

**VANCOUVER POWER AND SAIL SQUADRON
MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: MAY17; 2021.**

First off thank you to all who have renewed their membership and their continued support of the Vancouver Squadron in this challenging year.

It has been a tough year for increasing our membership as while we have been diligent in following COVID protocols we have unfortunately lost many opportunities to be together and promote our squadron to new potential members. We however had a few members joined us after participating in our virtual education programs and I welcome them aboard to Vancouver Power and Sail Squadron. I look forward to when we can all meet in person again; be it our Social Education nights, our community engagement programs such as FLARE DAY, ENVIRONMENTAL BEACH CLEAN UP DAYS and our participation “in person” at the annual BOAT SHOW. These have been excellent opportunities to promote VPSS and increase our membership and thus it goes without saying let’s hope we can be doing them sometime next year.

At this time, I want to encourage all members when you are out on the waters this summer to do your own promotion of VPSS and CPSS and encourage fellow boaters to check out our website and become members. Also, I will take this opportunity to remind those to renew their membership if they have not done so yet and please do not hesitate to reach out to me if any assistance is needed.

I have been in contact with headquarters membership officer and she has been very receptive to help and problem solve as needed as we faced the challenges of operating a national organization during a pandemic and also while we adjust to a new online renewal system. It goes without saying thank you for your patience and resilience as we go forward.

I hope you all have an enjoyable and safe boating season and I look forward to serving as your VPSS membership officer for another year.

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