



## 2019 Newsletter CCGA (NL) Inc.

# Waterlines

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**T**he 41st Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (Newfoundland and Labrador) Inc. was held in October of 2019 at the Sandman Hotel in St. John's. This was held in conjunction with the Annual Fall Training Seminar, which took place at the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club in Long Pond.

Registration for the training seminar was held Friday evening, followed by a Meet & Greet to allow members to meet the Directors and fellow Auxiliaries from around the Province. Saturday morning members were bussed to the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club in Long Pond where they availed of refreshers in First Aid, Search and Rescue, donning and doffing of immersion suits, marine abandonment and a life raft demonstration. Other events included line throwing, which became quite competitive, and marlin splicing. We were also fortunate to have the CCG vessel Sacred Bay attend, as well as a helicopter hoisting demo using a Cormorant from Squadron 103 Gander.

It was a chilly day on the bay but members enjoyed the day of training. Thank you to the Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club for your hospitality and for providing a wonderful lunch and refreshments for coffee breaks.

The banquet and awards ceremony took place Saturday evening at the Sandman Hotel. Long service and special awards were presented and a delicious meal shared.

Thank you to all members for your continued involvement and support.



# 41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 41st Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (NL) Inc. was held on October 4, 2019 at The Sandman Hotel in St. John's, NL

## The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary was represented by:

Aidan Penton	President, Director District 9
Marcel O'Brien	1st Vice-President, Director District 1
Ross Petten	2nd Vice-President, Director District 8
James Chidley	Secretary/Treasurer, Director District 7
Ron Pittman	Director District 2
Howard Noel	Director District 3
Wesley Snook	Director District 4
Winston Pitcher	Director District 5
Rom Dalton	Director District 6
Eugene Gray	Director District 10
Kelly Doody	CCGA Regional Operations/Business Manager
Karen O'Brien	CCGA Regional Accounting Clerk

## The Canadian Coast Guard was represented by:

Harvey Vardy  
Superintendent, Maritime SAR  
CCG (Atlantic) Region

John Doucette  
Acting Superintendent  
CCG - Vessels of Concern

## GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to thank all of our dedicated members for your continued service, without you, our organization would not be as strong and well respected as it is. A warm welcome to all our new members who have joined us this past year, you too are helping to strengthen and grow our mandate. For over 41 years our organization has worked alongside the Canadian Coast Guard, assisting countless vessels and crew in difficulty and in peril. I am very proud to be a part of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary and am pleased to be serving as your President.

We currently have close to 800 members and over 350 vessels serving in the CCGA, in the Newfoundland and Labrador region. This is what has allowed us to respond to 67 Search and Rescue cases or 30% of the incidents requiring assistance on the waters of our province in 2019.

We had 28 member vessels take part in on water training with Coast Guard and 103 Squadron Gander. Close to 200 members renewed their First Aid certification in 2019 and almost 100 members participated in our Training Seminars held in Gander and St. John's. We have welcomed new members from around the province, including new members from the Indigenous Nations in Conne River and Labrador. These new members and member vessels continue to increase our availability and coverage areas, making the waters upon which we sail, that much safer.

In 2019, we also lost several members and we send heartfelt sympathy to the families of these members and say to you that we are grieving with you. We thank them for their service.

As we move through these unprecedented times that have been causing much uncertainty in our lives, I wish you all well and ask that you continue to take care of yourselves and your families. Continue to follow public health guidelines and above all stay safe.

Fair winds and following seas.



Aidan Penton  
President



# GREETINGS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT MARITIME SEARCH AND RESCUE - CCG

Greetings to the members and family of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary of Newfoundland and Labrador. As we enter into another season on the water, we find ourselves facing unprecedented challenges of the world-wide pandemic of COVID-19. My first thoughts are for the health, safety and welfare of each of you. We are all experiencing challenges we could not have foreseen – isolating ourselves from parents, children, grandchildren and our extended families. We have all been impacted by tough decisions made for the sake of our health and safety, and I want to thank you for your continued dedication to help slow the spread of COVID-19.

If I know anything about the CCGA-NL, I know you are resilient. I am honoured to be associated with the auxiliary and am very pleased to bring greetings on behalf of the Search and Rescue Program of Coast Guard Atlantic.

I continue to be impressed by your dedication to maritime safety. On average, you respond to over 30% of all maritime search and rescue incidents in the province. This is a significant effort and one for which you should be very proud. This is in addition to the numerous hours dedicated to training and participating in multi-agency exercises throughout the province. There is indeed a benefit to the auxiliary in carrying out this training and exercising. Equally important, it provides an opportunity for all partners to hone our SAR skills in preparation for real-time emergencies.

