



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 April 10, 2017 Ladner Yacht Club – 1900-2100

Attendees: Donalda Buie, Gouri Chinnappa, John and Barb Dymond, Bob Everson, Bill Hawryluk, Chao Huang, Bob Juulsen, Peter Lefroy, Michael Li, Lucy Liu, Nan Lockie, Dave Mellis, Jan and Les Muller, Jack Tang, Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood, Vidas Vitkus, Meredith Williamson.

Regrets: Byron Buie, Rick and Rose Easthom, Cleve Pryde.

Guests: None.

Chair: Dave Mellis

Minutes: Gouri Chinnappa

Call to order – 1900 hrs

- 1) **Roll Call** – Welcome to Bridge members
- 2) **Previous Minutes** - Motion to Accept: John Dymond; Seconded by Meredith Williamson
- 3) **Business arising from previous minutes** – Some discussion on the fact that the cruise to Pirates Cove on June 16th falls on the Father's Day weekend.
- 4) **Officer Reports**
 - a) **Commanders report - (Dave Mellis)**

The following was sent by email:

Hello Fellow boaters!

Our Change of Watch is coming up on the 21st and I thought one last meeting to go over the agenda for it and a few other issues.

-Flare Day was on April 1 at the new Steveston marine, Richmond store. It was very nice to sit inside the store for a change although the weather cooperated and it was a beautiful sunny day in the afternoon.

I think we took in around 332 flares. It was noticeable drop in what we usually get but it was a new location as well. I think more advanced notification should be done to bring up the numbers. One flare was for 1951 which came of a 1962 Grenfell! All the paperwork has been submitted and I wanted to thank Steveston Marine for its involvement.

There was some interest on the Maritime Museum's Evening of lights and I wanted to discuss this a little further.

As for the COW, we need to discuss nominations for the various awards for fishing, volunteer, navigation etc. So think about it and bring your suggestion. Maybe write into me and Peter for your nomination to keep it anonymous.

What about the Grads? What are we doing with them?

Mere is checking with the Yeadon-Jones about the Dream speakers talk

It seems we cannot get a flare discharge authorization from the authorities, either the Navy base or HMCS Discovery, so that is dead.

RVCC should be discussed to bring banners and flyers to promote it? Has permission by Milltown been given? And it would be nice to involve some of our mandarin members. Discussion please.

When is the Radio demo unit arriving?

Reminder: Change of Watch: April 21 1800 hrs Ladner Yacht Club

New Bridge coming up- My tenure as Commander is coming to an end there is always a challenge having people step forward to take up new positions however we are in good hands. **Peter Lefroy** will be the incoming Commander, **Cleve Pryde** will be the Executive Officer.

Gary Clow will attend as PMD representative.

Anne Yeadon-Jones from Dream Speaker is confirmed on giving a talk on Prince Louisa Inlet and area

Cruises for 2017- We have two inter-squadron cruises this year. White Rock and Langley have already scheduled their cruises this year and we really enjoyed joining their people last year. Our cruising agenda is

-May 20-21 Telegraph Her with White Rock Squadron

-June 16-17 Pirates Cove

-July 1-3 Genoa Bay with Langley Squadron

-August 4th -13th Prince Louisa Inlet and the surrounding area

b) Executive Officer - (John Dymond)

CSPAN Swift barge that goes from here to Nanaimo was commissioned this weekend. It is one of the first LNG boats.

c) Treasurer - (Cleve Pryde)

Absent.

d) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus)

The following was sent by email:

Total: 301

Associate: 4

Regular Lady: 24

Regular: 254
Regular Life: 19

Chinese members, approximately: 68

Requested latest list from Toronto, it had 290 members.

* Some discussion of the translation of the Fairlead to Mandarin.

e) Secretary- (Gouri Chinnappa)

Nothing to report.

f) Education Officers - (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood)

The following was sent by email:

- On Wednesday, April 12, we will have another PCOC exam for Jack Tang's Mandarin students. 11 students are expected to attend.
 - The final exam for the Boating 2 course took place on Thursday, March 30. Ten of our 16 students wrote this exam and we were very pleased that the marks were in the mid to upper 30's out of a possible 40. Thanks again to Bob Juulsen, Bill H, Peter L, Paul V, Bruce B and Colin R for helping with both instruction and proctoring. Along with entering the marks for all these students, we have also printed and sent them their CPS certificate.
 - Our Boating 3 course (Introduction to Navigation) has now begun (at the LYC) as of Thursday, April 6. We have 7 students registered for this course.
 - The one day VHF course continues to be very successful. The most recent course held on March 25 showed some very good marks. The next one, and the last one before the summer boating season, will be April 29. Thanks again to Byron B, Donnie B, and Peter L who run this program so successfully.
 - We have a list of some possible seminars to be considered for this spring.
 - Thanks again to Nan for continuing to monitor the Squadron phone.
- *** Paul and Kathleen also include a Social Media Report that summarizes the statistics for the Fraser Squadron Twitter account (@fraserboatedu).

g) Admin Officer - (Meredith Williamson)

We have received confirmation from Anne and Lawrence that they will be at the AGM at 7:45pm and that their presentation will now be at 8 pm.

h) Communications/Historian - None.

i) Cruise Master - (Dave & Willina Collins, Peter Lefroy)

See list of cruises in the Commander's report.

j) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)

The following was sent by email:

The new burgees for Commander and Past Commander have arrived and will be given to the present Commander at the meeting Monday.

k) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)

- There is no date set on when Point Roberts will have its flare day (there will be bucketfuls of old flares that you can fire off there). On that same day, you can get your fire extinguisher redone.
- Do NOT cross the border with flares in your car.

* Some discussion on border crossing fees, etc.

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

Need more help on content.

