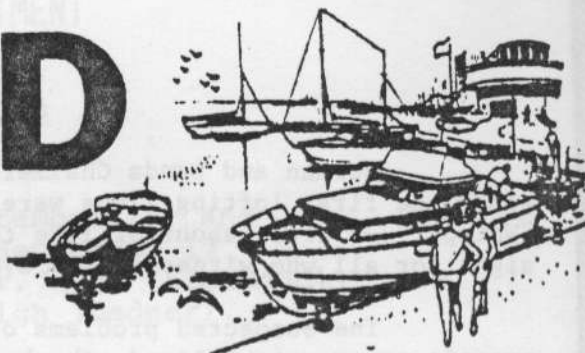


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Fraser Power Squadron is made up of 310 members, 86 Lady associates, and 20 Junior associates, 416 total, each one with one goal, to promote proper, safe boating skills through their own betterment and passing this knowledge to others by action and deed. FPS has another side--camaraderie. We meet once a month during the winter months and make plans for the summer. Some of us are hardier and do our boating in the winter. No matter how we get together, get together we do, and to this end, Fairlead would like to introduce each month one or two of our own. This month:

Commander Norman "Norm" Dyck and Lt/C Susan "Sue" Dyck,
(Training Officer), Boat Monsoon II.

The Dycks (pronounced Dick) are not related to David and Barbara Dyck (pronounced Dike). Norman and Sue are from the Boating Class of 1975-76. Norm works for Transport Canada. He has been editor of the FPS paper, co-ordinated instructor courses, Lt/C Training Officer, Lt/C Executive Officer. His mate, Sue, is just as hard working. She was the reporter, the motor power for the old mimeographer, and started the Squadron Newsletter on First Class Bulk Mail. She has proctored and last year was assistant Training Officer.

Thank you, Norm and Sue.

Outstanding Career Opportunities

Wanted: -- persons with ability to type, preferably with typewriter. Working conditions are excellent, only a few hours per month in sunny Tsawwassen and Richmond. Liberal coffee breaks and the usual CPS pay scale make working on "Fairlead" a real opportunity to assist our Squadron.

-- inquisitive persons who would like to act as news reporters for "Fairlead". The ability to write is desirable but not essential for this part time job, having no regular hours. "Fairlead" needs news of members' activities, useful information, and items of entertainment. Please apply to Linda Odette (274-3625) or John Moran (943-3416).

A Dream Come True

Norman and Lynda Chalmers' dream came true exactly 5 years and 3 days after the first lofting lines were drawn. They launched their 35' sailboat, "Whisper"--a true labour of love they built from scratch. It was a beautiful sight for all who witnessed the events of this happy occasion.

The suspected problems of towing "Whisper" out of the muddy orchard grounds never materialized, thanks to the skills of the capable driver of All-Tow Boat Movers, along with Norm and his Landlord's trusty farm tractor.

"Whisper" was launched at 11:25 A.M. on July 4, 1980 at Barport Marina. Under auxiliary power she made her way to her new home and berth at Captains Cove Marina.

"Whisper" is a 35' double-ended, heavy displacement sailboat with cutter rig. Built of C-Flex fiberglass, she displaces 10 tons, has an 11'3" beam with 6'4" head room. She carries 700 sq. ft. of sail and is powered by an 18 h.p. Saab diesel. For live-aboard comfort, she has a hot water pressure system with shower and bath. She was designed and built for off-shore cruising.

An enjoyable buffet supper at Lynda and Norm's apartment helped put the finishing touches on a perfect day. Congratulations, Norm and Lynda.

P.S. Their boat shed is now for sale, 48' x 16' x 12' (\$500.00) Contact 274-2959.

Ocean Cruising

Dr. John Friesen's full powered auxiliary ketch "Sunday" is on her way to Hawaii. Navigation should be easy as there are three N graduates aboard: Dr. John, Boyd Ivens, and Carol Quartermain. Ruby, John Friesen, Jr., and the Friesen's son-in-law, Ron, complete the crew. Mechanical aids include Loran, radar, and a depth sounder.

Steve Gertsman has been in contact with "Sunday" every day by amateur radio and has patched conversations through by telephone to families and friends. They had head winds going down the coast to southern California before turning west towards Hawaii in the trade winds.

On July 1, the 12th day out, "Sunday" was halfway across and into clear, warm weather for the first time. All were well and enjoying the first fresh tuna.



TRAINING DEPARTMENT

BASIC BOATING

REGISTRATION: 1930 - Monday, September 15 and
Wednesday, September 17 -
McRoberts Jr. High (Richmond),
Delta Jr. High (Ladner).

