



Tillsonburg Squadron Bridge

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Webmaster	Brent Hicks	842-9291
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UPCOMING EVENTS

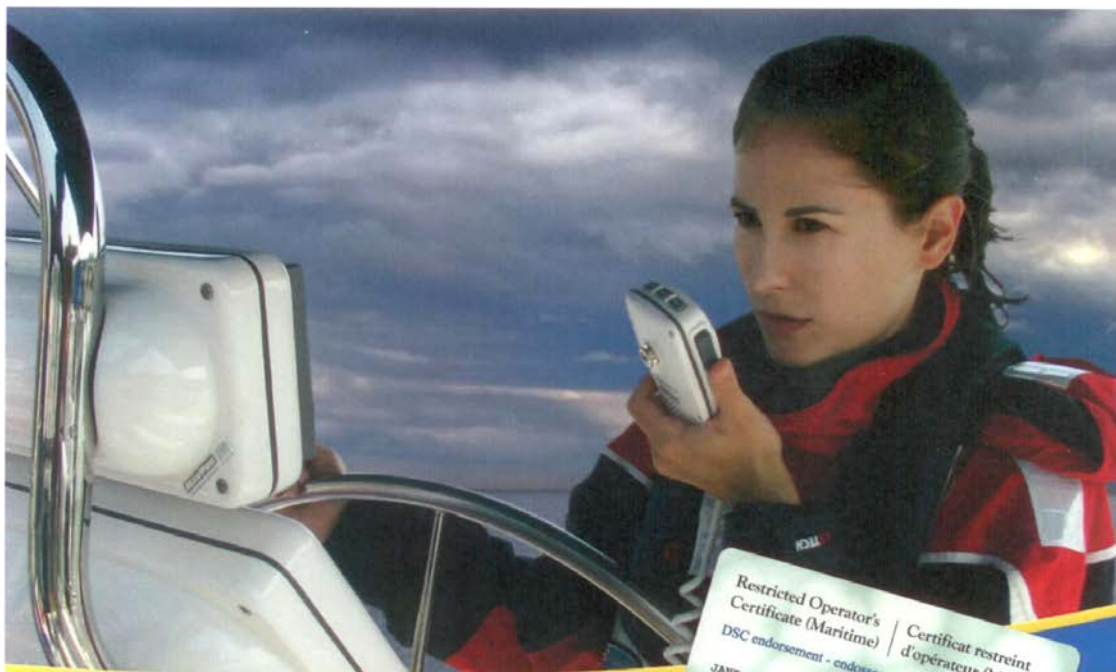
The Tillsonburg AGM is being held this year on April 20th at the Cornell Hall at 7:30 P.M. Plan to attend and support your new Bridge.

On May 7th, 2016 Tillsonburg will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary as a Squadron. Details of the event will be following on page 2. Mark your calendar now to attend and help us party.

The District Rendezvous is coming up this year in Wallaceburg on June 24 – 26th 2016. Theme this year is “It’s a pirates life”. Always a fun weekend so lets try to attend.

The Western Ontario District AGM is being held this year in Sarnia on April 16, 2016 at 10:00 at the Sarnia Yacht Club. This year it will be a one day event with a noon luncheon and seminars in the afternoon. Everything should be done by about 1630.

Our Boating Essentials Course just finished with successful students. We will be having a course for the Pleasure Craft Operator Card and Maritime Radio so if you need either of these courses please contact Larry Hicks at 519-842-5618 or email at canest@oxford.net Depending upon enrollment the classes will be held in March or April.



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Does everyone on board know how to call for help?

