



Meeting Agenda Monday May 15, 2017 Jack Tang's Training Facility – 1904-2050

Attendees: Byron and Donalda Buie, Gouri Chinnappa, John and Barb Dymond, Rick Easthom, Bob Everson, Bill Hawryluk, Chao Huang, Bob Juulsen, Peter Lefroy, Lucy Liu, Nan Lockie, Dave Mellis, Jack Tang, Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood, Vidas Vitkus, Sherwin Wang, Meredith Williamson.

Regrets: Michael Li, Jan and Les Muller, Cleve Pryde, Dave and Willina Collins.

Guests: None.

Chair: Peter Lefroy

Minutes: Gouri Chinnappa

Call to order - 1904 hrs

1) Roll Call – Welcome to Bridge members

2) Previous Minutes - Motion to Accept Vidas Vitkus; Seconded by Meredith Williamson

3) Business arising from previous minutes – None

4) Officer Reports

a) Commanders report - (Peter Lefroy)

The following was sent by email:

Hello fellow Bridge Members. Thank you all very much for volunteering to be on the Fraser Bridge for another year. I am so grateful for your continued commitment.

Since we last met we have had a very successful AGM-COW. I think that the evening went very well. I believe that there were between forty and fifty people in attendance including some of our students and a couple of new members. I would also like to thank Gary Clow the Executive Officer from PMD and his wife for attending and conducting the pledge for all the new bridge. I would also like to thank Peter Bolton and his wife for making the trip from Vancouver Island to attend the festivities.

I know that I learned some things from the presentation by Anne and Lawrence Yeadon-Jones and I am looking forward to making that cruise this coming summer. NOW IF ONLY THE WEATHER WILL COOPERATE!

At this time I would like to recognize the effort that was made by Dave Mellis our new Past commander. I am beginning to realize already that this job looks much more simple from the outside than it actually is from the inside and I thank him again.

We have a busy month of May with the cruise to Telegraph Harbour with White Rock Squadron on May 19-22 and the PMD-COW on May 26-28. I hope that we will see lots of Fraser boats at the Telegraph Harbour cruise!

We seem to have amazing luck with the RVCC day which we have held at Milltown Marina for the past three years. Once again it was sunny and warm. We did ten boat checks and of those six of them passed which I think is higher percentage than ever. I would like to thank Byron Buie, Dave Mellis, Meredith Williamson and Jan and Les Muller for putting in a great day!

After that there is nothing but sunny days and flat water ahead!

b) Executive Officer - (Cleve Pryde)

Absent.

c) Multicultural Officer - (Chao Huang)

- Has circulated news about the RVCC event to the Chinese boating community.
- Unfortunately, there were no Chinese volunteers or Chinese boaters who came to that event.
- Has organized a cruise for next week.
- had another class in May and 6 students passed the PCOC exam.

d) Treasurer - (Meredith Williamson)

The following was sent by email:

- 1. Still need to meet with Cleve to coordinate the transfer of Treasurer information. I do not have the security question answers, so am currently unable to view the bank balance. Cleve returns at the end of the month and we'll coordinate the full transfer of information then.
- 2. Submitted receipts will be reimbursed this week, or at the squadron cruise for those who have payments due and will be attending the Thetis Island event.

e) Membership Officer - (Vidas Vitkus)

Nothing to report.

- Will update email list once per month.

*** Some discussion on these update.

f) Multicultural Membership Officer - (Michael Li)

Absent.

g) Secretary- (Gouri Chinnappa)

Nothing to report.

h) Education Officers - (Paul and Kathleen Vanderwood)

The following was sent by email:

- J On Tuesday, May 9, we conducted another PCOC exam for Jack Tang's Mandarin students. Seven students wrote this exam and did well. On April 12, we had nine students successfully complete this exam.
- J The final exam for the Boating 3 course took place on Thursday, May 11. Six of our seven students wrote this exam and we were very pleased with their results. Thanks again to Bob Juulsen and Paul V for their instruction and to Bruce B and Nan L for helping with proctoring. Along with entering the marks for all these students, we are also printing and sending them their CPS certificate.
- J The one day VHF course continues to be very successful. The most recent course held on April 29 resulted in once again some very good marks. Thanks as always to Byron B, Donnie B, and Peter L. who run this program so successfully.

Thanks again to Nan for continuing to monitor the Squadron phone.

