

CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS
WESTERN ONTARIO DISTRICT

MINUTES OF DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING
RIDGETOWN, ONTARIO
NOVEMBER 14, 1993

The meeting was called to order at 1335.

1. ROLL CALL PRESENT:

D/C Pauline McKinnon	D/E/O Bill Anthony	Sec. Bruce Wightman
Trea Gwyn Davies	D/Lt Norm Wilson	D/A/O Jack Wittig
Imm P/D/C Brian Govan	Chr Nom Com Ken Cucksey	D/Lt Keith Roberts
Cdr Ted Ball	D/Lt Pat Pearson	Cdr Horst Ammann
Cdr Harold Pryce	D/Lt Larry Hicks	Cdr Richard Scharf
D/Lt Jay Connor		

28 guests were present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Correction: Meeting was held in Ridgetown not Wallaceburg. Kitty Lou Speller (21 merit marks) and Earl Speller (22 merit marks) were omitted from the Western Ontario District list of Life Members.

*****Moved by D/Lt Larry Hicks and seconded by D/C Pauline McKinnon that the minutes of September 22, 1993 be approved with the above changes.**

CARRIED ****

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

None.

4. OFFICER'S REPORTS:

D/C Pauline McKinnon: Report on the AGM held in Quebec City, Saturday, October 23, 1993.

Voting:

The ballots were ready to be picked up at 0730 before the meeting. Each squadron's name was on the ballot as well as the number of votes it had. The delegate picked up the ballots and signed for them. The first ballot had a yes or no choice for the increase in dues of \$3.00. The second had a choice of names - Kurt Schickendanz or Tom Symons. There was a total of 2,600 votes available, so a total of 1,301 was required for a majority. The members of the Governing Board controlled 37 votes. Squadrons had control of 2,563 votes.

When C/C Dyck asked if there were any discussion on the proposed schedule a to raise dues by \$3.00, a member asked for an amendment that the increase be passed only if travel by past chief commanders be limited. Ruling by the law officer was that the motion was not open to amendment. Only a yes or no vote could be allowed. The vote on Schedule 'A' for the \$3.00 increase in dues passed with 1,366 votes in favour.

Ordinarily the secretary casts a single vote for the election of the officers of the corporation, but since there were two people running for N/A/O, a poll was required. Kurt Schickendanz received 1,444 making him the winner. Tom Symons requested that the ballots be destroyed and the vote be declared unanimous.

Officer's reports: Boating registrations are down by 7.6%, advance courses by 13.5% and elective courses by 19.5%. The acquisition of new members is down by 576.

The operational manual has been updated and squadron and district commanders should each receive 2 copies. Anyone who now has an old manual may request a new one.

The national treasurer suggested we change our regulations so that the treasurer would not be allowed to present a deficit budget.

Awards:

1. Western Ontario won the MAREP Award again. I accepted the plaque for Walter Spaunberg and I would like to present it to him today.
2. CPS/ECP design & promotion posters - Avalon Squadron.
3. District PR campaign - Pacific Mainland.
4. Squadron PR campaign - Bolivar Squadron.

Membership Award was not given because the airline "wanted off the hook".

Plaques were given to retiring members of the Governing Board. Among them was Ken Cucksey and Art Charles.

A letter of commendation was given to Brian Burch for the publications - BoatPro and Ride Smart.

Twenty members received their 20th merit mark and life memberships.

There were 10 Past Chief Commanders at the conference: Watkins, Charles, Richards, Cornwell, Comber, Summer, Beal (it was his 37th AGM), Philips, Bruce and Booth.

Excerpt from C/C Mitton's speech: "welcome to the revolution. You have just elected a pure sailor to the helm." The chief advocates teaching below standard for community service and above standard in advanced classes. A major marketing initiative is needed to define our short term goals as well as our long term goals. The food in Quebec was superb. Saturday night we were served a seven course dinner from 1900 to 2300.

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Budget: the mold is still around \$30,000; the telephone system will be leased for \$2,500/year; computers will be budgeted at \$10,000/year. In future years. \$30,000 could be set aside for contingency funds.

P/C/C Art Charles reported on the CPS Foundation for the years 1982 through 1993. The Foundation received \$53,260 in funds and gave back \$52,173 to CPS. The Foundation now has \$133,580 in a fund. The chicken will be retired as a money making device and there will now be an honour role. A squadron or district will get on the honour role by contributing \$1.00 per member and will receive a certificate plus a sticker per year. Cdr. Charles noted that the average net worth of the squadrons over the past 10 years was \$1,200,000.

Meetings of the governing board:

The new pledge was voted in. Please pick one up and start using it.
(A copy is included in these minutes).