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Commander's Report

Hello Everyone, well we sort of got the winter behind us and it was relatively a mild winter, the inner bay barely froze over and then it was wide open again, next to no ice fishing was done this winter. Since our last newsletter we have had Christmas Celebrations and our Squadron attended 7 parades with our float. A big thanks to Joan and Larry Hicks they drove the float at all of these events, sometimes 3 in one day. Our Squadron hosted the District Meeting in January at the Salford Hall, we looked after the lunch for everyone and special thanks once again go out to Ted and Betsy VanStevendaal and Joan and Larry Hicks for getting all the delicious food for everyone to enjoy. Our Boat Show Bus Trip was better attended this year however we still experienced a loss for this event, we will look at this in the fall whether we try one more time or drop this event, so if you never have been, or haven't been in a while consider going to keep this as an event for our squadron. On April 20th we are having our annual A.G.M. at 7:30 at the Cornell Hall, please plan to attend, like always I try and reach out to our members to get involved in the organization you belong to, come and see how things work at our meetings, we could use some new blood and some new ideas as well, please consider taking a position on our bridge, it's a lot of fun and not too time consuming.

The last thing I am going to mention is our 50th Anniversary Celebrations being held on Saturday, May 7th 2016. Just think 50 years of existence for the Tillsonburg Squadron, we ask our members to come and celebrate with us this evening, we are digging things out from our archives from over the past 50 years, there will be some short speeches from some Past Commanders and anyone who might want to

just say a few words, we have a great roast beef dinner with all the fixings, a little entertainment afterwards, it should be a great night. So you will be receiving my invitation in the mail in the next couple of weeks please mark "Yes"!! and come and celebrate with us the past 50 Years.

Respectfully submitted

Commander Eric Hatzenbuhler

Key Facts About Drowning

372,000 people die from drowning every year. There are about 42 drowning deaths every hour, everyday. The drowning death toll is almost two-thirds that of malnutrition and well over half that of malaria. Drowning is one of the 10 leading causes of death for people aged 1-24 years in every region of the world. Globally, over half of all drowning deaths are among those aged under 25 years. Males are twice as likely to drown as females. Drowning rates in low and middle income countries are over three times higher than in high-income countries. Alcohol use around water is an important risk factor for drowning in many countries especially for adolescents and adults.

Our float at a Christmas Parade.



Fishing Facts in Ontario

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry operates nine hatcheries or fish culture stations which produce up to 8 million fish for stocking into more than 1,200 waterbodies each and every year. We also hold 18 captive brood stocks which we use for breeding. Wild strains of Lake Trout and Brook Trout are raised at facilities like the modernized Dorion facility near Thunder Bay and the Chatsworth facility near Owen Sound to help rehabilitate local fish stocks. We are working to restore Atlantic Salmon to Lake Ontario at the newly rebuilt Normandale facility near Simcoe, while helping to prevent the extinction of Aurora Trout in northeastern Ontario and developing culture practices for other rare species at other facilities.

We also stock fish to maintain, enhance and create angling opportunities. Walleye, Chinook, Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout and Splake are all prized by sport anglers. By stocking these fish, we also help conserve biodiversity by reducing angling pressure on stocks that are sensitive to over-harvest. For information on where fish are stocked in the province and which waterbodies are home to which game fish species go to ontario.ca/fishonline
Visit ontario.ca/fishculture.

Eat Fish, Choose Wisely

Every year, more than one million people go fishing in Ontario. Eating fish is healthy, but some fish from Ontario's waters can contain natural or man-made contaminants. Before you eat fish from Ontario waters, check the **Guide to Eating Ontario Fish** for advice on:

Amounts of fish you can safely eat

How to choose fish with the lowest levels of contaminants

How to prepare fish to reduce contaminants.

The guide has special advice for children and pregnant women, and can be used to identify angling destinations with lower contaminant levels. The guide can be found online, at government offices and at select stores such as the LCBO, Canadian Tire and Walmart.
ontario.ca/fishguide

400,000 lakes, rivers and streams, 4 billion fish, 2,000 lodges. Every angler's paradise! To plan your next Ontario fishing vacation visit www.ontariotravel.net/gofish

Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

Always dispose of your unwanted bait and the contents of your bait bucket on land, 30 meters from the water's edge, or in the trash.

