

FRASER SQUADRON BRIDGE MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 12th, 2007

Location: Ladner COPS

Present and Regrets

Title	Name	Present	Title	Name	Present
Commander	Bob Everson	Present	Lt. port Captain	Bob Juulsen	Present
Lt/C Training Officer	Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood	Present	1 st Lt. Secretary	Kim Narraway	Present
Lt. Asst Training Officer (LAD)	Jim Bryant	Present	Lt. Regalia	Alan Eldred	Present
1 st Lt. Treasurer	John Moir	Present	Lt Programmes Officer	Ellis Knowlton	Present
1 st Lt Membership	Debbie Oliynyk	Present	Lt. Cruise Master	Alan/Alberta Rudolf	Present
1 st Lt Administration	Cleve Pryde	Present	Assistant Cruise Masters	Rose and Rick Eastman	Present
Lt. Supply Officer Lt. Training aids	Bill Hawryluk	Present	Lt. Comm. Officer	TBA	
Past Commander	Ross McCutcheon	Absent	1 st Lt. PR Officer	TBA	
1 st Lt. MAREP	Victor Weizmann	Absent	Lt Historian	TBA	
Lt. Asst Training Officer-RMD	TBA		Lt. Web Master	TBA	
Lt/C Executive Officer	TBA		Lt. Editor – Fairlead	TBA	
Lt. Environment	TBA		Lt. Assistant editor	TBA	

New Bridge members: Byron and Donalda Buie – taking the position of membership officers. Marilyn Mitchell taking the position of Secretary.

Guests:

Meeting called to Order by Bob at 19:30

Errors and Omissions

Vassilapolopous should read Vassilopoulos

Old Business

Motion: To accept the reading and adoption of the February Minutes

Proposed Ellis Knowlton

Seconded Debbie Oliynyk

Carried All in favour

Business Arising from Previous Minutes

AGM and Auction will be talked about in new business.

Officers Reports

Commander

FRASER SQUADRON

Commander's Report

Fellow Bridge Members;

On March 5, 2007 I attended the PMD bridge meeting at Willingdon church.

It was announced that Boatshow attendance was up 5%-6% this year.

In an attempt to increase membership, USPS has eliminated the requirement of writing an exam to join the squadron. CPS has been looking at methods to increase membership and it's been suggested that membership be included in the Boating class fee. The squadrons of PMD soundly disagree with this proposal. Offering a membership for nothing puts a value of nothing on said membership. At renewal time, even fewer people will want to shell out money for something with no worth. It was pointed out that sign-up rates were consistent and that the problem lay with retaining members. If CPS wants to increase membership we (national) should be looking at what it takes to retain members.

A slightly different issue that was raised pertained to people who have taken the Boating class many years ago and are now looking for a PCOC. In many cases these people have let their membership lapse. Sign them up! Why? National will charge them \$20 to research and issue a PCOC, a \$43 membership renewal will get them their PCOC, 6 months of Pacific Yachting and it just may get us a grateful enthusiastic new member.

It was also noted that the United States has proposed to drop DSC in favour of AIS. If this happens I will give DSC a 0% survival rate in Canada. On the topic of VHF, it was noted that BC Coast Guard will be moving their working channel from 22A to 83A.

I will forward the PMD bridge reports to the Fraser bridge.

A few miscellaneous items from the PMD bridge:

Misc

- The ever popular Vancouver Squadron BilgeWater Bash is slated for Friday, March 31, at the Royal Vancouver Yacht club. Tickets are \$60/person and there were still some left.
- The PMD Rendezvous at Snug Cove is scheduled for July 6, 7, 8. This years theme is "Pirates of the Caribbean".

Training

- I have a feeling we are in for a bumpy ride with boating course materials. Some squadrons received a mixture of older and new course materials (this is despite the fact that National swore up and down that due to the way the printer handles things this was impossible. The addendum to bring the older material up to date is 55 double sided pages!
- There is also mixtures of old and new VHF course materials.
- The bottom line is we need to be vigilant about what materials we receive.
- It was mentioned that when squadron order material from national that if the order is less than \$150 the squadron pays the shipping. For orders over \$150, national picks up the tab. If it's requested that orders over \$150 be couriered out then the squadron will pick up the difference in shipping from regular post to the courier rate.

Respectively submitted,
Cdr. Bob Everson
Fraser Squadron

Student Training Officer

The courses are running well and we have scheduled the exams

VHF course needs to be pre registered and we are going to stop at just under 20 students, last time we were rather inundated with students. They are to register at the Ladner outdoor store.

A group of sea scouts are also looking at signing up between 10 – 20 scouts for the course.

Port Captain

No report

Past Commander

No report

Environmental

No report

Web Master

The web is more or less up to date. I will be adding the AGM announcement soon hopefully in time for the one month announcement.