*** There was some discussion about the VHF simulator among members.

i) Multicultural Training Officer - (Sherwin Wang)

- Is working with Jack when they are teaching.
- Assists on social media (answering questions, etc.).

j) Admin Officer - (Barb Dymond)

Nothing to report.

k) Multicultural Communications - (Lucy Liu)

Nothing to report.

I) Cruise Master - (Dave & Willina Collins)

Absent.

m) Regalia Officer - (Donalda Buie)

Nothing to report.

n) Environmental Officer - (Les Muller)

Absent.

o) Fairlead Editors – (Paul Vanderwood/Byron Buie)

Nothing to report.

- please send stories, etc. for the Fairlead.

p) Multicultural Officer and Assistant Officer - (Jack Tang and Rick Easthom)

- Heading to Cape Scott to the northern part of Vancouver Island on May 23rd; then to Desolation Sound. 7 boats for 2 weeks.
- Will be promoting safety awareness.
- Chinese TV is going to follow them to make a documentary.
- Jack invited the Bridge to come to the event on the morning of May 23rd for the Departure Ceremony at the River Rock Marina at 9:30am. There will be dignitaries, etc. in attendance.
- Will be viewed nationwide in China and be available on social media.
- The planned return is on June 4th.
- Videos will be emailed to the bridge and FS/CPS will be heavily featured.
- Participants will learn history about our coastal island culture, etc.

q) Supplies and Training - (Bill Hawryluk)

Nothing to report.

r) Port Captain - (Bob Juulsen)

Nothing to report.

s) Webmaster/WBAS - (Bob Everson)

Nothing to report

t) Public Relations - (Jan Muller)

Absent.

5) New Business

a. LYC

- Peter informed us that we are not able to use the Ladner Yacht Blub anymore for Bridge meetings.
- different options were discussed (Richmond Yacht Club, the Steveston Training Facility, Primrose Restaurant)
- Meredith also had a detailed list of other meeting rooms, including their prices, availability and other pertinent information (Fisherman's Hall, library, McKee Senior Centre, Odd Fellows Hall, Tsawwassen Arts Centre, Delta Manor Education Centre, Ladner Baptist Church, All Saints Ladner Anglican Church, Ladner United Church, Cedar Park Mennonite Brethren, etc).
- Peter noted that there are 2 issues: the Bridge meetings and the classes in Ladner.
- There was some discussion about where to hold the classes as well.

b. Customs Clearance

- Paul noted that you can't get customs clearance in Steveston right now (dock under construction).

c. Locker

- Some discussion of whether to keep the locker or not, as the rental rate increases on June 1st. Perhaps find a smaller and less costly locker?

d. Name Tag Magnets

- Dave asked that new members on the Bridge and anyone else who needs a magnet name tag please let him know.
- **e.** Dave mentioned "An Evening at the Museum" for anyone who is interested. Tickets are \$175 per person, and there is a form to be filled for tickets.
- **f.** John is organizing a small group of people to tour the Maritime Museum. This will be about Japanese boats taken away during the war "Save the Crystal S". A date has not been picked out yet, but anyone who is interested should speak to him..
- **g.** Dave asked that anyone who won a trophy during the AGM give it to Byron to get their name put on it.
- **h.** Paul asked whether we (National, PMD) are doing anything for Canada 150. Some discussion ensued.
- **i.** John volunteered himself, Barb, Dave and Meredith to do a presentation on any of the cruises that that have taken for whatever next event we plan.
- **j.** Bob J. asked whether we could do anything for the Ladner/Steveston Parade on July 1st. Peter noted that we have a cruise to Genoa Bay that weekend.
- **k.** Meredith noted that when we were doing the safety check, we used a paper sign. Suggested we do a double sided Vinyl sign (RVCC/Flare Day). The cost of a double sided sign with grommets every 2 feet would be \$220 plus artwork and taxes. Bob E. asked about 2 single sided signs.

Meredith emailed the following: As requested, I will check with the printer to ensure rolling or folding the sign will not destroy the print and about the price for two signs, one for each event.

- **l.** John suggested that every vessel in our group cruises have the RVCC safety check and get the RVCC sticker put on. Peter and Jack will discuss this issue.
- **m.** Peter put forth a motion for setting \$300 aside for either a single or double sided sign. This motion was carried.

6) Adjournment

- Time: 2050hrs

- **Motion By:** Bob Everson; **Seconded by:** Meredith Williamson.