



Commander's Report Nov. 26, 2012

Nov. 5 saw me attending the first weather course our Squadron has offered in many years. It was a pleasure to be a student again and a pleasure to receive some of the practical knowledge Bert Terhart was willing pass on to us.

I visited ATO Digby Jones on a number of occasions in the Palliative care ward. Digby is now on another journey and he is missed in the Squadron and in the classroom.

I was honoured to be a part of the Celebration of Digby's life. The Squadron presented Rose with a framed photo of Digby, a collage of photos of Digby's activities in the Squadron, assembled by PC Cec Ashley and a Squadron pennant.

Paddy and I joined a number of Squadron members on the dinner/theatre cruise to Chemainus. We enjoyed a great meal and show and heard members comment, "we must come back next year".

I picked up D/C Clifford Miller for the first night of the Seamanship class, attended the class and was pleased to see five of our members take another step in improving their boating competency.

Respectively submitted
Ian Waymark
Commander

Gabriola Island Power Squadron Communications, Privacy, Scuttlebutt Ed. Report to Bridge Nov 26, 2012

A brief report:

Scuttlebutt was published on schedule, next one due for circulation at the end of December. There was not sufficient room for all the articles and some will be included in the next one.

Nothing has transpired in Communications, but we will address the next season's course publicity in the near future.

Nothing in Privacy.

Respectfully submitted
Don Butt

Gabriola Island CPS membership Report - November 26, 2012

As of this date there are 120 Members.

Details of Membership Roster:

Regular:	76 Members
Family:	23 Members
Junior Regular:	1 Member
Regular Lifetime:	2 Members
Associate:	9 Members
Junior Associate:	9 Members

Elaine Pearce
Membership Officer
Gabriola Island Power & Sail Squadron

Past Commander's Report, Nov. 26, 2012

I attended Elly Hallam's Welcome Wagon at Robert's upstairs this month with about 15 new comers to the Island.

I handed out brochures and gave a little talk on what our Squadron is all about and what we do.

Cheers,
Cec

Social Officer Report, Nov. 26,2012

My report is all about the xmas social. I need volunteers to cook the 2 turkeys and the ham: 3 ovens to be precise, unless someone has a huge oven. Otherwise, things are coming together.

Cheers, W

Thanks for looking for cooks. I think that most of the details for the social are covered. I'll send at least one more email to the members. I do not have the 50/50 tickets, so unless someone else does, we will need to buy more.

I am hoping that there is new blood in the membership that wants to be social officer. Someone with color and different fonts in their emails and the ability to attend meetings. I like the increased activity of the squadron (brunches, seminars, clean-ups) and I think the bridge would be well served by a person with the time and fresh enthusiasm to be an ambassador for the squadron. I would be happy to help such a person transition into the position.

Sincerely, Walter

TRAINING 24 November 2012

BOATING ESSENTIALS is now finished with the lessons. We are doing a tutorial tomorrow for those who want an opportunity to discuss areas they are not comfortable with and otherwise we are doing a fourth cruise. The Betty Pearson review will be next Thursday and then the exam on December 8. We still have seven students whom we expect will all pass.

WEATHER Our hybrid WEATHER course is $\frac{3}{4}$ done with the fourth session next Monday. This course is the Bert Terhart version of Weather that is fun and interesting. The CPS course book Fundamentals of Weather is provided and those who wish may write the CPS exam. Five students enrolled and for those who missed it we will have it again next spring in March. Watch the website for the dates.

SEAMANSHIP has now had its second session with five students enrolled. This course in its previous life was named Piloting and has recently come on stream having been rewritten principally by Cliff Miller with help from PDC Sheila Boutcher and PDC Don Butt. For openers we had DC Cliff Miller come up and instruct the first lesson and he will be back on December 6 for his favourite part Relative Bearings. From no go to first lesson we got the course up and rolling in 14 days.

WORKSHOPS Our most recent workshop November 5 was RADIO REVIEW and that attracted two people. We had a full two hours of an interactive session. Perhaps the two who came did so having been noted as cruising without the radio on.

MORE WORKSHOPS Our next workshop is MEDICAL EMERGENCIES on December 3. This should be a very worthwhile event as we have an EMT doing the presentation. He has a 37 year background as an EMT having spent much of his time setting up ambulance stations in BC and instructing their staff and having instructed for the BC Justice Institute for ten years in Emergency Medical procedures. For active boaters this one should be a must. December 3 at 1900 hours, GabRec room at the school.

FULL SPEED AHEAD The Training Committee has recommended, and it is presumed that the Bridge will endorse, a program for the spring of 2013 – BOATING BASICS, Jan 9, BOATING ESSENTIALS Feb 6, RADIO Feb 5 and WEATHER Mar 5. For WORKSHOPS we have Emergencies at Sea Jan 7, Navigation Aids Feb 4 and Rope Splicing Mar 4.

Everything will happen at the GabRec room at the school unless stated otherwise. Keep an eye peeled on the website for new things and for any changes that might happen.

Ralph Hagen STO

Treasurer's Report

Bridge Meeting, November 26th, 2012

Balance October 31, 2012

\$ 3206.30

Income \$ 1169.00

Expenses \$ 620.28

\$ 548.72

Balance November 26, 2012

\$ 3755.02