



## FRASER SQUADRON MINUTES of BRIDGE MEETING

**Date:** 2015-Jan-12  
**Location:** Ladner Yacht Club  
**Time:** 1930

POSITION	NAME	ATTENDANCE
Commander	Byron Buie	X
Executive Officer	Dave Mellis	X
Secretary	Gouri Chinnappa	
Treasurer	Cleve Pryde	X
Public Relations	Jan Muller	
Administration Officer	Meredith Williamson	
Training Officer	P&K Vanderwood	XX
Membership Officer	Vidus Vitkus	
Webmaster / WBAS	Bob Everson	X
Fairlead Editor	Rick Easthom	
Communications Officer	Colin Redwood	
Supplies/Training Aids	Bill Hawryluk	X
Regalia Officer	Donalda Buie	X
Asst. Training Officer	Nan Lockie	X
Asst. Training Officer	Carolyn Duguid	X
Programs Officer		
Cruise Master	Peter Lefroy	X
Port Captain	Bob Juulsen	X
Past Commander	Rick Easthom	
Environmental Officer	Les Muller	
Multi-Cultural Officer	Jack Tang	
Multi-Cultural Liaison	Rick Easthom	
	Murphy Ni	X
GUESTS		
Mike Broughton		

# Meeting Minutes

## 1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 1937 by Commander Byron Buie.

## 2) Roll Call

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

## 3) Previous Minutes

The minutes of the December bridge meeting were distributed electronically and made available on the Fraser Squadron website and several printed versions were made available to members the night of the bridge meeting.

Kathleen Vanderwood moved to accept the previous minutes.

The motion was seconded by Dave Mellis.

Unanimously carried.

## 4) Business arising from previous minutes

It was noted that Carolyn Duguid was present at the December bridge meeting but not recorded in the minutes. An amendment to the previous minutes will be made and the corrected minutes will be available on the website.

## 5) Officer's Reports

**Commander (Byron Buie)** – electronic submission included below

- There was no PMD meeting this month because of early boat show.
- Read a letter from P. Cmdr. Larry Terrick (attached below)
- Encouraged us to check out the Virtual Trainer at the boat show
- Murphy has provided translation to Chinese for the program
- Paul and Kathleen to talk about RI and RE
- Merit marks are all done
- Looking for volunteers for the boat show. Byron to e-mail volunteer information to bridge members.

**Executive Officer (Dave Mellis)**

- Finally got a new phone but the voice mail issue is still up in the air. May cost more.
- Discussed purchasing more tickets before the boat show.
- John Horton has a new talk. About the history of the Fraser river. About an hour long. Suggested that John give his talk and collect admission and help out with boat repairs. Recommended that this be separate affair from the graduation. Plan something for February/March talk/raffle/50-50

**Treasurer (Cleve Pryde)**

There is currently \$11,088 in the bank account.

**Membership (Vidus Vitkus)** – **absent** – electronic submission included below

- There are currently about 400 members.

**Training Officers (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood)** – electronic submission below

- Mandarin PCoC on Dec 22
- Waiting confirmation of grad on Jan 30.
  - Asked if Bob would contact his submarine guy to give a talk
  - Going to send out an e-mail to the students with the details
- We received complimentary boat show tickets for all our students, instructors and proctors.
- Interest in Boating Basics is the lowest in Kathleen's memory.
- Voiced concern that the training phone has not been replaced yet.
- Postpone the Boating Basics (see report)
- Next one-day VHF is Jan 24
- Drafting up procedures for bridge members interested in invigilating the PCOC exams.
- Paul and Kathleen to put on an informal RI refresher course.

\*\*\* Commander Byron to inquire at the PMD bridge if any squadrons will be putting on an Instructional Techniques

\*\*\* Commander Byron to ask Shirley Shea if there are "www.boatingcourses.ca" handouts at the boat show.

At this point there was discussion about the upcoming courses.

