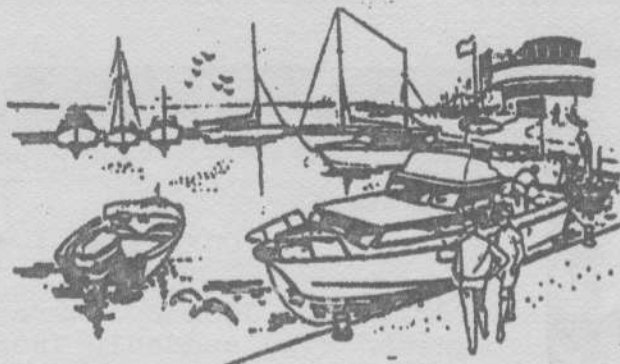


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FISH DERBY TROPHY

Closing date extended to 11 October 1976. Not many big fish entered to date, so make sure you get out and try your luck. If you catch a contender, let Wolf Fitzau know. Phone 943-1500.

THANKSGIVING DAY CRUISE

DESTINATION: Silva Bay and Pirates' Cove

OCTOBER 8: Rendezvous Coward's Cove, North Arm Fraser

OCTOBER 9: Depart 1000 hrs. for Flat Top Islands
Good fishing! Rendezvous Silva Bay
1700, 49° 09.0'N, 123° 41.8'W

OCTOBER 10: Depart for day's fishing
Rendezvous Pirates' Cove 1700
49° 05.9'N, 123° 43.8'W
Check current tables for Garbriola
Passage. Current up to 8 knots.

OCTOBER 11: Depart for home.

Check the weather! Winds over
20 knots, do not cross the gulf!

If you need a buddy boat, call Wolf Fitzau, 943-1500.

Should you land a prize fish (that means anything over 2 lbs.), have it weighed by Jack Halliday or Wolf Fitzau.

SEE YOU ALL OCTOBER 9!

IN REMEMBRANCE

CDR. (Ret.) John R. Murray

Cdr. (Ret.) John R. Murray of Fraser Power Squadron passed away suddenly Tuesday, September 21, 1976.

"Dr. John," as most Fraser members addressed him, took his initial Piloting (Boating) course together with his First Mate Gladys in the winter of 66/67. Advanced courses were next in line, and it wasn't long before John had his A.P.

John's interest in boating and people and the fact that he just happened to be an M.D. was soon recognized by Fraser's executive, which he was asked to join as Fleet Surgeon, then the next season as Cruisemaster, making a most enjoyable summer for those members who liked company while cruising.

In the 69/70 season John became Admin. Officer, then Executive Officer in 70/71, and Commander of Fraser during 1971/72.

When in the spring of 1972 John officially became Cdr. (Ret.), he was far from retiring, taking on the MAREP portfolio, instructing Boating classes in Richmond; giving first aid lectures to other classes; actively cruising his boat WAKALA with Gladys and sons Danny and Craig; and many times a Fraser couple who didn't own a boat as yet would be invited along to join the Murray's on a cruise. John was also very active and successful in predicted log competition, putting his Power Squadron knowledge to practical use and winning the Gulf of Georgia Predicted Log Race.

John was also a past Commodore of the International Power Boat Association, a member of the Gulf of Georgia Predicted Log Contest Committee, and a member of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club where his boat was berthed.

Dr. John's untimely passing was a great shock to all who knew him, and we extend our sincerest sympathies to his family.

We at Fraser will miss a hard worker, and WAKALA's Skipper.



IN REMEMBRANCE

Lt/C. (Ret.) Bill Barnes

Lt/C. (Ret.) Bill Barnes, past Training Officer of Fraser Power Squadron, died suddenly on September 12, 1976. Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, he lived in Montreal prior to retiring here in 1968.

In uniform most of his life, he served with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, then joined Air Canada retiring as a Captain with over 25,000 hours to his credit. Flying, he made history several times including making Air Canada's inaugural flight in a twin-engined Lockheed aircraft from Vancouver to Montreal nearly 40 years ago. As a Mounted Policeman, he and two others were the original pilots that formed the Aviation Section of the RCMP.

He loved the sea and boats from a very early age, and we are told that at the age of three he ran away from home and was found miles away inspecting the Halifax Harbour Light. Over the years his leisure time was spent aboard many types of vessels, including some of the last 'square-riggers.' On this coast he enjoyed power boating and salmon fishing.

During the Squadron's training season he devoted his evenings to helping others. He served as Fraser's Training Officer three years ago and this season he was scheduled to teach the Weather course. Joining Fraser in 1969, he was presented with his Senior Member Award this past May.

