

**FRASER SQUADRON**  
**BRIDGE MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

Date: February 11, 2008

Location: COPS

Title:

<b>Commander</b>	<b>Robert Everson</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Executive Officer</b>	<b>Cleve Pryde</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Marilyn Mitchell</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Rick Easthom</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Public Relations</b>	<b>Margo Whyte</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Administrations Officer</b>	<b>Jan Muller</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Training Officer</b>	<b>Kathleen Vanderwood</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Asst. Training Officer</b>	<b>Jim Bryant</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Membership Officer</b>	<b>Byron Buie</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>MAREP Officer</b>	<b>Victor Weizmann</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Editor Fairlend/Webmaster</b>	<b>Paul Vanderwood</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Port Captain</b>	<b>Bob Juulsen</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Communications Officer</b>	<b>Denis Whyte</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<b>Training Aids/Supplies</b>	<b>Bill Hawryluk</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Programs</b>	<b>Ellis Knowlton</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Historian/Past Commander</b>	<b>Fred Des R ochers</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Past Commander</b>	<b>Ross McCutcheon</b>	<b>Absent</b>

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Meeting called to order by

Bob Everson **at 1935**

Minutes of January reviewed for errors and omissions.

Second edition of minutes to be omitted as incorrect. The first minutes sent for approval.

**Motion:** To accept the correct January 2008 Bridge meeting minutes.

**Proposed:** Ellis

**Seconded:** Jan

**Carried:** All in favour.

**Business arising from the minutes – January Grad Ceremony. Reported by Ellis Knowlton and Jan Muller.**

. Ellis – Grad at AYC- Refer to **Program Officer's Report**

In addition Fire Marshall's limit was noted at 85 persons.

. Ellis requested a 3-hole punch . Bill H. thought there might be one in the locker. Bob says that it would be worthwhile going through the locker. There may be many useful items and possibly items worthy of the May auction, such as the overhead projector .

## **OFFICER'S REPORTS**

**Commander** - Bob Everson      No report

**Training Officer** – Kathleen Vanderwood

### **Accomplished**

Piloting course is underway at the Ladner COPS. We have 4 students for this course.

VHF course is planned for Wed. April 9, 16, 23

The navigating with GPS course is planned to begin Feb. 12 and the Electronic Charting course is planned to follow in April. Thanks to Paul Vanderwood who will be instructing..

Thank you to all members who helped make the fall graduation ceremony such a big success.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Vanderwood

**Treasurer** – Rick Easthom

Opening Balance	\$12,446.02
Debit	1,930.68
Credit	<u>7,374.00</u>

Closing Balance	<b><u>\$17,931.31</u></b>
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**Executive Officer** – Cleve Pryde      No report

### **Membership Officer – Byron Buie**

1) I have been working with Ken Tomkow and have sent him all the additions, address changes and deletions for Pacific Yachting ... These have been cross-checked with CP HQ data base, and also against any e-mails I have received with address changes etc.

The following is a summary since the last changes to Pacific Yachting data base.

Additions (new members) 49

Address changes 7

Deletions (members who have not renewed) 34

For a net gain of 15 members

2) As of today we have 402 members plus three regular members pending for a total of 405 members. These consist of

Regular 323 (plus 3 pending)

Regular Life 19

Lady Associate 51

Associates 8

Associates Junior 1

I do appologize for not making the last meetings, but this has a been a busy year ....I promise I will be at the March meeting.

Regards

Byron Buie

### **Administrations Officer – Jan Muller**

On reviewing 3 venues for AGM – Delta Town and Country, Tsawwassen Golf and Country Club and Coast Hotel, Tsawwassen. The prices were close regarding food and drink, the Tsawwassen Coast Hotel was most expensive. The Golf & Country in Tsawwassen has the best room price, either approximately \$75.00 or free, with lots of parking, room upstairs. The Town & Country is \$175.00; The Coast Hotel is \$199.00. The liquor is all the same and all have the same regulation: If you don't pay \$300.00 at the bar you have to pay \$15.00/hour for 4 hours for the bartender. They all have podiums and microphones with no charge. Theatre seating, head table only large enough for elected Bridge; Anticipate number at 40-50 people. Sandwiches and dessert tray with coffee for afterwards. Speaker suggested by Ellis is gentleman from Ocean Falls; he presents an interesting history of Ocean Falls; has his own powerpoint. Concern may be his upcoming surgery. Backup speakers mentioned; Refer to Eleanor Hashimoto's list; Bob suggested Johnson-Meyer Insurance (Cowan).

