



FRASER SQUADRON

A UNIT OF CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS – PACIFIC MAINLAND DISTRICT
LADNER POSTAL OUTLET, P.O. BOX 18528, DELTA B.C. V4K 4V7



Meeting Agenda Monday June 13, 2016 Ladner Yacht Club – 1900-2100

Attendees: Byron Buie, Gouri Chinnappa, Carolyn Duguid, Bob Everson, Bill Hawryluk, Peter Lefroy, Dave Mellis, Vidas Vitkus, Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood, Meredith Williamson.

Regrets:

Guests:

Chair: Dave Mellis

Minutes: Gouri Chinnappa

Call to order – 1900 hrs

- 1) **Roll Call** – Welcome to Bridge members
- 2) **Previous Minutes** - Motion to Accept: _____; Seconded by _____
- 3) **Business arising from previous minutes** – _____
- 4) **Officer Reports**
 - a) **Commanders report - (Dave Mellis)**

The following was sent by email:

I attended the PMD COW meeting on May 29th in Burnaby. The meeting was well attended and a number of topics of interest to our squadron came up. Most of these centred around education as many people seem a little perplexed and dissatisfied with the current program from CPS. Some of the comments were “outdated”, “repetitive”, “low quality”, “many sections irrelevant or not enough information”. I did take the opportunity to tell Don Griffin about the errors we found, the complaints about repetitive information and the need for on the water training in some classes. Don’s comment was that they would like all this forwarded to him so he can take to HQ and they could respond to it. As he said “If you don’t tell us, we can’t make changes.” Gary Clow responded to a need to get back to on the water training as it adds more value. He mentioned that it is an insurance issue however there is possibly a way around this. The USPS training officer attending the meeting mentioned that on the water instruction is critical to their training program. So why isn’t it here? Another comment was made about how welcoming and active the US squadrons were compared to the Canadian. Shirley Shea had mentioned this in the past. I think a few lessons could be learned here.

The simulator equipment is being shipped to the Coquitlam in June, I believe 18-21st. They are going to use it as a squadron promotion gimmick. I believe they are having it at a mall and booth in an effort to recruit more members.

We had a very nice cruise to Telegraph harbour on May 21-23rd with the White rock squadron. I'm not sure how many boats were in attendance as the marina was full and at least three other squadron were there. Peter Lefroy can fill in the details.

Our next cruise is to Mill Bay July 1-3 with the Langley Squadron. This is a fun group as we have participated in activities with them in the past. The agenda looks like a lot of fun and I hope Fraser Squadron will have a good turnout to support this cruise.

At our last meeting, Under New Business, I need to ask Cleve to send a cheque for the use of LYC facilities and we need to send \$300 to CPS as our annual donation. Was that done?

Interesting Facts:

- There are 19,000 members in CPS
- There are 3000 members in PMD making us the largest component of CPS
- Overall membership is shrinking by approx... 15% per yr.
- PMD membership is down 12%
- There are 150 squadrons in CPS, 49 have 5 or less Bridge members
- There were 251 RVCC checks in 2015
- Members spend approx... \$1500 per year on their boat
- Members can save approx. \$400 per year by joining CPS and taking advantage of discounts on insurance, marine supply stores and participating home and building stores.
- 91% of new students take the VHF course

b) Executive Officer - (John Dymond)

c) Treasurer - (Cleve Pryde)

d) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus)

e) Secretary - (Gouri Chinnappa)

f) Education Officers - (Kathleen and Paul Vanderwood)

- Boating Essentials book are still available until 2017
- A new radar course is being developed and should be ready by September of this year.
- A new Weather course is going to be offered on Moodle
- CPS is looking at offering certain courses on GoToMeeting in the future

g) Admin Officer - (Meredith Williamson)

h) Communications/Historian -

i) Cruise Master - (Peter Lefroy, defacto)

j) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)

k) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)

l) Fairlead Editor(s) - (Paul Vanderwood/Byron Buie)

m) Multicultural Officer & Assistant Officer - (Jack Tang & Rick Easton)

n) Fairlead Editor & Special Projects - (Rose Easthom)

o) Supplies and Training – (Bill Hawryluk)

p) Port Captain - (Peter Lefroy)

q) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)

-the new program that is was to replace WABAS is not going well. It may be another year in completing!

r) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)

5) New Business

Opposing Limited Access to Ambleside Boat Launch

The City of West Vancouver is very close to finalizing their new waterfront development plan which, in its current form, would close the public boat ramp to trailers and small motorized vessels. We are always very concerned when access to our public waterways is limited to a select few. Boating BC opposes the City's current position on the ramp closure and have share our position in [this letter](#). We are appealing to the City of West Vancouver to remain committed to full public access to the water at Ambleside and to either maintain the current launch or build a new one into their waterfront plan. We work to increase participation in boating on behalf of all of our members and we need to ensure that we maintain public access for boaters.

If you would like to make your voice heard by the City of West Vancouver, you can email them at: mayorandcouncil@westvancouver.ca – you can also add your name to a [change.org petition](#) started by some passionate local boaters. The final recommendation will be presented to West Vancouver City Council on Monday, June 13th.

Do You Offer Services in Chinese?

Boating BC is in the process of developing a new website and online portal for our members. Members who offer services in Chinese – or have translators on staff – will now be able to list that offer on their member profiles. If your business offers this service, please email us by Friday, June 10th at info@boatingbc.ca with a brief description of the service.

6) Adjournment

- **Time:** hrs
- **Motion By:** _____ **Seconded by:** _____