Clean: Remove all visible plants, mussels and mud from your boat, trailer and other equipment. Dispose of them in a suitable trash container or on dry land.

Drain: Drain the water from your motor, live well and bilge before you leave the boat launch.

Dry: Let your boat and trailer dry in the sun for at least 5 days to kill many aquatic invasive species that you can't see.

Report: Call the Invading Species Hotline at 1-800-563-7711 or visit www.eddmaps.org/ontario to report sightings of aquatic invasive species.

Ontario Parks

With over 300 parks and 26,000 campsites, there's something for every angler. We offer access to boat launch facilities, fish cleaning stations and hundreds of great Ontario fisheries. Go online to plan your day trip or book a campsite at OntarioParks.com/fishing

The above articles taken from 2016 Fishing Ontario.

Tillsonburg Power & Sail Squadron

Report of the Tillsonburg Nominating Committee March 1, 2016. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as Squadron Officers for 2016-2017

Office	Name	Address	Phone Number
Commander	Eric Hatzenbuhler	824 Kensington St, Woodstock, N4S 5L6	519-537-8945
Executive Officer	Doug Robinson P	R.R. # 1 Otterville, On, N0L 1R0	519-879-6474
Training Officer	Larry Hicks <u>AP</u>	185106 Cornell Rd, R.R. # 3 Tillsonburg, N4G 4G8	519-842-5618
Secretary	Jacqui Hicks	185125 Cornell Rd, R.R. # 3 Tillsonburg, N4G 4G8	519-842-9291
Treasurer	Crystal Hatzenbuhler	824 Kensington St. Woodstock, N4S 5L6	519-537-8945
Membership Officer	Howard Wilhelm	10 Chaucer Place, Woodstock, On. N4S 8B7	519-539-6534
Public Relations Officer	Ted VanStevendaal	106-66 Devonshire, Tillsonburg, N4G 4T2	519-842-3257
Maritime Radio Officer	Jon Adlington	Box 217, Otterville, N0J 1R0	519-879-6243
Newsletter Editor	Joan Hicks <u>AP</u>	185106 Cornell Rd, R.R. # 3 Tillsonburg, N4G 4G8	519-842-5618
Environment Officer	Norm Park	108-5 Lamers Court, Tillsonburb, On., N4G 4Z4	519-688-0998
MAREP Officer	Yvonne Barbour	12 Davis Street, Aylmer, N5H 2N5	519-765-3793
Historian	Joan Hicks <u>AP</u>	185106 Cornell rd, R.R. #3, Tillsonburg N4G 4G8	519-842-5618
RVCC Officer	Peter Barbour	12 Davis Street, Aylmer, N5H 2N5	519-765-3793
Social Officer	Betsy VanStevendaal	106-66 Devonshire, Tillsonburg, N4G 4T2	519-842-3257
Youth Officer	TBA		
Web Master	Brent Hicks	185125 Cornell Rd, R.R. #3 Tillsonburg, N4G 4G8	519-842-9291

The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following for appointment by the members as the Internal Audit Review Committee

Peggy Adlington	Box 217, Otterville, Ontario, N0J 1R0
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The following member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of his position as Immediate Past Commander

Ted VanStevendaal <u>AP</u>	106-66 Devonshire, Tillsonburg, N4G 4T2	519-842-3257
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Pursuant to Squadron Regulations 9.15.1 the following members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2013-2014 by virtue of their positions and do not require elections or appointment.

