GABRIOLA ISLAND POWER SQUADRON

Minutes of the Bridge Meeting held June 16, 2011 at Robert's Upstairs

Call to order at 1900 with Commander Cece Ashley presiding.

Present: Cece Ashley, Don Butt, Ralph Hagen, Douglass Legg, Rick Schultze, Bob Derksen, Ian Waymark, Hans Andrun, Siggi Andrun, Elaine Pearce

Regrets: Rufus Churcher, Bob Weenk, Sarah Kostiw, Frank Shoemaker, Bob Wood, Digby Jones, Walter Berry, Mike Richards

MOTION: Approve the Agenda Ian Waymark/Don Butt CARRIED

MOTION: Approve the minutes of the last meeting Don Butt/Ralph Hagen CARRIED

TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Treasurer Siggi Andrun. Balance on hand is \$4,469.32 of which \$226.00 was received from the Share Program at HQ.

TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT: (attached) presented by Training Officer Ralph Hagen. Discussion centered around Boating Class facility costs (United Church vs. Rollo Center vs. Elementary School). More discussion on funding (\$300) required to pay for T-shirts for graduates of the youth program. MOTION: Accept the offer of \$740 from Silva Bay Yacht Club to fund the Youth Program Ian Waymark/Don Butt. Copy of letter received from Commodore of SBYC is also attached.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: (attached) presented by Membership Officer Hans Andrun

WEBMASTER'S REPORT: Webmaster Bob Derksen reported that the website is up-to-date and he is working to make it more "personal." He needs words to accompany the Bent Propeller Award photo.

CRUISEMASTER'S REPORT: Rick Schultze reported that he will notify membership of the upcoming July cruise, to which members of other Squadrons have been invited.

SUPPLIES REPORT: Douglass Legg reported that he has received all the inventory (not much) from previous officer. He has also ordered 20 Boating Course kits for future classes.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Don Butt announced that the next Scuttlebutt will be published in September. He is looking for contributions to the edition, e.g. practical boater hints, marine life, etc. Don will also update the Power Squadron handout which the Welcome Wagon Lady will distribute.

NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion relative to ordering supplies from District vs. Head Quarters in terms of availability of items as well as shipping costs involved.

Cec Ashley reported good response to L'I Gabe during Safe Boating Week. Two people signed up for the Practical Boater presentation as a result of parking the boat that won't float in the corner of the Village Market parking lot. Lots of interest in our program. Douglass Legg suggested having St. John's Ambulance be part of our Safe Boating Week activity next year.

The Gabriola 360 is on Sunday, August 21 this year. There was positive discussion about having our Squadron burgee appear on Gabriola 360 promotional literature. We will have L'I Gabe on the premises and hand out Safe Kayaking pamphlets. There was discussion about offering a prize for participants in the race. MOTION: The prize should be a free Radio Course. Don Butt/Douglass Legg CARRIED

Updating the sandwich boards was suggested by Ian Waymark. He has investigated vinyl lettering at Industrial Plastics. MOTION: \$300 be approved to purchase white paint and lettering for signs and a gallon of Midnight Blue paint for the hull of L'I Gabe. Ian Waymark/Douglass Legg. CARRIED Cec Ashley volunteered his yard and shop to volunteers for the facelifts.

Don Butt suggested that we approach Hiromi Eckert to serve on the Bridge as MAREP OFFICER. All agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2100.