COST: Single \$40.00 - Couple \$65.00

Navigation kits available at cost - (approx.
\$15.00)

ADVANCED AND ELECTIVE COURSES

SEAMANSHIP POWER : Tues., Sept. 16 - Hugh McRoberts School
\$35 Single \$60 Couple

SEAMANSHIP SAIL : Tues., Sept. 16 - Hugh McRoberts School
\$50 Single \$75 Couple

ADVANCED PILOTING: Mon., Sept. 15 - Hugh McRoberts School
\$30 Single \$55 Couple

NAVIGATOR : Mon., Sept. 15 - Delta Jr. High
\$70 Single \$115 Couple

IF NOT ENOUGH MEMBERS REGISTERED, COURSE WILL NOT
BE TAUGHT THIS YEAR.

WEATHER - Register Tues., Sept. 23 at McRoberts.
Classes to be held at Pacific Weather Centre,
1200 West 73rd, Vancouver, starting Sept. 30
(12 Weeks). Class limited to 15 students by Instructor
Frank Williams, Chief of Weather Services, Pacific
Region. Pre-registration requested - Contact
Assistant Training Officer for Advanced Courses -
Bob Baird, 277-0641 or Sue Dyck, 274-4887.
\$45 Single \$65 Couple.

INSTRUCTOR TRAINING - January 1981 - Details will be published later.
Members (Fraser) no charge, others - \$15.

LOCAL KNOWLEDGE - March or April 1981, to allow graduating students
and new members to take this popular course.

Unfortunately, some price increases were necessary due to increased
costs of student notes, textbooks, examinations and postage.



Restricted Radio Operators Course

On June 17 we had the privilege of having Mr. Dennis Lanthier of Dept. of Communications as guest lecturer for this popular course, held at the Richmond Yacht Club. Forty-nine enthusiastic candidates attended the 3½ hour presentation.

June 19 saw 43 of the candidates return to complete the examinations successfully and acquire their certificates. Of the 43 candidates, 26 were Fraser members. We extend our congratulations to all of the candidates, and thank them for showing enough interest in radio procedures to make this course a success.

We are very grateful to D.O.C. for their time and effort in training boaters to use their marine radios properly.

On behalf of Fraser, we would like to thank the Dept. of Communications for their assistance, as well as the Richmond Yacht Club for the use of their Clubhouse.

Boat Explodes off Steveston

This explosion was a planned demonstration to show boaters the effects caused by the force of one cup of gasoline. It was all part of the Marine Safety Display off Garry Point (West of Chatham Street) on Sunday, June 22, 1980.

The Coast Guard demonstrated the proper techniques in handling and using flares, both on land and in the water. Another highlight of the Coast Guard display was the self-inflating rafts. Unfortunately, the Hovercraft and Buffalo Aircraft demonstrations were cancelled because of rescue missions.

Observers witnessed a rescue at sea. Members of the Red Cross righted an overturned small craft. There was a fashion parade of available personal flotation devices. Richmond Firefighters showed us the techniques for using fire extinguishers. All in all, a very successful and most informative day for all who attended.

Did you know that a flare is hot enough to melt an aluminum railing?

Always activate flares over the side of your vessel.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WENSLEYS

Wes and Gladys Wensley piloted the "Glad One" to victory in the Gulf of Georgia predicted log race from Vancouver Harbour to Maple Bay, Vancouver Island, June 7.

Chasing the Orange Top

Montague Harbour was where the gathering of the Fraser clan took place on June 28, 1980, with 14 boats. After renewing acquaintance with old friends we cruised to Sidney Spit where our fearless Cruisemaster decided to use his marine skills, catching himself a mooring buoy and harpooning it with his boathook. Unsuccessful in this attempt he chased the little orange top all around the bay--in reverse--and when he finally caught it we saw Esther set out in hot pursuit of the floating boathook. The cruise decided to keep Esther busy by having her retrieve the Y-Knot's dinghy, which ran away from home--twice!!

A barbecue on shore ended the day.

Sunday morning found a rested (?) group who sat around and watched the Schurman's sailboat go aground again, this time while tied to the dock! Tricky George--want to try for the third time next cruise?

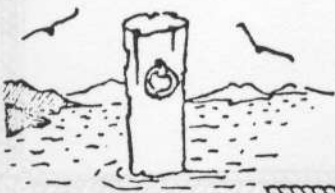
Sunday afternoon, Sidney Island was the scene of the infamous baseball game. Stormin' Norman, the slugger, batted "The Misfits" to victory against "The Apple Dumpling Gang" by reported scores of 17-16, 20-20, and 19-21, depending on the gossip.

Ted Bula managed to find his dinghy long enough to row ashore from the barbecue and lead the troops in a vigorous singsong around the campfire. The locals are still muttering over this as peals of "Roll Out the Barrel" could be reportedly heard across in Sidney.