**Motion: By Fred, 2<sup>nd</sup>. by Rick to hold the AGM at the Delta Town & Country**

**Carried:** All in favour

**Date:** Saturday, April 12, @ 1900.

**Cost:** Ellis suggested \$5.00 per person.

**Motion for \$5.00 entry.**

**Proposed:** Ellis

**Seconded:** Alan

**Carried:** All in favour.

As soon as we get a speaker we can advertise it in the Fairlead.

**Supplies & Training Aids – Bill Hawryluk**

Books up to date; Discs available for boating classes. Bill has 35 that covers the students. Bob and others would be interested in acquiring some. The individual price is \$300. Paul might have a few extra. A Password is needed for the cruise work on the disc.

**Assistant Training Officer – Jim Bryant**                      **no report**

**Port Captain – Bob Juulsen**                                      **no report**

**PRO/Communication- Margo Whyte ( Jim absent)**

A day late for Readograph on GPS course.

Newspaper advertisement – coordinate with Paul; April GPS and Electronic Navigating. Bob suggests using membership emails.

**Webmaster/Fairlead – Paul Vanderwood**

Fairlead is due to come out in several days. It will contain the AGM notice.

**Regalia – Alan Eldred**

Sufficient supply for AGM; New Commander, Past Commander flags for AGM; Regalia table will be available.

**Programs – Ellis Knowlton**

The first half of this report covers part of the Fall Grad Party and is prepared on behalf of the Admin. Officer, as well as the Programmes Officer. The second part covers the rest of the Grad Party and is written in a format suitable for the "Fairlead".

**JOINT REPORT**

The Fall Graduation Party was held at the Airport Yacht Club on the 23rd January, 2008. It was attended by 20 Graduates, 19 Squadron Members, 8 Graduate Guests and 4 Squadron Guests. Graduate attendance was 74% of those eligible, double the usual proportion. The Event Manager was Jan Muller who catered with unprecedented accuracy ( forecast 50, actual 51). The Receptionist was June Eldred and the 50/50 was handled by Fred Des Rochers. Once again the Speaker was Peter Vassilopoulos whose presentation will be described in the second half. The Speaker's aids were handled by Bill Hawryluk.

The room layout was as usual for a Grad. Party except the Receptionist's work station was located beside the cloaks cupboard to keep clear of the draft from the door. Due to the large

number of attendees, the Regalia table had to be pressed into service for the audience. The new format for the Grad. party meant that the table reserved for the Bridge was no longer required. Guidance is needed on whether this will be the case for future Grad. Parties, as it will simplify the room layout.

#### FINANCIAL

##### REVENUE

19 members @ 5\$	\$95.00
8 Graduate Guests @ 5\$	40.00
50/50 profits	<u>72.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$207.00</u>

##### EXPENSES, PROGRAMMES OFFICER

Rent of room	\$60.00
Plates etc. (Costco)	<u>38.50</u>
subtotal	<u>98.50</u>
Returned to Treasurer	\$108.50

DUE TO ADMIN OFFICER (food)	\$173.20
Loss on Event	<u>\$33.80</u>

##### COST ANALYSIS

Food per attendee	\$3.39
Accommodation per attendee	<u>1.17</u>
Total " "	\$4.56

Other aspects of the Event are covered in the second part of this Report which follows : -

#### PACKED HOUSE FOR THE FALL GRADUATION PARTY

The Fall Graduation Party was held in the Airport Yacht Club on January 23rd. Most of the Fall Graduates attended. The total, including members and guests was 51, which filled the ground floor of the Yacht Club. The new Graduates were welcomed by the Squadron Commander, Bob Everson and the PMD Representative Glen Black who, together with the Squadron Training Officer, Kathleen Vanderwood, helped present the Graduates with their certificates and flags. The Graduates were congratulated, as all those who took the examination, passed. The Event was managed by the Administrative Officer Jan Muller. After the speeches and meal the Squadron once again welcomed the well-know author and speaker, Peter Vassilopoulos. The title of his presentation was "CIRCUMNAVIGATION OF VANCOUVER ISLAND BY THE SQUARE ROUTE"

The title accurately describes the actual route taken by Peter and his wife, Carla in their 27ft. cruiser "Balladeer II"

Initially they traveled North on the inside passage to Port Hardy. The boat was then trailered to Winter Harbour on the West coast. They then traveled South to Bamfield, turned east to Port Alberni. The boat was trailered again to Nanaimo and finally back to Ladner. The talk was illustrated by photographs projected on to a screen, together with a large map of Vancouver Island.