MAREP Officer

No report

Fairlead Editor

The Fairlead is at the printers and will be mailed off first thing in the morning tomorrow.

Admin Officer

We have the Airport Yacht Club for the AGM the doors are open at 19.00

Training Officer

No report

Cruise Master

We have the most recent submission which is included in this Fairlead. It is an update for the Marinas and whether we are anchoring or not. As usual at this time of year I am looking for the funding for the entertainment etc. I am hoping for about \$400.00. I could perhaps take some of the sweatshirt for prizes.

Secretary

From the AirPort Yacht Club Karen has resigned as entertainment officer. I will let you know when we have a replacement. If in doubt please call me and I will pass on the information to the right people.

Membership

The membership #'s for March are:

Total: 352

Regular: 264

Family : 48

Life: 20

Assoc: 11

New Assoc: 9

Junior 0

Debbie Oliynyk

Membership

Respectfully submitted
Debbie Oliynyk
Fraser Membership

Lt. Supply Officer Training aids

We have ordered some more boat pro books for our providers, and some more VHF books. I do have some money from the students for some items.

Bob also mentioned to watch the discs as they are sending two different ones.

Lt. Regalia

As of March 12th 2007

Cash on Hand as of April 6 th 2006	\$50.00
Sales 3 Chart magnifiers @ \$5.00	\$15.00
5 Burgees @ \$12.00	\$60.00
1 Blazer Crest @\$15.00	\$15.00
1 Blue sweatshirt @\$60.00	\$60.00
2 12x20 flags @\$9.00	\$18.00
4 lapel pins @ \$2.50	\$10.00
2 ladies Golf shirts (old stock)	\$10.00
1 tie	\$25.00
1 cord cap	\$12.00
Total	\$225.00

Expenses	
Passed to Treasurer April 22/06	\$60.00
Passed to Treasurer June 8/06	\$27.00
Passed to Treasurer March 12.07	\$135.50
Postage	\$2.50
Total	\$225.00

Balance in Floats as of March 12/07 \$50.00

Regalia items given away to new students

22 Member Flags @ \$ 8.00 \$176.00

Respectfully submitted
Alan C Eldred

We have 19 sweatshirts we will give some away at the cruises and functions especially at the Christmas party. We will discuss them on the new business.

Treasurer

We have \$17727.38 in hand to date. We have no debt. We only have one invoice to come and that is the printer. We are paid up to December 31st 2007 for the storage.

Lt Programmes

I have finally contacted Brad Mah at Nikka he is getting the Rep Mr Gram Cole from Ray Marine. The topic that they will be talking about Ray Marine electronic, they make GPS's plotters, sounders Radar and plotters etc. They don't need any speakers but they do need a table with a power outlet close by. I am sorry that I could not get them to commit before the Fairlead went to print.

Motion to adopt the officer's reports as read

Proposed Ellis Knowlton

Seconded Kim Narraway

Carried All in favour

New Business

- **AGM/COW**

Motion Fraser River Power Squadron will donate \$1.00 to PMD per full member \$264.00

Proposed Debbie Oliynyk

Seconded Bill Hawryluk

Carried All in favour

- **Fraser River Power Squadron AGM**

Host - Bob

Sergeant at arms - Bob Juulsen

We will have a member of the PMD attending

Cleve – Catering with squares and fruit

We will be using 7 ½ inch plate, 40 knives forks and napkins, stiro cups cream and sugar. There will be no charge for entry. We will need a cheque for \$60.00 for the rental

Cleve is the event manager, June will be receptionist, Alan and June will do the 50/50

The working party should meet at 18:30.

Gate keeper - Bob

- **Sweatshirts**

The sweatshirts can be given away as prizes

- **Cheque for cruises**

Motion to provide the Cruise master with a cheque of \$400.00 for supplies for the cruises

Proposed Debbie Oliynyk

Seconded Bill Hawryluk

Carried All in favour

- **Auction**

Food – wieners, hot dogs and veggy burgers and condiments

Cooks – Bob, Cleve, John Moir

Host – Ellis
Receptionist – Lisa, Bill and Linda
50/50 Bill
Gate keeper – Paul and Kathleen
Working party – @16.30
Helpers – Alan and Alberta
Writing – Marilyn
Plates 7 ½, forks and knives
The auctioneers are confirmed
Price \$5.00 per person no free tickets for soft drinks (next time we really need to discuss the price as it may need to go up)
We will be inviting our well known speakers for free.

To terminate the Meeting at 20.55 hours

Proposed	Ellis Knowlton
Seconded	Kathleen Vanderwood
Carried	All in favour

Next meeting April 16th, 2007 – 18:30 hours (AGM) at the Airport Yacht Club