

## **Officers' Reports for the Meeting of June 18, 2014**

### **COMMANDER'S REPORT**

Foremost is the fact that our Essentials class scored the highest aggregate mark in VIND with 95.7%. Apart from that and that Cheryl Bailey scored a perfect mark (again – also in Basics) they were a great class to work with.

I attended the VIND AGM on 31 May. The election of officers saw all the officers elected to another term save that Sue Loveless of Mt Brenton Squadron was elected treasurer to fill the vacancy left by the late Clifford Miller. The most informative aspect of the meeting was the address by past District Commander Don Griffin who outlined the proposals for changes in boating courses. The substantive change proposed is to Boating Essentials and it is anticipated that the resultant new course(s) would come on stream for 1 January 2016.

On 24 May, as The Squadron Commander at the invitation of Commodore Doug Cunnian, I attended the Silva Bay Yacht Club's sailpast.

On 7 June I attended at the Ladysmith Maritime Centre for the dedication of the Ladysmith District Search And Rescue Society's new vessel, the 'Community Spirit'. This is the endeavour that we were able to assist with nearly \$700. They operate the RCM SAR unit 29 search & rescue unit out of Ladysmith which is the prime callout for our main boating area. These people are highly trained volunteers that are available 24/7 to aid us when we need help.

On Saturday 14 June we had an enjoyable outing to Wakes Cove on Valdez Island. The weather was not superb but it did not rain ! A potluck lunch was shared on the dock and following all (including three dogs) explored the trails of the island.

We are ready and willing to provide short half day workshops and lectures on matters of interest to boaters. If there are topics of interest contact education Officer Bob Weenk to tell us what you would like to see.

Ralph Hagen

Commander

Gabriola Island Squadron

### **Education Officer's Report and 2014-15 Tentative Course Schedule**

To date your Commander and I have been discussing the following Course offerings for the 2014-15 Education Year. It is our intention to attempt to offer Seamanship in the fall, with a start date of September 24th and an exam on December 20, provided we can raise sufficient interest.

As well, there will be a ROC(M) course earlier in September (perhaps the 13th or the 20th), once again depending on the interest level.

In the new year, we intend to offer a Boating Course, consisting of Basics followed by Essentials, with students signing up for either one or both together. Following the exam concluding Boating, there will be another ROC(M), and perhaps one more later in the spring if the demand exists.

Note that the ROC(M) courses will all be one day affairs on Saturdays with an entry shut off date of one week before the Course date, to give entrants an opportunity to study the material and learn the Alphanumeric Code, and there will be minimum limit numbers for all courses. We are still working on costs, as there are some

materials costs we need to nail down, but the figures will be close to last year's.

Finally, it is our intention to offer the spring speaking series again, but to date we have had no more than preliminary discussions. If you have ideas, let me know.

At present, CPS seems committed to splitting Essentials into two courses commencing with the 2015-16 year. There is little enthusiasm for this in VIND or VISD and some squadrons are discussing other options.

I would be remiss if I didn't note here that the success of our courses is predicated on getting our message out. Li'l Gabe, the Banners, the Sandwich Boards and the Web Site are absolutely essential adjuncts to the educational program of the squadron. If we are going to be successful, the coordination of those elements is vital.

Bob Weenk  
Education Officer

## Appendix A

### Suggested spring series topics

Boating on the West Coast  
First Aid  
Dealing with Whisky Golf  
Search and Rescue

## Appendix B

### Suggested Course Minimums

Seamanship 4-6  
Basics 8  
Essentials 8  
ROC(M) 8 (as of one week prior to course date)

## **RVCC Programme**

A meeting was held last week with safety boat checker volunteers, ( Bob, Bill, Bob Wood, Ralph, Don, and Jude) to establish safety boat check schedules as last years meeting provided a wealth of information on checking procedures thanks to Bob Wood... We have set the date for June 21 to be a blitz day. Teams will be at Page's, Silva Bay (will cover Boatelle too) and Degnen Bay on June 21 from 9 am to 1 pm. The website has been updated to provide information to boaters, Silva Bay Yacht Club has been contacted and they have broadcasted to their membership, and past students of power squadron courses have been notified too as of this date. Posters have been provided to the marinas along with a check list of items to be on the boat and posters will be on Little Gabe. Additional forms and stickers have been ordered from Barry Ensign for this day. We have 3 boats successfully checked so far.

Jude Briscoe, RVCC Co-ordinator

## **Communications, Privacy, Scuttlebutt Ed.**

Scuttlebutt will be published again at the end of August; normally it is published 5 times a year, with updates via e-mails to members. I will be featuring a brief bio of new Bridge members in turn.

