



# Foghorn



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*CPS is a volunteer organization dedicated to enhancing boating enjoyment and safety through training. The Foghorn is the newsletter of the Halifax Squadron, a unit of Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons.*

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## **Instructor BIO – Ron Hoffman**

Ron Hoffman has enjoyed a long relationship with the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron, starting when he took the Boating Course during the fall and winter months of 1975-1976, while awaiting delivery of his first sailboat, a Canadian designed Laser. That boat was fun to sail on his home waters of St. Margaret's Bay, but whet his appetite for venturing further afield. Several CPS courses later, he moved up to a Tanzer 22, and expanded his cruising range west to Mahone Bay and east to Halifax Harbour. By 1980, he had completed the Navigator course and was shooting sextant sights on his Tanzer, but a rough trip to Halifax with waves sweeping into the Tanzer's cockpit convinced him of the need for a more seaworthy craft. His next boat, a Brewer-designed Aloha 28 brought cruises west to Maine and east to Cape Breton and the Bras D'Or Lakes.

By 1989, Ron was awarded the Full Certificate by CPS, becoming a Senior Member. The next year, he moved up to a CS36, which he still sails from his current home waters of Mahone Bay. In ROANE, he continued to cruise to New England and Cape Breton, and during one sabbatical year, sailed from Halifax to the Bahamas and back.

Ron also enjoys sailing other people's boats. In addition to half a dozen bareboat charters in the Caribbean, he has sailed in the Marblehead to Halifax race, sailed from Halifax to Bermuda, sailed from Cape Cod to Lunenburg, sailed in the Caribbean 1500 regatta from Norfolk, Virginia to the British Virgin Islands, and sailed with friends in the Bahamas, Antigua, and Guadeloupe. He is not averse to motoring when the wind isn't up or the boat has no sails. His most recent bareboat charter experience was motoring down the beautiful Midi Canal in the south of France in May of 2012.

Ron's professional career was spent teaching university students (he retired from Dalhousie University in 2008, after 40 years there), so he appreciates the efforts of CPS volunteers to educate and promote safe boating. Starting in 1982, he volunteered to teach the Boating Class for the Halifax Squadron of CPS. He taught his 19th class in 2012 and looks forward to teaching the new Boating Essentials class in 2013.



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**Land was created to provide a place for boats to visit –  
Brooks Atkinson**

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## CPS Social Scene – Social Officer

These past few months have been busy for Halifax Power & Sail Squadron, especially on the social front. Continuing on from last year, we have partnered with Armdale Yacht Club, we have enjoyed two very successful get-togethers with terrific turnouts.

On October 15<sup>th</sup>, Bob Chaulk, local author, diver and amateur historian took us on a fascinating trip below the surface of Halifax Harbour. Who new there were so many torpedoes down there... torpedo bottles that is. Some 50 people came out from CPS, AYC and the general public to hear Bob share with us the incredible adventures and treasures he's gathered over the years.

On November 21<sup>st</sup> over 70 people attended our Chartering in the BVI's event. There was an enthusiastic presentation given by Norman and Sarah-Jane Raine and Dave Hacket with lots of discussion with the audience. More than a few people were warmed by the many warm images of sailing in paradise in the middle of winter.

Our next get-togethers will be starting up in January. Make sure you mark your calendars for the following:

### Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

#### Boating with iPad/iPhone

With: Alan Uren

The last couple of years have witnessed incredible advances in technology in terms of speed, portability and capability. These many faceted 'smart' machines with thousands of specialized 'apps' have left no stone unturned... including the boating world. Come have a look at what some of the possibilities are .

### Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Fun with Anchoring

With: Norman Raine

All of us have these wonderful ornaments somewhere on the pointy ends of our boats. However, not all of us really have a great working knowledge of the selection, maintenance and of course, the effective deployment and retrieval of our anchors. Let's face it; it's all too easy to tie up to a slip or pick up a mooring. But when the time comes, we all need to be capable of dropping the hook.

Come on out for an interesting discussion and practical demonstration of one of *the* most important pieces of equipment

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### Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Boating Skills – a Spring Refresher

With: TBA

Let's face it, as boaters we need to know an incredible amount of stuff. From safety, to navigating, to maintenance... you name it. Yet we all lead busy lives. Our boating season is all too short. Once we haul out in the fall, our skill sets get a little rusty. And then spring is upon us before we know it. In the rush of getting our faithful craft ready for the water, there is always a little bit of guilt as we shove off for the first trip of the year that all that stuff we need to know is probably not up to standard.

