FRASER SQUADRON BRIDGE MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 19, 2007 Location: Full House Restaurant

Title:

Commander **Robert Everson Present Cleve Pryde Executive Officer Present Marilyn Mitchell** Secretary **Present Rick Easthom Treasurer Present** Margo Whyte **Public Relations Absent Administrations Officer** Jan Muller **Present Training Officer** Kathleen Vanderwood **Present Asst. Training Officer** Jim Bryant **Present** Byron Buie **Membership Officer Present MAREP Officer** Victor Weizmann **Absent Editor Fairlead/Webmaster Paul Vanderwood Present Port Captain Bob Juulsen Present Communications Officer Denis Whyte Present Training Aids/Supplies** Bill Hawryluk **Present Ellis Knowlton Programs Officer Present** Regalia Officer **Alan Eldred Present Phoning Committee June Eldred Present Asst. Cruise Master Rose Easthom Present** Historian/Past Commander **Fred Des Rochers Absent** Past Commander Ross McCutcheon Absent

Meeting called to Order by

Bob Everson at 1930

Minutes of October meeting reviewed for errors and omissions.

Motion: To accept the October 2007 Bridge meeting minutes

Proposed: Paul
Seconded: Kathleen
Carried: All in favour

No business arising from previous minutes.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

FRASER SQUADRON COMMANDER'S REPORT

June 27, 2016



Fellow Bridge Members,

On October 26-27 I had the pleasure of representing Fraser Squadron at the CPS national convention in Ottawa. While there was a lot of discussion on numerous topics I will keep my report to the items that held most interest.

First, Fraser squadron received two awards at the national. The first was presented at the commanders meeting on Friday morning and was presented in recognition of increasing our membership by 5% or more in this past year. This is a welcome trend at a time when national renewal rates are less than 82%. The second award was presented at the AGM on Saturday morning and was in recognition of 13 years of support for the CPS Foundation.

One of the hot topics at the national was the issue of CPS branding. It was very apparent that the team in charge of this item had only looked at potential name brands and had not included taglines for consideration. It was determined to be inappropriate to consider one without the other. In the end the motion for a vote for a brand name was retracted from the floor.

The commanders meeting saw lots of rhetoric regarding membership involvement. There were many stories of failed attempts to involve squadron members and there were many ideas that were successful. One idea that caught the attention and debate was that of flare nights for the purpose of training and discarding old flares. Several squadrons blatantly break the law and hold these demonstrations. One squadron actually has legal flare sessions. (is anybody chummy with a DnD base commander?)

Two other topics of interest to me were the investigation into new CPS plotters and a motion to change chart labeling to include True and Magnetic (eg. 220°T 200°M). The review process for new plotters has entered the formal stage.

The national AGM saw the election of Harry Cole to Chief Commander. That makes two Fraser squadron member to achieve this top rank.

On November 5, I attended the monthly PMD bridge meeting. As usual, I have included the pertinent points from the PMD bridge in bullet form.

Misc

• HURLEY – Fraser is one of three squadrons to have submitted the spring course and therefore receive a compliment from Hurley. Way to go Kathleen!

- There are new advertising and marketing templates
- available from the national web site.
- Up to 50% of advertising costs can be recouped up to \$1 per squadron member.
- CPS is stressing that books are no longer 'audited' they are reviewed as auditing carries certain legal ramifications.
- Several squadrons are holding joint Christmas parties as they cannot pull of a party on their own.
- Seymour squadron has managed to receive money from the lottery corporation.
- Doc Morgans went into receivership and is closed! (confirmed)

Training

- There is a new Boating exam #807 (alternate is #907). An e-mail regarding this was supposed to have been sent to STO's
- The PCOC examination will not be included in the final exam until some time next year.
- At this time the PCOC application must still be done using paper.
- Copies of the Boating manual, for proctors, etc, are \$64.50
- Boating and weather CDs are ready for distribution but held up for copyright permissions
- Apparently some squadrons offer a 3-in-1 package to students including GPS, depth sounder, and RADAR.
- Currently only STOs and DTOs can enter exam marks online. RTOs are unable to.
- ADTO Thomas has only received two request for A&E exams.

