

FRASER SQUADRON BRIDGE MEETING

Date: 08-06-09
Location: Ladner COPS
Time: 1930

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Agenda

Fraser Power & Sail Squadron Bridge Meeting

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Minutes of Last Meeting**
- 4. Business Arising from the Minutes**
 - Squadron calendar 2008 - 2009
 - Anchors Aweigh BBQ
 - Christmas Dinner Dance
 - Cruising Committee
- 5. Officer's Reports**
- 6. New Business**
 - potential June event 'Community Open House'
 - Internet Hosting Service
 - replacement of old laptop
 - renewal of agreement with Richmond Y.C. for Fall courses
- 7. Termination of Meeting**

Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 1934 by Commander Paul Vanderwood.

2. Errors and Omissions – none

Motion to accept: Ellis Knowlton
Seconded: Bill Hawryluk
Motion: accepted (all in favour)

3. Business arising from the previous minutes

Squadron Calendar – Christmas Dinner/Dance – November 29th, 1800 hrs at the Town 7 Country Motor Inn.

Quoted price for dinner \$27.95. Jan to investigate cost of a Disc Jockey and/or a live Trio, etc.

ACTION: Jan Muller

Due Date: September Bridge meeting

Printing of Dinner dance tickets.

ACTION: Byron Buie

Due Date: September 30, 2008

4. Officer's Reports

Commanders Report – see last page

Administration Officer –Report on the Graduation held at the Tsawwassen Golf and Country Club on May 21st, 2008. We had 53 people attending. The cost for the refreshments was \$549.90. The cost to attend was \$5.00 per person. Ellis has reported the revenue from the 50/50 and the money collected at the door. We have received a nice note from Carolyn and Elisha (catering) from the Tsa. Golf and Country Club, thanking us for using their venue and hope we choose them in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jan Muller

Squadron Training Officer – see last page

Membership Officer – The following is a summary of the Squadron Membership:

Associates – 8

Junior Associates – 1

Lady Associates – 39

Regular Members – 327

Regular Life Members – 20

Total membership 395

Respectfully submitted,

Byron Buie

Port Captian – No report

Communications Officer – No report

Training Aids/Supplies – Have supplied more Boat Pro books to A. McKillopp

Finance Officer – Report not received electronically

Cruise Committee – Alan Eldred, Les Muller & Jan Muller gave an overview of the Committee's work and booking of the following cruises for the 2008 season:

July 1st weekend – Thetis Island, June 28, 29, 30 & July 1 at the Thetis Island Marina. There will be a BBQ on Sunday June 29th

August Long weekend, August 1, 2, 3 & 4 at Ladysmith. Details to be in the Fairlead and on the website.

Cruise # 3 – August 22, 23, & 24 at Fulford Harbour. Information to be forwarded to Paul Vanderwood by Rose Easthom.

ACTION: Paul Vanderwood to forward information to Bob Everson for updates on website and inclusion in Fairlead.

Due Date: June 14, 2008

ACTION: Rose Easthom to forward cruise information via E-mail to Paul Vanderwood.

Due Date: June 14, 2008

**** Committee**** - a body of persons delegated to consider, investigate, take action on or report on some matter. (Merriam Webster's 10th edition).

Regalia – Alan Eldred, prices are increasing for materials. Ties have gone up \$3.00 in cost. Monies received at Grad Ceremony have been turned over to Rick Easthom.

Secretary – Ask that any Bridge Member that is unable to attend a Bridge meeting to please advise prior to meeting.

Programs Officer -
REPORT TO THE BRIDGE

This report is prepared for the next Bridge meeting. It is in two parts, the first for the Bridge and the second for the "Fairlead"

SPRING GRAD. PARTY TURN OUT

The Spring Grad. Party was held on Wednesday, 21st of May in the Tsawwassen Golf Club. It was attended by 25 members, 16 Graduates, 7 Guests of Graduates, 2 Guests of Members and 3 Squadron Guests. The turnout of Graduates was 61% compared with 80% turnout of the Fall Graduates. This may be due to the fact that the Party was, for some inexplicable reason, scheduled for a week-day, instead of a Saturday.

OPERATIONS

The Graduates were congratulated by the PMD Representative Don Griffin, The Squadron Commander, Paul Vanderwood and the Squadron Training Officer, Kathleen Vanderwood. The party was organized by Jan Muller and Ellis Knowlton, June Eldred was the Receptionist and the 50/50 was run by Ric and Rose Easholm.

