



## **FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES of BRIDGE MEETING**

**Date:** 2012-Sept-17  
**Location:** Ladner Yacht Club  
**Time:** 1900

POSITION	NAME	ATTENDANCE
Commander	Rick Easthom	X
Executive Officer	Byron Buie	X
Secretary	Bob Everson	X
Treasurer	Cleve Pryde	X
Public Relations	Jan Muller	
Administration Officer	Rose Easthom	X
Training Officer	K Vanderwood	X
Membership Officer	Dave Mellis	X
Webmaster	Bob Everson	X
Fairlead Editor	P Vanderwood	X
Communications Officer	Les Muller	
Supplies/Training Aids	Bill Hawryluk	X
Regalia Officer	Meredith Williamson	
Asst. Training Officer	Nan Lockie	X
Programs Officer		
Cruise Master	Peter Lefroy	X
Port Captain	Bob Juulsen	X
Past Commander	P Vanderwood	X
Multi-Cultural Liaison	Jack Tang	X

# Meeting Minutes

## 1) **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 1900 by Commander Rick Easthom.

## 2) **Roll Call**

Bridge members and guests as noted on page one were in attendance. As Jack Tang did not know many members, we introduced ourselves around the room

## 3) **Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the previous bridge meeting were not distributed as the meeting was an informal gathering at Kathleen and Paul's home in June.

## 4) **Business arising from previous minutes**

None.

## 5) **Officer's Reports**

Jack Tan, Rick Easthom aided by a couple assistants will be attending the Mosquito Creek boat show to introduce what we are doing to prospective buyers and sellers. There are posters, in Mandarin, with Fraser Squadron boating information. Hopefully the brokers will take the introductions letters and use the references to send us potential students.

The national AGM is coming up in November. Rick, Rose, Byron and [Byrons wife] are booked to attend.

PMD meeting last week. Big thing to discuss is the training stockpile. PMD is going to liquidate the training stockpile. (some discussion, Bill brought up the subject of kits missing material). We have until Oct 15 to return excess materials. National will not accept returns from any squadron or PMD. (come January we will be instructing Boating Basics and Boating Essentials)

### **Commander (Rick Easthom)**

Through the summer Rick was so busy that he did not prepare a formal report for tonight. Cmdr Rick touched on the highlights of the summer.

June Eldred wrote a very heartfelt letter and asked that it be included it in the next Fairlead. Member who attended the Ladysmith cruise got to see some of Alan's boat models at the Maritime Museum. June appreciated the Fraser Squadron turnout.

Jack kept us busy with the Chinese courses through the summer. We just received, from PMD, the clipart for Boating Basics so now we can offer the book entirely in Chinese.

Had a great fishing trip this summer. Filled the freezer and passed the pictures around. The

prize was a 48lb Halibut. Dave “lost” a 25-30 lb. salmon.

**Training Officer (Kathleen Vanderwood)**

Passed out REAL reports! (see electronic copies at the end of the minutes)

Two classes of Chinese students wrote their PCOC in June and all were successful. Current class will be writing their exam tomorrow night.

Fifteen students in the Ladner class last week. (some discussion about classes and instructors. I brought up the need for an “Instructors” course) Tomorrow night we are doing registrations for the Richmond class.

Kathleen offered “thank you’s” to the volunteers and assistants for the efforts in promoting and helping out with classes.

**Admin Officer (Rose Easthom)**

The Christmas Party is all booked (DJ included).

Dec 8. \$45/person. Sundance ballroom.

No Anchor Aweigh booked - yet.

It was suggested we do something for Oktoberfest (+ trunk sale). Oct 26.

**Membership Officer (Dave Mellis)**

Dave reported that Fraser Squadron now stands at 336 total members.

There are only three squadrons in PMD that are not shrinking and WE are one of them!

Dave is sending out a “form letter” to greet new members and general information about the squadron.

Spoke with Jeff Cote about putting on an electrical course. This would consist of two or three classes, covering general electrical, battery and battery monitor/charging. It was decided that we would need at least a month to do the promotions. We are looking at the first class for the later part of October. \$40/night. \$45 for non-members. Spouse free.

Gary at Massy is willing to put on waste systems talk.

**Treasurer (Cleve Pryde)**

Cleve informed us the current bank balance was \$9,543. All bills are current and paid.

**Multi-Cultural Liaison (Jack Tang)**

We’ve done a trial run of our Chinese training over the last two or three months. The text for the Boating Basics has been translated into Chinese and have been used by four groups now (proctors and three groups).

The Chinese website has had 13,000 hits and the forums are up to 6000. The material on the websites covers all the aspects of what we are doing. One of the questions asked is “Why

CPS” - Because we offer classes by experienced instructors the other guys are like writing a flying exam and then being put into the pilots’ seat of a jet.

After the Mosquito Creek boat show we will be doing more promotions targeting new Chinese members.