Respectively submitted, Cdr. Bob Everson Fraser Squadron

Training Officer - Kathleen Vanderwood

Accomplished				
• PCOC exam date for Richmond is Tues. Nov. 27, 2007				
• Exam date for the Richmond class is Dec. 11; exam date for the Ladner class is Dec. 13 (Wally Kiss will invigilate)				
 Spring Basic Boating Course is scheduled to begin Tuesday, January 8 (for Richmond) and Thursday, January 10 (for Ladner) 				
• Instructor and proctor volunteers have been found for the Richmond Boating Course.				
Respectfully submitted:				
Kathleen Vanderwood				

Discussion: Allan Edred will attend the PCO exam Thurs. Nov. 22nd. in Ladner Exam dates: Richmond, Tues, Nov ll; Ladner Dec. 13. **RYC** – l year agreement coming up; if both sides are pleased with the arrangement, Bob will speak to the yacht club about extending our agreement.

Treasurer - Rick Easthom

Debit	Credit	Balance
\$1876.94		Opening: \$7901.29
	\$8658.69	
		Closing: \$14.683.04

Audit (review process) done by Bob Juulsen; GIC's need further explanation and new investment. Rick will check GIC status. Bob needs to report to PMD Dec 3rd. meeting. Investments remain at T.D. Two Credit Unions were considerate. For non profit groups, the corporate amount is waived at Credit Unions. At Van City your signing officers have to have accounts with them and there is a minimum you must keep in account. Coast Capital require they know 6 months prior to changing your signing officers. Therefore we decided not to consider Credit Unions, but to continue with T.D.

A few letters was returned – the first 3 digits of postal code were incorrect, city missing; needs investigations.

Accounting: Rick needs to know what each credit or debit slip is. Please indicate the category. At next meeting Rick will distribute slips for our perusual that will clarify the categories.

Rental storage unit has increased to \$64.87 / year.

Storage contains historical items, projectors, training supplies, dishes, 50/50 tickets etc. Located in Richmond #5 Road and Steveston Hwy. Ellis and Bill H. have keys.

Respectively Submitted Rick Easthom

Discussion: Ellis and June keep an events distribution of funds sheet that goes to the Treasurer. It was discussed and agreed that the present system works.

Executive Officer - Cleve Pryde

BBQ was a success; Kathleen is a great cook.

Upstairs separated from the downstairs group and upstairs was a more favorable position.

Expenses: \$350.00 Revenue: \$322.00

Membership Officer - Bryon Buie

Total Membership 369. (Comes from new on line Membership).

<u>Administrations Officer</u> - Jan Muller

Jan has the Christmas party under control. June has sold 59 tickets; the room only holds 60 people, 66 if pressed, so sales will be cut off with one more. Menu will be the same as last year at the Town and Country, 'the traditional Christmas fair buffet'. It costs \$1 more than last year.

MC for the evening will be Cleve.

Supplies and Training Aids - Bill Hawryluk

Bill has obtained the student accredited exams from Nancy Gibson, and the answer sheets 8 & 9's. For couples, one would write 8 and one 9 to avoid comparing answers.

Phoning Committee – June Eldred

June has called more than 60 people for the upcoming Christmas party and the personal touch was impressive.

Port Captain – Bob Juulsen – no report

Communication and PRO - Dennis and Margo Whyte

Margo has a list of members without emails. She will get an updated list from June. Storage area might contain the 'stuff' from George Radke. Bob and Dennis will go over on a lunch break.

Graduation items such as location and speaker will be referred to the December meeting. Deadline for advertising long past; the copy for the spring issue is due now; Information required by November 26th. Kathleen will contact Margo this week before the November 26th, deadline.

Denis observed the Power Squadron Flyer is difficult to leave in some venues as it lacks a Squadron logo. Paul has the master of the logo and will attend to this matter.

