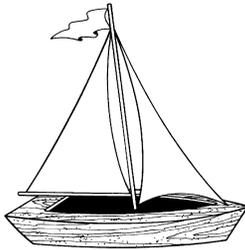


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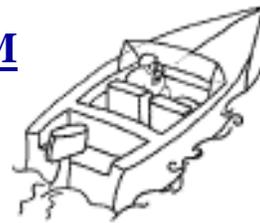
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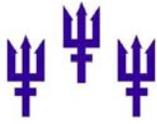
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Commanders Report



Commander's Report to the Bridge – 12 June 2013

Since our last Bridge Meeting on 8 May, we held our 5th Annual Mother's Day Rendezvous and Spring Graduation Ceremonies at Cherry Point Marina. While there were reports of rain on the Saturday and Sunday, it didn't seem to dampen the enthusiasm of the crowd in attendance. In fact Sarah-C's valedictorian speech was especially memorable for her competition with the downpour drumming on the tents and tarps over the dinner area. The event was hugely successful, with a great turnout despite the weather. The roast pig was a hit as usual. Few of the Squadron Awards were passed on this year, which may mean that we continue to develop our 'power and sail' skills, or that we are better at disguising our occasional mishaps. Jim Peakman related a great yarn when he presented the Wandering Mariner award to Mike Butler. 'Well done' to the many hands that made the weekend such a success.

The VIND AGM was held Saturday morning in Nanaimo, on top of our Rendezvous again, and the Council Meeting took place after lunch. P/Cdr Phil Devitt attended both sessions with me. The minutes of the meetings are on the VIND website. District Awards were presented with Cape Lazo taking 4 of the 9. Cowichan Squadron received The Youth Excellence Award for the second consecutive year. We had submitted another entry for a District Award, which was not successful. The District Budget was presented with revenues and expenses expected at around \$12,000 with an expected deficit of \$500 on the coming year. The Change of Watch yielded 7 officers from Nanaimo, 7 from Gabriola, 2 from Mt Brenton, 2 from Cape Lazo, and Clifford Miller from our squadron as both P/D/C and new Treasurer. We should step up with some assistance for Clifford at the District level. The Council Meeting highlighted the forthcoming changes to the organization due to the need to adapt to the new Federal "Not for Profit Act".

We have also submitted nominations in five categories for National Awards. There is no news yet.

TO Gary Cline and his ATO's are looking at their course schedule over the next few years to schedule a broad selection of courses and develop the training budget. The Boating & Engine Maintenance Course completed in May, and all who wrote, passed.

Colin Hall, our new Administration Officer, has come onboard our Bridge with great enthusiasm and effect. Following on the MDR, he arranged an information booth at the Cowichan Bay Spot Prawn Festival on the 19th. We had about 16 folks indicate their interest in various fall courses. He has a lot on his plate and will be recruiting a few hands for some of his upcoming projects.

Treasurer Malcolm Pinteau and I met regarding the budget process. I am sure you will hear more of that tonight.

As we near our annual vacation month, we have a lot on the go, as the agenda indicates. If you have the time and interest, please volunteer for one or more of these activities.

Keep up your great work!
Respectfully Submitted,
Russ Jenkins



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Training Officer and Executive Officer Report

Executive Officer : I have not had a chance to do anything since our last bridge meeting due to my heavy work load but will work at things in July when I have more time. I will set up a meeting with Suzan Lagrove soon to discuss things. Bob Wheadon, our new ATO is away for five weeks but has told me he is keen to get together with me to discuss his duties when he returns.

Training Officer: We had the Engine and Boat Maintenance test on Monday, May 13. We had a total of ten students but only six students wrote, all with high marks. A couple of them dropped out early due to work and travel commitments, one just disappeared, and the fourth completed the course and may write the exam later. I had sent emails to the missing students after a few missed classes but received no reply back.

The Boating Basics course and the Maritime Radio course at the SLCC were both cancelled due to lack of enrollment.

I will be working on the fall 2013 course schedule soon. Please see my AGM report for details.

When I did my shift at the Spot Prawn Festival Booth, I had several people telling me they wanted to take the Boating Basics course right away so they could get their PCOC card for the summer. Perhaps we could schedule one that would immediately follow the festival next year to accommodate those people while they are all excited about boating.

Due to past confusion of who can review our courses and not pay, I propose we adopt the following policy if we have not already done so.