The Canadian Coast Guard continues to modernize our resources both at sea and on shore which will enable us to more efficiently and effectively meet the needs of our clients. In 2020, we will see the opening of the third new lifeboat station with the CCGS Conception Bay beginning operations out of Twillingate. She joins the fleet along with CCGS Pennant Bay and CCGS Sacred Bay who are based out of St. Anthony and Old Perlican. In 2019 we opened a new MCTS centre in Placentia and we are moving towards the opening of a new MCTS centre in Port aux Basques in 2020.

As we move into the summer season, please keep in mind that MRSC St. John's can be reached directly at 1-800-563-2444 or via phone patch with your nearest MCTS Centre at the completion of your SAR tasking.

In closing, I want to tell you that the service of the members of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary in Newfoundland and Labrador is certainly not something we take for granted. I would like to thank each and every auxiliary member and their families for your many volunteer hours to ensure the safety of mariners in our waterways. Please take care of yourselves in these unusual times.

Respectfully,



Harvey Vardy  
Superintendent Maritime Search and Rescue  
Canadian Coast Guard Atlantic Region



**MARITIME DISTRESS  
DÉTRESSE MARITIME**  
**1-800-563-2444**  
(Toll Free - Sans Frais)  
**1-709-772-5151**  
MARITIME SEARCH AND RESCUE SUB CENTRE, ST. JOHN'S  
CENTRE SECONDAIRE DE SAUVETAGE MARITIME, ST. JOHN'S



## AUTHORIZED ACTIVITY

Members and member vessels are only covered by CCGA Insurance and eligible for reimbursement while on an **Authorized Activity**. In order for a Search and Rescue tasking to be considered an **Authorized Activity**, you must have been tasked through the Maritime Rescue Sub Centre (MRSC) in St. John's or Joint Rescue Coordination Centre in Halifax (JRCC). You will be provided with an **Incident Number** which is **required for reimbursement and proof of coverage, should the need arise.**

***It is very important that you notify the  
Marine Rescue Sub Centre at  
1-800-563-2444 or 709-772-5151  
before you proceed to a vessel requiring assistance  
and upon returning to port.***



# 41<sup>st</sup> AGM AWARDS BANQUET



Glen Petten of District 8 (centre) accepts his 40 year service award from Ross Petten, Director of District 8 and Aidan Penton, President of CCGA-NL.



James Woodworth of District 10 (centre) accepts his 40 year service award from Eugene Gray, Director of District 10 and Aidan Penton, President of CCGA-NL.



Aidan Penton presents Wesley Snook Sr., Director District 4, with his 35 Year Service Award.



Aidan Penton and Winston Pitcher Sr., Director District 5, present Aubrey Wells with his 35 Year Service Award.



Jim Chidley, Director District 7, and Aidan Penton present Joe O'Brien (centre) with his 35 Year Service Award.



Ross Petten, Director District 8, presents Max Whalen with his 35 Year Service Award.



Aidan Penton presents Leo McGrath of District 9 with his 35 Year Service Award.



# 41<sup>st</sup> AGM AWARDS BANQUET



Winston Pitcher Jr. & crew of the Burin Tradition accept the Operational Merit Award.



Lindsay and Lyndon Small & crew of the Precious Jewel accept the Operational Merit Award.



Stacey Petten accepts the Operational Merit Award on behalf of her father, Gerald Petten.



Andrew & Christine Daley accept a Certificate of Appreciation.



Eugene Gray is awarded a Humanitarian Award as well as an Administrative Excellence Award



Winston Pitcher Sr. is awarded an Exemplary Service Award and a Leadership Award.



Aidan Penton, President and Director District 9, accepts a Leadership Award.

*Congratulations*



Marcel O'Brien, 1st Vice-President and Director District 1, accepts a Leadership Award.



Ross Petten, 2nd Vice-President and Director District 8, accepts a Leadership Award.



Jim Chidley, Secretary/Treasurer and Director District 7, accepts a Leadership Award.



Ron Pittman, Director District 2, accepts an Award in Administrative Excellence.



Howard Noel, Director District 3, accepts an Award in Administrative Excellence.



Wesley Snook Sr., Director District 4, accepts an Award in Administrative Excellence.



Rom Dalton, Director District 6, accepts an Award in Administrative Excellence.



# DID YOU KNOW?

## AUXILIARY VESSELS

An auxiliary vessel **MUST** be under the command of a member of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (i.e., owner or alternate skipper) before accepting a tasking from the Marine Rescue Sub Centre. It is imperative that the MRSC be informed if no qualified Auxiliarist is onboard the vessel at the time of a request for tasking.

Upon acceptance of a vessel into the CCGA, the owner/operator designates an alternate skipper. This skipper is deemed to have the proper qualifications to operate the vessel, in accordance with the rules and regulations set by Transport Canada. If a qualified Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary skipper is not onboard a vessel at the time of an incident, the tasking must be refused.

If a vessel accepts a tasking without a qualified Auxiliary member onboard, the vessel will not be reimbursed for the incident. More importantly, there will be no insurance coverage if damages were to occur during the prosecution of the incident.