Jack is also in the middle of translating Boating Essentials and we will begin offering the course in the new year.

I will need the course dates for WBAS.

There followed some discussion about the validity of a VHF course in Chinese. Jack is a big proponent of putting on VHF and GPS immediately after the basic courses.

**Supplies Officer (Bill Hawryluk)**

Put together a calendar of the Richmond classes.

**Executive Commander (Byron Buie)**

No Report.

**Fairlead Editor (Paul Vanderwood)**

Working to get another Fairlead edition out for the end of the month.

**Secretary (Bob Everson)**

I more or less took the summer off but I did enter the Fraser Squadron website in the national AGM multi-media contest.

At Paul’s request I purchased a new projector for the squadron. With higher resolution and greater brilliance it was immediately obvious the difference in quality. I also demonstrated some of the cool features of the projector, such as direct use of a USB stick and wireless using my iPad.

**Regalia (Meredith Williamson)**

Absent. Dave mentioned that Meredith is looking for who wants jackets.

**Cruise Master (Peter Lefroy)**

Very successful cruise season. Report attached below.

Already talking about next year.

Where is the photo contest??

## **6) New Business**

There was some general discussion.

- Bring the artwork for the business cards to the next meeting (Bob)
- Add a section to the website for reviews of electronic boating apps.  
(eg Wind Alert / Ship Finder / Rules of Road)

Cleve to find out if we've sent the CPS Foundation cheque for this year.  
NO! Cleve to send the cheque right away.

Any other business?

## 7) **Termination of Meeting**

With no new business the meeting was terminated at 2045.

## 8) **Electronically Submitted Reports**

### **Fraser STO**

Report for September 17, 2012

Accomplishments:

- Two classes of Chinese students wrote their PCOC examinations during the summer. All students were successful. Many thanks to Bill Hawryluk for keeping us supplied with the 'Boating Basics' booklet and to Rick Easthom for his continual support of the program. Many thanks also to Jack Tang for working with Fraser Squadron to reach out to the Chinese community.
- The current PCOC class for Chinese students will be writing their examination tomorrow evening (Sept. 18, 2012).
- The Ladner Boating class started last Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012, with 14 students. Thank you to Nan L. and Cindy A. for taking care of the registration and to Bob J. for coordinating the sessions.
- The Richmond Boating class will register tomorrow evening (Sept. 18, 2012) at the Richmond Yacht Club. Thank you to Bill H. for coordinating the instruction.
- Thank you to Les and Jan and Byron for placing course signs and ads at various locations.
- The VHF – Maritime Radio course will begin Monday, Oct. 22, 2012, at RYC with Byron instructing.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Vanderwood

STO, Fraser

## **Cruise Master Report**

September 17, 2012

### **Cruise Masters Report**

We had a very successful cruise season for the summer of 2012 with three cruises taking place;

1. The first cruise was to False Creek on the weekend of July 30-August 1 and although the number of boats was small with only three boats taking part the attendance at the dinner on Saturday evening was amazing. We managed to get enough tables together to sit twenty members of the Squadron. The conversation was lively, the food and drink were both well absorbed and everyone went away happy. When is the next pub dinner?
2. The second cruise of the season was to the Ladysmith Maritime Society on the weekend of July 27-29. Fraser squadron took up the whole dock on an absolutely stunning weekend with hot dry weather. The highlights of the weekend included a trip to the maritime society museum followed by a potluck dinner with over 40 members attending. May I say that members of the squadron did not disappoint as there was so much amazing food. Special reference was made to Alan Eldred and the contributions that he had made over many years to Fraser Squadron. June Eldred's birthday was celebrated with a special birthday cake which was enjoyed by all. The top prize for the quiz was won by Rick and Rose from R&R as they had somewhat of a home field advantage having lived in the area.
3. The third cruise of the summer was on the weekend of August 24-26 with a trip to Tod Inlet and Butchart Gardens. Again the weather was amazing! We had 5 boats attend with a lot of socializing taking place between them all. Kouka and I were invited to R&R for a bowl of Rose's seafood chowder and if you do not have the recipe then I urge her to include it in the next Fairlead as it was amazing! We went into the Gardens on Saturday afternoon with several thousand of our closest friends which should look after us for the next 20 years. The trip home on Sunday was made much easier by a very favourable mid gulf report from Commander Rick.
4. There was also an impromptu trip to Otter Bay on the weekend of August 11-12 by several boats where we attended one of their themed dinners. This time it was Mexican food and from all the reports that I got everyone had a very good time. In fact we will investigate this marina for a cruise in the future.

The crossings of the Gulf were not always easy as we seemed to have more high wind days than normal this summer. But for those who did make it we had a great time!

Thank you to everyone who attended the cruises this summer. We are already talking about next year and I am open to any and all suggestions.

Respectfully Submitted

Peter Lefroy