

**CANADIAN POWER AND SAIL SQUADRONS**  
**WESTERN ONTARIO District**

**Meeting Minutes of the District Conference**  
**Wardsville, Ontario**  
**Wednesday May 21,1997**

The conference meeting was called to order at 1930

**1 ROLL CALL:**

D/C J. Connor	D/Lt Patricia Pearson	R/C Ken Cucksey
D/Lt/C Tony Pritchard	D/Lt Lew Culver	P/D/C William Anthony
D/Lt/C Larry Hicks	D/Lt Ron Jones	P/D/C Robert Lee
D/Lt Jeff Evans	D/Lt Al Hinge	P/D/C Gerald Kirkland
D/Lt Joe Gatfield	D/Lt Jerry Pinnegar	P/D/C Jack Wittig
D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge	D/Lt Anne Rydall	P/D/C Frank Kelly
D/Lt Keith Roberts	D/Lt Jerry Menard	P/D/C Brian Govan

**Delegates:**

Cdr Jim Birch	P/Cdr Harry Williamson	Lt/C Roger Taillieu
Cdr Nick Baratta	P/Cdr Karen Connor	1st/Lt Mike Baker
Cdr Bob Burns	Lt/C Mike Feeney	1st/Lt Walter Evans
Cdr John Clifford	Lt/C Gloria Hanstein	S/C Mary Pritchard
Cdr Paul Campbell	Lt/C Joan Hicks	
Cdr Brian Lee	Lt/C Ron Elvidge	
Cdr Harry Ditmar	Lt/C Iris Martens	

**Members:**

Jean Kirkland

**2. APPROVAL OF MARCH 16/97 MINUTES**

Corrections:

Correction to minutes: P/D/C Brian Govan proposed the District charge a fee of \$15.00 for the District Pennant, and not \$20.00.

\*\*\***MOVED** by Cdr Bob Burns, seconded by D/Lt Al Hinge that the minutes be approved with the above correction.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

None.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Operations Manual** - printed again. Complete reprint Feb 28 1997. D/C J. Connor has no indication of cost per manual. District will apply to National for copies for District Officers. D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge is to contact HQ to arrange order. Squadron Commanders will order on their own, if not already received.

Thank you note from V/C Dave Durward for a great time at the District AGM in April.

**5. RECEIVING DISTRICT OFFICERS REPORTS:**

**D/C J Connor:** No report  
**D/Lt/C Larry Hicks(D/E/O):** No Report  
**D/Lt/C Tony Pritchard(D/T/O):** No Report  
**D/Lt Joe Gatfield(D/Treas):** Brought a projected budget forward for upcoming year.

**\*\*\*MOVED** by D/Lt Joe Gatfield, seconded by D/Lt Keith Roberts that the budget be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

**D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge (D/Secty.):** Home Phone (519) 637-8287, Cell (519) 670-4703 and e-mail kelvis@netcom.ca

**D/Lt Al Hinge (D/PRO):** Reminder - Squadron PRO's be sure to have copies of the following: CPS Operational Manual, back issues of PROMOTO and the National PR Manual with updates. National Top 20 PR contest entries should be mailed by May 31. Safety Equipment is theme of the 1997 Boatwise Poster Contest, and June 30th is deadline for entries. Safe Boating Week is scheduled for June 1st to 8th. New posters are here and available called "Real Men Wear PFD's". They should be given to marina friends and dealers. Thanks to Squadrons for using the \$50 co-op advertising plan. Copies of the new Coast Guard booklet with proposed changes to Small Vessel Regulations. Squadron Commanders have received invoices for supply of District Pennants. Reminded us that we are all Public Relations persons for CPS.

**D/Lt Ron Jones (D/Membership):** Reminder that the final payment of annual dues and squadron membership list should be sent to Headquarters as soon as possible. All members who have not sent their membership dues yet should be contacted and encouraged to reinstate with CPS. The March 8th Governing Board Meeting adopted that those passing Boat Pro, Ride Smart as CPS Associate Members. No Membership fee has been set yet.