## INSURANCE CLAIMS

It is the responsibility of the CCGA owner-operator to report to your regional Coast Guard Auxiliary Representative any damage or suspected damage incurred to your vessel immediately following the conclusion of a Search and Rescue incident.

In addition, if damage occurs during a SAR case, every effort should be made to notify the Marine Rescue Sub Station at 1-800-563-2444 of the damage, especially if the safety of the CCGA vessel and its crew are jeopardized. MRSC must be notified so they can monitor the progress of the CCGA vessel to ensure it reaches port safely.

The owner/operator must complete a *Collision, Wreck and Injury* form and submit it to the CCGA Office in St. John's. This form is available on our website at [ccga-nl.ca](http://ccga-nl.ca)

## CSIs

The CCGA (NL) Office in St. John's must have an up-to-date copy of your vessel's Canadian Steamship Inspection (CSI) certificate. All vessels that become delinquent in their CSIs are flagged in the Search and Rescue System and are considered unavailable for tasking.

If your vessel has been flagged and it partakes in an incident, you will not be eligible for compensation, and more importantly, your vessel will not be covered by insurance should it incur damages.

You will be notified that your vessel is not available for Search and Rescue. Upon receipt of this notification, please forward a copy of your current CSI or notify the office in St. John's of any delays so that your vessel is not removed from the SAR system permanently.

## INFORM THE OFFICE ASAP!

**Phone: 709-772-4428/800-563-6158**  
**Fax: 709-772-4109**

- \* If you sell your vessel
- \* Change your address or phone number, including cell/sat phone
- \* Remove your vessel from the water
- \* Increase the value of your vessel
- \* Change alternate skippers
- \* Update your CSI
- \* Recertify your first aid
- \* Operate in an area away from your home port

## RENEWAL FORMS

Renewal forms are sent out to every member each January. It is extremely important that these forms are **completed in their entirety** and returned to the office by **March 31** of each year. The forms are used to maintain membership, to update our database and to keep MRSC up to date on members and vessels available for tasking. In the event of an incident requiring assistance, fellow mariner's lives may depend on having accurate information. Please ensure your returned forms have accurate information.



# 2019 FALL TRAINING SEMINAR

The 2019 Fall Training Seminar was held at The Royal Newfoundland Yacht Club in Long Pond, Conception Bay South. All Sessions took place at the Yacht Club and included a refresher in first aid, Search and Rescue, a life raft demo, including the opportunity to taste standard life raft rations, and a session on marine abandonment.



# 2019 FALL TRAINING SEMINAR

Participants also had the opportunity to practice donning and doffing immersion suits, board a life raft, and take part in line throwing and marlin splicing. The day was a great opportunity to learn new lifesaving skills and to hone old skills.

The Canadian Coast Guard vessel, Sacred Bay, was also on site and attendees were able to board the vessel to look around and speak to her crew. We also were provided the opportunity to observe a hoisting demo using a Cormorant helicopter by Squadron 103 Gander.

Thank you to members of the CCG, DND and CCGA-NL for another successful Training Seminar!



# 406 MHZ EPIRB

## Why Register a Beacon?

It is mandatory for all 406 MHz ELTs (Canadian Aviation Regulations 605.38) and EPIRBs (Ship Station (Radio) Technical Regulations, 1999) to be registered with the Canadian Beacon Registry. Ensuring that your 406 MHz PLB, ELT or EPIRB is registered, as well as updating the information regularly, will facilitate the task for search and rescue personnel in the event of a distress situation.

If you have a registered emergency beacon, it is important that the information be accurate. Please update the information in the registry:

- if you move
- if you want to update the emergency contact information
- if your phone number changes, or
- if any of the important information in the registry changes such as colour of vessel or aircraft

Online access to the Canadian Beacon Registry is available to all 406 MHz emergency beacon owners to register new emergency beacons or to update their current information. You can add or update your emergency beacon information online, by faxing or emailing a completed registration form, or by speaking with a representative:

\*\*\*\*\* FOR BEACON REGISTRATION OR TRANSFER, PLEASE  
CONTACT THE CANADIAN BEACON REGISTRY AT 1-877-406-7671  
or Via email to [cbr@sarnet.dnd.ca](mailto:cbr@sarnet.dnd.ca) , or on the web @ [www.cbr-rcb.ca](http://www.cbr-rcb.ca)\*\*\*\*\*

Registering your beacon helps to eliminate false alarms, which divert search and rescue resources away from genuine emergencies. **In case of accidental activation, the Canadian Mission Control Centre must be advised by calling 1-800-211-8107.** The Canadian Beacon Registry must be notified if there is a change of status for a registered emergency beacon. An emergency beacon that is stored away may still be activated and the Canadian Mission Control Centre may take action in response. It is the responsibility of emergency beacon owners to notify the Canadian Beacon Registry if there is a change in status. This includes an emergency beacon that is no longer in use, in storage, stolen, lost, broken, or decommissioned.

