



FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES of BRIDGE MEETING

Date: 2013-Jan-21
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	X
Administration Officer	Rose Easthom	X
Training Officer	K Vanderwood	X
Membership Officer	Dave Mellis	
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	
Port Captain	Bob Juulsen	X
Past Commander	P Vanderwood	X
Multi-Cultural Liaison	Jack Tang	X

Guests: Vidas Vitkus

Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 1905 by Commander Rick Easthom.

2) Roll Call

Bridge members and guests as noted on page one were in attendance.

3) Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous bridge meeting were made available on the website.

Command Rick asked if there were any errors or omissions to the minutes as distributed. As none were noted, Paul Vanderwood moved to accept the minutes as distributed. The motion was seconded by Kathleen Vanderwood and carried.

4) Business arising from previous minutes

Commander Rick suggested that all news blasts, Fairlead, etc., need to have a reference to the photo contest.

Secretary Bob and Vidas were asked to work with Dave Mellis and bring a suggestion for a group meeting software package to the next bridge meeting.

We also discussed the Apps page that was added to the Fraser website. I demonstrated what I have so far. Work with Paul to get this complete and a list of web apps for the next bridge meeting.

5) New Business

Commander Rick discussed the Lottery Grant that Fraser will attempt to solicit. Byron has all the forms and lots of time to get the paperwork done. Rick to hand off the paperwork he completed last year before the time deadline.

Commander Rick asked about the capabilities of the user front end interface of the website and we had a short discussion about website. We'll go over more items later tonight.

Next was a discussion regarding the Instructional Techniques course. We need to determine who wants to take the course. I suggested starting it for the month of March. Kathleen will look at the possibility of putting on semi-private class. We will also look at alternatives to holding a full IT course.

Dave has requested time at the Richmond Yacht club for the seminars he has suggested. So far the new commodore (John Triance) has not responded to commander Ricks inquiries. Perhaps he's on vacation. Richmond Yacht Club Wednesday socials may be changed to Fridays with the implication that Wednesday nights may become available. As far as the

dates, Rick will try to clarify as Dave is not here.

Boat show tickets; currently we have 17 + 20 tickets sold of the fifty ordered. With tonight's requests we only have about 4 tickets left. Fraser Squadron members working the boat show include Rick, Rose, Dave, Meredith, Byron, Jack, Rocky, Paul, Kathleen. Jack will be in the booth every day with at least one other Chinese speaking member.

Jack and Rick are working on a three-fold pamphlet for the boat show. The pamphlet to be generic so it can also be used for distribution to the chandleries, marinas and insurance agencies.

Paul Vanderwood moved that the squadron provided up to \$150 for printing/production of these brochures. Byron Buie seconded the motion. Unanimously carried.

Rick has PMD meeting this coming Monday. Boat show volunteers may have to attend the PMD meeting to go over boat show training. Rick to clarify with Ken Mercer.

6) Officer's Reports

Commander (Rick Easthom)

We're now starting a new year but we're only half way through the training year and there's lots of work to be done still.

Rick is trying to setup a meeting with RYC commodore. We currently have only five students in the Ladner class and four or more for the Richmond class. Small classes mean we can teach here at LYC and don't have to move to the high school for charting.

Cultural Liaison (Jack Tang)

Jack has leased the top floor of the Boat House for the WestCan Yacht Club. This facility will also be used for Chinese language instruction. Renovations of the facility are complete. One room would be ideal for training. Room for twelve in the main room and two or three in the "side room" for additional students.

There will be an open house on Saturday January 26.

Chinese boating essentials are half-way completed.

Treasurer (Cleve Pryde)

The bank balance is currently sitting at \$5819.00 and recent receipts will take us to about \$7000.00.

Cleve mentioned that we should cut another check to the CPS Foundation to take us up to date. After some discussion it was decided that we would wait until after the AGM and depending on the balance cut two or three checks.

Admin Officer (Rose Easthom)

Graduation:

How many student and others will be attending? Rose needs a headcount by February 8th at the latest. Bridge members need to let her know.

Speaker: Peter Vassilopoulos

Venue: LYC, coffee cookies. 7:00.

Do we charge \$5.00 for non-graduating members? YES!