Commander Byron offered a motion that Fraser Squadron pay for lunch for anybody involved with instructing/proctoring the VHF course. The motion was seconded by Kathleen Vanderwood. After some discussion Commander Byron amended his motion to stipulate that the lunch be a maximum of \$8/person. Seconded by Donalda Buie.

Carolyn Duguid asked if Fraser would be putting on an Electronic Navigation course. So far only White Rock appears to offering one. Carolyn asked if there was anybody interested in traveling to White Rock together to take the course.

**Administrative Officer (Meredith Williamson)**

Meredith sent an e-mail stating:

No report from Admin this time. I'm terribly sick with a cold that just won't go away, so I'll keep my germs to myself and won't attend tonight's meeting.

Executive Officer Dave Mellis summed up her report as

- Unnnnghhhhhh!

**Cruisemaster (Peter Lefroy)**

The incoming Cruisemaster were expected to make this meeting but did not show.

**Regalia (Donalda Buie)** – attached below

Let us know that due to an upcoming surgery she would not be around much for the next couple months and any regalia needs would have to be put through Commander Byron.

**Murphy**

There's lots going on at Asia Pacific (nee West Can). Jack has been speaking with the guys scheduled to come over from China to take the PCOC training (mentioned in earlier minutes)

**Training Aids/Supplies (Bill Hawryluk)**

- We've got lots of boating books but only one set of essentials. We'll wait and see how many we need to order

**Port Captain (Bob Juulsen)**

- Nothing to report.

**Webmaster (Bob Everson)**

Informed everybody that security changes made to the website have significantly reduced the attacks we've been under. As a result of the changes the actual number of security violation attempts has dropped from ~3,000/day to 10 – 15 attacks per day.

**6) New Business**

The Fraser AGM is coming up April 17. Dave began inquiries into who planned on remaining on the bridge and what positions they would be interested in.

**7) Termination of Meeting**

At 2047 Treasurer Cleve Pryde made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Training Officer Kathleen Vanderwood.

## **8) Electronically Submitted Reports**

### **Commander Byron Buie**

Monday January 12, 2015 Bridge Meeting LYC – 1930 hrs

#### **Start with Agenda· Call to Order· Previous Minutes· Business arising from it etc,**

**Guests:** First off I would like to introduce our Guests this evening:

Willina Collins & Dave Coulter who will be our next "Cruise Masters"

Bruce Bried who has proctored & helped Bob Juulsen in our Ladner Courses

Mike Broughton who is new to boating, and is eager to help be involved with FS

We did not have a PMD meeting this month because of the Boat Show, and the next PMD meeting will be on February 2nd.

We have several folks absent this Evening: Rick & Rose are heading south until April, but Rick will be checking his emails. Vidas has Gallstones, and is recovering at home. Colin has another commitment. Murphy will be a bit late.

**Fairlead & Eraser Squadron Website:** I received a very nice email today from P/C Larry Terrick about our Fairlead and the Fraser Squadron website. I think that Bob Everson, Colin Redwood & R & R & everyone that helped should give themselves a pat on the back.

**Virtual Trainer:** PMD will have the trainer at the boat show, and I encourage everyone that attends to try it out

Also Murphy & Jack Tang have completed the translation of various terms used in the software into Chinese so that the manufacture can add them into the program, and we will have 4 languages (English, Spanish, French & Chinese Mandarin)

**Recognized Instructors & Examiners for PCOC:** We did have a show of hands at last bridge meeting about RE & RI's, and I will get Kathleen & Paul to talk a bit about this.

**Merit Marks:** It is the time of the year for Merit Marks which I have to have in by January 15th. And this task has now been delegated to the DC's

#### **Vancouver International Boat Show January 21st to January 25th:**

If you can help out at the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons booth by volunteering a few hours of your time at this fun event. Access to the boat show will be free for the day you're volunteering. It's a great opportunity to see the show and share the CPS benefits with like-minded boaters (especially the new ones!)

