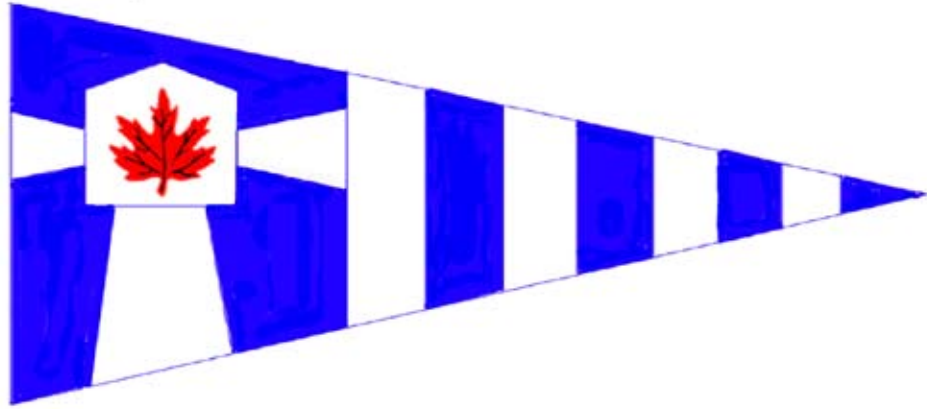


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# Gabriola Island Squadron

Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons

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March - April 2007



## 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
Secretary	Carole Lemieux, P	247-9889
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
Communications Officer	Don Butt, <u>AP</u>	247-7804
Scuttlebutt Editor	Don Butt, <u>AP</u>	247-7804
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### SQUADRON EVENT CALENDAR

- Squadron AGM, Graduation, and Potluck.  
Gabriola Golf Club Saturday April 21, 1800 for 1900
- District AGM at the Haven, June 1 - 2, 2007
- May 26. Day Cruise. Barbecue. Fall and spring students.
- District Rendezvous - Page's Marina, Aug 24 - 26

*Vancouver Island North District  
Conference 2007 & Annual General Meeting June 1 & 2, 2007  
Haven Resort Seminar Conference Center  
240 Davis Road, Gabriola Island*

*The business meetings and AGM are open to all members at no cost. Registration is not required for these meetings. Members are encouraged to participate in the business of the meetings. Registration deadline is May 19, 2007. Register before April 7, 2007 to be entered into the EARLY BIRD DRAW. The prize is a credit of the registered amount up to \$50.*

*Please PRINT – information is kept confidential.*

*Member Name: (last) (first) Squadron*

*Name as it should appear on nametag*

*(P, AP, JN, N) Squadron/Bridge position*

*Mailing address*

*Phone no: Fax no: E-mail:*

*Accompanying person's name(s) as on nametag:*

			<b>Totals</b>
<i>Friday:</i>	<i>Meet &amp; Greet (cash bar) 1930 – 2100</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$12.00</i>
<i>Saturday:</i>	<i>Lunch (cash bar) 1200 – 1330</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$15.00</i>
	<i>Reception 1800 – 1900 (cash bar)</i>		<i>XXXXXX</i>
	<i>Dinner/Dance 1900 -</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$38.00</i>
	<i>Accompanying Persons Tour (lunch included)</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$20.00</i>
<i>Discounted ferry tickets:</i>	<i>Car only</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$12.00</i>
	<i>Driver/Passenger/Walk-on</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>x \$5.00</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$</b>

*Costs include applicable taxes and gratuities.*

*Ferry tickets provided are about half the regular prices and will be mailed to you on receipt of full payment.*

*Make cheques payable to: Gabriola Island Squadron VIND AGM*

*Mail to: Christine Purfield, 340 Larch Rd. Gabriola BC V0R 1X1*

*Please download and print this page and mail with payment.*

*Vancouver Island North District  
Conference 2007 & Annual General Meeting June 1 & 2, 2007 - Information*

