

**Gabriola Island Power and Sail Squadron  
Bridge Member Reports for the Executive Meeting  
September 20, 2018**

**Squadron Educational Officer**

Student enrollment to date for Fall courses is as follows:

- Boating 1: 2
- Boating 2 and Boating 3 - Intro to Cruising: 2
- Maritime Radio: 4

No workshops are planned for the fall term.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bert terHart

**Communications / Scuttlebutt / Privacy Officer**

**Scuttlebutt** was published early in September and featured a tribute to P/C Ralph.

**Communications** Committee Meeting, Aug 18, Don's house:

- Present – Mike, Elaine, George, Don, Bill K via FaceTime. Regrets – Bert
- Purpose of the meeting – to plan for publicity for fall courses
- Poster – Don prepared a draft. Decision for two posters, first for PCOC, second for Boating 2-3 when PCOC begins.
- A-Frames to be located in usual two places
- Upcoming Events in The Sounder – George will pursue for two notices
- Location of courses. Bert had indicated Rollo Center was booked on Wed now and Robert's Place upstairs was preferred for Wed nights. Mike will check with Robert's and if need be Rollo Center for space same time as Chess meets in the separate room, negotiate price if need be. Costs were a consideration so Mike will try to book Robert's Place Wednesdays at 7
- Cost for Boating 2-3 for couples, providing each with chart and homework book, otherwise shared at a discount.
- Feature benefits highlighting local resources, website and Scuttlebutt
- Working with Scouts Canada to educate safe boating. Don talked with Scouters at Concert-on-the-Green and they were enthusiastic about moving this forward. Advantage would be exposure.
- Notice for Social, October. Will depend on availability of Rollo Center and speakers. Topic proposed is Climate change. Bert has made suggestions, will ask to follow up.

**Privacy:** A member was emailed concerning a non-Squadron event from another member of the Squadron. The receiver of the email did not want to receive this and

lodged a formal complaint to me, Sept 19. I replied I would follow up on the complaint and report back. The recipient of the email indicated the only way the sender would know of his email address was through the Squadron database.

Members are reminded of our privacy policy, posted on our website under “About Us” in the section on “Use”:

*Gabriola Island Squadron will not use personal information for purposes other than those for which it was collected, except with the consent of the individual or as required by law.*

*When disclosing personal information, Gabriola Island Squadron will make reasonable efforts to ensure privacy of clients and members.*

The personal information we collect is intended to only include business related to CPS-ECP.

Respectfully submitted  
Don Butt

### **Public Relations Officer**

Public Relations activities for the summer primarily consisted of collaborating with Commander Mike Hoeinghaus to display L'il Gabe at various community events around the island including Oceans' Day, Concert on the Green and the Annual Salmon BBQ. As always, L'il Gabe's presence was well received and appreciated by children and parents alike. Additionally, we displayed our Sponsors' Board at the events.

After meeting with the Communications Committee in August, I arranged to place an ad and Events listing in the Sounder for 2 weeks to raise the profile of our fall boating courses in addition to Facebook postings on the local Community Page. Hopefully this will increase our registration numbers. I also contacted the Property Manager of Folklife Village – Rick Mitchell, to gain permission to park L'il Gabe on the corner of Lochinvar and North Road in advance of the September 12<sup>th</sup> Boating 1 start date.

I will be unable to attend the September Bridge Meeting as I will be in Calgary but wish everyone well as we settle in for fall.

Respectfully submitted,  
George Myette

### **Membership**

At our previous Bridge Meeting on May 17, 2018 we had 65 members. Since then one member passed away, three others dropped out, and three new people joined, leaving a

total of 64 members on this date.

Respectfully submitted,  
Elaine Pearce

**Member-at-Large: Recreational Vehicle Courtesy Checks (RVCC)**

Don Butt, Bob Derksen and I did 9 RVVC boat checks this year. I may try and squeeze one in before the end of September. If you or Bob D. have done any, please send the completed forms to Barry Ensign before the end of Sep.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bob Wood

**Webmaster**

I have added our fall 2018 courses to our website and the Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons' website and forwarded our course information to John Naylor, DXO-PMD for posting to the boatingcourses.ca website. Tributes to P/C Ralph Hagen were posted to our 2018 archives page.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Kalbfleisch