Associates will not vote  
will not hold office  
will not fly the CPS flag  
will not have access to CPS boat insurance program Associates  
will receive Today's Boating and The Port Hole  
will be eligible for privileged boat insurance  
will be able to participate in other membership benefits

**D/Lt Gerry Pinnegar (D/Boat Show):** no report

**D/Lt Keith Roberts (VHF):** As of April 30th, 228 students passed VHF exam, compared with 138 for same period last year. So far this training year, 319 have received Restricted Radio Operator's License.

Breakdown is as follows:

Chatham 16; Erie Shores West 28; Goderich 13; London 61; Sarnia 30; St. Thomas 45; Stratford 11; Tillsonburg 38; Windsor 77.

Exams scheduled are:

Erie Shores West - May 28 in Harrow,

London - has 12 writing in Strathroy on May 29, and 45 taking exam in London on June 2

**D/Lt Patricia Pearson (D/A/T/O):** no report

**D/Lt Ann Rydall(D/Marep Hydro):** no report

**D/Lt Jerry Menard(D/Marep W):** no report

**D/Lt Jeff Evans(D/Enviro):** Want to bring Marine Oil Recycling program started last year in Sarnia Squadron to the District. Info will be sent to Squadrons. Enviro Boater Encyclopedia will be further enhanced. Will be sent to Squadrons as well. Would like to develop a Enviro Boater examination Program similar to Courtesy Exam done by Coast Guard. Also wants to develop a District Environmental News Letter.

**D/Lt Valerie Gujban (D/Youth):** Absent

**D/Lt Peter Brull (D/Port Capt):** Absent

**D/Lt Lew Culver(D/USPS Liaison):** Literature from Julie Latimer, Windsor Squadron regarding some USPS activities. See Attachments.

**S/Lt Peter Steeves(D/Elect. Comm):** Absent

S/Lt Gary Henrich (D/Boat Exam Eval): Absent

**\*\*\*MOVED** by Cdr Bob Burns, seconded by Cdr Harry Ditmar that the officers reports be accepted.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

#### **6. RECEIVING SQUADRON REPORTS**

**Chatham** - Cdr Mark Labadie: Absent, no report

**Erie Shores West** - Cdr Jim Birch: submitted

**Goderich** - Cdr Rod Wraith: absent, 1st/Lt Walter Evans no report

**London** - Cdr Nick Baratta: report submitted

**Sarnia** - Cdr Paul Campbell: June 14 Sarnia Bay -1 day Boat Pro with Sarnia Police and Coast Guard giving seminars.

**St. Thomas** - Cdr John Clifford: Report Submitted.

**Stratford** - Cdr Tom Sutherland: Submitted by P/D/C Jack Wittig, Stratford will not be at District Rendezvous

**Wallaceburg** - Cdr Brian Lee: submitted

**Tillsonburg** - Cdr Harry Ditmar: submitted. Tillsonburg rec show booth was a success

**Windsor** - Cdr Bob Burns: submitted. Commander's Dinner & Graduation May 30 and Courtesy Boat Inspection on June 2.

**\*\*\*MOVED** by D/Lt Joe Gatfield, seconded by P/D/C Frank Kelly to accept the Squadron Commander's Reports

**CARRIED \*\*\***

#### **7. RECEIVING PAST COMMANDERS REPORTS**

**P/D/C Frank Kelly** - No Report

**P/D/C Brian Govan** - U.S. now requiring passports as well as I-68's in many cases.

**P/D/C William Anthony** - no report

**R/C Ken Cucksey** - no report

**P/D/C Robert Lee** - No Report

**P/D/C Gerald Kirkland** - No report

#### **8. NEW BUSINESS**

**D/Lt Joe Gatfield(D/Treas)**- Requires Financial Statements from all Squadrons. He does have ones from Erie Shores West. Chatham, and Windsor.