**Schedule of Events**

**Contact Information**

**Friday**

1930 - 2100 Meet 'n Greet Phoenix Room

**Saturday**

0900- 1200 AGM & Council Phoenix Room

1000 - 1500 Island Tour Meet at lobby

1200 - 1330 Lunch Dining room

1800 – 1900 Reception Bar, Dining, Deck

1900 - Dinner/Dance Dining, then Phoenix

**Conference:**

Christine Purfield 250 247-8659

Don Butt 250 247-7804

**The Haven**

Louise Amuir 250 247-9221

*This year it's Gabriola's turn to host the District Annual event.*

*Friday night Meet and Greet in the Phoenix room will feature special music and a slide show to sooth your soul and set the mood for the weekend. Of course you will have plenty of time to renew acquaintances and share experiences.*

*Accompanying members tour will stop at island attractions you may not know about - artisans, interesting sights, and a lunch at Silva Bay, to include a talk outlining the geological features of Gabriola and surrounding area by Gabriola's world-recognized paleontologist Prof. Rufus Churcher*

*Saturday night dinner is in the dining room followed by the dance in the Phoenix room to cap off the weekend's activities. Music is provided by John Capon and his band, featuring a vocalist.*

*There are plenty of opportunities to win a door prize, and a 50-50 draw.*

*Come and hear what your CPS is up to, and take time to relax and enjoy the activities. You won't regret it.*

*Many thanks to the hard working committee.. Cdr Leonard Sutherland, Rufus Churcher, Judy and Bob Weenk, Don Spears, Christine Purfield, and those indicating their readiness to help on site: Lynda and Keith Poulton, June and Frank Shoemaker.*



**HEAD YE! HEAD YE!**

**ANNUAL FUN SPECIAL EVENT**

**May 26. Day Cruise to Thetis Island Marina**

*Barbecue lunch. Fall and spring students. This is a social on-the-water event.*

*All Squadron members, all boats are welcome. Please contact Russ Pearce 247-7538*

## THE GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON AGM EVENT

At the Gabriola Golf Club, it's a potluck fun dinner, pledging in the new members, the new bridge, and presentation of the certificates of the successful Boating class students. Also the presentation of awards.

The emphasis is on the gourmet food of the Squadron – superb cooking as attested to by anyone who has enjoyed it before!

April 21, 2007. 1800 for 1900. POTLUCK DINNER.

\$5 each to cover the "rent". No charge for those attending the AGM only. Door Prize and 50/50 draw

This is Graduation Night as well, with pledging in of the new members.

The following is the required notice to the members of the Gabriola Island Squadron:

To the members, GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TAKE NOTICE that the Annual General Meeting of the GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON will be held at the Gabriola Golf and Country Club - 825 South Road, Gabriola, BC on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 1800 for 1900 Pot Luck Supper and 2007 Annual General Meeting following supper for the purpose of:-

- (a) receiving and, if thought fit, approving reports of Officers of The Squadron;
- (b) receiving and, if thought fit, approving the Financial Statements of the Squadron for the twelve month period ending March 31st, 2007, and the report of the Squadron Auditor
- (c) electing the Officers of the Squadron
- (d) appointing The Squadron Auditor
- (e) considering such further and other business as may properly come before the Meeting

The Report or the Squadron Nominating Committee is attached to and forms part of this Notice. Under Squadron Regulation 12.1, any further nominations must be made by way of a written petition signed by no less than 5 members of this Squadron who shall confirm the consent of their nominee to stand for election. The petition must be filed with the Squadron Secretary not less than 2 days prior to the date of this Meeting.

DATED this 1st day of March, 2007

(Original on file duly signed by the secretary)

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The student cruise Saturday February 24 was cancelled due to ugly weather; winds were gusting to 40 knots with snow flurries and driving rain.