EPIRBs are devices intended to save lives by transmitting a signal to rescuers with the position of troubled boaters. When they are improperly disposed of, they can cost the Coast Guard valuable time and taxpayers thousands of dollars in resource costs.

The International Maritime Organization and the Coast Guard recommend that unwanted EPIRBs be disposed of by either removing the battery, or rendering the unit inoperable by demolishing it. The EPIRB should also be unregistered with the Canadian Beacon Registry when the unit has been disposed of or transferred to a new owner.

The Coast Guard treats every distress signal we receive as an actual cry for help, and improperly discarded EPIRBs activating in landfills, garages or the ocean on another vessel divert costly resources integral to providing safety to mariners, and time may be lost in tracking down the beacon.

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CONTACT THE CANADIAN BEACON REGISTRY AT 1-877-406-7671  
or Via email to [cbr@sarnet.dnd.ca](mailto:cbr@sarnet.dnd.ca) \*\*\*\*\*

## Weather Descriptions from Newfoundland and Labrador

- Windy enough to blow the roof off your mouth
- Some day on clothes
- Tis galin' today
- Windy enough to blow the milk outta your tea
- Blowin' a gale



- Fog as thick as pea soup
- RDF (Rain, drizzle and fog)
- Pouring out of the heavens
- Cold enough to clip ya
- Good day to be a duck



# 2019 WINTER TRAINING SEMINAR

The 2019 Winter Training Seminar was held at The Quality Inn in Gander in conjunction with the Board of Directors Meeting. All Sessions took place at the hotel utilizing conference rooms and the pool. The training included a refresher in first aid, Search and Rescue, a life raft demo, including the opportunity to taste standard life raft rations, and a session on marine abandonment. The day finished with an Awards Dinner and dance.



Kenneth King is presented his 30 Year Service Award by Rom Dalton, Director District 6.



Alexander Day is presented his 30 Year Service Award by Jim Chidley, Director District 7.

Donald Barrett receives his 30 Year Service Award from Ross Petten, Director District 8.



Wade Mouland receives his 30 Year Service Award from Aidan Penton, Director District 9.



*Thank you for  
your continued  
service*



# 2019 WINTER TRAINING SEMINAR

Our partnership with the Canadian Coast Guard and the 103 Squadron in Gander continues to be strong. The life raft demo and all training sessions were led by members of the Canadian Coast Guard SAR team. A session on On-Water Training and how to safely participate in helicopter hoisting training was provided by 103 Squadron Gander.



# CCGA-NL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## 2019/2020

Each year, as active members of the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (NL), you are asked to vote for a Director to represent your District. For the 2019/2020 year, you elected the following:

District 1	Marcel O'Brien	927-5540	marcel.obrien@ccga-nl.ca
District 2	Ron Pittman	866-2505	ron.pittman@ccga-nl.ca
District 3	Howard Noel	453-2458	howard.noel@ccga-nl.ca
District 4	Wesley Snook	885-2422	wesley.snook@ccga-nl.ca
District 5	Winston Pitcher	728-6115	winston.pitcher@ccga-nl.ca
District 6	Rom Dalton	691-7284	rom.dalton@ccga-nl.ca
District 7	Jim Chidley	363-7502	james.chidley@ccga-nl.ca
District 8	Ross Petten	683-2341	ross.petten@ccga-nl.ca
District 9	Aidan Penton	682-2162	aidan.penton@ccga-nl.ca
District 10	Eugene Gray	532-5755	eugene.gray@ccga-nl.ca



Voting takes place each year in July/August. The list of candidates is derived from those members indicating on their renewal form that he/she wishes to put his/her name forward to be nominated as a candidate for Director. Voting is conducted by mail-in ballot. We are unable to provide a second voting form if the first one is lost or misplaced.

### INCIDENT ID NUMBERS

It is imperative that if you respond to an incident on the water while acting as a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary - NL, the tasking **MUST** come from MRSC in St. John's or JRCC in Halifax. You **MUST** obtain an **Incident ID number** from the tasking entity. Without this Incident ID Number, we are unable to reimburse you for the tasking and you are not operating under the CCGA-NL insurance policy should you incur damages.

Daily preventative actions can help to prevent the spread of COVID-19. These actions include:

- Stay informed, be prepared, and follow public health advice;
- Wash your hands frequently with warm water and soap for at least 20 seconds;
- Use an alcohol based hand sanitizer in the absence of soap and water;
- Do not touch your face;
- Practice proper cough and sneeze etiquette;
- Maintain physical distancing;
- Wear a non-medical mask or face covering when you are in public and unable to maintain physical distancing;
- Increase cleanliness and ventilation of public spaces and worksites; and,
- Stay home if you are sick and avoid contact with others.

