

Minutes of the Gabriola Island Squadron Executive Meeting
Thursday, September 11, 2014, 19:00
Robert's Upstairs

The meeting was called to order by Commander Ralph Hagen at 19:12.

Present were Bert terHart, Jude Briscoe, Elaine Pearce, Mike Hoeinghaus, Christine Purfield, John van Praet, Don Butt, Bill Kalbfleisch, Bob Derksen, Ralph Hagen.

Regrets: Bob Weenk, Steve Kitchen

The Minutes of the August 13 meeting were accepted as posted.

Officers Reports:

The **Commander** had no report to give.

The **Executive Officer** made a report in the September 2014 issue of *Scuttlebutt* regarding our participation in Gabriola community events over the summer.

The Commander gave a brief report on behalf of the absent **STO**. To sum it up, he stated that the Seamanship course was ready to go.

The **Secretary** had no report but did mention that as instructed by the Bridge at the August 13 meeting, and with the generous help of Don Butt, he had sent a congratulatory letter to Dr. David Kellenberger regarding his fine showing in the Seamanship course this spring.

The **Public Relations Officer** gave an oral report, thanking the Communications Committee for assisting him in getting his "Smile" out to the *Sounder* newspaper regarding David Kellenberger and his article to the same publication about the Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup Day on September 20.

Jude Briscoe reported on the **RVCC programme** and that thirteen boats were inspected this season with three more to follow for a total of sixteen this season. The Bridge congratulated Jude on the achievement and she was equally complimentary to the fellow Bridge members who had participated in this effort alongside her, as well as Bob Wood of Mr. Brenton Squadron.

The **Social Committee**, through Jude Briscoe, reported on the Fall Social on October 4 and the plans for the Christmas Party. The matter of a token of our thanks for the presenter came up with the outcome that the Committee can use its own good judgment. Don Butt will ask Hiromi Bradshaw once again to lead us in the musical portion of the Christmas Party.

The other reports posted and briefly commented on were those of the **Treasurer, Membership Officer, MAREP Officer, Webmasters, Communications / Privacy Officer, Nominating Committee.**

New Business:

MOTION: Don Butt / Mike Hoeinghaus: that SBYC members be eligible for the CPS member Seamanship course fee discount this fall. Carried unanimously.

In response to a question about **local squadron regulations**, Commander Hagen observed that it was too soon to get involved in this and that more information might be forthcoming at the VIND Council meeting on October 19.

In preparation for our **Seamanship course advertising**, Bert terHart offered to help Ralph Hagen with getting the roadside sandwich boards ready. Mike Hoeinghaus reported that Dr. Bob Rooks kindly had once again agreed to let us use his fence space in the ferry turnaround on Taylor Bay Road to hang a banner advertising the course.

A concern was expressed over the fact that seven spring 2014 Essentials students, who are now members, were omitted from the **VIND Roster** publication. It was suggested that this unfortunate lapse could be mitigated to some extent by insuring that they do receive copies of the publication, since only CPS – VIND members do. Elaine Pearce and / or Don Butt will look into this and contact Brian Crompt, the *Roster* editor.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 19:00 at Robert's.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Commander Hagen at 20:02.