## Nominating Committee Report – April 21, 2007

The following are nominated for the respective bridge positions, 2007 - 2008

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*Would you believe* that's commander Leonard suited up and ready to parachute into a disaster scene! He has a 50-pound parachute on his back and that pack sack on his belly is a medical emergency kit, another 50 pounds! Master Corporal Rob Coates the guest speaker at the squadron social night Saturday March 24 is in the background supervising his preparedness. Rob and his wife, Tania who is a Buffalo aircraft pilot, came from Comox for the evening to give us the fascinating story about SARS - Search and Rescue Squadron. It was an example of excellence in all respects. Note the arrow on the helmet points down!



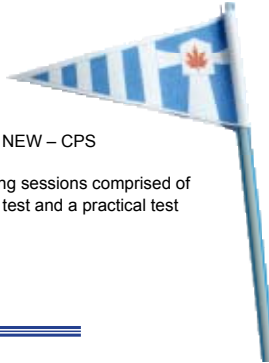
## From the Wheelhouse Leonard Sutherland - Commander

### Branding Project

CPS-EPC – 'The Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons' and 'les escadrilles canadiennes de plaisance' will soon be used only as the "legal names" of our organization. A Special Projects Committee has been struck to oversee a contest to come up with a new name they hope will be better recognized by the public, our members, government and the marine industry.

You will find a lot of information concerning this "make-over" if you follow the links to Members Moorings., then under NEW – CPS Branding Contest. Maybe some of you would be interested in entering the contest. That would be nice! Soon CPS will be involved in conducting vessels safety checks in BC. Volunteers will be required to attend four training sessions comprised of two back-to-back days each or four back-to-back evenings. The course will take place in April and end with a written test and a practical test aboard a vessel. More information will be posted on the website as it is received.

Cdr. Leonard Sutherland

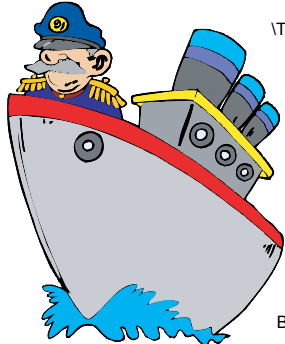


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## Training Department

ATO Bob Weenk for traveling STO Ralph Hagen, AP



The 2007 Spring Boating Course is well under way, with eight enthusiastic participants. As we approach the halfway point in the fourteen week course, the students have broken out the calipers and rulers and have begun the difficult task of plotting their way around the training chart every week in a new cruise. (I'm sure you all remember the trepidation with which you first engaged in this process).

We are fortunate to have an expanding group of instructors (or a group of expanding instructors) who generously give of their time and their expertise in order to ensure the students a quality experience.

Once the boating course wraps up in mid April, we will be offering some other courses, so keep your eyes and ears open for the specifics.

Bob Weenk, Assistant Training Officer

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## Silva Bay Yacht Club

The Commodore's Ball will be held on 9 March 2007 and as the seating is limited it is expected to be an early sellout and anyone interested should get their tickets from Jerrie MacFarlane at 247 9973 soon. Watch for the extensive cruise schedule

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keeps saying  
"you got mail"



**Spring Boating Class, plus two instructors**

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Our Squadron of more than 70 members is one of eleven in the Vancouver Island North District (VIND). Gabriola Squadron is one of the smallest, but is certainly active in training and social events. Each year, the first weekend in June, VIND holds its Annual Conference and General Meeting, and various squadrons in the district take turns hosting the event. This year Gabriola Squadron is the host. We have an excellent working group to organize the event, to be held at the Haven. There will be plenty of camaraderie and fun, and opportunity to meet like-minded folk from Duncan to Port Hardy and Powell River.

Some might have been at the 2000 VIND AGM and Conference, hosted for the first time by Gabriola. That was memorable, and one of the best-attended events in years.

**Plan on attending.** There's a Friday evening "Meet 'n Greet" with music at the Phoenix room, meetings Saturday till early afternoon, then a Dinner & Dance Saturday night with John Capon's group. While delegates are busy in the meetings, the accompanying members will be on tour around our island visiting artisans, points of interest, and a lunch at Silva Bay with a talk on our local geology by Squadron Life Member Rufus Churcher.

Watch for further information and the registration form, to be posted here next edition.