### First Aid Training

The Marine Personnel Regulations require at least one person on board each fishing vessel be designated to provide first aid. This person must hold a valid Marine Basic First Aid training certificate or a valid First Aid certificate from a two-day first aid course recognized by a province or a territory. The office arranges for First Aid training each winter and will contact those members in each District with expiring First Aid certificates to offer a seat at one of these courses. If you attend First Aid training outside of these sessions, please contact the office to update the expiry date for your First Aid. You may also qualify for reimbursement up to \$250 for First Aid training done through an authorized provider upon submission of the course receipt. Contact the CCGA-NL office for more information.



# SERVICE AWARDS - 2019

The CCGA-NL is honoured to have presented the following awards at our 41<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting Awards Banquet on October 5, 2019. It gives us great pleasure and is a source of continuous pride to have such long-standing, dedicated members. Thank you so much, congratulations to you all!

## 40 Year Members

Alex Pike District 8  
 Glenn Petten District 8  
 Chesley Coish District 10  
 James Woodworth District 10



## 35 Year Members

Dwight Spence District 2  
 Christopher Foley District 2  
 Nelson Roberts District 2  
 Wesley Snook Sr. District 4  
 Aubrey Wells District 5  
 Joseph O'Brien District 7  
 Loyola O'Brien District 7  
 Maxwell Whalen District 8  
 Leo McGrath District 9



## 25 Year Members

Edwin Heard District 1  
 Elvin Normore District 1  
 Larry Cull District 2  
 Ronald Patey District 2  
 Allan Sheppard District 3  
 Winston Pitcher Jr. District 5  
 William Burseley District 7  
 Gerard Chidley Sr. District 7  
 Darrell Pine District 7  
 Sylvia Petten District 8  
 Arthur White Jr. District 9  
 Fred Ryan District 10  
 Austin Freake District 10



## 10 Year Members

Barry Ryan District 2  
 Robert Butt District 3  
 Neal Johnson District 8  
 Jamey White District 9  
 Glen Keel District 9  
 Joey Leyte District 9  
 Paul Tiller District 9  
 Kevin Perry District 10  
 Boyd Perry District 10  
 Derrick Ryan District 10  
 Rick Gray District 10  
 Trevor Jones District 10  
 Eldred Woodford District 10



# SERVICE AWARDS - 2019

The Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (NL) Inc also sends congratulations and a huge thanks to the following members who have provided 5, 15, 20 and 30 years of continued and dedicated service:

## 5 Year Members

Rosalind Rumbolt	District 1
Guy Andrews	District 2
Hiram Coombs	District 2
Jamie Caines	District 2
Ambrose Snook Jr.	District 4
Samuel Tobin	District 5
Paul Snook	District 5
Robert Daley	District 6
Madeline Collett	District 6
Debbie Collett	District 6
Rick Tippett	District 7
Lyndon Bussey	District 7
Kenneth Keeping	District 7
John Butler	District 7
Jean Butler	District 7
Ted Perrin	District 7
Derrick Petten	District 8
David Lear	District 8
Norman Lear	District 8
Edward Wrice	District 8
Wallace Wrice	District 8
Karl Coish	District 8
Gail Coish	District 8
Rodney Burt	District 8
Nelson Waterman	District 9

## 15 Year Members

Morley Peach	District 5
Stanley Bennett	District 7
Walter Drover Jr.	District 8
Leonard Button	District 8
Garry Squires	District 8
David Johnson	District 8
Derrick LeShane	District 8
Steven Heath	District 9
Andy Brown	District 9
Jason Burton	District 9
Kirby Ropson	District 10
Ken Bromley	District 10
Dion Rideout	District 10
Robert Hurley	District 10
Robbie Randell	District 10
Jamie Mouland	District 10
Craig Ropson	District 10

## 30 Year Members

Lloyd Normore	District 1
Darrell O'Brien	District 1
Ben Foley	District 2
Philip Foley	District 2
Felix Foley	District 2
Cyril Foley	District 2
James Boland	District 3
Gerald Courtney	District 4
Clayton Harris	District 5
Kenneth King	District 6
Paul Dalton	District 7
Alexander Day	District 7
Raymond Noonan	District 7
Donald Barrett	District 8
Wayne Morgan	District 8
Wade Mouland	District 9
Brian Mouland	District 9
Melvin Leyte	District 9
Chad Caravan	District 10
Wade Burton	District 10

*Congratulations*

## CORPORATE SPONSORS

The CCGA (NL) Inc. would like to thank our sponsors for helping to make the 2019 Fall Training Seminar a huge success:

- Mercer's Marine
- Blue Water Marine
- Purity Factories
- MicMac Fire & Safety
- Downhome Magazine
- The Navigator



