

## **Gabriola Power Squadron Bridge Meeting**

*Monday, June 11th, 2012 1400 hours*

Robert's Place Upstairs

**Present:** Cecil Ashley, Elaine Pearce, Ralph Hagen, Douglas Cunnian, Rufus Churcher, Don Butt, Bert Terhart, Madelaine Ani, Ian Waymark, Robert Derksen, Don Hutton, Wendy Geddes, Bill Kalbfleisch

**Apologies:** Hans Andrun, Siggie Andrun, Bob Wood, Dawn Reeves

1. Meeting called to order at 1400 by commander Ian Waymark

2. Introduction of guests. No guests

3. The minutes of the May 10 were corrected to show the web site address of VIND to be vind.ca not VIND.ca

**MOTION:** moved by Bert Terhart and seconded by Douglas Cunnian the minutes be adopted as corrected. **CARRIED**

4. Business arising from Minutes. No.

### **5. Reports:**

**Commanders Report:** Ian Waymark

Ian Waymark reported that he, Don Butt and Cecil Ashley attended the annual VIND AGM in Parksville. Full report included with minutes.

**Executive Officer/Port Captain;** Dawn Reeves

Absent

**Squadron Training Officer:** Report included with minutes.

Ralph Hagen announced the Training Committee consisted of ATO Bob Weenk, ATO Digby Jones, Douglass Legg, Don Hutton, Bert Terhart and Bill Kalbfleisch.

The Training Committee suggested the Boating Basic Course fee be 80.00 and the Boating Essentials Course fee be \$200. If a student has a PCOC they may audit the course for 20.00 or retake regular CPS version for a fee of 80.00.

Boating essential course 200.00

**MOTION:** moved by Ralph Hagen and seconded by Don Hutton to charge 80.00 for Boating Basic course and 200.00 for Boating Essentials

**Carried**

Ralph Hagen stated the Training Committee suggested a fee of 150.00 for the seamanship Course

**MOTION:** moved by Ralph Hagen and seconded by Don Butt to charge fee of 150.00 for seamanship course.

**Carried**

Weather Course to be taught by Bert Terhart. Training committee to discuss content and review course objectives. Ralph Hagen recommended that the Weather course be fun, interesting, practical and specific to our local waters.

Date to be scheduled.

**Administrative Officer / Supply Officer:** Douglass Legg  
Absent  
Report included.

**Treasurer:** Siggie Andrun absent. Siggie's report given by Ian. Report included with minutes.  
Ralph Hagen made an addendum to report he deposited approximately \$1000.00 from Radio Course and Rope Splicing course with expenses of \$60.00

**Membership Officer / Supply Officer:** Elaine Pearce clarified that Junior Associates do not pay dues until the age of 18.  
Report included with minutes.

**Public Relations Officer:** Rufus Churcher  
14 individual advertisers of which are 13 paid up  
925.00 down from previous year of 1050.00  
Rufus has been soliciting advertising for roster. He said that this valuable book is in danger of being discontinued due to cost. It has good information and Gabriola has best overall performance with 15 advertisers out of the 40 listed.

**MAREP Officer:** Bill Kalbfleisch  
New navigation lanes in Silva Bay to allow easier access to boats and float planes. Transport Canada will implemented by June 26th, 2012.  
Question as to how information should go out to all members. It was suggested that information might be placed in both Shingle and Sounder by Transport Canada. Information to also be placed in Scuttlebutt and Anchorline.  
Doug Cunnian said it will eventually go on Charts but local authorities will put up navigational markers. This change may open up anchorage in the area. Suggestion that this may be something that Yacht Club or Gabriola Power Squadron would be involved with.  
Robert Derksen agrees with Ralph Hagen's suggestion that Power Squadron and Yacht Club post on website but it needs to wait until it is official.

**Environmental Officer:** Madelaine Ani  
Mike Richards will give an environmental talk Oct 13/2012  
Beach cleanup scheduled Sept 15th, 2012 at 1330. Location change to Degnen Bay. Cleanup to be between the high and low tide. Robert Derksen will advertise event on the website.  
Suggestion also to advertise in local papers to promote community awareness. Shaw T.V. may find this a story of interest

**Cruise Master:** Douglas Cunnian  
Graduation Cruise was cancelled due to high winds. Change made to Silva Bay pub and 21 people attended lunch.  
Fisherman's Marina reserved 6 spots for the Vancouver Fireworks July 31st - August 1st 2012  
Ian Waymark will send idea to have a Corn/Strawberry tea Cruise to Newcastle Island to the Bridge to see if there is enough interest in holding this event

**Webmaster;** Robert Derksen

Robert requested reports be sent in word file

Robert Derksen provided an overhead of the VIND website which is a bureaucratic organization whose role is to facilitate coordination of Power Squadrons connecting boaters across the country for over for 70 years.

Clifford Miller is the District Commander

Northstar is a newsletter that is published 2 X per year before AGM and includes a list of candidates for Bridge for the upcoming VIND Bridge.

Website provides informative list of boating courses. It was noted that advanced boating courses are declining.

**Social Officer:** Walter Berry. Absent

No social report at this time

Ralph Hagen met an RCMP Officer with Coast Watch who is interested in giving a one-hour presentation at our Member's night. Also the authors of Dreamspeakers are interested in making a presentation.

It was suggested that speakers could be scheduled as both a Power Squadron and Yacht Club activity.

**Safety Officer:** Robert Wood. Absent

Report included with minutes.

**MOTION;** Robert Derksen and seconded by Don Butt that Gabriola Power Squadron hold a week of Courtesy Boat checks the last week of June (June 23rd - 30th) and that an e-mail be sent to each CPS member offering this highly recommended service.

**CARRIED**

There are only 14 boat checks as of June 7th.

**Communications / Privacy Officer:** Don Butt

Recommendation that upcoming reports be sent to website in advance of Bridge meeting. This would enable reports to be reviewed before next meeting. Please send reports in word file. Don Butt said this would be helpful for preparing future articles.

Don Butt emphasized need to advertise courses through word of mouth

Discussed National VIND Conference held in Edmonton Oct 17th-21st 2012

Officers Guide book has been updated and can be accessed by going online. There is good information on how CPS works

Report included.

**Member(s) at Large:** Don Hutton, Bert Terhart, no report.

**Past Commander:** Cecil Ashley

Cecil Ashley attended VIND AGM. Cec stated Ian Waymark accepted the Power Squadron Award for the Squadron Challenge and with this year's Bridge, we should win it again next year.

## **7. Business arising from Reports or Unfinished Business**

Trailer Insurance: Li'l Gabe Trailer insured for 2 million and registered in Ian Waymark's name.

Any member who tows it is now fully insured. Total cost to insure 125.00

Li'l Gab is stored with David Andrew

Sandwich Boards are stored with Don Hutton and Hans Andrun

## ***Rendezvous***

The Rendezvous Committee met at Ian Waymark's. A report is included with the minutes  
Mystery Cruise: The only 2 people who know the contents of the Mystery Cruise are Ian  
Waymark and Russ Pearce

**8. New Business:** None

## **9. Other**

Squadron Breakfast June 21st, 0930 hours @ Roberts Place

Meeting adjourned at 1345

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Geddes  
Secretary  
Gabriola Power & Sail Squadron