Come on out for an enjoyable evening as we trip down memory lane:

- Rules of the Road
- Navigation ... with a *paper* chart
- Setting waypoints and a route on your chartplotter...
- Tuning your radar
- Man overboard
- Heaving to in a blow
- Spring maintenance

We might even have a little competition to see who takes home bragging rights.



Students of the Boat and Engine Maintenance class

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## CPS Halifax Squadron

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or contact: 1-888-277-2381

### 2012-13 SCHEDULE: WINTER/SPRING

Course	Start Date	Duration	Instructor	Fee
ROC (M) Marine Radio-VHF course	Fri Jan 18 & Sun Jan 20, 2013	8 hrs total	Harry Henteleff	THIS COURSE IS FULL
ROC (M) Marine Radio-VHF course	Fri Feb 15 & Sun Feb 17, 2013	8 hrs total	Dan White	\$65 member \$70 non-member 2 <sup>nd</sup> family member rates
Boating Essentials (New! For holders of PCOC)	Wed Feb 27 <sup>th</sup> 2013	10 weeks	Ron Hoffman	\$215 (Early Bird discount and 2 <sup>nd</sup> family member) <b>Includes 1-yr membership</b>
Sail	Wed, Feb 27 <sup>th</sup> 2013	12 weeks	Luke Porter	\$140 member \$165 non-member 2 <sup>nd</sup> family member & Refresher rates available
Extended Cruising	Thurs, Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> 2013	12 weeks	Norman Raine, et al	\$140 member \$165 non-member 2 <sup>nd</sup> family member & Refresher rates available
JN – intro to off-shore navigation	Mon, Mar 18, 2013	14 weeks	Mannie Laufer	\$165 member \$190 non-member
RADAR	Tues, Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2013	5 weeks	Dave Hackett	\$80 member \$90 non-member Refresher rate available

All courses will be held at Captain William Spry Community Center, Halifax, Nova Scotia

Register for your course through

[the Squadron's 2012-13 Course Calendar](#)

([http://www.cps-ecp.ca/public.asp?C=39&K=225480&ListingByCategory=502&ListingByMonth=\\*ALL\\*](http://www.cps-ecp.ca/public.asp?C=39&K=225480&ListingByCategory=502&ListingByMonth=*ALL*))

Waves are not measured in feet or inches, they are measured in increments of fear – Buzzy Trent

**National AGM – Edmonton – 2012**  
Awards and Recognition



**Norman Raine**, recipient of his Service Award for Course Director of Boat and Engine Maintenance



**Kellie Skelhorn**, recipient of Natural Marine and Fortress Officer of the Year Award for the Atlantic Provinces



Sarah-Jane Raine, receiving the MAREP award for the **Atlantic District** for both “Best District Effort” and “Most Improved District”



**Emanuel Laufer (Mannie)**, recipient of the G. William Bowman Volunteer Instructor of the Year Award for the Atlantic Provinces

**HALIFAX**  
INTERNATIONAL  
**BOAT SHOW**  
**February 21-24**



CPS at the boat show. The Halifax Squadron and Alderney Squadron will have an exhibitor's booth again this year. Please be sure to stop by and visit your fellow members at Exhibition Park. Show hours are:

Thursday, Feb 21, 2013	12 noon – 9:00 pm
Friday, Feb 22, 2013	10:00 am – 9:00 pm
Saturday, Feb 23, 2013	9:00 am – 7:00 pm
Sunday, Feb 24, 2013	10:00 am – 5:00 pm

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Give a man a fish and feed him for a day. Give him a fishing lesson and he'll sit in a boat drinking beer every weekend –  
Alex Blackwell



Who has more fun than CPS students and  
Instructors!!!!



**Boating students practicing the Bowline:**

John Parke, Randolph Coombs, Ray Gilmore and Allan Ferguson with instructor Angus Mcpherson. Missing is student Lisa Cochrane.



**Seamanship course studying a cruise**

Jason Climie, Cristian Teodorescu, Emanuel Laufer (instructor), Jim Dunn, Philip Rogers. Missing are students Otilia Teodorescu and (photographer here) Alfred MacPherson.