Training Officer (Kathleen Vanderwood)

Electronically submitted. (I grabbed a printed copy anyhow)

Kathleen brought us up to date on which students will be doing the rewrite.

We need to determine what to get for Peter for a thank you gift. Perhaps a mug or thermos? If we get a nice generic Fraser Squadron branded item then we may be able to sell them as regalia too.

Executive Officer (Byron Buie)

Sent a note to Richard Bee that the article in Canadian Yachting West did not mention the work that Rick has put into the Chinese training. This will be corrected in future publications and the magazine would like to do a follow-up on our efforts in future issues.

We need somebody to do the wordsmith of the efforts. Kathleen volunteered to do the initial authorship.

Training Aids/Supplies (Bill Hawryluk)

Has prepared a tentative calendar for the Richmond class. Bill made a comment that Fraser Squadron needs more instructors.

We were also informed that Peter looking at having a pacemaker installed.

John Oystensen has volunteered to take a class. Carolyn Duguid (used to be a teacher?) has also offered to take on a class.

Our recent book bargain turned out to be not such bargain as the books range from 2008 to 2012. Bill has cleaned them up to be 2009 and 2012 revisions (more or less). Missing sections ...

We paid about \$117 (\$50 off). After the Richmond class we will have about three book sets left over.

Port Captain (Bob Juulsen)

No report.

Bob did tell us that he looked for the book on the history of the Fraser river but after going around in circles looking for the book he finally gave up.

Secretary/Webmaster (Bob Everson)

Electronically submitted.

Membership Officer (Dave Mellis)

Dave was not present. His information was forwarded through commander Rick
Dave is still looking for dates that we can use the RYC for the proposed lectures.
He would also like to setup a pub night again.
Dave and Meredith are planning attending the Seattle boat show.

Cindy Arbeau

Arrived late (went skiing today)
Will be able to proctor Wednesday nights.

Commander Rick will be having a surgery a week before the graduation so he may not be able to officiate the grad ceremony. Byron may have to step up and do this.

Secretary Bob gave a short presentation on using the Joomla CMS on the Fraser web site.

7) Termination of Meeting

Not recorded as we were doing the Joomla presentation. About 21245

8) Electronically Submitted Reports

Fraser STO – Report for January 21, 2012

Accomplishments:

- Regarding the Chinese program for the PCOC's, Jack Tang has indicated a new program will be soon be underway.
- The Ladner Boating class wrote their Part II exam on Wed. Dec. 19 at Delta Secondary. 10 students wrote: 9 passed and the one who didn't pass will do the 'rewrite' with the next Ladner class, and this exam is currently scheduled for April 10.
- The Richmond Boating class wrote their Part II on January 15, at the Richmond Yacht Club. 7 students wrote: 5 passed, 1 will do a 'rewrite', and 1 may or may not do the 'rewrite'. We are getting in touch with 3 students who have not yet written to see what they would like to do.
- The spring Ladner boating class registered on Jan. 9; there are 4 students currently registered, with another one coming this Wed. Jan 23.
- The Richmond boating class scheduled to begin Tues. Feb. 5 currently has 4 people interested. Hopefully we will hear of more who wish to take this course.
- Re: VHF – the next class will begin March 11. Students in our boating classes will be advised of this class. Our grads have also been notified upon completion of their boating course.
- Re: the Grad event for the two fall classes on Friday, February 15, 2013, we have one student confirmed to attend. We will be sending out another email reminder, and if needed, phone calls will be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Vanderwood

STO, Fraser

Secretary / Webmaster Report – January 21, 2013

The “Apps” page is well underway. I’m trying to get enough starter applications filled in to make the concepts clear. Currently the “Apps” page is visible under Squadron->Links, but only if you are logged on.

As soon as I complete the starter apps I will move this to the front page for a while before shifting it back, likely to the “Links” page.

There is an editor interface to permit users to suggest new applications. This same interface will be employed to let members upload pictures of their boats, stories, or any other content.

Because it was quick and easy I added a couple of RSS feeds from Pacific Yachting.

I continued my research into a suitable electronic meeting solution and I think I found one that is both more competent and free (for our intended use). The package is called TeamViewer. I haven’t had an opportunity to try TeamViewer yet but it looks promising.

Respectfully submitted
Bob Everson