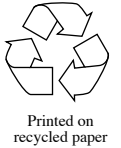




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A relatively small but enthusiastic crowd of bridge and squadron members enjoyed a great early December social at London Squadron's Commander's Levee at HMCS Prevost. Those gathered enjoyed some tasty hors d'oeuvres, good conversation and a chance to share Christmas and New Year's greetings with fellow members. The atmosphere of the Wardroom and Dave's skill as a bartender made the afternoon a very enjoyable time. From the left **John McKay** (Community Liason Officer), **P/C Glenn McCann** and wife **Sandy, Sherry** and **Cdr. Larry Monger**.

## CALENDAR

All events start or take place at HMCS Prevost, 19 Becher Street, London unless noted otherwise.

### February

**22-24 London Boat & Cottage Show**, Western Fair Grounds, Volunteers needed! Call Alice Baratta (519) 453-2172.

### March

**1 Euchre Night**, HMCS Prevost Ward Room, 1800 – 2100, Members & Guest Welcome. Call Bev (519) 601-2041

### April

**5 Beers of the World**, HMCS Prevost Ward Room, Limited tickets available. Call Dave (519) 439-4432

**8 London Squadron AGM and Merit Mark Ceremony**, HMCS Prevost Ward Room, 1900

**25-26 District AGM**, Quality Inn, Woodstock, ON

### June

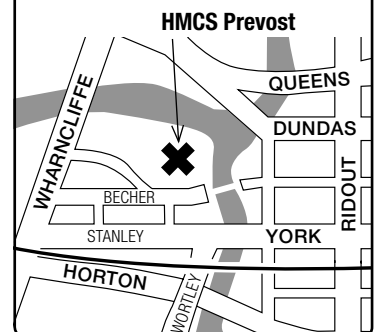
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## Calling all Euchre players!

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Since our last communication, the Holiday Season has slipped by (for most of us, at least) with its usual fanfare: celebrations with friends and family and the opportunity to consider the new year which is upon us and to make resolutions.

The Commander's Levee held December 2, 2007 was well-attended and all appeared to enjoy the refreshments offered and the opportunity to extend best wishes to friends in CPS. The souvenir wineglasses were a hit as well!

It is apparent that many boaters have resolved to improve their level of preparedness for the boating season ahead since, currently, our course offerings have attracted students as follows: Boating - 29 students, Piloting - 6 students, Radio - 11 students, GPS - 16 students. Congratulations to all who have embarked on these opportunities to improve their skills and knowledge.

As this 2007-08 London Squadron year progresses, our Nominating Committee is well under way, planning for the Change of Watch which will take place at our Annual General Meeting on April 8. All members are invited to seize the opportunity to become more involved in the operations of the squadron by volunteering to serve on the Bridge or by assisting in some other less time-consuming capacity. Your offer of assistance will be enthusiastically received. If such involvement interests you, please call P/Cdr Mark Hunsberger (519-453-4714) at your earliest convenience.

Just a reminder: the 2008 National Conference is to be held in Windsor, ON in October. Squadrons throughout the Western Ontario District will be contributing time and resources in preparation for this event. The Conference promises to be an exciting, nostalgic affair marking the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of CPS. If you have CPS artifacts (old membership cards, certificates, regalia or pictures of historical interest to CPS), dig them out of your "sea chest" as I believe they may be of interest to conference organizers as the planning progresses. Further information will follow in future London Line editions.

Remember that your Bridge meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Ward Room at HMCS Prevost at 19 Becher Street. If you would like to attend any of these meetings, you would be most welcome.

Larry Monger, *Commander*



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# Heading North? PART TWO

After a day of twisting and wiggling around in the engine room, we come to the conclusion that it isn't the engine, Thank god. So after a long day of work, I decide to catch up on the dishes. I start filling the sink, add the soap, and then start adding the dirty dishes... the water is like ice. Where is the hot water? The investigating continues. We found our water problem.

Rule #1.

When winterizing your boat, make sure ALL water lines, containers, holding tanks etc are either empty or open.

The hot water tank had frozen through the winter and spilt the container wide open. Okay, so, lets look at the good point of this. We don't have a major leak from below, or from above, we're just leaking on the inside. With a stroke of luck and a crazy neighbour who doesn't want or use his hot water, we replace our 11 gallon with a freebee 6 gallon. Woo hoo, see me doing the woohoo dance. We really couldn't afford a new one right now, so it truly was a stroke of luck.