An elected officer or a person admitted to membership in cps may be admitted to membership without taking the pledge but must be bound t.,
The organization in the same way as those who have taken the pledge..

The examination given at the conclusion of a field test of the boating course produced by the education department is considered a qualifying examination for the purpose of meeting the requirements of cps.

GBR 13.6.2 (c) was changed to allow the maximum administration charge per person be increased from \$20.00 To

\$40.00. The regulation now reads:

13.6.2 Each squadron may charge any person a course fee in respect of any instruction given by it to such person, provided that such fee shall be limited to the total of:

(c) an administrative charge per person not to exceed \$40.00.

An agreement has been reached with boat U.S. that all CPS members may join at half price. Boat U.S. will advertise in the port hole. The contract will be on a one year basis. Cdr Dyck stated that CPS will carry the brunt of the work load when licensing comes in and we have to reach the minimal standards. He suggested we line up proctors.

Cdr. Mitton has one person from Quebec before the disciplinary committee because he used CPS material for personal gain.

New members on the CPS Foundation are Herb Henderson and Woody Johnson.

Squadron commanders reports: Many reported high increases in cost of accommodations for teaching. One squadron went from 0 to \$12,000. On Vancouver Island there are 3 communities of about 3,000 persons each. One strong bridge was formed and teaching is done in the three communities.

Pacific yachting publishes the roster for pacific mainland and the newsletter is published in the magazine. The subscription fee for the magazine is \$30.00 but CPS members get it free.

In Quebec, French courses are beginning to predominate. Of the 4,042 members in Quebec, more than 3,000 are French. Cartier District reported a 50% drop in Seamanship. Most of their squadrons are reverting back to the 22 week course so that they can promote CPS.

BC Interior reported considerable complaints about fees.

I reported that Western Ontario District had an average increase of 58 members per year for the years 1959 through 1984. The increase for 1992 to 1993 was 125 members. The national data for the years 1986 through 1993 show an average increase of 358 members per year. This has dropped to 62 members for the years 1992 to 1993.

I mentioned the innovative ways squadrons are attracting members, such as floats in parades and the across the lake swim. I was proud to announce that the CPS Mustang award for bravery was awarded to Linda Glover of Windsor.

D/Lt/C Bill Anthony: Expressed his sympathy regarding the deaths of D/Lt Bill Trudell and S/Lt Larry Rhame.

D/Lt/C Jack Wittig: Confirmed the January 30, 1994 meeting hosted by Windsor, and March 6, 1994 meeting hosted by Chatham will be held at Bateman's in Ridgetown.

D/Lt Bruce Wightman: No report

D/Lt Gwyn Davies: The treasurer's report is included with the minutes.

D/Lt Norm Wilson: Norm presented his ideas for selling the District newsletter to major sponsors. He asked for names of possible sponsors and would like anyone with suggestions to contact him at 519-862-2308(h) or 519-332-1212 ext. 7472.

D/Lt Walter Spaunburg: (report read by P/D/C Frank Kelly) Western Ontario received top honours for MAREP hydrographic reporting. Walter thanked all who participated in the program especially R/C Les Reading who guided this program and submitted many reports himself. D/C Pauline McKinnon presented a plaque to Frank Kelly for Walter Spaunburg for winning the MAREP reporting.

Imm P/D/C Brian Govan: Attended the AGM in Quebec City. Each course director had a booth, that is, a Seamanship booth and an AP booth and etc. Only 2 commanders from Western Ontario District attended. Many districts had all the squadron commanders in attendance. Brian has replaced Ken Cucksey as a General Director. He becomes the third person on the nominating committee for the National Bridge. He also relays to National what the district commanders are looking for.

P/D/C Ken Cucksey: Enjoyed the National Conference. He congratulated Brian Govan on his appointment as national director. This is an honour to have 2 directors from the same district in a succession. The Nominating Committee will have their report ready on schedule. As chairman of the Long Term Planning Committee they are working on the District Policy Manual. The committee made some decisions this morning and they will be mailing the commanders a letter for their opinions.

D/Lt Jay Connor: Reports the cost for the London Boat Show will be the same as last year, approximately \$600.00. Gwyn Davies advised there is \$800.00 left in the public relation budget. Horst Ammonn says London will pay 50% as they did last year. Commander McKinnon asked Jay Connor to get a Boat Show budget in to Gwyn Davies.

D/Lt Larry Hicks: Reports he has had no contact with National. He says port captains have had less requests for information. He has asked National for information on public courses to see if our district is above or below average.

D/Lt Pat Pearson: Wondered if any squadron is having a Boatwise course. Windsor will meet with Pat before the January 30, 1994 meeting.