## 20 Year Members

Sheldon Morris	District 1	Derrick Day	District 7
Alvohn Pilgrim	District 2	Jeffrey Piercey	District 8
Tim Pilgrim	District 2	Garfield Tippett	District 8
Randy Crocker	District 3	Cory Porter	District 8
Audrey Snook	District 4	Dennis McEntegart	District 8
Corey Courtney	District 4	James Thorne	District 8
Jerome Hartery	District 4	Elwood Newhook	District 8
Shane Fudge	District 5	William Newhook	District 8
Richard Hennebury	District 5	Stanley Jolliffe	District 8
John Hennebury	District 5	Lorne Jolliffe	District 8
James Hennebury	District 5	Samuel O. Lambert	District 8
Keith Drake	District 5	Bennett Butler	District 9
Calvin Young	District 6	Reginald Butler	District 9
Allan Nash	District 6	Travis Jacobs	District 9
Joseph Linehan	District 6	Derrell Tulk	District 9
Gerard Grace	District 6	Dean Weir	District 10
David Boutcher	District 6	Lorraine Morey	District 10
Romuald Dalton	District 6	Junior Ward	District 10
Gerard Chidley Jr.	District 7	Rodger Winsor	District 10
James Chidley	District 7	Jeffrey Ryan	District 10



# FUN PAGE

## WORD SEARCH



P	O	R	E	B	O	A	R	D	I	N	G	G	M	X
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### WORD SEARCH LIST

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| AUXILIARY | PORT       |
| BEACON    | PUMP       |
| BOATING   | REBOARDING |
| CORMORANT | RESCUE     |
| CURRENT   | SAFETY     |
| EMERGENCY | SAILOR     |
| EPIRB     | SEARCH     |
| FLARE     | TOWLINE    |
| LIFEBOAT  | TRAINING   |
| MARITIME  | VESSEL     |
| MAYDAY    | WEATHER    |
| PFD       | WIND       |



## JUMBLE

Uncramble these words placing one letter in each square

L	R	F	A	E
○	□	○	□	○

S	A	I	B	C
○	○	○	□	□

N	I	D	W
□	○	○	□

I	T	W	G	N	O
○	○	□	□	□	○

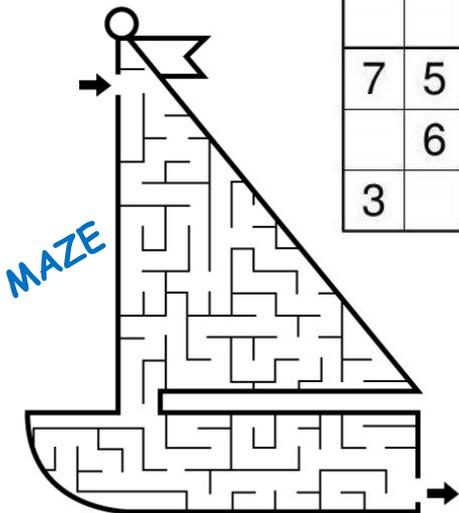
Now rearrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer below

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○	○	○	○	○	○



## SUDOKU

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# DID YOU KNOW?

## INSURANCE - AGE EXCLUSIONS

The current CCGA Insurance Policy includes two age exclusions. The first exclusion affects CCGA members aged 65 years or older. Under the insurance policy, CCGA members 65 years or older are not covered if they suffer a heart or circulatory malfunction during any authorized CCGA activity. Basically what this means is that if a Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary member is 65 years of age or older, there is no Heart or Circulatory Malfunction coverage for them.

The second exclusion is that CCGA members aged 70 years or older are not covered by the Permanent Total Disability Benefit if they should become permanently and totally disabled during any authorized CCGA activity.

***It is important to note that these two age exclusions are only for these two benefits and that all members, regardless of age, are insured by the other CCGA insurance coverages.***

In light of these exclusions, it is recommended that all CCGA members 65 or older consider whether they wish to continue participating in authorized Search and Rescue operations or other CCGA activities. As well, it is recommended that these members consult with their doctors to ensure that they are medically fit to participate in Search and Rescue operations and other CCGA activities. Age exclusion forms were sent out to all members 65 or over (in 2019) in February. Please complete entirely and return as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

Thank you.

## CONTINUED PROFICIENCY ENDORSEMENT

Every applicant for a continued proficiency must:

- (a) Hold a valid medical certificate
- (b) Fulfill the service requirements of either 12 months within a 5 year period, service onboard a ship as master or mate in charge of the watch.
- (c) Completed a marine emergency duties (MED) course A1

For members holding Fishing Masters or Mates certificates, this means five years from the date of issue on your certificate. Example, date of issue - 2013, by 2018 you must show a valid medical (seafarers medical) and qualifying sea time. The sheets for writing up your sea time can be obtained at your nearest Transport Canada Marine Safety office.