Webmaster/Fairlead - Paul Vanderwood

Accomplished

- the Fraser web site was updated with planned events, news items, and training classes planned for January, 2008
- the Fairlead was mailed and sent as an email link to members on or about November 6, 2007.
- the printed copies of the Fairlead were mailed out. Another big 'THANK YOU' to Byron who prepared the envelopes with addresses, stuffed these with the printed Fairleads, and mailed them.

Outstanding

- pictures for some of our Bridge members for the web site
- next issue of the Fairlead to be ???

Respectfully submitted: Paul Vanderwood

Discussion: Grad is Jan 23^{rd.} at the Airport Yacht Club. and should be included in the next edition of the Fairlead. This is no longer a membership ceremony with pledging; a recognition of their hard work, a speaker, refreshments, an opportunity to meet other squadron members. Somebody will attend from PMD to recognize and welcome the new grads.

Regalia Officer - Alan Eldred

In anticipation of many new members Alan ordered new flags and caps (approx. \$230.00) Deferred to New Business.

Motion to adopt the officer's reports as read.

Proposed Rick Easthom
Seconded Alan Eldred
Carried All in favour

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Christmas Social MC Cleve
- 2) Need stories for **Pleasure Bent Award** and **Fisherman's Award**. (largest fish caught).
- 3) Rick will bring cheque book to pay balance of room and DJ.
- 4) Ellis will bring bucket and 50/50 tickets; Need someone to do the 50/50.
- 5) 2 wonderful prizes have been given to us from Niika

REMINDER FOR EVENTS

EVENT Xmas Party LOCATION Town & Country

DATE & TIME

TYPE OF EVENT REQUIREMENTS	ASSIGNED TO: -	REMARKS
EVENT MANAGER (normally Admin)	<u>Jan</u>	To manage all food
CATERER /HEAD COOK	66	
ASST.COOKS, COFFEE MAKER	_	
HOST normally Commander or Admin		
COMMANDER		
EXECUTIVE OFFICER	Cleve	M.C.
PMD REP (flags always needed)	Ellis	
SECRETARY		
SQUADRON TRAINING OFFICER		
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER		
TREASURER		
SERGEANT AT ARMS		
RECEPTIONIST (plus book exc. Xmas)	<u>June</u>	
CASH BOX & FLOAT		
50/50 TEAM9 plus tickets & bucket)		
REGALIA OFFICER (plus flags)		
SPEAKER		
SPEAKER SPONSOR		
SPEAKER'S AIDS	Bill	
WORKING PARTY		Need 2-3 Arrive 6:45
AUTIONEERS BRIAN & LINDSAY		
AUCTION ASSISTANTS 2		
PHOTOGRAPHER	<u>Bill</u>	
REPORTER	<u>Ellis</u>	
EVENT AIDS. (plates, cups napkins)	<u>Ellis</u>	
REGALIA OFFICER (flags for grads)		
FAIRLEAD EDITOR (publicity/reports)		
GATEKEEPER (AYC only)		

Raffle Tickets: Ellis suggests 2 colors; one for door prize and one for 50/50 Bob donated 50/50 of \$37.50 back to Xmas 50/50. Secretary should write thank you notes for donations. Other trinkets and small gift items will be donated.

Al Morgan

Past Squadron Member; No longer member. He wrote our data source program; As result of his writing this Lindsey has asked if we could invite Al and his date to our Xmas Social to show our appreciation for the work he's done for the squadron. Ellis wrote up a reply; group feels as we are non profit, we should not extend a free invitation. Bob will reply to Lindsey indicating that we must decline the request.

Speakers

Ellis suggested contacting Wendy (Westwind on Second) to speak at the AYC Grad. Bob mentioned Eleanor Hashimoto from PMD has a list of potential speakers.

Motion to terminate the meeting at 2130

Proposed Ellis **Seconded** Allan

Carried All in favour.

The next Bridge meeting will be Monday, December 10, 2007, location to be announced.