

**Gabriola Island Power Squadron
Commander's Report**

Sept. 17, 2012

September has started off as a busy month and may be an indication of a busy fall for the Squadron.

1. Making arrangements for our Oct. 13 Member's Night in conjunction with Social Officer Walter Berry and SBYC Rear Commodore, Jerry Ellins was continued from the initial work in August.

2. Environmental Officer Madeleine Ani had been working steadily on the Sept. 15 Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup. As the date got closer I was able to work with Madeleine on making arrangements for the BBQ to follow the cleanup.

3. The balance of my time has been spent organizing my thoughts for the Oct. VIND meeting and the National AGM to follow in Edmonton. The organizing of my thoughts resulted in the Bridge letters #1 & #2 that you have now received. It is my hope, the letters will generate some discussion at the Sept. 17 Bridge meeting.

Respectively submitted

Ian Waymark

Commander

Gabriola Island Squadron

TRAINING REPORT

Since the last Bridge meeting we have run a workshop on rope splicing in June which eight people attended and in July a radio review workshop which six people attended. These two workshops produced a surplus of approximately \$130.00.

We are currently running BOATING BASICS over four weeks September 5-26 with eleven students enrolled. For BOATING ESSENTIALS we have eight students enrolled with two prospects which would meet the minimum enrollment of ten as resolved by the Bridge. This course is due to commence October 3.

Our schedule for 2012 Fall is:

Courses

Radio	October 4
Seamanship	November 1
Weather	October 2

Workshops

12 Volt	October 1
Radio review	October 29
Medical emergencies	November 26

The TRAINING COMMITTEE met today to review the 2012 Fall program. Attending the meeting were Bill Kalbfleisch, Douglass Legge, Ralph Hagen. Don Hutton is still floating around Desolation Sound and Bob Weenk is enjoying Saskatchewan. Commander Ian was off island.

The Committee recommends that the BOATING ESSENTIALS course go ahead with the present enrolment of eight and the good prospect of an additional two students.

The Committee recommends that there be a registration session for the SEAMANSHIP course at the Gab Rec classroom on Saturday morning October 20. The Committee further recommends that the SEAMANSHIP course go ahead with an enrolment of six students with the deadline for registration October 20. The Committee feels that the low enrolment limit should be adopted in the interest of community service and in the endeavour of creating a stimulus in further learning. It is expected that an enrolment of six would leave a surplus of \$150.00.

The Committee reviewed the concept of workshops and the proposed subjects to be offered. The content of The Practical Boater was reviewed and found to cover much of the areas of interest. The Committee recommends that the three scheduled workshops for this fall should go ahead and the program of The Practical Boater will be fragmented and individual subjects from that will be offered in workshops in the following year. It is intended to have one workshop each month, generally on the first Monday, and that they will be priced at \$10.00 plus an upcharge if

there is any material cost. The Committee will continue to explore subjects of interest for future presentations.

Ralph Hagen STO

13 September 2012

Supply Officer's Report, September 17, 2012

1. Current supplies on hand consist of:

4* only Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons Pennants	Cost: \$48
3 only CPS Presentation Plaques	Cost: \$90
3 only blank Name Tags	Cost: \$30

Total Value of Squadron Stores: \$168

* includes one pennant on display at Page's Marina

Respectfully submitted,

Douglass Legg, Supply Officer

Gabriola Island CPS Membership Report - September 17, 2012

As of this date there are 108 Members

Details of Membership Roster:

Regular:	72 Members
Family:	22 Members
Junior Regular:	1 Member
Regular Lifetime:	2 Members
Associate:	2 Members
Junior Associate:	9 Members

Elaine Pearce

Membership Officer

MAREP Officer's Report, September 13, 2012

Weekly and monthly NOTMAR reports are being checked for issues related to the immediate Gabriola Island area of operations and there have been no significant updates.

There are no other significant MAREP issues to report.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Kalbfleisch, MAREP Officer

Social Officer Report

I have one item as social officer for the bridge meeting agenda and that is the Christmas social. Do we want to have it at the golf course?

Cheers, Walter

Communications Report

1. Scuttlebutt was published almost on time. I wanted to include a bio but both the person whose bio was to be featured and the one scheduled to follow were away. Next time for sure...
I am seriously looking for an article or two. I'd like pictures and an article about the shore cleanup to include in next edition.
2. Nothing relevant for privacy.
3. Communications Cttee. – A meeting will be called early in October on my return to consider marketing strategies, to include strategies to enhance our image in the community, and in ways consistent with our purpose. It is a struggle to compete for the diminished individual resources but our mission must be a priority to anyone on the water. Ideas are welcome, and will be considered, so don't be shy about letting us know.
4. Cdr Ian and I will be attending the National Conference and AGM in Edmonton in October. Ian has made the personal decision to attend to better understand "the big picture". Me, I am there to take the little pictures.

Sorry I can't be at the meeting – I will be many thousands of nautical miles approximately 090 soaking up medical knowledge.

Respectfully submitted
Don Butt
Sept 9, 2012

Past Commander's report

I attended the Sept. 12 Welcome Wagon meeting and distributed Squadron brochures to new Gabriolans showing interest in the Squadron.

Respectively submitted,

Cec Ashley