

CSBC Annual Symposium and Cold Water Boot Camp

As always, we look forward to another excellent Symposium this year, where friends – both old and new – will meet to discuss boating safety issues. This September (from the 23rd to the 25th), we gather in Gravenhurst, in the heart of Ontario's Muskoka Lakes, a less than two hours' picturesque drive north of Toronto's Pearson International Airport. The *Residence Inn by Marriott*, right at the Muskoka Wharf will be our host.

You really shouldn't miss this year's Symposium, but don't take our word for it. Here's what we heard from participants in last year's terrific event in hospitable St. John's, Newfoundland:



- *"It was wonderful to meet so many passionate, likeminded boating safety people."*
- *"Best conference I've attended so far. Excellent speakers and quality topics."*
- *"The Cold Water Boot Camp session was one of the best I have ever attended. Excellent job!"*
- *"Exceeded my expectations. Good international discussion to help others map out the way ahead."*

This year's line-up includes:

- A full-day workshop prior to the main programme, focusing on "Cold Water Response" for those keen on hands-on training
- A visit to the renowned Muskoka Boat and Heritage Centre
- On-water activities including a 'peek over the transom' at one of the cold water workshops in progress, and an on-water demonstration by the Ontario Provincial Police
- Boating safety insights from near and far with presentations from Howard Glenn, Maritime Operations Division, New South Wales, Australia; Peter Chennel, the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, United Kingdom; Jeff Hoedt, United States Coast Guard; Joyce Shaw, National Safe Boating Council; Emma Zarate Ibanez, SAZ Foundation, Mexico; Donald Roussel, Transport Canada; and Barb Byers, Lifesaving Society
- Back by popular demand, a presentation on changing boaters' behaviours, with a keynote address by Dr. Phil Groff, SMARTRISK
- A panel discussion on trends shaping the future of boating

Cold Water Boot Camp

If you are a first responder or you work on or near the water, this event is meant for you. Learn more about cold water and its effects on the body.

On Saturday (September 22nd) the CSBC will host a one-day workshop with renowned cold-water expert Dr. Gordon Giesbrecht at the Symposium site – the *Residence Inn by Marriott*. Participants will receive a certificate of completion following the workshop. Space is limited, so [register](#) on line with a credit card. Workshop fee is \$185.



For more information contact: tedrankine@rogers.com or call 905-989-0664.

Reservations

Please make your room reservations directly with the *Residence Inn by Marriott* no later than August 15 by calling their local number directly at 1-705-687-6600. To ensure you receive the Symposium rate, please reference the "Canadian Safe Boating Council Symposium." All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card.

Symposium room rates are Single or Shared Occupancy \$155 / night (plus taxes).

You may prefer to contact the *Residence Inn by Marriott* online at:
<http://www.residenceinnmuskokawharf.com>

Register for the Symposium (\$395) either by downloading and mailing the registration form, or directly online.

[Downloadable Registration Form](#)

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