to cause it to heel like that."*

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At 10:06 p.m. Authorities on the island received their first alarm about the disaster after a passenger called relatives on shore who notified police.

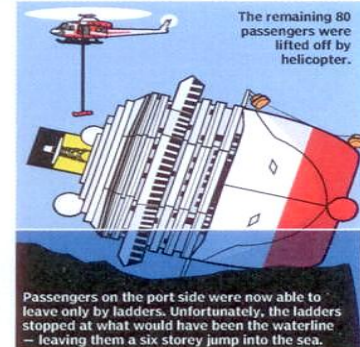
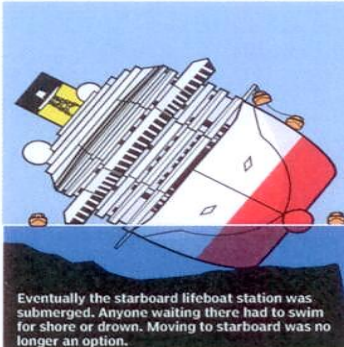
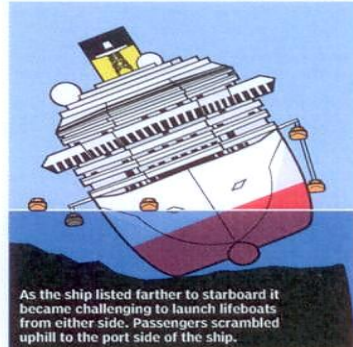
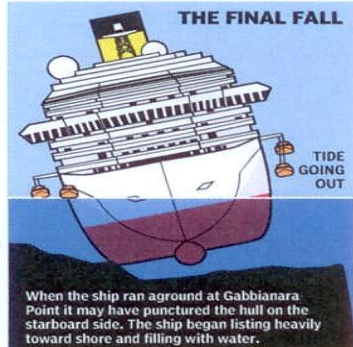
**Time: 10:05  
Speed: 1 kt**

The ship fired its port-docking thrusters — usually used for manoeuvring sideways while docking — but the hard right rudder had caused the Concordia to list to one side.



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## THE FINAL FALL






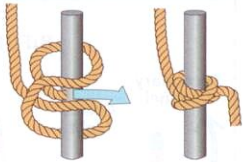
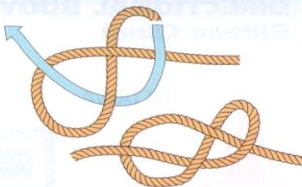
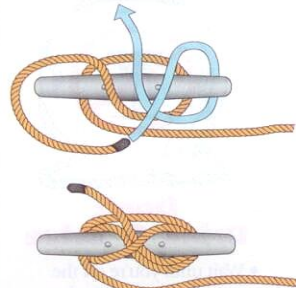
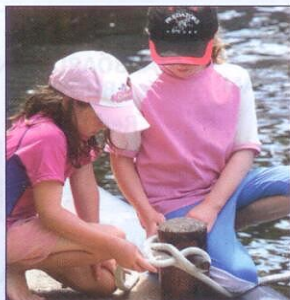

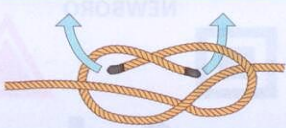



## COSTA CONCORDIA

Costa Concordia  
 Shipwrecked January 13, 2012  
 On a reef off the Italian Island  
 Of Giglio.  
 All but 32 of the passengers and  
 Crew were saved.

Tonnage: 114, 137 GT  
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 Draught: 8.20 M (26 ft. 11 in.)  
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 Capacity: 3780 passengers, 1100 crew.