Two weekends later, we decide to tackle the cleaning of the winches. Fourteen years of sand and grim, no wonder the things didn't want to turn. First winch, dismantled, scrubbed, soaked, scrubbed and then reassemble. Oh oh, how does this darn thing go back together. It's amazing how one little washer, can screw everything up. Anyway, 3 hours later of dismantling, reassembling scratching heads, banging heads, and we finally have a smooth running machine. Number 2 went fairly well. The whole process only would have took us about ... 2 hours. But, now why does there always have to be a but. We were three quarters of the way through the cleaning processes, scrubbing away, when ... Where is my water? I have no water. WHERE IS THE WATER?

Barbara Billingsley

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## Astrological Trivia

With the Holiday Season behind us, it is interesting to note that Easter this year will be celebrated on the earliest date (March 23) in almost 100 years since 1913 to be exact, and it is not scheduled to occur again this early until the year 2160.

So how did the date for Easter become established? It is the first Sunday, following the first full moon which appears after the March 20 equinox. This year for example, the first full moon after the equinox is on March 21 and Easter is the next Sunday which is March 23.

Since 325 AD, the year in which this tradition was developed, Easter has always been celebrated between March 22 and April 25.

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

February 04, 2008

**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/Escaadrilles canadienne de plaisance will be held at:

**Altadore Quality Hotel & Suites, Convention Centre  
580 Bruin Boulevard, Woodstock, Ontario  
Saturday, April 26, 2008 at 1400**

For the purpose of

1. Considering and, if thought fit, approving the Resolution set forth in Schedule "A" of this Notice.
2. Receiving a report from the Officers and Committees of this District.
3. Receiving the Audited Report of the District Treasurer on the financial position of this District.
4. 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.
5. Appointing an Internal Audit Review Committee for the District Year 2008-2009.
6. Considering such other business as may be properly brought before the Annual District Conference

Dave Corke, AP  
Secretary, Western Ontario District.

**Schedule "A"**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Article 9.15.1 of the Western Ontario District Regulations be repealed: "The District Nominating Committee shall consist of three members, being the Immediate Past District Commander, the Past District Commander once removed, and the Past District Commander twice removed, all of whom shall hold their position by virtue of their office and will not require election or appointment. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Past District Commander twice removed."

**And the following is to be enacted:** "The District Nominating Committee shall consist of 3 members, being the District Commander, the immediate Past District Commander and the Past District Commander once removed, all of whom shall hold their positions by virtue of their office and will not require election or appointment. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the immediate Past District Commander."

**Rationale:**

This will bring our Regulations in line with the Model District Regulations and will be a more practical Committee. The current D/C and immediate Past have more working knowledge of potential candidates than a P/D/C twice removed.

*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."*

**Report of the District Nominating Committee**, February 2008

The District Nominating Committee nominates the following members for election as District Officers for 2008/2009.

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS	SQUADRON	PHONE
Commander	Joan Hicks, <u>AP</u>	R.R. #3, Tillsonburg N4G 4G8	Tillsonburg	842-5618
Executive Officer	Chris Schooley, P	1041 Michigan Avenue, Sarnia N7S 2B3	Sarnia	542-4555
Training Officer	Michael Smith, P	7010 Matchette Rd., La Salle, N9J 2R9	Windsor	734-7031
Administrative Officer	James Jeffery, JN	1801-380 King Street, London N6B 3L6	London	438-0400
DISTRICT LIEUTENANTS:				
Secretary	David Corke, <u>AP</u>	47 Forsythe Ave., Brantford N3R 3L6	London	720-9367
Treasurer	Bill Jerry	R.R. #1, Woodstock N4S 7V6	Tillsonburg	456-5550
Assistant Training Officer	Mark Hunsberger, <u>AP</u>	272 Short Ave., London N5W 1W2	London	453-4714
Membership Officer	Harry Harris, S	29 Silverdale Crescent, London N5Z 4A5	London	681-8259
Public Relations Officer	Ted Van Stevendaal, <u>AP</u>	106-66 Devonshire, Tillsonburg N4G 4T2	Tillsonburg	842-3257
Boat Show Officer	Alice Baratta, JN	1629 Mardell Street, London N5V 1X3	London	453-2172
Communications Officer	Peter Fuhry, N	10 Riverbank Dr., St. Thomas N5P 4M5	London	282-1870
MAREP, Hydrographic	Joe Haslinger, <u>AP</u>	21 Allen Street, Tillsonburg, N4G 4V6	Tillsonburg	842-8708
Youth Officer	Tracie Berekoff, P	313 Martin Lane, LaSalle, N9J 2M4	Windsor	978-3071
USPS Liaison Officer	Nick Baratta, JN	1629 Mardell Street, London N5V 1X3	London	453-2172
Environment Officer	Mark Beacom	66 Wilkinson Dr., Leamington N9H 1A3	Windsor	325-1261