Chair	P/C Ted VanStevendaal <u>AP</u>	Eric Hatzenbuhler
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All in accordance with Squadron Regulation 9.15 and 11.6 and the Guidelines to Nominations in the Guidebook for CPS Officers

Respectfully Submitted	Ted Vanstevendaal <u>AP</u>	Eric Hatzenbuhler
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February 15, 2016

Notice of the District Annual General Meeting

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

**Sarnia Yacht Club
1220 Fort Street
Sarnia, ON, N7V 1M2
Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 1000**

For the purpose of

1. Receiving highlights from posted yearend reports of the Officers and Committees of Western Ontario District.
2. Receiving the Report of the District Financial Officer on the financial position of this District.
3. Electing to office those members whose names appear in the report of the District Nominating Committee annexed to and forming part of this Notice of Meeting.
4. Appointing a Financial Review Committee for the District Year 2015-2016.
5. Considering such other business as may be properly brought before the Annual General Meeting of the District.

Joanne DeActis,
Secretary, Western Ontario District.
zummy01@sympatico.ca

Note:

12.3 ELECTIONS

- 12.3.1** At each District Annual General Meeting there shall be elected by ballot of those members entitled to vote, all elected Officers, as set out in the notice of meeting, provided that if a candidate for any office is unopposed, that candidate may be elected by a nominal single ballot cast by the Secretary in favour of that candidate.
- 12.3.2** Persons elected or appointed shall serve until the next District Annual General Meeting or until their successors shall have been elected or appointed.
- 12.3.3** As per 12.3.2, Members may be appointed by the District Executive Committee as deemed necessary for the administration of the affairs of the District.
- 12.3.4** A District Financial Review Committee shall be appointed. The person(s) appointed to the District Financial Review Committee shall not during their term as a committee member be or become an elected Officer of the District, a member of the District Council or a member of any other committee of the District.
- 12.3.5** No member of a District shall be eligible for election at any District Annual General Meeting unless nominated by the District Nominating Committee or by a petition in writing signed by not less than five (5) Members of the District of which two (2) must be from a Squadron other than that of the petitioner 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 (4) 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 (2) days prior to the date of the meeting at which such election shall take place.



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To the Members of Western Ontario District

Report of the District Nominating Committee January 2016

The District Nominating Committee recommends the following members for election as District Officers for the year 2016/17.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

<i>Office</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Squadron</i>
Commander	James Jeffery JN	London	London
Executive Officer	Mavis Colyer	Wallaceburg	Wallaceburg
Educational Officer	Dave Corke <u>AP</u>	London	London
Administrative Officer	Ron Verhaeghe	Wallaceburg	Wallaceburg
Secretary	Joanne DeActis	London	London
Financial Officer	Karen Connor <u>AP</u>	St Thomas	London
Past Commander	Robert G. Parke <u>AP</u>	London	London

OFFICERS

Membership Officer	Harry Harris S	London	London
Public Relations			
MAREP/RVCC Officer	Pete Barbour	Aylmer	Tillsonburg
Communications Officer	Peter Fuhry N	London	London
Youth Officer	Tracie Berekoff P	Windsor	Windsor
USPS Liaison Officer	Nick Baratta JN	London	London
Environmental Officer			
Boat Show Officer	Bill Fehr	St.Thomas	London
Assist Communications Officer	Drew Climie	London	London
Assist Educational Officer	James Atkinson <u>AP</u>	Belle River	Windsor
Assist Educational Officer	Dave Toogood <u>AP</u>	Erieau	Chatham

The District Nominating Committee recommends the following member for appointment by the members as the Financial Review Committee of the District.

Robert Donaldson	Windsor	Windsor
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Pursuant to Board Regulations 7.1.6 the following members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2016/17 by virtue of their positions, and do not require election or appointment:

Chair	P/D/C Robert Parke <u>AP</u>	London	London
	P/D/C Mike Smith P	Amherstburg	Windsor
	D/C James Jeffery JN	London	London

Respectfully Submitted

Chair	P/D/C Robert Parke <u>AP</u>	London	London
	P/D/C Mike Smith P	Amherstburg	Windsor
	D/C James Jeffery JN	London	London



"IT'S A PIRATES LIFE"

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AHOY MATEY!



Do you look like a real pirate?