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January 13, 2012

## **Notice of the District Annual General Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Conference of Western Ontario District of the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons/Escadrilles canadienne de plaisance will be held at:

**Pelee Days Inn  
566 Bevel Line Road, Leamington, Ontario  
Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 1330**

For the purpose of

1. Receiving a report from the Officers and Committees of this District.
2. Receiving the Report of the District Treasurer on the financial position of this District.
3. Electing to office those members whose names and addresses appear in the report of the District Nominating Committee annexed to and forming part of this Notice of Meeting.
4. Appointing an Internal Audit Review Committee for the District Year 2012-2013.
5. Considering such other business as may be properly brought before the Annual District Conference

[Karen Connor, AP](#)  
Acting Secretary, Western Ontario District  
[k.connor@rogers.com](mailto:k.connor@rogers.com)

*Note: Members eligible for election as District Officers are set out in Article 12 of the District Regulations, Section 12.1 which reads as follows: "No member of this District shall be eligible for election as provided in Section 11.6.1 of these Regulations at any Annual District Conference unless nominated by the District Nominating Committee or by a petition in writing signed by not less than five members of this District who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to such nomination. All such nominations:*

- a) by the District Nominating Committee shall be filed with the District Secretary at least four weeks prior to the date of the meeting at which such election shall take place;*
- b) by petition shall be filed with the District Secretary not less than two days prior to the date of the meeting at which such election shall take place. "*

# CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS

## WESTERN ONTARIO DISTRICT

To the Members of Western Ontario District:

### Report of the District Nominating Committee January 2012

The District Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as District Officers for 2012/2013

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS	SQUADRON	PHONE
Commander	Michael Smith, P	7010 Matchette Rd., La Salle, N9J 2R9	Windsor	734-7031
Executive Officer	Robert Parke, AP	240 Regal Drive, London, N5Y 4Z9	London	453-5324
Training Officer	David Corke, AP	47 Forsythe Ave., Brantford, N3R 3L6	London	720-9367
Administrative Officer	James Jeffery, JN	1801-380 King Street, London, N6B 3L6	London	438-0400

### DISTRICT LIEUTENANTS:

Secretary	Mavis Colyer	6168 Baseline Rd. RR#3, Wallaceburg, N8A 4K9	Wallaceburg	627-6374
Treasurer	Rob Donaldson	380-2107 Pelissier St., Windsor, N9A 6V7	Windsor	818-7935
Membership Officer	Harry Harris, S	29 Silverdale Crescent, London, N5Z 4A5	London	681-8259
Public Relations Officer	Julie Dittmar, AP	R.R. # 4, Woodstock, N4S 8B7	Tiltsnburg	467-5484
Assistant Training Officer	Mark Hunsberger, AP	272 Short Ave., London, N5W 1W2	London	453-4714
Marop Officer	Harry Dittmar, P	R. R. # 4, Woodstock 467-5484	Tiltsnburg	467-5484
Boat Show Officer	Steve Waite, SN	103 Chesham Ave., London, N6G 3V1	London	473-0517
Communications Officer	Peter Fuhry, N	10 Riverbank Dr., St. Thomas, N5P 4M5	London	282-1870
Environment Officer	Mike Croxford, P	448 Princess, Port Lambton, N0P 1B0	Wallaceburg	677-5848
USPS Liaison Officer	Nick Baratta, JN	1629 Mardell Street, London N5V 1X3	London	453-2172
Youth Officer	Tracie Berekoff, P	313 Martin Lane, LaSalle, N9J 2M4	Windsor	978-3071

The District Nominating Committee also nominates the following for appointment by the members to the Internal Audit Review Committee of the District:

Joe Gattfield, AP  
11992 Cobblestone Cres, Windsor N8P 1T5  
Windsor 739-9493

The following member will serve on the District Executive Committee and the District Council by virtue of his position as Immediate Past District Commander:

Chris Schooley, P  
1041 Michigan Ave, Sarnia N7S 2B3  
Sarnia 542-4555

Pursuant to District Regulation 9.15.1, the following members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2012/2013 by virtue of their positions, and do not require election or appointment:

