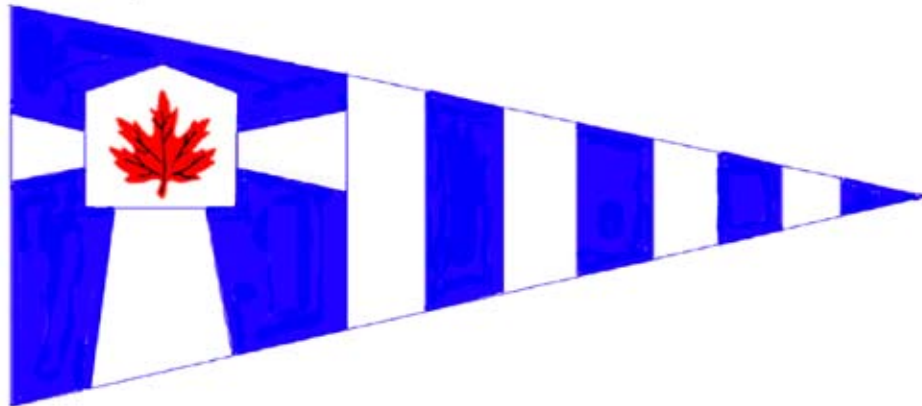


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Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons

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May - June 2006



**DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!
(if you haven't already)**

The Squadron Bridge 2006 - 2007

| POSITION | NAME | PHONE |
|----------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Past (acting) Commander | Russell Pearce, P | 247-7538 |
| Commander | Leonard Sutherland | 247-8301 |
| Executive Officer | Boswell Malcolm | 247-9199 |
| Training Officer | Ralph Hagen, <u>AP</u> | 247-8491 |
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| Treasurer | Ian Waymark | 247-7381 |
| Membership Officer | Elaine Pearce | 247-7538 |
| Public Relations Officer | Boswell Malcolm | 247-9199 |
| MAREP/Weather | Russell Pearce, P | 247-7538 |
| Assistant Training Officer | Frank Croft | 247-8210 |
| Assistant Training Officer | Digby Jones | 247-9150 |
| Assistant Training Officer | Don Spears | 247-9556 |
| Assistant Training Officer | Bob Weenk | 247-0267 |
| Cruisemaster | Russell Pearce, P | 247-7538 |
| Port Captain | Russell Pearce, P | 247-7538 |
| Supply Officer | Patrick Griffin | 247-8897 |
| Webmaster | Robert Derksen | 247-9792 |
| Social Officer | Florence Sutherland | 247-8301 |
| Historian/Archives Officer | Judy Weenk | 247-0267 |
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SQUADRON EVENT CALENDAR

Student Social Cruise to Thetis Island, May 27 all day. Contact Cruisemaster Russ Pearce
 Squadron Sail to Protection Island Dinghy Dock, July 8 Contact Russ Pearce
 District Rendezvous, August 25-27 at Page's. See info

Squadron AGM Night April 22



Walter Berry and Bob Weenk receiving the Arthur J Neilsen Award for top Boating marks. Absent is Frank Croft (away on business). All three achieved 100%. Presenters: Russ Pearce, Ralph Hagen and Leonard Sutherland



Ian Waymark receiving the Rudy Bohm Award for outstanding event on the water. Presented by Freda Bohm and Russ Pearce



STO Ralph Hagen presented with the Windchime Award for outstanding service in training, trophy was donated by Hugh Sproule



Andre Lemieux presented with special certificate of appreciation for hosting the squadron web site - with Russ Pearce

Now REALLY, Ralph, not all Boating students received such preferential treatment! Congratulations Helen!



Rufus Churcher receives his 19th Merit Mark Award from Russ and D/C Barb. One more and there's no more annual dues to pay.



Hugh Sproule receiving his 21st Merit Mark Award from D/C Barb Hoffstrom. Well done Hugh, and thanks for these 21 years of outstanding service to CPS-ECP



District AGM, June 2-3 Cowichan

Cowichan Power and Sail Squadron invite you to join us in saying "Thanks" to District Commander Barb Hoffstrom and "Welcome" to incoming District Commander Ray Orr.

It is our pleasure to welcome you to the Cowichan Valley and the setting for this AGM is pure country pleasure. The Providence Farm started as a Nunnery and has grown to include produce gardens, therapeutic riding, host to the Folk Fest music festival and more.

The Friday night Meet and Greet (June 2nd) takes us back to the carnival days. Horse racing, Fly fishing, Bull ringing – test your skill and bring your loonies. There will be a no host bar and deli platters. (Might be an idea to have dinner first). Registration packages will be available at this time.

Saturday (June 3rd) - the business meetings and the Annual General Meeting are open to all CPS members at no cost. Registration is not required for these meetings and members are encouraged to participate. See agenda for times.

For those who did not receive their registration package on Friday, you may pick them up on Saturday starting at 0830 until 1100. Please register by May 15th, 2006.