After the ceremony there was a meal of sandwiches and sweets. The Speaker was Mr. Ted Vesak and his topic was "Ocean Falls 1902-1980". The speaker's aids were handled by Bill Hawyrluk.

ROOM & ROOM LAYOUT

This will be described in some detail as it received favourable comments and the information could be useful for future events.

The party was held in the Banqueting Room of the club, which is a large, "L" shaped room. The toe of the L is divided into two parts namely, a raised dais and a parquet dance floor. The dais was used for the screen and speaker, and the dance floor section as a "parade ground" for the Graduates. The tables and chairs for the participants were laid out in a modified "classroom" style with 9, 8-seater tables, each with a crescent of 6 chairs facing the screen and dance floor. This arrangement provided space for eating, socializing and watching the proceedings. The meal was laid out for self-service at the entrance side of the tables. As the Banqueting room was larger than the requirements, Jan arranged to have a screen of "trees" as room dividers. The Speaker wanted a rehearsal, which was held the previous Friday with Bill Hawryluk trying out the aids. This rehearsal was fortunate as it was found that there was some interaction between the aids and the PA system, which produced the unbearable sound of a nearby jet. The Club staff found some switches which dealt with the interference. It was originally intended to display the flags as a back-drop to the parade ground. However, the flags were too high to fit in this position. There have also been problems fitting the flags in the Airport Yacht Club. It is suggested that about 6" be taken off the bottom of the flag-staffs to enable them to be fitted in places without very high ceilings.

FINANCIAL

REVENUE

25 members @ \$5.00	\$125.00
2 guests of members	5.00
7 guests of Grads.	35.00
Profits from 50/50	<u>105.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$275.00</u>

EXPENSES

Food	<u>\$455.00</u>
LOSS	<u>\$180.00</u>

There was no charge for the room

There was a total of 53 attendees and the cost per attendee was \$8.58

This low cost ratio was due to two reasons

An incredibly accurate forecast of attendance of 50 by the Admin. Officer.

The club cut back on the supply of sweet dishes compared to the AGM.

Two rolls of 50/50 tickets for future events were purchased for \$22.40

The flags etc. were returned to the Richmond store.

ARTICLE FOR A FUTURE FAIRLEAD

LIVELY PARTY IN PLEASANT SURROUNDINGS

The Squadron Spring Graduation party was held in the Banqueting Room of the Tsawwassen Gulf Club on Wednesday 21st May. It was attended by the majority of the Spring Graduates. The room has a private bar with plenty of clustering space and a spacious layout of chairs and tables. The new Graduates were congratulated on behalf of the Pacific mainland District by Don Griffin and on behalf of the Squadron by the Commander, Paul Vanderwood and Squadron Training Officer, Kathleen Vanderwood. The Graduates were presented with certificates and flags. The ceremony was followed by a meal of sandwiches and chocolate cakes.

The Speaker was Mr. Ted Vesak of Tsawwassen. His topic was the remote coastal mill town of Ocean Falls. Ted is well qualified, as he spent most of his working life in Ocean Falls including managing the mill (and the town) on behalf of the Province from 1973 to the final shut-down in 1980. His illustrated talk covered the geography (including the Sasquatch sightings) access, the mill, the town and of course, the boating and fishing in the area. His talk aroused a great deal of interest, particularly amongst those who had relatives who had worked there.

Respectfully submitted.

Ellis Knowlton

Motion to accept Officers Reports: Fred Des Rochers
Seconded: Alan Eldred
Motion: accepted (all in favour)

5. New Business

Paul Vanderwood floated an idea out about a series of workshops to be hosted by the Squadron. The intent was to familiarize the community with CPS, what the organization is about as well as what they can learn from the organization.

A lengthy discussion followed with numerous ideas brought forward. It was decided that this would be best served in the New Year. **Item tabled until the January Bridge meeting.**

Denis Whyte is to be the co-ordinator of this event.

ACTION: Denis Whyte

Due Date: January 2009 Bridge meeting

Replacement of Squadron Laptops

Motion: To purchase laptops for the Training Department & Presentations at Squadron Functions.