The volunteer shifts are as follows:

Wednesday, January 21 to Saturday, January 24

10:00am-2:00pm      2:00pm-5:00pm      5:00pm-8:00pm

Sunday, January 25

10:00am-2:00pm      2:00pm-5:00pm

Please reply to [izia@me.com](mailto:izia@me.com) with your preferred time and date. Be sure to include the following information:

- names of all volunteers      - email addresses      - contact phone numbers

## Letter from Past Commander Larry Terrick

January 11, 2015.

Hi Cdr. Byron: Shirley and I are so amazed at how great the "Fairlead" has become!!!! Many thanks to the team who have go to great lentghs to build the best squadron newsletter we have had the pleasure to read, save and pass on to the bridge in Kelwona in the hope they would get a clue from all your great work. we both look forward to each issue of our squadron.

Looking through all the pictures of past cruises during the 70's and 80's has been enjoyable. Hopefully more will be added as the team finds the time to build upon everything presented to date. We have many pictures of cruises. the PMD AGM Fraser held in 1994 and other pictures during the 80's and 90's and and forward. I would be willing to send these along for insertion into the Fairlead if you would like us add more to the collection. Please let us know by return mail to [landlockedsea@shaw.ca](mailto:landlockedsea@shaw.ca) or [saltsandandh2o@shaw.ca](mailto:saltsandandh2o@shaw.ca) .

We also mention that we are getting two emails – one for each email address. Not a problem at this end but thought we should let you know.

Untill we hear from you.....

Cheers.....*P/Cdr. Larry Terrick*

## **Membership Officer Vidas Vitkus**

Here is my report:

Members to date:

Associate: 3  
Regular Lady: 24  
Regular: 348  
Former Associate: 4  
Regular Life: 19  
Total: 398

Latest bulletin has gone out last week. Nothing else to report.

Thanks for doing minutes!

Vidas

**Vidas Vitkus** Membership Officer  
FRASER SQUADRON | 778 228 5038



## Training Officers Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

### Accomplishments:

- We invigilated a Mandarin PCOC exam on Monday, Dec 22, for Jack Tang's students. All students passed with good marks. These marks have been entered into WBAS and the forms have been sent to HQ.
- We are awaiting confirmation of a graduation event for our fall students (17 in total), for Friday evening of Jan 30, 2015.
- We received Boat Show tickets for our fall 2014 students and have sent them out by mail. We also mailed out tickets to the instructors and proctors.
- The registration for the winter Boating Basics due to begin this week is extremely low: one student has expressed his interest. Similarly for the Boating Essentials, one student has expressed his interest; there is, of course, time yet for more interest in this course. \*\*\*Many thanks to Vidas for sending out an email blast to the membership, regarding the upcoming courses.
- Regarding the low registration for Boating Basics, one possibility to consider is to suggest a nearby squadron for this person. Another possibility is to suggest a later start date immediately following the Boat Show next week. This would mean that Basics would begin Jan 27 (Rmd) and Jan 29 (Ladner) with the exam 2 weeks after that date. The Essentials would then begin Feb 17 (Rmd) and Feb 19 (Ladner). The exam date for the Essentials would fall somewhere in the first week of April.
- The next one day VHF class with Byron is scheduled for Jan 24, 2015.
- We are in the process of drafting procedures (and reminders) for any Bridge member who may be helping out with invigilating of PCOC exams – particularly for the upcoming Mandarin students through Jack Tang. We will email the draft to any Bridge member interested in helping out (depending on availability).
- Thanks again to Nan for continuing to monitor the Squadron phone.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood

STO's, Fraser Squadron

**Regalia Officer Donalda Buie**

REGALIA REPORT JANUARY 2015

I will not be around for the next little while as I must have an operation from which I will need a recovery time of about three months. If by chance I heal more quickly, I shall return earlier. In the meantime, if you have any regalia questions or needs, please contact the Commander.

Respectfully submitted,

Donalda Buie

Regalia Officer