A person who has taken any of our courses and passed them can review those courses given by our squadron by sitting as a proctor, at no charge.

2. To sit as a proctor, they must be a CPS member, so they would have to rejoin CPS.
3. If they wish to use any course materials, they will have to pay the squadron for these.

Course Review Definition: The person has previously taken the course, passed it, and wishes to sit the course at no charge for review.

Respectfully Submitted.
Gary Cline
STO
Cowichan Squadron.

Mother's Day Rendezvous 2013



Calendar of Events

July 2013

No Bridge Meeting This Month

**August 14th 2013 — 1900hrs
Bridge Meeting
Maple Bay Yacht Club**

**September 11th 2013 — 1900hrs
Bridge Meeting
Maple Bay Yacht Club**

**October 9th 2013 — 1900hrs
Bridge Meeting
Maple Bay Yacht Club**

**November 13th 2013 — 1900hrs
Bridge Meeting
Maple Bay Yacht Club**

**November 30th 2013
Christmas Dinner Dance
Crofton Community Center**

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The volunteers of The Power Squadron have always impressed me with their dedication and fellowship to improving boating safety and basic common boat sense. Even my time at SAR School Bamfield built on the basics I had learned from early power squadron classes.

It is my pleasure, and duty, to inform new boaters about your unit and the courses you provide, and to display any posters of upcoming classes, along with current contact information.

At this time I would like to offer the current members (in good standing) a 10% discount on store merchandise, exceptions are red tagged sale items that have small margins, and special orders, that will be given special consideration.

Please let everyone know that there is a great catalogue online at my website lakesmarinesupply.com and e-mails from that site are welcome.

Safe boating,

Steve.
Lake's Marine Supply/ Duncan.

Safety Report for June 2013

Discharge of Sewage.

There have been extensive changes to laws concerning discharge of sewage. If you aren't already aware of this then you've missed the entire five year phase-in and the last full year since it's been fully implemented. By not complying with the new regulations, you are exposing yourself to a \$250 fine per occurrence.

In a nut shell, here is my interpretation on how it affects us as pleasure boaters. Please note that this is for pleasure boats only and in common sized vessels, if your pleasure boat is over 400 gross tonne, a different set of rules apply. A 400 tonne vessel is rather large, for comparison; a 12 metre boat (39'5") is 15 tonnes.

First of all, if your boat has a head or you are using the boat for accommodation or it is set up for accommodation, you are required to have a head and it has to comply with these regulations.

The head must be secured for use in any weather conditions.

The head must be outfitted with a holding tank aka "blackwater holding tank". There are strict rules about safety regarding materials and installation of a holding tank. A holding tank CAN be an integral part of a toilet like on a portable toilet. If your boat is less than 12 metres it can be fitted with facilities for the temporary storage of sewage rather than a holding tank but not if used on inland waters or near a marine park or other specially designated no sewage discharge zone.

The tank must be able to be pumped out by a reception facility.

If you are operating in inland waters, meaning every lake, creek or river in Canada, including the Saint Lawrence River, the Great Lakes and the Fraser River, then you are simply not allowed to discharge into the water, in other words you **MUST** use a shore based pump-out facility or other disposal ashore. If the tank is plumbed so it can be discharged overboard as is most common on the coast, this connection must be secured against discharge when on inland waters. Prior to boating in waters of the province of Ontario, an overboard discharge must be disconnected and blanked.

If you are on tidal waters and aren't able to use a shore based pump-out because there isn't one available to receive it in an environmentally safe manner, **THEN** you must be three miles from the nearest shore to discharge sewage or empty your blackwater holding tank and must be underway at the fastest practicable speed. **EXCEPT** if you are operating in an area that isn't six miles wide so you can't get three miles from shore (Gulf Islands), then you can discharge while

underway at a speed of at least 4 knots, or if that speed is not practicable, then at the fastest practicable speed AND into the deepest and fastest moving waters that are located the farthest from shore, preferably during an ebb tide.

All that being said, you are not allowed to discharge if: you might cause a film or sheen to develop on or cause a discoloration of the water or its adjoining shorelines; cause sewage sludge or an emulsion to be deposited beneath the surface of the water or upon its adjoining shorelines; or discharge sewage if it contains any visible solids.