Communications Committee will meet some time soon in order to plan for attracting people for fall courses. We will need plans for fall training and beyond.

Because of a change in computer software I unwittingly exposed email addresses to a recent mailing to members. When I realized the error I asked that the addresses be erased from individual computers. I can't warrant this has been done. The issue has been corrected now.

Respectfully submitted  
Don Butt

### **Addendum**

The Committee had been charged with the task of recommending whether we should call "ourselves" Bridge, or Executive. Regretfully we had pressing obligations that day and I'd humbly suggest a group to look at our Squadron bylaws should address this. Meanwhile we should just call ourselves either Executive or Bridge and use the terms interchangeably till this is resolved.

## **Webmasters Report**

We added photos of the Squadron's recent activities, namely, our participation at the Gabriola Museum opening, the SBYC Sailpast, World Oceans Day, and the start of this year's RVCC programme. We also created a new RVCC page for the web site which provides information about the programme and about contacts.

Bob Derksen / Bill Kalbfleisch

## **Gabriola Island CPS Membership Report - June 18, 2014**

As of this date there are 75 members.

### Details of Membership Report

Regular	33 Members
Regular Family Head	11 Members
Regular Family Members	10 Members
Regular Junior	1 Member
Regular Lifetime	2 Members
Associate	8 Members
Associate Family Member	1 Member
Associate Jr. Family Head	1 Member
Associate Junior	8 Members

Elaine Pearce

Membership Officer

**CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS**  
**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS**

YEAR TO DATE: May 31, 2014

GABRIOLA	Squadron	VIND	District
		Current Year	Previous Year*
		\$	\$
<b>1.0 RECEIPTS</b> (Totals for year)			
1.1 Courses		20.00	5,846.00
1.2 Meetings & Events		0.00	685.93
1.3 Regalia		0.00	0.00
1.4 Interest		0.42	0.32
1.5 Dues or Contributions		102.00	414.00
1.6 Other		0.00	1,378.15
<b>1.0 TOTAL RECEIPTS for YEAR</b>		<b>122.42</b>	<b>8,324.40</b>
<b>2.0 DISBURSEMENTS</b> (Totals for year, including GST/HST and QST)			
2.1 Course Materials		260.00	2,986.97
2.2 Meetings & Events		136.50	2,052.89
2.3 Regalia		0.00	108.00
2.4 Newsletters		0.00	0.00
2.5 National Dues		0.00	0.00
2.6 District Contribution		0.00	0.00
2.7 Public Relations & Donations		60.48	562.70
2.8 Office, Postage & Stationery		40.94	303.14
2.9 Telephone & Communications		0.00	0.00
2.10 Training Aids & Equipment Purchases		0.00	0.00
2.11 Other		300.00	1,312.96
<b>2.0 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS for YEAR</b> (including GST/HST and QST)		<b>797.92</b>	<b>7,326.66</b>
<b>3.0 SURPLUS or (DEFICIT)</b> (subtract line 2.0 from 1.0)		<b>(675.50)</b>	<b>997.74</b>
<b>7.0 TOTAL TAXES PAID</b> (included in total disbursements)			
7.1 Total GST/HST paid		6.15	131.75
		6.15	131.75

SUBMITTED:

Treasurer :

Christine Purfield

**CANADIAN POWER & SAIL SQUADRONS**

**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

AS AT May 31, 2014

<b>GABRIOLA</b>	<b>Squadron</b>	<b>VIND</b>	<b>District</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>Current Year</b>	<b>Previous Year*</b>
		\$	\$
<b>A. CASH &amp; INVESTMENTS</b> (Totals from Journal columns)			
- on hand and in bank accounts (from 6.0)	<b>A.1</b>	2,629.65	3,965.20
- funds at HO (if any)	<b>A.2</b>	0.00	0.00
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<b>Total - Cash</b>	<b>A.</b>	<u>2,629.65</u>	<u>3,965.20</u>
<b>B. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b> (amounts owing to you)	<b>B.</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>C. INVENTORIES</b> (course materials)	<b>C.</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>D. TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b> (add A. + B. + C.)	<b>D.</b>	<u>2,629.65</u>	<u>3,965.20</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>E. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</b> (owed by you)			
- amounts owed by you, other than to HO	<b>E.1</b>	0.00	420.05
- account at HO (if any)	<b>E.2</b>	0.00	240.00
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<b>Total - Accounts payable</b>	<b>E.</b>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>660.05</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>			
<b>F. NET ASSETS</b> (subtract E. from D.)	<b>F.</b>	<u>2,629.65</u>	<u>3,305.15</u>
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<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>		<u>2,629.65</u>	<u>3,965.20</u>

Submitted:

Treasurer :

Christine Purfield