**D/Lt/C Tony Pritchard** - List of new Squadron Bridges sent to District officers? D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge will copy Squadron Bridge for District. List of Squadron Bridge must be sent to National by June 1. Noticed a number of Squadrons do not show grades of their bridge and says it is a pity.

#### **9. REPORTS OF DISTRICT COMMITTEES**

**Windsor Rendezvous Committee** - going well - 38 of 75 wells committed for \$10 Rendezvous t-shirts will be available. Reminded that each squadrons should supply a door prize - about \$25.00 value. Those already registered will receive information package in early June. Theme for boat decorating is the 1970's

**St. Thomas District AGM Committee** Thanked everyone for attending and making it a success. Submitted financial statement and a cheque for \$500 to District.

**Ways and Means Committee** Jack Wittig - There is a need for more money at the District and Squadron Level. Idea for both Squadron and District to make money. The following is an idea that they would like to pursue. Selling tickets and raffle off a 1998 top-of-the-line 3-seat fully equipped and licensed SeaDoo with trailer and cover.

Total Cost of about           \$10,500

SeaDoo with cover & trailer - \$ 6,930, we would buy at dealer cost less \$2,000  
\$1000 costs for administration of sale(insurance, lottery license etc), looking about \$8000  
expenditure to make the program run.

Payment for Sea-Doo would not have to be paid until April 1998 with no interest.  
Sell 6000 tickets. Draw would be at District AGM or Rendezvous.

We would sell tickets for about 6 months at 5\$ per ticket, must sell 1600 tickets to crack the mark, each  
squadron would be obligated to sell 65% of their membership in tickets - ie Chatham has a  
membership of 206, and would require a minimum of 134 tickets. After minimum is sold, Squadron  
and District would split 50/50 on each ticket.

The following is a rough guideline as to the minimum number of tickets required to be sold by each Squadron:  
Chatham 134, Erie Shores 77, Goderich 73, London 447, Sarnia 153, St. Thomas 90, Stratford 82,  
Tillsonburg 166, Wallaceburg 64, Windsor 314, Totals 1600 tickets. After this, Squadron makes  
\$2.50, District Makes \$2.50. Must be prepared for not meeting minimum quota. All squadrons must  
make its break even quota. Suggestions from some about desirability of prize. Some people may not  
want a SeaDoo, what about optional cash equivalent?

**\*\*\*MOVED** by P/D/C Jack Wittig, seconded by Ken Cucksey, that the draw be approved in  
principal only, as outlined above with further and exact details in writing brought forward at  
the fall meeting.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

#### **10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:**

None

#### **Meeting Arrangements**

Next Meeting will be June 21 at the Rendezvous, 1000  
Fall Meeting - Sometime in Late September or October.  
AGM next Year - Tillsonburg will volunteer for this

**\*\*\*MOVED** by D/Lt Joe Gatfield, seconded by Cdr John Clifford to terminate the Conference  
Meeting

**CARRIED \*\*\***

District Conference meeting adjourned 2119.

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Council Meeting called to order at 2124

D/Lt Joe Gatfield brought forth the following 8 Expenses;

D/Lt/C Larry Hicks for new District Officers Badges - \$101.07  
P/Cdr Karen Connor for gift to Norm Sonnenberg at District AGM - \$75.00  
D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge - postage for mailing AGM minutes - \$37.50  
Flagworks, amounts left owing for pennants - \$1092.67  
D/Lt Al Hinge - \$275 for pennant  
Hall rental for meeting for this evening - \$100  
Advance to Tillsonburg for 1998 April AGM - \$500  
Donation to CPS Foundation - \$250 for deceased District members from past year

**\*\*\*MOVED** by Cdr Brian Lee, seconded by D/Lt Ron Jones to pay the expenses.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

**\*\*\* MOVED** by D/Lt Keith Roberts, seconded by D/Lt Ron Jones that the Council meeting be terminated.

**CARRIED \*\*\***

Council meeting adjourned at 2127.

Prepared By

D/Lt Kelvin Elvidge  
Western Ontario Secretary