Saturday Dinner and Entertainment will start at 1700 with no host bar, full buffet dinner, the necessary announcements and prizes followed by entertainment. Opening act will be the Cowichan Hillbillies followed by Mr. Ed Peekeekoot – a superb musician/comedian. Sit back and relax after a long day and let us entertain you.

Accompanying guest tour and lunch – those not attending the meetings are invited to join us on a Horse Drawn carriage tour of the murals and town of Chemainus.

Lunch will be served in a local restaurant and there will be time for shopping. I love the Chemainus stores! Transport to and from will be supplied.

If your wish is to lay low and relax, Providence Farm is worth exploring and can be done at your leisure.

Accommodations: Ocean Front in Cowichan Bay (7 km) 1-800-663-7898

Wessex Inn in Cowichan Bay (6 km) 250-746-8200

Thunderbird Hotel in Duncan (5 km) 250-748-8192

Travelodge in Duncan (5 km) 1-888-858-2200 (Also known as the Silver Bridge)

Cowichan Valley Inn north of Duncan (7 km) 1-800-927-6199

| AGENDA: | Friday June 2nd | Registration opens | 1630 |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | Meet and Greet | | 1730 – 2130 |
| Saturday June 3rd | Registration | | 0830-1100 |
| | Annual General Meeting | | 0900-1200 |
| | AGM Lunch | | 1200 – 1330 |
| | Commanders/Training/PRO | | 1330 – 1600 |
| | Cocktails (no host) | | 1700 – 1800 |
| | Dinner | | 1815 – 1945 |
| | Announcements, etc | | 1945 – 2030 |
| | Entertainment | | 2045 – 2245 |
| | Venue closes for cleanup | | 2300 |
| | Guest tour departs | | 1000 |
| | Tour and lunch | | 1030 – 1330 |
| | Pick up | | 1430 |

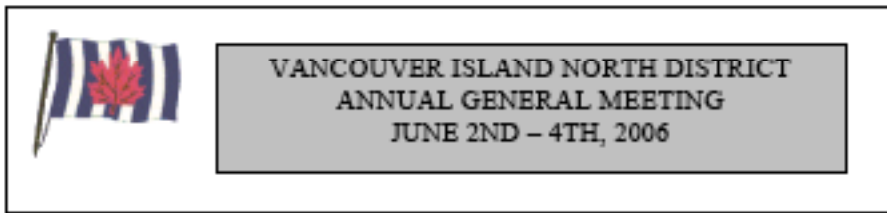
Sunday June 4th District Bridge Officers' Breakfast Meeting
Silver Bridge Travelodge 0900-1100

Dress Code: Friday night – very casual – equestrian, carnival attire
Saturday AGM – uniform, whites if you have them
Saturday dinner – semi formal / Blazer ensemble; whites if you have them.

DIRECTIONS: to Duncan hotels: traveling south on the Trans Canada Highway , the Cowichan Valley Inn is on your right after the light at the intersection of TCH and Lake Cowichan Hwy (18). Proceed south and at the corner of TCH and James Street, 1 km (just past the fast food area) the Thunderbird Hotel will be on your left next to Barnacles Bistro. If you continue south, .5km you will see the Travelodge on your left just after Safeway and opposite the White Spot.

To get to Providence Farm – from TCH turn left on Trunk Road if heading south. Stay on this road approx. 2 km. and you will come to a 'y' - bear right. This is now Tzouhalem Road . Do not bear left as that is Maple Bay Road. Providence Farm is well marked and will be on your left. Approx. 3 km. Traveling from Cowichan Bay – stay on the main road (quite twisty) for 6 or 7 km. and Providence Farm will be on your right just after the white church on the hill.

Camping: the area is back of the main old building to the left. We will have it marked. Limited space on the gravel area. More in the big field.



REGISTRATION FORM
Please register before May 15th, 2006

NAME _____

2ND PERSON _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Squadron _____

May we use your email address for confirmation of registration?

Yes _____ No _____ Email (complete if yes) _____

VIND AGM CONFERENCE EVENTS / Prices are per person)

Friday evening Meet and Greet (no host bar) No. _____ x \$ 5.00 = \$ _____

Saturday AGM Lunch No. _____ x \$ 13.00 = _____

Guest Tour and Lunch No. _____ x \$ 15.00 = _____

Saturday Dinner and Entertainment No. _____ x \$ 40.00 = _____

TOTAL COST \$ _____

ARE YOU CAMPING ON SITE? Yes _____ No _____

Camping is free. Limited, if any power

Washrooms will be open 24 hours

Please make cheque payable to: CPS - VIND AGM 2006

Forward registration and cheque to: c/o Neville Townsend
4669 McGill Road, Cowichan Bay, BC V0R 1N0

From the Wheelhouse

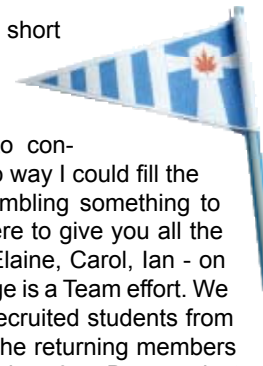
Leonard Sutherland - Commander

The watch has changed!

