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FOCA ELERT for October 2009

FOCA Fall Seminar October 24, Toronto

Time is running out to register for the [FOCA Fall Seminar](#) at the [York Reception Centre](#), on Saturday October 24 from 9 until 3pm. Details and registration information are available on the [FOCA Event](#) pages. Don't miss our very timely panel discussion on alternative energy in Ontario, featuring experts from the [Ontario Power Authority](#), the [Ontario Sustainable Energy Association](#), and FOCA members the [Georgian Bay Association](#)., The event will also feature important updates on crime prevention, fire safety and more from FOCA, your "voice of the waterfront".

WRAFT AGM

You are invited to attend the Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation (WRAFT) Annual General Meeting, being held in conjunction with the FOCA Fall Seminar. The meeting will take place from 2 to 3pm on October 24. You can get the latest update on the WRAFT initiatives on the [WRAFT website](#). Please plan to attend!

Just because the boats are getting stored, Fall is still a time to think boating!

Pleasure Craft Operator Card

The deadline (September 15) for getting your Pleasure Craft Operators Card is now past! All operators of boats in Ontario are now required to show proficiency by producing a valid PCOC while underway. You can get your card from a provider accredited by the Canadian Coast Guard, as part of a safe boating course, by visiting a location where the courses and exams are offered, or by taking a test on-line.

[BOATsmart! Canada](#) offers comprehensive Safe Boater Training through a national network of Certified BOATsmart! Canada Affiliates. FOCA member associations can take advantage of the affiliate program, and conduct their own exams! Find out more by visiting [boatsmartexam.com](#).

FOCA member benefits - 75% off the price of Boats and Places Magazine!

FOCA, in partnership with [Boats and Places Magazine](#), is offering FOCA members a free on-line subscription to Boats and Places

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magazine, and an incredible **75% off** the newsstand price for an annual subscription to the hard copy version. Members will also be able take advantage of a 30% discount on Boats and Places DVD series, including Discover Cruising, North Channel, Georgian Bay, Trent Severn, Lake Ontario, Lake Erie, Thousand Islands and Muskoka Lakes, plus the Boat Handling 101 DVDs. These great DVD's are normally sold at \$29.95 but are available to FOCA members at a special price \$21.00.

These incredible deals can be accessed through the link on the FOCA website, [effective November 1.](#)
The FOCA version of the Boaternews.ca will be launched December 1 and will be circulated monthly.

Fall Cottage Life Show

Plan to visit FOCA at Booth 700 at the annual [Fall Cottage Life Show](#), November 6 through 8. FOCA members should be sure to take advantage of the generous subscription deal on [Cottage Life Magazine](#), available now.