Monday noon saw the bay at Sidney Spit humming with activity, as a dozen or so dinghies went darting from boat to boat with the kids' scavenger hunt. The winners were (1) Ken Bula, (2) Paul Schurman, (3) Kevin Bula. Honourable mentions included Chris Ailey, Jim Bula, Chay and Chantel Foss, John McDonald, Steve Schurman, and Robert Steenway. The cruise moved to Port Browning that night where a most memorable get together occurred at the local pub.

Tuesday morning found us at the Saturna Island lamb barbecue, along with 340 other boats, but have no fear--Fraser was securely in place with 4 anchors thrown all over the place. The barbecue was superb and the events, such as a piggy diapering contest, tugs-of-war, etc. were most enjoyable and the weather was splendid.

This wrapped up the July 1 cruise, which goes down as one of the best. The vessels included Caromar, Cheena, Freshair, High Noon, Illusion, Kochana III, Kuu Lani, Lisa, Monsoon II, Old Style, Pacific High, Pacific Salt, Sealerook II, and the Y-Knot.



The Seattle Wooden Boat Show

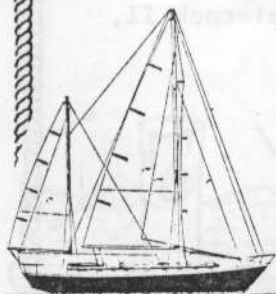
This show is an annual event sponsored by the Center for Wooden Boats to aid its work of preserving the arts and crafts of designing, building, and using wooden boats. Commercialism was kept to a reasonable minimum and all admissions were free.

There was something for everybody: Raffles for the gamblers, a toy boat building contest for the kids, a photo contest for the artists, hull patting for the inquisitive, and girl watching for the lechers. Demonstrations of woodcarving, oar making, wire splicing, caulking, and sailmaking provided diversions from looking at boats old and new. Informal rowing and sailing races were held on each of the three days. Some boats competed in both classes. Two four-oared (one man to an oar) gigs in the rowing races acted like the proverbial skunks in the chicken coop!

The theme of the show was the West Coast Indian canoe. Models, photos, movies, and a lecture by Bill Holm, the curator of the Burke Museum, supported the theme. Mr. Holm had built a 24 and a 35 foot canoe the traditional way but with the aid of some modern tools. Cold moulded boats, kayaks, and canoes were more in evidence than in previous shows. The larger old timers included "Gloria", a 55 foot diesel cruiser built in 1920, and the 40 foot, 54 year old schooner, "Sinbad". Both were in good condition. The show provided good opportunities to see what's going on, to talk to many interesting people, and to sail in different types of boats. This was a great way to spend the July 4 weekend.

Galley Guide

1. Roll of paper towels and aluminum foil
2. Plastic scouring pads that don't rust
3. Small bottle of biodegradable liquid detergent
4. Wooden matches in waterproof container
5. Combination bottle and canopener
6. Stainless steel frying pan and saucepan with lids
7. Spatula and large serving spoon
8. Dish towels and cloths
9. Paring knife, carving knife
10. Tea, coffee, cocoa, soup
11. Sugar, canned or powdered milk
12. Catsup and mustard
13. Sandwich spreadables (butter, peanut butter, jam, etc.)
14. Salt, pepper, and other desired spices.
15. Potholder or oven mitts
16. Food for the trip



NOTICES

Fraser Power Squadron wishes to thank the following for contributions to our Graduation Party last May:

Balynn Richards, Brighthouse Hardware, Calona Wines, CJOR,
Duffy's U-Frame, Harry Fane Products, Lloyd's Stationery,
Marpole Blueprinters, Murray's Coffee Service, Potter
Distilleries Ltd., Radio Shack, River Marine, Skyline Marina.

The Cruisemaster's boat can be identified by a huge (3 ft. x 2 ft.) Squadron pennant.

Tag Along to Desolation

If interested, contact any of the following:
Conley's in "Skylark", left the week of July 1.
Dombrowski's in "Pacific Salt".
Fane's in "Yahtzee III".
Jones' in "Eugenie K IV", left the week of July 7.
Dyck's in "Monsoon" and Hoffman's in "Caromar" are leaving
July 25.

National Conference

Those wishing to attend should make reservations for banquets and accommodation as soon as possible.

For information, call Norm Dyck (274-4887) or Marg. Halliday (274-2352).

Do NOT phone for clearance

This is an amendment to our last Fairlead notice in regard to "Vessel Traffic Management regulations for the Second Narrows." Refer to Propwash, Volume XIII No. 3 (summer) for the correct version.

COMING EVENTS

August 2, 1980	--	3rd cruise to Newcastle, Echo Bay. Ted Bula, 943-5886, will be leading the cruise.
August 29	--	4th cruise to Ganges.
Sept. 5-7	--	Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival. For information, call John Moran, 943-3416.
Sept. 9	--	All Instructors and Proctors are expected to attend a meeting at the Richmond Yacht Club. Date and time will be confirmed.