D/Lt Keith Roberts: Reports he has lost contact with the display board. It was mentioned the board may be in Tillsonburg. St. Thomas requires display board in January. Keith is to find out where it is, where it is to be delivered, and to get this information to Bruce Wightman who will take care of transportation.

5. SQUADRON COMMANDER'S REPORTS:

CHATHAM: No report.

ERIE SHORES WEST: the report was given by P/D/C Frank Kelly as Norm Sonnenberg, Theresa Hunter's father, was in I.C.U. at Leamington. He reports that membership was at 154 and the financial balance at \$1997.97. Student night will be November 23, 1993 at the Lakeshore Terrace. The Training Officer resigned November 11, 1993 and will be succeeded by Jim Birch. Erie Shores will be exchanging flags with the Oakland Power Squadron.

GODERICH: Cdr Harold Pryce reports membership at 111 and total finances at \$3079.39. Cruise night to be held November 20, 1994. Their A.G.M. will be March 30, 1994. Cdr. Pryce requested to host the 1994 Rendezvous since it is their 25th anniversary. This request past and the Rendezvous will begin on June 24, 1994.

LONDON: Cdr Horst Ammonn reports membership at 717 and total finances at \$25,920.48. They have 16 VHF students in a November course. Another VHF course is planned in January. Mary Pritchard put on a seminar regarding putting the boat away for winter with 25 people attending. London has planned a bus trip to the

Toronto Boat Show in January. Jay Jeffery will be pledged as Assistant Training Officer at the December meeting.

SARNIA: No report.

ST. THOMAS: No report.

STRATFORD: No report.

TILLSONBURG: Reports membership at 226 and financially sound. October 24 they held a safety day with air/sea rescue. They have planned a bus trip to the Toronto Boat Show.

WALLACEBURG: Cdr. Richard Scharf reports membership at 107. Financially they have less than \$900.00 and are concerned since they only have 4 boating students registered. They have 10 additional Boating notes they would like to sell to another squadron. Chatham volunteered to take these notes. They are planning a fashion show for the spouses at the A.G.M. They are looking for information re: Sunday morning seminars and who is likely to attend. Who has the miniature buoy display? He would like to reserve the display for the A.G.M. He would like the dates for squadrons A.G.M.'s, Commander's Ball and Graduation to avoid overlap and financial strain on members.

WINDSOR: Cdr Gwyn Davies reports membership at 491 and Windsor is financially solvent. Windsor is planning a trip to the Toronto Boat Show.

*****Moved by Keith Roberts and seconded by Robert Lee that the reports of the officers be received CARRIED ******

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Host of 1994 District Rendezvous is Goderich.

b) Tony Pritchard will be A/T/O and be recommended to the nominating committee for this office.

c) Pauline pointed out that a Conference meeting has no control over financial matters - the conference is an advisory body to the Council. D/C McKinnon called for a motion to go back to the Council meeting only. Much discussion and followed regarding Council/Conference or Conference/Council meetings. P/D/C Bob Gallagher referred to his letter dated November 1, 1993. A copy of this letter is included with these minutes. Horst Ammonn voiced his opinion that it was difficult to get the delegates. He suggested before we change back and forth we find out what changes are wanted. He would also like District minutes sooner so they can be discussed at their Bridge Meeting. D/C Pauline McKinnon said the minutes are mailed as soon as possible. Cdr. Harold Pryce says Bob Gallagher's letter makes a lot of sense. He likes the idea of having a Conference first where more can participate.

D/C McKinnon called for a vote on the motion. P/D/C Gerry Kirkland asked that the vote be deferred to the Conference meeting, Pauline agreed.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR: Nil

*****Moved by Jay Connor and seconded by D/C Pauline McKinnon that the Council meeting be terminated. CARRIED ******

Meeting was terminated at 1515.

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MINUTES OF DISTRICT CONFERENCE MEETING
November 14, 1993

The Conference meeting was called to order at 1535

1. ROLL CALL:

D/C Pauline McKinnon	D/Lt/C Bill Anthony	D/Lt Bruce Wightman
D/Lt Gwyn Davies	D/Lt Norm Wilson	D/Lt Keith Roberts
P/D/C Bob Gallagher	P/D/C Fulton Charlton	D/Lt Jack Wittig
P/D/C Ken Cucksey	P/D/C Frank Kelly	S/C Bob Parke
P/D/C Jerry Kirkland	D/Lt Jay Connor	P/D/C Robert Lee
P/D/C Earl Speller	P/D/C Brian Govan	D/Lt Pat Pearson
D/Lt Larry Hicks		
Delegates:		
Cdr Horst Ammonn	Cdr Harold Pryce	1st Lt Jim Birch
Cdr Ted Ball	Lt/C Evelyn Wightman	Lt/C Mary Pritchard
P/Cdr Tony Pritchard	Lt/C Al Hinge	1st Lt John Hamilton
P/Cdr Louis Cooke	1st Lt Peter Meyer	P/Cdr Claire Pearce
1st Lt Joe Gatfield	Cdr Richard Schart	