Please note, there are some areas where you are strictly prohibited from discharging sewage including marine parks, and there are a bunch of them specified in the federal regulations. To be safe, environmentally friendly and courteous, you should refrain from dumping near any park whether on the list or not and refrain from dumping in an anchorage, cove or bay.

A question is often asked about portable toilets (port-a-potties). A portable toilet is acceptable in Canada. Portable toilets are built with a “temporary means of storage” as an integral part of the unit but you must have sufficient size to allow storage for the voyage and you need to have measures in place to ensure no dumping happens other than that explained above. They must be secured for use in any weather conditions. To empty them, a shore based pump-out facility hose can reach inside the boat and pump out the tank. You aren’t allowed to dump them in the bush or ditch and some jurisdictions consider them too concentrated to dump into a toilet, so there may be local restrictions.

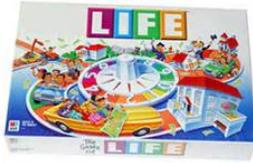
There are several government publications available to read on the subject and quite frankly, they are difficult to read and cover all sizes and classifications of vessel and all waters, Canada wide. They also continually refer to this section or that section, part x, and subsection that. This recap is my interpretation of the regulations concerning “Pleasure Craft” used on the West Coast and certified for no more than 15 passengers. For more detailed information please go to the following link for the website of Transport Canada regarding sewage holding tank systems. <http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/marinesafety/tp-tp1332-appendix2-1582.htm#3>

Or look up the following at <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca>

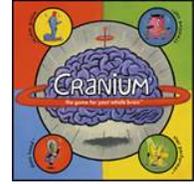
Vessel Pollution and Dangerous Chemicals Regulations

SOR/2012-69 Current to May 26, 2013 Last amended on April 18, 2013

Greg Sutfin
Safety Officer
Cowichan Power and Sail Squadron



Genoa Bay Marina Rendezvous July 20th, 2013



Come out and enjoy the day, Come by car or boat and bring along your favorite game for a day of fun. Come and meet other members of your squadron and have a relaxing day. There is a Barbeque planned for dinner so bring your favorite meat and get it cooked on one of the many barbeques there. Bring along a salad or dessert for a Pot luck. We are also looking for volunteers for the July 20 rendezvous. Duties will include set up, clean up, garbage, food prep, games for the adults and kids and just general help.. I will man the BBQ and if there are any other chefs in this organization they are more than welcome to step up to the plate.

Watch for more gatherings to come on the website

Please forward any and all responses to me so we can make this happen



Cheers,
Colin

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Notes to Financial Statements – May 31st. 2013

For the month ended, May 31st. 2013 disbursements exceeded revenues by \$139.76. The fiscal results of the Month's Day Rendezvous are included herein, along with the Boat Maintenance classroom rental.

Year to date there is a deficit of 677.37.

As at May 31st. 2013, we have cash on hand of \$ 5,379.47 plus an investment account of \$9,183.62 for total available cash resources of \$ 14,563.09.

The break even Budget for 2013/2014 has now been approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm Pinteau,
Treasurer.

Dominion I rests between tug and barge – Cowichan Bay

Update: June 15 2013:

New reports indicate that the tow is scheduled to leave Cowichan Bay Monday June 17th.

Read the [Saga of the Dominion I](#) here.

There's a big tugboat in the bay today and it's possibly here to take one of our nautical landmarks away for good.

The Dominion I, the vessel everyone has either tried to love, hate or ignore entirely has been moved from it's old spot on the loading pier and now sits alongside the large ex-military tug.



The tug belongs to an American businessman who, if memory serves, intends to tow the former fishing factory ship to Mexico for dismantling. There is also a former US Marines work shop barge in the bay, and a former tourist vessel and replica of the steamship "Beaver", these apparently also to be put on the towline and headed to the same scrapyard.

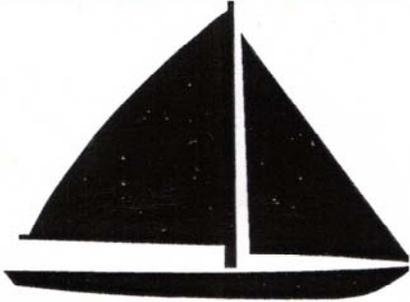
Of course we have heard this sort of thing before. Previous potential purchasers, one who suggested the vessel might serve as a pocket freighter in European waters, have made plans and then abandoned them. Still, the vessel has actually been taken in hand as it were and work appears to be ongoing.

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