Motion: Fred Des Rochers
Seconded: Jan Muller
Motion: accepted (all in favour)

ACTION: Paul Vanderwood to coordinate with Bob Everson on Type, speed, memory requirements. Bob Everson to communicate price per laptop to Bridge members via e-mail prior to purchase

Due date: September 8, 2008

Purchase of pointers for Squadron laptops

Motion: To purchase pointers for each Squadron laptops

Motion: Kathleen Vanderwood
Seconded: Ellis Knowlton
Motion: accepted (all in favour)

ACTION: Byron Buie to coordinate this, will discuss with Bob Everson

Due Date: September 8, 2008

Renewal of contract with Richmond Yacht Club

Bill Hawryluk likes venue, it's free, does needs some update like the lighting. Venue is very acceptable for training.

Paul to discuss with Bob Everson and then renew contract with RYC. Ellis asked question, "When is contract up?"

Motion: To renew contract with RYC.

Motion: Byron Buie

Seconded: Ellis Knowlton

Motion: accepted (all in favour)

ACTION: Paul Vanderwood to contact RYC and renew contract for 2008/09 season.

Due Date: September 8, 2008

Anchors Aweigh BBQ

Jan Muller asked, 'what venue do we want to use for the Anchors Aweigh event?'

Discussion followed looking at the benefits or downside of the Airport Yacht Club, the Richmond Yacht Club and the Tsawwassen Golf & Country Club.

Motion: To host the Anchors Aweigh BBQ at the Tsawwassen G&CC on October 18, 2008 in the Patio Room.

Motion: Fred Des Rochers

Seconded: Jan Muller

Motion: accepted (all in favour)

ACTION: Jan Muller to contact TGCC and determine if venue is available and associated costs for food & beverages.

Due Date: September 8, 2008

Ellis Knowlton did bring it to the Bridge's attention that he is looking for Speakers from the Richmond area. Paul Vanderwood will provide Ellis with a list of potential speakers.

Rick Easthom, spoke about what he thought we needed to do with the Grad night. He feels that the Squadron needs to provide each Grad with a little more information on CPS and the Fraser Squadron.

Fred spoke about getting involved with teaching the Sea Scouts and/or Boy Scouts, this to be reviewed in January with Workshop initiative.

6. Motion to Terminate meeting:

Motion: Ellis Knowlton

Seconded: Kathleen Vanderwood

Motion: accepted (all in favour)

Commanders Report:

1. 'Thank you' to Jan, Ellis, and Kathleen and the many others who participated in organizing a very successful Spring graduation.
2. Kathleen and I attended the PMD ADM meeting on Saturday, May 31, 2008. Items of interest that we noted are summarized as follows:
 8. the web-based administration system is now in operation. Squadrons will be able to add their courses and social events to the national site. Students will be able to self-register using a credit card. This will eliminate the need for any paper documents for registration or examinations.
 9. Squadrons will need to set up links to and from the National site
 10. PCOC applications still require a paper copy to be signed by the student.
 11. CPS National has registered with 'Techsoup' for low prices on software, etc.
 12. Squadron Treasurers will be able to run a 'dues activity report' from the national site
3. The following report was read and electronically submitted at the PMD AGM:

Under the direction of Commander Robert Everson, Fraser Squadron had another successful year.

Membership continues to be in excess of 300 members although getting longer term members out to functions continues to be a challenge.

The Boating courses, run in both Ladner and Richmond on separate evenings, continue to be well attended. One of this year's initiatives is to work on retaining these new members after their first year. Although we have well qualified instructors for the advanced and elective courses we are getting limited attendance to these courses.

During the past year Fraser Squadron ran a number of successful events such as cruises to Ladysmith, Ganges, etc., our annual Christmas dinner and dance which is always a sold out event, a Fall BBQ, the very humerous Spring auction, and graduation ceremonies for our course graduates.

This is our opportunity to single out District representatives such as Wally Kiss, Nancy Gibson, Eleanor Hashimoto, Don Griffin, and the many others who's assistance and dedication make our organization successful. Thank you all!

Respectfully submitted:

Paul Vanderwood

Commander

Fraser Power & Sail Squadron

STO Report

Accomplished

- 13.** Grad ceremony was held Wed. May 21 at the Tsawwassen Golf & Country Club with 27 students and guests in attendance along with the 'Bridge' members.
- 14.** A meeting is planned for Monday June 16 with instructors and proctors to discuss course opportunities for the fall.
- 15.** Registration for the fall Boating courses will be done on-line; members of the public will be advised as they phone with enquiries. This procedure will be advertised.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Vanderwood

Please note that the Squadron has the following Bridge Positions open:

- Public Relations Officer
- Historian
- Environmental Officer
- MAREP Officer
- Assistant Training Officer – Richmond