Port aux Basques	466-4515
Corner Brook	637-4870
Goose Bay	896-6190
Lewisporte	535-2503
Marystown	279-2201
St. John's	772-6197

*Sometimes when we are generous in small,  
barely detectable ways it can change someone  
else's life forever.*

Margaret Cho

## HAVE YOU MODIFIED YOUR VESSEL?

You have the responsibility to ensure that equipment and structural modifications do not compromise the freeboard and stability of your vessel, or reduce the suitability of your vessel for the working and environmental conditions it may encounter.

Any modifications must be in compliance with safety standards and the Construction Standards for Small Vessels - TP1332.

Before making alterations to your vessel that may have an impact on vessel tonnage/safety, you should contact your local Transport Canada office. A safety inspector will help you determine whether the proposed modifications are consistent with the construction, equipment, and safety regulations for your vessel's intended area of service.

A Transport Canada inspector will review the suitability of your vessel for the proposed changes. Any changes in the area or type of operation that results in a change in voyage classification will necessitate a re-inspection.

**(Taken from TC's Small Commercial Vessel Safety Guide, TP-14070)**



# SAR VOLUNTEER TAX CREDIT

In 2014, the Government of Canada introduced the *Search and Rescue Volunteers Amount Tax Credit*. Essentially what this means is that SAR Volunteers who perform in excess of 200 'Eligible Hours' in a calendar year are able to claim a \$3000 non-refundable tax credit on their personal tax return, which can reduce taxes payable by up to \$450. This credit is non-refundable and as such, members need to have taxable income and tax payable during the year to benefit from this credit.

Eligible hours include:

- Responding to, and being on call for, Search and Rescue and related emergency calls;
- Attending meetings held by the organization;
- Participating in required training related to Search and Rescue services

Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary members with eligible hours are entitled to claim this tax credit. In order to do so, you will require a confirmation letter from the CCGA-NL office. ***These letters are not sent out automatically, rather they need to be requested, as the office does not have a log of your hours.*** To request your letter, please send your request, in writing, to the office via fax, mail or email stating the number of days or hours at sea for the tax year. You would obtain this information from your log book, however we do not need a copy of the log, rather just a summary of time spent at sea, as hours on the water are the hours you are deemed to be available for Search and Rescue. ***Please allow for a one week processing time when requesting your confirmation letter.***

For further information, you may contact the office at 709-772-4428 or 1-800-563-6158 or by email at [kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca](mailto:kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca). Requests can be sent via fax at 709-772-4109, by email to [kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca](mailto:kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca) or by mail to CCGA (NL) Inc., PO Box 938, St. John's, NL A1C 5M3. Please indicate on your request your preferred method to receive your confirmation letter and include the return fax, email or mailing address.

## On-water Training

As part of our training program, the CCGA-NL assists the Department of National Defense with their training program by providing member vessels throughout the province to take part in on-water training with 103 Squadron from Gander as well as participating in training programs with the Coast Guard. Pictured to the right is a cormorant helicopter from 103 Gander performing a hoisting demo at our training seminar.



*No winter lasts forever,  
No spring skips its turn*



Pictured above: ChrisWenVal owned by Jim Chidley

## Diesel Pumps

In 2015, diesel pumps were distributed to some vessels in each District. If you have one of these pumps, please ensure proper maintenance by:

- Making sure all water is drained from the pump and hoses before storage. Rust may occur on the frame and mount causing corrosion
- Check the housing box to ensure no standing water
- Test pump for proper working order at least twice a year

These pumps have saved lives as well as vessels. Make sure your pump is working before an incident occurs... not during!



# NEWS FROM 2019

## *Dedication to Service in Conne River*



On August 8, 2019 a Dedication to Service Ceremony was held in Conne River for the new community boat. Chief Misel Joe expressed his appreciation saying, "The Auxiliary Coast Guard vessel awarded to MAMKA and trained volunteers at Miawpukek will add to the marine first responder capacity in the coast of Bays - thus providing a greater peace of mind to everyone."

In attendance were Wesley Snook Sr., CCGA-NL Director District 4, CCGA-NL President Aidan Penton, MP Scott Simms, Miawpukek Chief Misel Joe and Gary Ivany, Canadian Coast Guard Assistant Commissioner Atlantic Region.



Above, members of the CCGA-NL, Chief Misel Joe, MP Scott Simms and Coast Guard representatives pose with the new community boat.

## *Canadian Coast Guard Provides Ocean Protection Plan Training to Auxiliary Members*



Pictured above are members who attended training in Mount Pearl February 2019.

Staff from the Canadian Coast Guard Ocean Protection Plan Division has been providing training sessions to members of the CCGA-NL on oil detection, observation and reporting throughout the province.

Canadian Coast Guard environmental response team member Dave Humphries explains how a skimmer takes oil off the water during an oil spill. (right)



Members from Natuashish and Sheshatshiu are pictured above taking part in training July 2019.