The 'docks' won't be the same without Bill's smiling personality. He will be long remembered around the wharfs at Steveston; at the Ladner Yacht Club; and in the community where he worked so diligently helping others to enjoy the sea safely. We extend our sincerest sympathies to his family.



BOOKS

CRUISING UNDER SAIL

by

Eric C. Hiscock

Published by Oxford University Press, 400 pages, \$23.50.

This is a technical book covering the yacht and her gear, seamanship and navigation, and miscellaneous material such as safety and ships' business.

The excellent detail, supported by many diagrams and photographs, represents years of experience in ocean cruising. Although some of the material is slightly out of date, good basics are timeless.

An excellent reference.

COOKS

INDIAN STYLE CURRIED PRAWNS

1 chicken boullion cube
1 cup boiling water
5 tbsp. butter
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup minced onion
6 tbsp. flour
 $2\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. curry powder
 $1\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. sugar
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. icing sugar
2 cups milk
4 cups cooked prawns
1 tsp. lemon juice.

Dissolve boullion cube in boiling water. Melt butter in top of double boiler, add onion, simmer until tender. Stir in flour and next 4 ingredients. Gradually stir in boullion and milk. Cook over boiling water, stirring until thickened. Add prawns and lemon juice and heat. Serve with rice and a tossed salad.

& SECOND LOOKS

This month we look back a few years to the formation of Fraser Power Squadron and some of the "originals."

Fraser Power Squadron was formed of Defectors from Vancouver Squadron at start of 64/65 training year.

At the August meeting, 1964, of District Council, D/C R. Thatcher asked if a squadron could be formed in Richmond. The past commander of Vancouver Squadron said no. However, the District Safety Officer, (Big Mouth) Al Curran said yes, we only have to get going on it. D/C Thatcher took him up on it and said, "If you are sure you can do it, the job is yours, get with it."

Ten enthusiastic defectors were quickly rounded up. Application for a charter was made. A meeting, chaired by Herb Brimble, was held at Richmond Secondary School and a training year was laid on--Boating, Seamanship, and A.P. under the guidance of Vancouver Squadron. The then Commander of Vancouver,



SECOND LOOKS (Cont'd)

Jim Spilsbury, gave us every assistance possible.

In October, 1964, when it was certain a charter would be issued, a meeting was held in the Ladner (Delta) Police Court, Al Curran on the bench (Chairman), and a bridge was chosen for Year One:

Al Curran	Commander
Art Watts	Lt. Commander
Tony Paiger	Lt. Commander S.T.O.
Bob Dodds	1st Lt. Secretary
Lou Durant	1st Lt. Treasurer.

The first training year was a bang-up success and the Squadron had over 50 new members, students, and transferees from Vancouver.

The first graduation party at the Richmond Rendezvous was a tremendous success.

The success of the first year was due to the hard work and dedication of the charter members, a terrific gang.

The name Fraser was chosen instead of Delta because, thinking ahead, we foresaw the day when the people across the river in Delta would want a squadron of their own. Fraser has two connotations: 1--the River, and 2--the famous Canadian destroyer lost at St. Nazaire. The plaque on our Bell Standard (HMCS FRASER) was given to us by the late Surgeon Commander Ken Davidson R.C.N.V.R. who was also in his time D/C of Pacific Mainland District.

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AHOY! INSTRUCTORS & PROSPECTIVE INSTRUCTORS

The Instructors Training course is scheduled to commence October 7 at Rm. 212, Hugh McRoberts School, Richmond. If you are instructing this year or would like to instruct in the future, this is the course for you. All costs associated with this course will be absorbed by Fraser. Contact Peter Quartermain, 732-1639, or Harry Fane, 277-8732.

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NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

To ensure timely mailing of this Newsletter, we must have all material in no later than the 25th of each month. Your assistance in meeting this deadline will be appreciated.



FRASER POWER SQUADRON MEETING

The first monthly meeting of 1976/77 took place at the Richmond Inn on September 17, 1976.

Commander Barbara Dyck opened the meeting by asking for one minute of silence in memory of Bill Barnes who passed away September 12.

Winner of the MAREP Award was Tony Merry who was presented with a gift certificate for charts.

Carolyn Chapman presented Don Thompson with a copy of The Complete Book of Boating for his winning entry in the newsletter name contest. The name of the newsletter will be "The Fairlead."

As no large fish have been entered in the Fishing Derby, it has been extended to October 11. This will give participants of the Thanksgiving Day Cruise a last chance to land the big one. A good turnout is expected for this cruise.

The guest speaker, Dr. Murray Newman of the Vancouver Aquarium, held the meeting spellbound with a most interesting slide presentation of his 1976 expedition to the high Arctic, north of 80°N. A question and answer period followed.

The meeting concluded with sandwiches and coffee. Next meeting is scheduled for 15 October 1976.

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