Chair	P/D/C Chris Schooley, P	1041 Michigan Avenue, Sarnia N7S 2B3	Sarnia	542-4555
	P/D/C Joan Hicks, AP	185106 Cornell Rd, R.R. #3, Tiltsnburg N4G 4G8	Tiltsnburg	842-5618
	D/C Michael Smith, P	7010 Matchette Rd., La Salle N9J 2R9	Windsor	734-7031

The following members will serve as signing officers for the District for 2012/2013 by virtue of their positions, and do not require election or appointment:

D/C Michael Smith, P	7010 Matchette Rd., La Salle N9J 2R9	Windsor	734-7031
Executive Officer Robert Parke, AP	240 Regal Drive, London, N5Y 4Z9	London	453-5324
Treasurer Rob Donaldson	12737 Horwood Cres. Tecumseh, N6B 3L6	Windsor	735-7977

All in accordance with District Regulation 9.15 and 11.6 and the Guidelines to Nominations in the Guidebook for CPS Officers

### Respectfully Submitted

Chair  
P/D/C Chris Schooley, P  
P/D/C Joan Hicks, AP  
D/C Michael Smith, P





# THE MOST AMAZING RENDEVOUS

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- Dock Lunch
- The Amazing Race Competition
- Wild and Crazy dinner

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- Commander's Challenge (Surprise!)

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**CPS Western Ontario Rendezvous 2012**







# THE MOST AMAZING RENDEZVOUS



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Bayfield River Cottage Colony - [www.bayfieldrivercottages.ca](http://www.bayfieldrivercottages.ca)  
Both within walking distance to the marina  
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## EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

Betsy and I took a ride along the Bay from Long Point to Pt. Dover on Sunday, February 26, 2012. As we went along the Causeway to the Point, the inner bay was white with swans. There was hardly any ice anywhere on the water, so we asked ourselves, "Is Spring here already?" As we drove on we noticed a lot of activity around the cottages, as cleaning up the yards and repairing of exteriors of the summer habitats.

This is indeed an indication that Spring is not too far off and that soon you will be able to take your boats out of winter storage, clean them up and again enjoy a Boating Season. Please try and make it a safe one at that.

As far as I heard, the boating classes are reaching completion and we will soon have some new members to add to our ranks. The big trick is to retain them in our organization.

We are still working on our Nomination List for Bridge Officers. This is getting more complicated every year. We have about 10 committed so far, but we have about an additional 5 that are still undecided.

The bus trip to the Toronto Boat Show was again very enjoyable even though we had a rather small crowd on the bus this year. Eric and Joan did their utmost to fill the bus, but quite a few seats were still available. Actually the small crowd was very much in my favour, as this gave me the only chance to win one of the prizes on the bus which would more than likely not have happened if the bus was full. There you see, there is always a benefit to everything. We do need a full bus to break even these days.

I believe Julie and Harry have the roster for the Home & Rec Show booth pretty well full and complete. This does not mean that if you want to help we won't let you. Come on down. We also need a few people to man the Information Booth at the Tillsonburg Town Centre Mall during the National Safe Boating Awareness Week which runs from May 20<sup>th</sup> to May 26, 2012. If anyone interested that can spare a few hours during the day from 1000 to 1700 let me know. Call at 519-842-3257 or 519-842-5618 and you will be accommodated and appreciated.

E/O Ted VanStevendaal AP

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The drawing for our pennant was submitted on October 31, 1978 by Mr. Cam MacDougall to Jack Seymour. On March 31, 1979 Commander Brian Whitehead passed it on to Governing Board. The Tillsonburg Squadron representing, Tillsonburg, Woodstock, Ingersoll and Port Rowan has a "T" to represent Tillsonburg Squadron and the "T" shows the same from each direction. The other elements are the wavy line representing water, the blue mass representing night and the white mass representing day, and the compass rose representing navigation in all its meanings.

The first pennant off the line was presented to Cam for his great design.

The winners of the two draws on the Bus Trip to the Toronto Boat Show. Ted and Tammy be presented with their prize by P/C Eric.



Two of Four Cardinal buoys in Naniamo Harbour  
Which Two? Send you answer to me.