It is now our turn to give Russ Pearce a collective "Pat on the back".

Russ took on the job of Acting Commander following the resignation of Commander Richard DeLissa. Richard worked hard on behalf of the Gabriola Squadron - from its beginning as a Charter member, which he shares with Hugh Sproule who is with us here tonight. Richard is best known for the time and effort he put into the Training Program.

Russ - it was you who stepped in on short notice. You work hard and continue to, by taking on many new responsibilities. I would like to say on behalf of the Squadron: Thank you for a job well done! Please accept this Past Commanders Award. Don Butt called me on the phone and asked me if I were sitting down. He said the nominating committee wanted me to consider the position of Squadron Commander. What an honour that would be! But no way I could fill the shoes (physically or metaphorically) of Richard DeLissa or Russ Pearce. I was mumbling something to Don when he said "You'll be all right, Leonard. help we can give. You will be supported by Bos and on through the Bridge list". So I said yes. My experience has been that the Bridge is a Team effort. We are about Boat Safety and Education. Ralph is a leader in this area. Notice he has recruited students from his past boating courses to get involved. Congratulations to the New Bridge - the returning members and the new. The next Bridge meeting will be held at 645 Dogwood at



0900 on 06 May.

From the Training Department

STO Ralph Hagen, AP

We have had a successful year in training with 24 students completing and passing the Boating exam. I do not have a long experience with this course but must say that I found them to be a great group of students. Our average pass mark for the year is 95.2% which I expect will be ahead of the District.

As well we had 13 students take the radio course - Restricted Operator's Certificate (Maritime) and we had 4 students take the Navigating with GPS.

I have enjoyed the year and look forward to improving my teaching skills and to improving the delivery of the various courses. The future is here and we are getting more courses with PowerPoint and DVD teaching aids. I hope that we can utilize the skills that we have amongst us and develop more and better teaching aids that will improve the quality of the course delivery as Don Butt has with his segments of the Boating course.

From the Yacht Club

Commodore Ralph Hagen, AP

The Silva Bay Yacht Club cordially invites all members of the Gabriola Island Squadron to the annual Sailpast. Sunday, May 28 at Page's Resort and Marina. Registration at 1300, opening ceremonies at 1330, sailpast at 1430. Steak BBQ at 1630. Cost: \$10 per person. Bring your own cutlery and plates, and favourite beverage. Coffee and soda is provided.

If you don't have a boat, arrangements for you to go aboard one.

VIND RENDEZVOUS 2006

Page's Marina, Gabriola Island
Friday - Sunday: August 25-27

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print: (information will be kept confidential)

Name(s) _____
 Street address _____
 City, Province, Postal Code _____
 Phone # _____
 E-mail _____
 Squadron _____

Special commuter prices are available for those traveling by Gabriola ferry

| (Ferry tickets must be purchased in advance for these rates) | # | Amount |
|--|---|--------|
| Registration: @\$9.50 | | |
| Children under 6 (free) | | |
| Milk for each child? Y/N | | Y N |
| Number of round trip ferry tickets required: | | |
| Adult walk-on or car passenger @\$3.50 | | |
| Children 4 to 11 years (under 4 free) @\$1.75 | | |
| Car up to 7 ft height, 20 ft length @\$13.00 (includes driver) | | |
| TOTAL \$ amount (enclosed) | | |

Car & driver tickets may be credited toward campers, etc
 Ferry tickets will be mailed in advance to your address above
 Remember seniors don't ride ferries free on Friday, Saturday or Sunday

Registrations must be received by August 11
No ticket sales at the time of Rendezvous
 Registration includes events, BBQ Saturday night, & Sunday breakfast

Please make cheques payable to *VIND Rendezvous* and mail to:

Christine Purfield
 340 Larch Rd
 Gabriola BC V0R 1X1

Questions?

Christine Purfield 250-247-8659
 Don Butt 250-247-7804 donbutt@shaw.ca

VIND Rendezvous 2006

Page's Marina, Gabriola Island
Friday - Sunday August 25-27

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Same place as last year!

Friday evening - nothing formally organized.

We expect with our burgees a-flying we can spot others in the group and get together. Check the end of the long dock for A Cappella, an Ontario 32 sailboat - how about a potluck dockside social time. Sun will be over the yardarm!



Saturday -

Morning - organize and register your teams for Bocce
 1330 - Bocce tournament begins
 1330 - Croquet for those who would like this option
 1500 - Kid's games
 1730 - BBQ begins Gourmet burgers & Smokey dogs with trimmings, corn on the cob, salads, etc.
 1830 - Awards and Prizes!

Sunday -

0830 Traditional pancake breakfast at a cabin
 Sailpast follows breakfast clean-up, about 1030 in Silva Bay.
 The District Commander will take the salute at the end of the gas dock at Page's Marina. Details at Rendezvous.