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

Tony Pritchard, N      11 Ravenglass Crescent, London N6G 4K1      London      432-9446

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

Karen Connor, AP      46304 Ron McNeil Line, RR #8, St. Thomas N5P 3T3      St. Thomas      631-7652

Staff Lieutenants to be appointed by the District Commander:

Pursuant to District Regulation 9.15.1, the following members will serve on the District Nominating Committee for 2008//2009 by virtue of their positions, and do not require election or appointment:

Chair	P/D/C Joe Gatfield, <u>AP</u>	1318 Bruce Ave., Windsor, N8X 1X3	Windsor	971-8072
	P/D/C Alan Hinge, <u>AP</u>	50-14 Cadeau Terrace, London N6K 4X5	London	657-9262
	P/D/C Karen Connor, <u>AP</u>	46304 Ron McNeil Line, RR #8, St. Thomas N5P 3T3	St. Thomas	631-7652

All in accordance with District Regulation 9.15 and 11.6 and Operations Manual 18.0

Respectfully Submitted  
Chair/P/D/C Joe Gatfield, AP    P/D/C Al Hinge, AP    P/D/C Karen Connor, AP

To: Members of the London Power and Sail Squadron  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
and MERIT MARK CEREMONY**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the London Power and Sail Squadron will be held:

Place: **HMCS Prevost, 19 Becher St. London, ON**

Date and Time: **Tuesday April 8, 2008, 1900**

FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

1. Receiving and, if thought fit, approving the reports of the Officers;
2. Receiving the Auditors Report on the financial position of the Squadron;
3. Electing to office those members whose names and addresses appear in the report of the Squadron Nominating Committee as annexed and forming part of the notice;
4. Appointing an Auditor for the Squadron Year 2008-2009;
5. Considering such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting;

Members eligible for election as Squadron Officers areas set out in Article 12 of the Squadron Regulations. Section 12.1 reads as follows:

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Larry Monger, Commander  
London Power and Sail Squadron

**London Power and Sail Squadron  
Nominating Committee Report**

1. The Squadron Nominating Committee nominates the following Members for election as Squadron Officers for our 2008 – 2009 Squadron year;

Commander	Mark Hunsberger	272 Short Ave. London N5W 1W2	453-4714
Executive Officer	Deb Hughes	590 Dufferin Ave. London N6B 2A4	667-0749
Training/ Supply Officer	Steve Waite AP	103 Chesham Ave. London N6G 3V1	473-0517
Bursar	John Manvell P	15 Madeira Dr. London N5V 2M3	455-3627
Secretary	Barb Billingsley	375 Willard Cres. London N6K 2H8	474-3432
Treasurer	Ralph Smith AP	41 Nottinghill Cres. London N6K 1P9	472-0453
Membership Officer	Bernie Weis P	900 Quinton Rd. London N6H 3A7	473-7060
ATO Boat Pro	John Manvell P	15 Madeira Dr. London N5V 2M3	455-3627
ATO Maritime Radio	Guy McLean	1119 Gatewood Rd. London N5Y 4Z3	434-5491
PR Officer	Rob Secco P	822 Embassy Ave. London N6H 1E6	473-2022
Events Officer	Bev Miatello AP	109 Vauxhall St. London N5Z 1B5	670-4123
London Line Editor	Eric Jones P	1045 Waterloo St. London N6A 3X8	438-3135
Business Manager	Mark Anderson P	434 Charlotte St. London N6G 5J2	951-8637
Regalia Officer	TBD		
Welfare Officer	John McKay	23336 Nairn Rd. Komoka N0L 1R0	670-4123
Community Liaison	John McKay	23336 Nairn Rd. Komoka N0L 1R0	670-4123

2. The Squadron Nominating Committee also nominates the following for appointment by the Members, as Auditor for the Squadron:

P/V/C Tony Pritchard SN 11 Ravenglass Crescent London N6G 4K1 432-9446

3. The Squadron Nominating Committee also advises that;

a) The following member will serve on the Squadron Executive Committee by virtue of his position as Immediate Past Commander and will not require election or appointment:

P/Cdr Larry Monger 40 – 163 Pine Valley Dr. London N6J 4R4 685-4159

b) The following Members will serve on the Squadron Nominating Committee for 2008 – 2009 by virtue of their positions and do not require election or appointment;

P/Cdr Larry Monger (Chair) P/Cdr Paul Neve Cdr Mark Hunsberger

Respectfully Submitted;  
P/Cdr Paul Neve P/Cdr Larry Monger Cdr. Mark Hunsberger

# Women in the London Squadron



LINDA BONIS

## Bonis elected top officer

Linda Bonis has been elected 1984-85 commander of the London Power Squadron, succeeding Philip Dickson. Other officers include: executive officer, Ernest Saunders; treasurer, Keith Roberts; secretary, James Parker; training officer, Bob Gallagher; first lieutenants, Leslie Reading, Ernest Lousley, Lainie Zapfe, Fred Durham, William Rogan and Louis Cooke.