Although the talk was titled "circumnavigation", the presentation largely concentrated on the Western Littoral between Winter Harbour and Bamfield. As the odyssey was carried out in a 27 foot boat it was essential to keep the open water sections to the minimum. This was achieved by what could be called a series of outside, "inside passages" with the boat in protected waters behind islands and barrier islands, punctuated by sections where the Island mainland coast was exposed to the unprotected Pacific such as the Brooks Peninsula. These sections required very careful attention to the weather forecasts and this strategy was so successful that on only one occasion was there splashed of spray on the boat's windshield.

The pictures displayed a spectacular wilderness of mountains, calm waters and remote anchorages with a sprinkling of boater-friendly oases such as small marinas and clubs, restaurants and even a full size boating store.

Although Peter and Carla planned on traveling alone, on one leg they found themselves leading a small flotilla of boaters who wished to exploit Peter's knowledge and equipment. The audience listened fastinated as Peter described the micro-climates of the Littoral in which one could be in calm waters and a light wind while simultaneously, a few miles to the west on the coast, there could be gale force winds and a raging sea.

Peter's low key delivery made the whole enterprise "do-able" by the average boater with sizable but trailerable boat. However the success of the trip depended on meticulous planning and flawless execution.

The presentation was enthusiastically received. Afterwards Peter and Carla answered questions and sold copies of their books at reduced prices.

Those who missed this Event, missed a treat.

Ellis Knowlton

Respectfully submitted.

**Secretary - Marilyn Mitchell**

**no report**

**Historian - Fred DesRochers**

Pictures taken at Grad ceremony given to Paul.

**Motion to adopt the officer's reports as read.**

**Proposed:** Ellis

**Seconded:** Margo

**Carried:** All in favour.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) AGM – underway; venue chosen.
- 2) Brochures – Artwork available from National; Margo picked up some at Boatshow. We could apply our own stickers to the National CPS brochures. National will pay half whatever our expenditures are; they will edit as well; We can buy bundles of National generic ones and particular squadron information can be run through the printer. Plastic holders needed (Staples); cardboard stands also suggested.
- 3) Starting 2009 (September) the Pleasure craft operators licence will be mandatory; that will affect the size of our fall classes and advertisement will be extremely important to alert the public.
- 4) Locations such as Marinas, marine stores, Food stores, libraries, other information boards; notices must have website and contact information.
- 5) Ad copy expense assessed and coordinate with Paul and Kathleen.

- 6) Paul has business cards; put your own name on back. Depending on type of holder, this could be effective in a small holder next to a 8X11 information sheet.
- 7) Cruises – Denis quoted by Margo emphasized the increase in membership would indicate new interest in cruises. Bob says that in April we will have a new Cruise Master 2008 cruises will then be implemented and advertised.
- 8) Nominating Committee – Bob, Fred, Ross and Cleve will be meeting next week and commence to propose a new Bridge. Members will be called to confirm standing for nomination.
- 9) Bob will not be standing for Commander; The next National will be in Windsor, Ontario.
- 10) Merits marks at AGM;
- 11) Reviewer for yearly accounts needed. Bob will call Marilyn Cole.
- 12) Auction – May 10<sup>th</sup>. Saturday. Brian and Lindsay not as yet approached. Bob will contact them.
- 13) Rick introduced a thank you card from Alberta Rudolf. Also he has to clarify some PMD bills.
- 14) Year End – Regalia and Supplies Inventory will be required.

**Motion to terminate the meeting at 2050**

**Proposed:** Ellis  
**Seconded:** Cleve  
**Carried:** All in favour.

**The next Bridge meeting will be Monday, March 10, 2008 at COPS**