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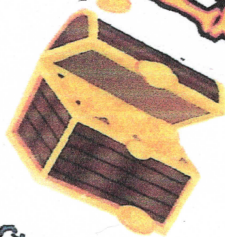
**WELCOME
ABOARD!**



How good does your pirate ship look?



**TREASURE
CHEST**



DON'T GIVE UP ON FINDING THE TREASURE ;)

PIRATE

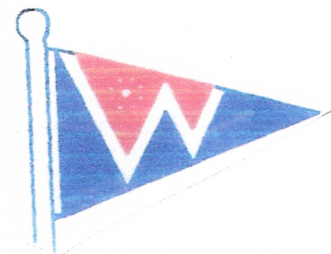
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THE
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"IT'S A PIRATES LIFE"



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invites you to the 2016 District Rendezvous!

June 24, 25, 26

This year's Theme is "It's a Pirates Life". Prizes for best decorated pirate ship and best pirate costume.

Don't forget to wear your costume Saturday at the Dock Lunch & evening dinner.

Accommodations

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REGISTRATION IS DUE BY JUNE 10TH

-----Please detach and return as soon as possible-----

44th Western Ontario District Rendezvous Registration

Captain.....First Mate.....Others.....

Address.....Postal/Zip Code.....

Boat Description.....Motor Home.....When?.....

Name length etc.

Check here if a motor home

Date & time arriving

Phone.....E-Mail.....Squadron.....

Registration \$20 per person/\$35 per couple/children under 12 free.

Saturday dinner: 3 meat buffet plus soup & salad bar and dessert buffet \$25

Registration \$.....Dinners \$.....Total enclosed \$.....

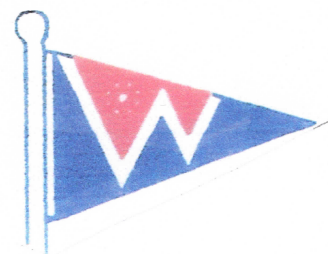
Cheques made payable to Wallaceburg Power Squadron (Payable in CDN funds) Mail to: K. Woods
331 James St. Wallaceburg ON. N8A 2N6 Phone: 519-627-1877 or 519-677-5707



2016 DISTRICT RENDEZVOUS SCHEDULE



Receive your pirate's rations of rum at registration!



FRIDAY NIGHT:

1600 to 1800 – Registrations

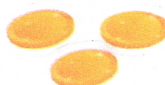
1800 – Coney Dogs – USPS

1900 – Wine Patrol – Sarnia Squadron

Get your raffle tickets for a chance to win a "Death Ride" in a plane!

SATURDAY:

Ongoing until 1600 – Treasure Hunt



9 to 11 – Registrations

8 to 9:30 - Breakfast in Adult Activity Centre (next to library)

10 to noon – District Meeting at the Adult Activity Centre

Noon to 1:30 – Walk the Planks for Dock Lunch – Pirates Pot Luck

1400 – Squadron Competition (formerly Cdr's competition)

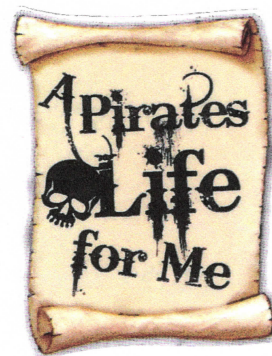
16:30 – Best Decorated Boat Judging

1800 – Walk to the end of the Planks for grub at the Black Goose

2000 to 2200 – Evening entertainment: Tillsonburg Players; Pirates Trivia.

Awards: Best Decorated Boat; Best Pirates Costume; Treasure Hunt winner; Squadron Competition winners.

Raffle draw for "Death Ride". Pirates Loot to be distributed.



SUNDAY:

8 to 10 Breakfast cooked by Tillsonburg Squadron

Potential for coordinated departure of Pirates at 1100 and 1300 for opening of bridges.

For Bridge openings call when at the forks 519-627-6042 or 519-360-1998 weekdays after 3:30

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