The inaugural Boating Class of our Squadron was held at HMCS Prevost on the west side of Richmond St. The women graduates in the spring of 1949 were Betty Neilsen, Beth Underhill, Beverly Thompson and Glenna Calder.

### First associate

Through the assistance of Jim Thompson, King Abell and Frank Toten, squadron historian (1982) Linda Bonis was able to name Beth L. Underhill as being a Charter Lady Associate, having been involved in the Squadron in 1949.

In the 1955-1956 squadron year the London Squadron had 56 members and 19 Lady Associates.

### First executive officer

Appointed to the Executive of London Power Squadron in 1973, the first year women were permitted to serve on the Executive, Linda Vine became the first woman to serve on the executive of the London Power Squadron. At that time she held the position of Treasurer. Subsequently, as Cdr Linda Bonis, she served as the second female commander of the London Power Squadron.

### First commander

Commander Doris Hall, AP attained the rank of squadron commander in April 1979.

With her election to the office of Commander of the London Power Squadron, she was among the first female commanders in Canadian Power Squadrons. We believe Doris was either the third or fourth female to reach that pinnacle in CPS, for it was but scant years earlier that CPS had amended its regulations to allow for any female to hold an elected office within the organization.

Doris Hall had previously served the squadron as supply officer in the training department and executive officer as well as in the squadron's classrooms.

Cdr Hall later served as a district lieutenant and for many years as the Squadron Certificates Officer.

The other women London Squadron Commanders include Linda Bonis in 1984-1985 and Mary Pritchard in 1995-1996.

### Life members

A Life Membership is awarded in Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons once an individual member has been awarded twenty merit marks. Merit marks, awarded only by the chief commander, are given on recommendation of a squadron commander or other eligible officer's recommendation, if the chief commander sees fit, to any member who gives a minimum of twenty hours effort throughout any given year to aid the squadron in its operations.

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London has had several life members in its history to date. Life memberships awarded to women include P/Cdr Doris Hall, AP in 1996 and D/Lt Alice Baratta, JN in 2007.

Doris has since received her 30<sup>th</sup> merit mark in 2006. Alice is currently the Western Ontario District London Boat Show Officer and was a past Training Officer for the London Squadron.

### Navigators

The grade of N is a level of some distinction. To achieve it, students must take the Boating course, Piloting, Advanced Piloting and Navigation. In the past the Navigation course was split into two courses, Junior Navigator and Navigator. Three women in the London Power Squadron have attained this grade. These people are Ursula Schweiger who received her N grade in 1973, Elizabeth Fellner in 1987 and Mary Trusdale who took and passed the course by home study in 1990.

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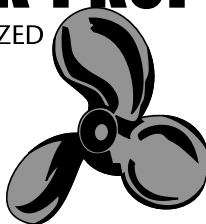
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## Female commander elected

Doris Hall has been elected as the first female commander of the London Power Squadron, a 350-member club which teaches safe boating. She is the 13th female power squadron commander in Canada.

Mrs. Hall, a member of the London squadron since 1971, became interested in the squadron when an auditor she was working for introduced her to the club. She took the squadron's course and joined the club as an associate member. In 1974, she was admitted as a full member and has been on the executive since.

Others on the new executive are: executive officer, Brian Govan; secretary, Ray Sloman; treasurer, Glady

Yokom; lieutenants, John Woods, Jim Redman, Leslie Reading, Alvin White, Michael Lamb, Edward Bowes and Terry Jarvis.



DORIS HALL  
- - - a first for London squadron

### Current bridge officers

Our current Squadron Bridge has four women officers. Lt/C Deb Hughes is the Executive Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Barbara Billingsley is the Squadron Secretary, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Lorna Jeffrey is the Regalia Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Bev Miatello is the Events Officer and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Judy Finch is our Welfare and Assets Officer.

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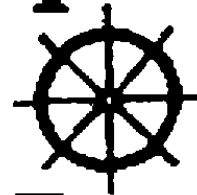
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