

GABRIOLA ISLAND SQUADRON
Minutes of the Bridge Meeting
Held on June 20th, 2019
At Robert's Place

Call to order: 1537 by **Commander Jean van Praet**.

Present: Jean van Praet, Elaine Pearce, Bob Wood, Don Butt, John Bullas, Ivan Bulic, Agathe Gaulin, Carole Lemieux.

Regrets: Nigel Wells, Jude Briscoe, George Myette, Bill Kalbfleisch, Andy Hunter.

Minutes of the previous meeting of May 3rd, 2019: moved by **Don**, seconded by **Bob**, that the Minutes be accepted. **Approved.**

Agenda: the agenda was approved.

Reports:

Commander: **Jean's** report is on the website.

Executive Officer: **Nigel** had no report.

Squadron Educational Officer: **Agathe** stated that we need new registered instructors and **Don** suggested that a list be made of those who do instruct and have them complete the necessary forms. Discussion on possible instructors. Also, discussion on an examiner for the Radio Operator's certificate. **Agathe** suggested that the forthcoming courses be broken up into seminars. Discussion on anchorages and whaling. **Don** stated he might publish another Scuttlebutt at the end of June regarding regulations around whales and Bert's trip with pictures.

Secretary: **Carole** had no report.

Financial Officer: **Jude's** report is on the website.

Membership Officer: **Elaine's** report is on the website.

Public Relation's Officer: **George's** report is on the website.

Web Master: **Bill** had no report.

Communications/Privacy: **Don's** report is on the website.

Members-at-large: no report.

Old Business:

Policy manual: **Jean** submitted the revised version to National who had a couple of comments regarding wording.

RVCC: Bob stated that 15 boats were checked.

Asset inventory: John is waiting for information from Mike and Bert.

VIND meeting: covered by **Don`s** report.

SYBC Sail past was on May 11th.

Ocean`s day at Descanso Bay: covered by PRO report.

New Business:

Courses: already discussed under Education Officer`s report.

Safety and Flare return: previously, the fire department was involved with disposing of expired flares. **George** to check with Silva Bay shipyard – discussion.

Hope Centre: Don discussed what the Hope Centre does for youth on the island and that the Lion`s club contributes annually. It was suggested that the GPS teach PCOC to the older youths. **Jean** to speak to Alice Verstraete to see if there is any interest.

Summer events: GPS will participate at Concert on the Green and salmon barbecue.

Lil` Gabe: the tent and boat need work and **Jean** suggested it be done in the autumn. The trailer licence and insurance are due in October.

Next meeting will be on August 29th, @ 1500.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1641.