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

- Has been working with Transport Canada since the start of the year.
- Noted that boating safety checklists are on social media.
- Also noted other initiatives such as putting VHF calling procedures in Chinese and the establishment of a hotline (for the use of anyone in boating trouble who has trouble speaking English).
- Noted that many organizations want to work with us to maximize working with the Chinese community.
- Will be giving a presentation on this to Transport Canada, RCMP, Coast Guard, etc. Please let Jack know if you have any suggestions.
- There will be a cruise up North in June.

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

Absent.

o) Supplies and Training – (Bill Hawryluk)

Keeping in touch with Byron, Paul and Kathleen, with regard to the need for books.

p) Port Captain - (Peter Lefroy)

The following was sent by email:

We have arranged an RVCC day at Milltown Marina for May 7th from 10.00 Hrs. until 16.00 Hrs. I have contacted the manager concerning this day and they will advertise it on their website. We will also provide a sign which can be put up on their notice board.

I have spoken to our Multicultural Liaison Officer regarding having a Chinese speaking volunteer at this event as we felt that we missed some inspections last year as we were not able to communicate the service we were offering.

We are looking for volunteers for this event.

Also the following event will be happening:

Press Release Copy **SeaSkills Marine Expo**

On Saturday May 13, the United States Power Squadrons, Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons, the Port of Bellingham (Blaine), the City of Blaine and a number of boating groups will present a daylong “**SeaSkills Marine Expo**”. Marine vendors and exhibitors, marine conservation organizations and kid’s activities will enjoy point of contact with the boating public who will be attending seminars in boating skills and vessel maintenance.

Starting at 10:00 a.m.

Marine Distress Flare Training (north side of Blaine’s Marine Park)

All day Marine Vendor and exhibitor booths and activities - parking lot at Gate Two

Food trucks and vendors - parking lot Gate Two

From 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Free 50-minute seminars - on the hour - in boats at the Visitor’s Dock and in the Harbor Conference Room, Gate Two

Paddle sport demonstrations and training on the promenade and in the water at the Gate Two ramp.
on-going kid’s activities and vendor exhibits by Gate Two

Food vendors

Boat tours

Classes and demonstrations

Marine Distress Flare Training

Anchoring (shore models and
on-water demonstration)

AIS (automatic identification
system)

Marina pump-out training

Vessel Safety Checks (US and
Canadian)

How to Buy a Boat

Man overboard recovery

Heavy Weather Sailing

Northern Cruising

Marina Maneuvers (close
quarter handling)

Knots and Lines

Community Boating Center
demo of kayaking, paddle
boarding

Boat Handling Virtual Trainer

VHF Trainer

) For more information: www.boatingisfun.org and/or 360-332-6484.

q) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)

Nothing to report.

Regarding some previous discussion, Bob noted that phone numbers for Bridge members were removed from the website a number of years ago for privacy reasons; there is email though.

r) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)

Jan offered to do more for the Fraser Squadron. Please give more direction moving forward.

5) New Business

a. Fire and Light

The following was emailed to Dave:

Hi Dave

Great talking with you this afternoon. Please find attached information on the Evening at the Museum fundraiser for the Vancouver Maritime Museum on Wednesday August 2nd. I've attached a couple of things:

-) Fire & Light Fireworks Night invite/poster
-) Fire & Light Fireworks Night ticket order form
-) Fire & Light Fireworks Night auction donation form
-) Link to info on the VMM website about the event - <https://www.vancouvermaritimemuseum.com/event/fire-light-fireworks-night>

Some additional information:

-) Most of the tables are tables of 8 although I do have 4 tables of 10 if that works out better for your group
-) Total capacity for the event is 152
-) Visit <https://www.vancouvermaritimemuseum.com/event/evening-museum-2016> for photos and videos of last year's Evening at the Museum event which is a similar format and style to this year's Fire & Light Firework Night event
-) Do feel free to circulate the attached info on this event as it is a great opportunity for people to show their support of the VMM, and have a wonderful evening

I will also send some information on sponsorship packages for the F&L night, if you don't mind. You can never be sure who would like to get involved that way, so please do circulate the information when you receive it.

Please let me know who would like to attend which event and complete the appropriate forms. If your members want to pay for themselves then ask them to indicate that they are part of your group so that we can seat them together.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me by email or phone. If I don't hear from you before, I'll give you a call on Monday to follow up.

Looking forward to hearing from you and thank you for supporting the Vancouver Maritime Museum.

Regards
Catherine

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b. VHF stickers

- Meredith has called regarding the 1000 VHF stickers we want to order.
- Going to get a quote for vinyl, non fade stickers.

c. Seminars or Presentations

- Paul mentioned holding some seminars this spring. Ideas include Cruising from Captain's Cove to Alaska, Cruising to and around the Gulf Islands, Cruising to and around Desolation Sound, iPad Seminar.
- Would like feedback, volunteers, etc.

* Some discussion on this topic.

d. Delta Trades and Technical Career Fair

- Paul informed everyone of this event on April 27th at Sun God Recreation Centre. At this event, high school students are invited to build boats that can float across the pool.
- * Discussion on offering support and cheers, and on perhaps introducing ourselves.

e. Some discussion on taking students out on a boat.

f. Motion by Peter to donate \$1 per member for PMD change of squad. Dave seconded the motion. The motion was carried as all were in favour.

g. Motion by Bob E. to donate \$1 per member for CPS foundation. Peter seconded the motion. The motion was carried as all were in favour.

h. Donnie mentioned some pins, etc. that were available. Jack said that he would take them.

i. Discussion about the upcoming AGM.

6) Adjournment

- **Time:** 2100hrs
- **Motion By:** Peter Lefroy; **Seconded by:** Kathleen Vanderwood.