11 guests were present

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

D/C Pauline McKinnon pointed that in regard to P/D/C Bob Gallagher's remarks on page 2 of the minutes that a council meeting must be held 1 - 4 week prior to a Governing Board meeting, not 4 weeks prior as written. The statement that "any money matter over \$2,000.00 has to go to the Conference" is incorrect. Only Council can approve money expenditures.

***** Moved by P/D/C Fulton Charlton and seconded by P/Cdr Jack Pearson that the minutes be approved with the above modifications.**

CARRIED ****

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

None.

4. REPORT OF PAST DISTRICT COMMANDERS:

P/D/C Frank Kelly - No report.

P/D/C Jerry Kirkland - No report

P/D/C Fulton Charlton - No report.

P/D/C Robert Lee - No report.

P/D/C Earl Speller - No report.

P/D/C Ken Cucksey: Ken reports that the Long Term Planning Committee moved that a lump sum be donated to

C.P.S. Foundation memorial fund in memory of any person who has made any significant contribution through the year to District. These individuals would be named in the letter to the Foundation and the names decided by the District Executive Committee. The amount would be put in the budget.

The Long Term Planning Committee also want the opinion of the squadron commanders re: a policy to consider the nomination of a district commander for a second term.

The Long Term Planning Committee recommends consideration be given to investigate the benefits and costs of splitting the District into east and west and splitting Windsor and London into 2 - 3 units.

***** Moved by Ken Cucksey and seconded by Jack Pearson that the Planning Committee have the authority to pursue the above issues.**

CARRIED ****

P/D/C Robert Gallagher - no report.

P/D/C Brian Govan - No report.

5. REPORT OF DISTRICT COMMITTEES

No reports.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Regarding the Wallaceburg A.G.M., Richard Scharf reports that the meeting will be more low keyed than last year. He would like input from others due to their inexperience. He would like to know what the preference is regarding Sunday morning meetings. They aim to keep expenses down.

Tony Pritchard asked the Squadrons to contact him regarding examinations while Norm is ill. His telephone numbers are (home) 432-9446, (business) 434-3233.

D/C Pauline McKinnon says the new Chief wants Districts to sponsor officer training seminars. Pauline suggested a one day (6 hr.) seminar be held, possibly in February at Ridgetown. Different presentations could be made; an allowance for mileage for 1 car from each Squadron could be allowed (approximately \$400.00). A lot of ideas were presented but no motion was made.

The district commander asked for a motion regarding Council/Conference meeting issue

***** Moved by P/D/C Frank Kelly and seconded by P/Cdr Jack Pearson that we continue with this format but hold the Conference meeting before the Council meeting.**

CARRIED ****

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

8. TERMINATION OF MEETING

***** Moved by Brian Govan and seconded by Larry Hicks that the Conference meeting be terminated. CARRIED ******

The meeting was terminated at 1558.

TREASURER'S REPORT
as at December 28, 1993

RECEIPTS	1993/94 Budget Dec.28/93	actual to
Membership dues	\$7,263	\$6,342
Rendezvous - net receipts	500	538
Miscellaneous income	150	9
Receipts related to prior year	<u>-</u>	<u>2,282</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>7,913</u>	<u>9,171</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
District Conference/AGM	500	-
Meetings	600	300
Public relations	900	411
Postage & telephone	1,800	401
D/C's hospst. Suite at CPS/AGM	500	175
Printing & stationery	900	548
Miscellaneous (includes \$200 for CPS Foundation)	250	200
Administrative	80	13
Disbursements related to prior year	<u>-</u>	<u>568</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	<u>5,530</u>	<u>2,616</u>
EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$2,383	\$6,555
OPENING BANK BALANCE		<u>4,058</u>
BANK BALANCE - DECEMBER 28,1993		<u>\$10,613</u>

RECONCILIATION TO PRIOR REPORT

Bank balance - November 13/93	\$11,352	
Receipts	-	
Disbursements	<u>(739)</u>	*
Bank balance - December 28/93	<u>\$10,613</u>	

* -Cheques issued over \$100
300 - Deposit on London
Boat Show booth
100 - Meeting room expense
175 - D/C's hospitality
Expense CPS/AGM

These amounts do not exceed
the Budget allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

D/Treas. G. Davies