## *Port de Grave Celebrates Fisherpersons*



The 1st Annual Fisher Feast was held at St. Luke's Hall, Port de Grave, on Wednesday, Nov. 6th, 2019 to honor former MHA/MP John Efford. (Left)

The 2019 Annual Fisherpersons Weekend was held in Port de Grave March 23-24. (Right)



Representing the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary Director District 8, Ross Petten.

## *Twetted by the Canadian Coast Guard*



News from [@CoastGuardCAN](https://twitter.com/CoastGuardCAN)  
 #NewfoundlandandLabrador: Our Auxiliary volunteers from Miawpukek First Nation recently completed their marine safety training. Working closely with coastal Indigenous communities improves response to marine emergencies @MFNGov



**Thank  
you  
to our  
volunteers**



Ron Pittman, Director District 2 proudly sports his CCGA uniform while attending his son Trevor's graduation from the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary police program.



# Is It Just a Boo-boo??

Glen Saunders, CCG

In many cases, skin infections get started from the tiniest of cuts. Even a little cut that doesn't need stitches can cause big problems if it gets infected. An infected cut can lead to a serious illness if left untreated. So, how can you tell if a cut is infected?

To tell if a cut is infected, look for these signs

- Swelling
- Redness
- Local fever (the cut feels hot compared to areas around it)
- Draining pus (the cut is oozing thick, gooey stuff)



If a cut or scrape becomes infected, you need to see a health care provider.

Untreated, infected wounds can become serious. The worst case scenario is that an infected cut develops into a full-body (systemic) infection. To tell if you are developing a bigger infection, look for:

- **Fever over 100 degrees Fahrenheit or 38.8 degrees Celsius.** It's one thing if the cut is hot, but when the whole body has a fever it means the infection is spreading.
- **Body aches**, especially in joints and areas not adjacent to the injury. It's understandable if your cut is sore, but the rest of you shouldn't be.
- **Nausea** or diarrhea are both indicators that an infection has moved from the local injury to affect other body systems (specifically, the *gastrointestinal* system).

To avoid an infected cut, it's important to keep cuts clean as they heal. Most of the time, soap and water are all you need. Whether you use an antibiotic ointment or not is up to you, but it's really not necessary.

It helps to cover a cut with an adhesive bandage, but remember to change the bandage every day and wash the cut with soap and water.

If you have an infected cut or have symptoms of an infection, see a doctor. Once an infection is identified, antibiotics will be necessary to eliminate it.

There are several antibiotics available, and different antibiotics work on different bacteria. To figure out which drug is right for your situation, the physician might need to swab your injury and send the swab to be cultured, which basically means it will be left to grow for up to three days. As soon as the bacteria grow enough to be seen under a microscope the exact type will be identified—assuming they grow. If nothing concerning grows, the cut is not infected and no antibiotics will be needed.

If the physician does prescribe antibiotics, take them all. Often, you'll start to feel better within a day or two of beginning your antibiotics and you might be tempted to stop taking them. If you stop, the bacteria that had successfully survived the first few days of antibiotics will reproduce. These are the stronger bacteria, and their offspring will be much more resistant to that antibiotic.

## Stay Safe!

### Waterlines

If you have any news items, stories and/or photographs that you would like published in the annual Waterlines newsletter, please send them to:

Editor - Waterlines  
c/o CCGA (NL) Inc  
PO Box 938  
St. John's, NL A1C 5M3  
Or email to: [kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca](mailto:kelly.doody@ccga-nl.ca)  
Or [karen.obrien@ccga-nl.ca](mailto:karen.obrien@ccga-nl.ca)

### Reminder



CCGA(NL) Toll Free  
1-800-563-6158

CCGA (NL) Fax  
709-772-4109



MRSC St. John's  
1-800-563-2444



# Colouring Contest

Hi kids!

It's time for the CCGA (NL) Annual Colouring Contest. The contest is open to the children and grandchildren of Auxiliary members.

1st and 2nd prizes will be awarded in each of the following age groups:

- ◆ Up to 4 years
- ◆ 5-6 years
- ◆ 7-8 years
- ◆ 9 and up

All entries must be received at the CCGA (NL) office in St. John's no later than Friday, September 18, 2020.

Please send your entry to: **Colouring Contest**  
**c/o CCGA (NL) Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 938**  
**St. John's, NL A1C 5M3**



## 2019 Winners!

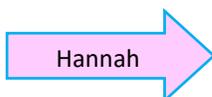
<b>Ages up to 4</b>	<b>1st - Tessa Heard</b>	<b>Ages 7-8</b>	<b>1st - Hannah Crocker</b>
	<b>2nd - Katie Dempsey</b>		<b>2nd - Jaxson Newell</b>
<b>Ages 5-6</b>	<b>1st - Avery Withers</b>	<b>Ages 9 and over</b>	<b>1st - Kailee McLean</b>
	<b>2nd - Jase Ryan</b>		<b>2nd - Zachary Torraville</b>



Tessa



Avery



Hannah



Kailee

